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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

The regular Session of the 91st General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks, and will our guests in the gallery please rise? Our prayer today will be given by the Reverend Margaret Grove, First United Methodist Church, Springfield, Illinois. Reverend Grove.

THE REVEREND MARGARET GROVE:

(Prayer by the Reverend Margaret Grove)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

The Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Radogno)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Reading of the Journal, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Journals of Tuesday, March 28th, and Wednesday, March 29th, 2000.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Mr. President, I move that the Journals just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Myers moves to approve the Journals just read. There being no objection, it is so ordered. Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the Journal of Tuesday, March 30th, in the year 2000, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journal.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Myers now moves to postpone the reading and approval

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of the Journal, pending arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objection, it is so ordered. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Klemm, Chair of the Committee on Executive, reports House Bills 2991 and 4404 Do Pass, as Amended.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Parker, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR PARKER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise for a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Please state your point.

SENATOR PARKER:

I -- I have with me today in the President's Gallery, we have Cindy and Carey Brunelli and their daughter, Morgan and Lindsay, are here also. And then, Linda and Charles Cardella, and Julie Cardella is here on the Floor with me, and Michelle and Kristin are up in the President's Gallery. And also, Joshua Altman, who is here on the Floor. And then Doug -- Bob and Debbie Altman from Wilmette. And I'd like them to rise, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Will our guests please rise and be recognized by the Senate? Welcome to Springfield. Senator Myers, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR MYERS:

Mr. President, a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Please state your point.

SENATOR MYERS:

I have with me Leah Woods from the Danville area. Her grandmother, Sonya Woods, is in the gallery to my right. Like -- please, if we could welcome them.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Would our guests please rise and be recognized by the Senate? Welcome to Springfield. Ladies and Gentlemen, if I could have your attention, please. On the bottom of page 20 is Secretary's Desk, Resolution. We'll go down the list of the resolution. On the bottom of page 20 is Senate Resolution 261. Senator Cronin. Senator Cronin on the Floor? Top of page 21 is Senate Resolution 273. Senator Cronin. Senate Resolution 314. Senator O'Malley. Senator O'Malley, you wish this resolution called? Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 314 is offered by Senator O'Malley. There were no committee or Floor amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Resolution No. 314 urges Governor Ryan to sign a Proclamation declaring April 5, 2000, as All-Illinois Academic Team Recognition Day and Community College Student Lobby Day. Appreciate your support for the resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

All right. Is there discussion? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

I'd like to ask the gentleman some questions, if I might.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Several of the questions that I -- I -- I asked in committee, and, of course, I -- I really don't quarrel with what -- what you're attempting to do here to promote a lobby day. I do have some questions as to the "community college students named by

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their college presidents as having achieved high academic standards and noteworthy community involvement". How do you define high academic standards and noteworthy community involvement? How -- what's the selection criteria for these presidents -- presidents to select these students to come here for a lobby day?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Senator Demuzio, the -- the students that are selected, as you know, are selected by the community college presidents of their respective community colleges here in the State of Illinois. And I can tell you that I -- I can't tell you specifically how individual presidents do it, but I can tell you that I have met these students and they represent outstanding young men and women -- young -- young men and women here in Illinois who have striven not only to achieve a high academic records, but have also been involved in their community. And I know some of them personally, over the years, and they are just outstanding people.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, it says that they're -- they're going to come here to advocate educational issues concerning community colleges. Do they have to advocate the same issues that are being articulated by their college presidents, or are they free to advocate their own particular viewpoints with respect to issues?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Most of them are great proponents and advocates for the First Amendment. So they're permitted to express their own views,

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Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

The -- there's going to be a ceremony on April the 5th of the year 2000. We really don't know what's going to be included in the ceremony or who the speakers are. I -- I assume you'll probably be one. But one of the other things that sort of concerns me on -- on this resolution, and I think everybody ought to listen to this one, it says "a suitable copy of this resolution be sent to Governor George Ryan" and that is because George Ryan is going to be asked to sign this Proclamation declaring April 5th, 2000, as the all -- All-Illinois Economic Day Team Recognition {sic} and Community College Student Day. Why don't you just write him a letter, or call him up on the phone, or go down and see him? I mean, it costs a lot of money to process one of these resolutions. Have you talked to the Governor, perhaps, about this, and what's his viewpoint about it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

I appreciate Senator Demuzio's remarks and I'd look forward to having him attend the -- the gathering in the Rotunda at 8:00 a.m. on April 5th, and would hope that he can give some extended remarks.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, it's sort of unusual to be invited a year ahead of time, but if I'm on the program, I probably will be able to show up. Thank you.

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Is there further discussion? Discussion? If not, Senator O'Malley moves the adoption of Senate Resolution 314. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. I -- I beg your pardon, Senator Peterson. Senate -- House Joint Resolution 40. Senator Peterson. Read the resolution, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Joint Resolution 40 is offered by Senator Peterson. The Committee on Executive adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Joint Resolution 40 calls for the great contributions of Illinois Presidents Abraham Lincoln, Ronald Reagan and Ulysses S. Grant to be commemorated by the State Treasurer in accordance with the Commemorative Medallions Act. In committee, an amendment was added to add the names of former Governor Adlai Stevenson, former Mayor Richard J. Daley, and former Mayor of Chicago Harold Washington. And I ask for your support of House Joint Resolution 40, as amended.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

I have a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Senator, what's going to happen once these medallions are struck? Are they going to be sold, and if so, how many are going to be sold and at what price?

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Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Senator, it's all done by private vendor; it's not done by the State. This just gives the authority to the State Treasurer to contract with a private vendor to strike the medallions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

So this will be like one of these Franklin Mint deals that you see in the Sunday newspaper: "Buy the six Illinoisans for a hundred dollars"?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

That's correct, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

What -- what percentage does the State get out of any contract? Is there a fixed percentage or a set dollar amount per sale? How does that work?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

The amount of any profit goes to -- not to the State, but to a non-for-profit that's designated by the -- by the Treasurer's Office.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

But what percentage of the sales price do we get? If it's -- if you get six medals for a hundred dollars, is there a set amount

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we get, or is that all subject to negotiation by the State Treasurer?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Subject to negotiation by the State Treasurer, that's correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there further discussion? Is there further discussion? If not, pursuant to Section 10 of Public Act 91-0071, thirty-six votes are required for the adoption of this resolution. Senator Peterson now moves the adoption of House Joint Resolution 40. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Joint Resolution 40 is adopted. All right. Ladies and Gentlemen, if you would give us your attention, please. We are going to go to House Bills 2nd Reading, bottom of page 12. House Bills 2nd Reading, bottom of page 12. House Bill 709. Senator Cronin. House Bill 840. Senator Myers. House Bill 1324. Senator Lauzen. Senator Lauzen. House Bill 1992. Senator Sullivan. House Bill 2109. Senator Watson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 2109.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Top of page 13. House Bill 2346. Senator Myers. House Bill 2884. Senator Burzynski. Senator Burzynski. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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House Bill 2884.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. House Bill -- I'm sorry. House Bill 2979. Senator Karpel. Senator Karpel? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 2979... Pardon me. House Bill 2979.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2997. Senator O'Malley. Senator O'Malley on the Floor? Senator O'Malley. House Bill 3073. Senator Demuzio. Senator Demuzio. Senator Demuzio. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 3073.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3082. Senator Bomke. Senator Bomke? House Bill 3093. Senator Robert Madigan. Senator Robert Madigan.

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Out of the record. House Bill 3114. Senator Dudycz. Senator Dudycz. House Bill -- I'm sorry. House Bill 3240. Senator Lauzen. Senator Lauzen. House Bill 3271. Senator Sullivan. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 3271.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3286. Senator Tom Walsh. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 3286.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3457. Senator Sullivan. Top of page 14. 3465. Senator Dudycz. Senator Dudycz. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 3465.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Read -- I'm sorry. 3rd Reading. House Bill 3588. Senator Karpel. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 3588.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3838. Senator O'Malley. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 3838.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

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3rd Reading. House Bill 3928. Senator Radogno. Senator Radogno. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 3928.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3929. Senator Molaro. Senator Molaro. House Bill 4020. Senator Peterson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 4020.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Revenue adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate {sic} Bill 4022. Senator Wendell Jones. House Bill 4030. Senator Rauschenberger. Senator Rauschenberger. House Bill 4045. Senator O'Malley. Senator O'Malley. House Bill 4116. Senator Cronin. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 4116.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4124. Senator Luechtefeld. Senator Luechtefeld? Okay. All right. Senate {sic} Bill 4176. Senator Tom Walsh. Senator Tom Walsh. All right. Senate {sic} Bill 4227. Senator Lauzen. Senate {sic} Bill 4228. Senator Klemm. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 4228.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Local Government adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

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3rd Reading. Top of page 15 is Senate {sic} Bill 4258.
Senator Karpel. Senator Karpel. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 4258.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill -- House -- House Bill 4260.
Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard? Okay. House Bill 4300.
Senator Luechtefeld. Senator Luechtefeld? House Bill 4396.
Senator Dillard. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 4396.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Public Health and
Welfare adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4431. Senator Rauschenberger. House
Bill 4698. Senator Molaro. Senator Jones, for what purpose do
you arise, sir?

SENATOR E. JONES:

Yeah. Thank you, Mr. President. A point of personal
privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Please state your point, sir.

SENATOR E. JONES:

Yeah. From time to time we stop in this Body to honor those
who have made -- who have made great achievements. And we --

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today we want to honor one who does celebrate a very, very young birthday. She's almost caught up with most of us in here and that's Anita Robinson. Today is her birthday, and I think she's -- she says she just turned twenty-two. The Assistant Doorkeeper {sic} (Sergeant-at-Arms).

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Anita, happy birthday. Happy birthday. Senator Jones.

SENATOR E. JONES:

Yes. And for those who like to enjoy in the treat, there is some cake over here. I think it's chocolate and white and brown and yellow. It's right over here.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Thank you, Senator. Ladies and Gentlemen, momentarily we will be going to House Bills 3rd Reading. We will be starting on the pot -- top of page 9. The first bill will be House Bill 3470 -- I'm sorry, House -- House Bill 3485, Senator Syverson. All right. Top of page 9 is House Bill 3485. Senator Syverson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 3485.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3485 makes some changes in the Abandoned Housing Rehabilitation Act. Don't know of any problems with that. Be happy to answer any questions; otherwise, ask for a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

All right. Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 3485 pass. Those in favor will

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vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 3485, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3548. Senator Parker. House Bill 3861. Senator Robert Madigan. Out of the record. House Bill 3881. Senator Sieben. Senator Sieben on the Floor? 3881. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 3881.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This legislation amends the Open Meetings Act by changing the emergency security procedures exemption to permit a meeting to be closed when a public body is considering security procedures and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, threatened, or reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, or public property. I know of no objection and ask for your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 3881 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, 1 Nay, no Members voting Present. House Bill 3881, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Bottom

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of page 9 is House Bill 3926. Senator Syverson. Read the bill,
Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 3926.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. On the -- House Bill 3926, this is the Home Repair Act that we passed last year. We're making one change in delaying the date in which certain types of insurance are required because of the availability.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 3926 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, 1 Member voting Present. House Bill 3926, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Top of page 10 is House Bill 4021. Senator Donahue. Senator Donahue. House Bill 4047. Senator Ronen. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 4047.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4047 relates to protecting senior citizens. Two years ago, the

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General Assembly passed legislation, under the leadership of Senator Parker, which allowed third parties to file a cause of action if they believed a senior were being abused or neglected. What this bill does is set up procedures and -- and specific regulations for filing those causes of actions. The cause of actions began in January of 1999, but there was no set system for filing them. This bill merely sets forth those procedures. I'd be happy to answer any questions and I would appreciate everybody's Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Beings our computers are not working and they're not bringing the pop-up up here, without any more knowledge of the bill than that but I look at the title and it says elder abuse, are you saying that you -- does this bill come out and state, then, that you are for abuse of the elderly?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Senator Jacobs, thank you for that question. As you will recall, I did have a birthday recently, so it's -- it's a group that I become closer and closer to joining, and I'm definitely opposed to elder abuse.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

So you are saying then, on this bill, you're probably going to have to vote Present or -- or not vote at all because you have a conflict of interest?

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Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

I expect to have a conflict of interest in the future, but not yet.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Well, it seems to me, you know, I mean, there are many of us in this Body that are much younger than you are, and I know that we would like to make sure that when we get to that age, that we don't have to worry about that elder abuse. Yeah. Thanks, Senator. But, you know, I -- I just think that somewhere along the line we just got to quit abusing these elderly people, and I think that you should introduce bills that work toward that end.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

Senator Ronen, how many bills have you passed?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

In this august Body? None so far.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

So I guess that means this is your first bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Yes, it is, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Parker.

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SENATOR PARKER:

Well, I'm delighted that you would choose one -- a topic that we had worked on together when you were in the House and I was in the Senate. And Senator Geo-Karis isn't here today and I know she would really like more of an explanation on the -- the -- the age that somebody can go into all these types of programs, 'cause certainly there aren't many here that -- that -- that fit that age. Can you explain that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

I'm not sure anybody in this Chamber would be eligible, but the age that we're defining as senior citizen is sixty years old.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Parker.

SENATOR RONEN:

I don't think it applies to anybody here.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

I guess nobody really would do that. Now, can you tell us how long you've really worked on this bill? I mean, being in the -- this is a complicated issue. Have you had hearings and everything?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Since -- as you say, this is my first bill. From the moment I got here, I've been working towards this end, and I -- I want to thank you for your help. And thank you for mentioning Senator Geo-Karis. I think because I have such a wonderful cosponsor with me had a little bit to do with getting it on this Floor today. So

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thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

I'd say good luck, but I really think this bill needs an awful lot of work. Senator Geo-Karis and I, we're very concerned.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates she will yield, Senator.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Senator, have you discussed this bill with your predecessor, Senator Berman?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Senator Berman and I are -- are in constant communication and he supports this effort vigorously.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Have -- have you toured some senior center facilities in your district with Senator Berman so you can get a firsthand look at this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Planning on doing that, actually. If this bill passes, we're going to spend our weekend doing that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

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Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

And is Senator Geo-Karis okay with you trying to pass this bill without her here? I think maybe it'd be a good idea to take this out of the record, since she can't be with us today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

I think actually this would raise her spirits significantly if we were to pass this bill because it's something that's very important to her and she was good enough to help me cosponsor it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

She indicates she will yield, Senator.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Well, you know, first of all, Senator Ronen, I was looking at the -- at the roll call vote from the House, and it indicated to me that the House passed this bill by a 114 to 0 margin. And I'm just curious, now that you've been in the Senate for a period of time, what you think about those 114, 116, '17 roll call votes now that you're in the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

I -- I think they're wonderful, actually.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

I -- you know, we've -- we've looked and we've learned that

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those -- those major roll calls like that just don't really mean anything, and, you know, as a Senate Member, you should recognize that as well, at this point. And, you know, perhaps you need to go back for remedial training, over to the -- to the House. In fact, that might be a good second bill to pass, remedial training for Senators that come over from the House. But -- but, anyway, I'm -- I'm also a little bit concerned because Senator Berman's name has been -- has been raised in debate here this morning, and -- and you said that you're in constant contact with Senator Berman. Now, that raises some questions in and of itself, that you're in constant contact with him. Would you like to clarify that? Is that -- is that through ESP or -- or, I mean, is that through something like that or -- or what?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Well, first of all, in relation to the -- to the -- the roll calls in the House, I've -- I've noticed that there have been quite a few roll calls in the Senate that have been of a similar nature - unanimous, that is. Is that -- is that something, is there -- is there a difference in a unanimous roll call here versus the House?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Senator, I want to point out, I'm the one asking the questions here. Don't -- we're not that different than the House. Don't forget that. Now -- now here's the other thing though. I -- you know, still, the -- the Senator Berman connection, I'm a little bit concerned about that. And, in addition to that, I'd like to know, did you vote for this bill in the House?

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Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

I -- I think you said it just passed the House last month, so, no, I was not there.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Well, I'd just like to point out that had you been a little bit more wise in time frame coming over, you might have been able to vote for this bill in both Chambers. But, anyway, the other thing is just -- really have some concerns about this, but it certainly appears that the bill is a worthy first bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates she will yield, Senator.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Does this bill change the persons who can seek these emergency orders, or is that legislation that we passed last year?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

That's exactly right. Legislation we passed two years ago set that standard. This just sets the procedures for how those orders will be filed. Thank you for that...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there further discussion? Senator Mitchell.

SENATOR MITCHELL:

Would the sponsor yield?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates she will yield, Senator.

SENATOR MITCHELL:

I -- I just have a quick question and I would like to know what the impact of this bill would be on the Shawneetown Port District.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

I'm told a negligible impact, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there further discussion? If not, Senator Ronen, to close.

SENATOR RONEN:

Thank you very much. This has been a wonderful experience. It's great to have a bill out, and I hope this is just the beginning of bills that I can be discussing on this Senate Floor. I urge you all to vote Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 4047 -- House Bill 4047 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 4047, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Congratulations, Senator. House Bill 4097. Senator Sullivan. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 4097.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sullivan.

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SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 4097 amends the Crime Victims Compensation Act. It is an initiative of Attorney General Jim Ryan. And it's -- it states that a victim under this Act will not include a person convicted of a felony until they are complete -- until they have completed their incarceration, parole, or discharged from mandatory supervised release program. And it also allows stepchildren of a victim who are under age eighteen to receive counseling benefit. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 4097 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 4097, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4280. Senator Robert Madigan. Senator Robert Madigan. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 4280.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Robert Madigan.

SENATOR R. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4280 is a cleanup to legislation that we passed last year dealing with reciprocity for out-of-state licensed CPAs to be able to do business in the State of Illinois. That legislation inadvertently left out a section that would require the -- an out-of-state

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licensed CPA to obtain a CPA certificate from the Board of Examiners, which was in the statute and needs to be in the statute, and makes a technical correction, as far as substituting the word "Department" for "Board". I would -- that's all House Bill 4280 does. Be happy to answer any questions on the legislation, but otherwise would ask for favorable consideration of House Bill 4280.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 4280 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 4280, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4369. Senator Parker. House Bill 4433. Senator O'Malley. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 4433.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 4433 amends the Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan Act concerning coverage for preexisting conditions. In particular, the proposal changes the preexisting condition exclusion. Under the proposal, only health conditions for which medical advice and/or treatment was sought or received during the six months -- six months immediately prior to the individual's enrollment in CHIP would be subject to the six-month preexisting condition

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exclusion. In addition, there was a Committee Amendment No. 1 that placed in the CHIP Act coverage provisions language that will require CHIP to cover breast reconstructive surgery after a mastectomy. Includes coverages for prostheses and treatment, et cetera. And the revisions -- the -- the initial revision under the legislation conforms CHIP to the model legislation issued by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners on insurable individuals. And these revisions assure that CHIP is in compliance with federal HIPAA requirements prior to the July 1, 2000, date for the State to apply for recertification. If there are any questions, I'd be pleased to answer them.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 4433 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 4433, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Middle of page 11 is House Bill 4447. Senator Rauschenberger. House Bill 4481. Senator Donahue. House Bill 4482. Pass over that one. All right. Top of page 12. House Bill 4582. Senator Weaver. Okay. House Bill 4583. Senator Weaver. House Bill 4584. Senator Weaver. House Bill 4593. Senator Petka. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 4593.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Petka.

SENATOR PETKA:

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Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4593 would create an offense that would -- a new section under the Criminal Code that will provide for a -- a Class 4 felony if there was an intentional destruction of evidence that in later times could prove to be evidence that might be favorable to the accused. This would involve situations where evidence is taken into custody and it has to be preserved over a period of time that is specified in the statute, being seven years for most felonies, twenty-five years for sexual assault, and life for purposes of murder. The bill came out of the Judiciary Committee without a dissenting vote. I urge its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Senator, just following up on our discussion in committee, it's the intention of this bill, is it not, to punish only conduct that would interfere with the chain of custody that would be intentional conduct, as opposed to any negligent or reckless conduct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Petka.

SENATOR PETKA:

Senator, thank you for asking that question. We are dealing here with the mental state that would be required for a person to be prosecuted under this section. It is an intentional act not a negligent act and not the other mental states that we have under the Criminal Code. So, for legislative intent, we are dealing only with intentional acts.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Petka, do you wish to close, sir?

SENATOR PETKA:

I have nothing further to say. Only urge its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

The question is, shall House Bill 4593 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 4593, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We will return to the middle of page 6. House Bills 3rd Reading. House Bill 390. Senator Rauschenberger. House Bill 589. Senator Robert Madigan. 589, Senator. ...of page 7 is House Bill 1597. Senator Radogno. House Bill 2067. Senator Cronin. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2067.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill was amended in committee, and the amendment became the bill. The bill now clarifies that the School Code explicitly state that school districts that have the power to apply for fifty percent federal reimbursement for health care services provided to students who qualify under the federal Medicaid program may do so. This is currently a power that school districts are afforded under federal law, a power currently being utilized by approximately nine hundred school districts. This passed out of the committee

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without a dissenting vote. I ask for your favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 2067 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 2067, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2110. Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard. House Bill 2130. Senator Rauschenberger. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2130.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 2130, as amended, makes a correction in the statute that I think legislators should and did support last year. I had precisely this same bill last Session when we were together. I think we passed it unanimously. What it says, in effect, is that when a municipal corporate authority decides to dissolve and absorb a fire protection district that was formed by referendum, that the people, the residents, of the fire protection district have the right by petition to request a referendum on the question. So, essentially, it's a protection for fire protection districts that are uncomfortable with being dissolved by the corporate authority, or the -- the city council, without a referendum. The alarm portion of the bill has been deleted. It

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passed in the Local Government Committee with unanimous support. I'd be happy to answer questions. Would urge favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Discussion? Senator Wendell Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Yes, Mr. Chairman, would the sponsor...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Senator Rauschenberger, I've had a call about this from some of my municipalities. I notice the Municipal League and the Northwest Municipal Conference are both opposed to this legislation. Is that -- is that the case currently?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you for that question, Senator Jones. As with some of the best legislation I've -- I've carried, the Illinois Municipal League and the Northwest Municipal Conference haven't been comfortable. This bill says that if a municipal authority, a corporate authority - a village board or a city council - wants to dissolve a fire protection district - okay? - that was formed by referendum, that the residents - the voters who vote for you and I - have the right by petition to force them to put that as a referenda question. If there is no objection and no petition, the municipal authority can dissolve this property tax district that was formed by referendum without a referendum. But if the voters request it, it forces a referendum question.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Wendell Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

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Would they have -- what -- what would be the percentage of signatures that would be required?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

One percent of the registered voters is required to put the -- the question on the ballot.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Wendell Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

If this -- if this were put on the ballot, wouldn't it still have to go to court after the referendum were held?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

No, it wouldn't.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Wendell Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Can you tell me, Senator, why the Municipal League and the Municipal Conference is against this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I -- I would never try to tell you exactly why they're against anything, except, generally, they would argue that this is a diminution, a reduction, of the municipal corporate authority, that they should be able to -- by a vote of the elected members of the village board or village council to be able to dissolve the fire protection district. Keep in mind, these fire protection districts are not coterminous. So, many times the municipal authority is making a decision for fifteen, twenty, twenty-five

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percent of the residents of the fire protection district who don't even vote for or live in the municipality. So, I think it's an important protection. When a fire protection district has been formed by referendum of the voters, that if the voters object, they should be involved in dissolving it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Karpiel.

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just stand in support of this bill. We've had a occasion in Senator Rauschenberger's district and mine - we both share a township - where this has been an issue, and I think this is a good way -- a good compromise and a good way to solve the -- solve the problem.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will sponsor yield for a couple questions?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Senator, I've been reading the -- the amendment and it doesn't use the word "dissolve"; it uses the word "disconnect". Can you explain the difference between those and the practical effect if we don't have your bill, what happens with a disconnect?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I would not presume to explain to a soon-to-be Supreme Court justice, I hope, exactly what it means, but I'll tell you, as a practical matter, what -- what I think it means. In -- in effect, what happens when a municipality contains ninety percent of the

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residents and perhaps sixty percent of the territory of a fire protection district and they -- they -- they do the disconnection, they take a proportional share of the debt and the assets, usually based on population, of the fire protection district. It forces the balance of that territory that don't live inside the corporate unit to contract with the municipality for fire protection or to form a much diminished-sized fire protection district and try, somehow, with volunteer coverage, to cover. So, thank you for the correction, though.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

One more question. Which voters, initially, would have, by referendum, created this connection or the -- the creation of the district? Would that have been the voters of the entire municipality plus those who live outside, or would it have been only those living outside, or how would that have -- what -- what are the preconditions to your bill kicking in, I guess is what I'm saying?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The -- the districts are formed by a vote of the residents who live inside the geographic boundaries of the fire protection district. The right to petition for the question would be also people -- one percent of the registered voters who live inside the geography of the fire protection district. But it would be up to a majority vote, then, of the fire protection district whether to permit it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

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And that would be the residents of the entire municipality plus?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

That's correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, you wish to close, sir?

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Just that this -- this is the kind of legislation -- up in our -- in -- particularly in northeastern Illinois, there's a lot of controversy, as municipalities would like to pick up the fire protection levy, which is a separate property tax levy, and when they do that, it becomes a general corporate levy of the municipality, no longer segregated and separated for fire protection. If -- if this is going to happen in areas, it needs to be by consensus, not by a seven-member municipal council making decisions without input. So, this is a fairly mild version. It simply allows back-door petitioning. I'd appreciate favorable support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

The question is, shall House Bill 2130 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, 1 Nay, 2 Members voting Present. House Bill 2130, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2261. Senator Klemm? Senator Klemm? House Bill 2379. Senator Cronin? House Bill 2855. Senator Donahue? House Bill 2870. Senator Dudycz. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

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House Bill 2870.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2870 amends the Vehicle Code providing that money in the Fire Fighters' Memorial Fund shall be used in maintaining the Fire Fighters' Memorial, for holding an annual commemoration, and for providing scholarships to children of fire fighters killed in the line of duty. You may recall that the Fire Fighters' Memorial was completed last year and dedicated this -- in -- last May and the Office of the State Fire -- Fire Marshal oversaw the construction of the Memorial, which is located here on the Capitol grounds. The Fire Fighter Memorial takes in about two hundred thousand dollars, and now that the Memorial is complete, the State Fire Marshal wants to use these funds to maintain the Memorial, to offset the costs of holding the annual memorial commemoration, and to provide scholarships to children of fire fighters killed in the line of duty. I know of no opposition. I would seek your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 2870 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 2870, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2888. Senator Noland. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2888.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill No. 2888 provides that prosecution for the crime of attempt to commit first degree murder may be commenced at any time, instead of the current seven-year statute of limitations. I'd appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 2888 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 2888, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2904. Senator Madigan. Senator Madigan? Bottom of page 7 is House Bill 2917. Senator Burzynski. Top of page 8 is House Bill 2940. Senator Cronin. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2940.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a bill that attempts to sort of clean up some of the provisions of the school certification -- recertification law that we passed last Session. You may recall that wonderful piece of legislation. This provision exempts all persons holding

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a special teaching certificate with a special ed endorsement from the provisions of the School Code, the applicable provisions, which set certification requirements for preschool ed programs. This bill does not include an amendment that was earlier proposed, rather controversial. That amendment was withdrawn, and there is a process underway to address the issues that were contained in the amendment. This bill passed out of the Education Committee without a dissenting vote. I ask for your favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 2940 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 2940, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2980. Senator Cronin. House Bill 3176. Senator Larry Walsh. Senator Walsh? Okay. House Bill -- House Bill 3180. Senator Roskam. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 3180.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 3180 amends the Code of Corrections to provide that the burden of proof and the burden of going forth with evidence rests with defendants in not guilty but -- by reason of insanity cases, as the process goes forth. In the interest of full disclosure,

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this is my first bill, and I'm going to use as my lifeline, Senator Ronen.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the -- oh, I'm sorry. Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield for a question or two?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator -- no, it's Roskam, isn't it? Senator Roskam, I just had a couple of questions or two. In your brief introduction of what this bill does, you used the term "insanity". Was that in reference to the House or was that just part of your -- in reference to your bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Well, Senator, I -- I don't want to incriminate myself, but I have described the Senate to my House colleagues as -- as "The Promised Land". So I'm just going to leave it at that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

I asked Senator Ronen earlier a little bit about what she thought about unanimous roll calls. What -- I see that your bill that came over, the bill that you're carrying right now, does not have a -- a unanimous roll call on it from the House. Are there any questions or any comments you'd like to relate relative to that?

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Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Well, I generally think that House unanimous roll calls are a distortion of a beautiful thing.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Yes. Anyway. But that tells me that this bill must have considerable merit or it would have come out 114 or 116 to zip. But, anyway, Senator, is it true that they call you "Crazy Legs Roskam"?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

I guess that depends on the definition of "legs".

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

And, Senator Roskam, are you aware that usually we don't pass first Member bills until you've performed well in the House-Senate softball game?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Senator, I didn't get that memo.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Just as a follow-up: I would encourage my colleagues to look very closely at this Senator's first piece of legislation and, also, as far as looking at his office location. Thank you.

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Further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator.

SENATOR HENDON:

Senator Roskam, I saw your legs yesterday in softball practice, and are you sure they don't call you "crazy legs" or "bowed-legs" or something?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

No, but I'm -- I'm willing to learn, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

I see this bill is dealing with insanity. Would -- would we be crazy to vote for it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Senator, you'd be crazy to vote No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Senator Roskam, Senator Ronen stated that she has been in constant contact with her predecessor over her legislation, Senator Berman. Have you been in constant contact with Senator

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Fawell over this legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Every time I drive through a tollbooth, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

And -- and is she in favor of this legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Well, if we can use the doctrine of implied consent, I would say that she's probably a spiritual cosponsor of this measure.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

I don't know if -- Senator Philip doesn't appear to be on the Floor, but is there -- is there a large problem with insanity in the Wheaton-Glen Ellyn area in DuPage County?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Well, there's a quiet amendment that's a part of this, and we're -- just been trying to -- to really get everybody to go to Park Ridge.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

You want -- you want to send the insane to Park Ridge?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

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SENATOR ROSKAM:

The criminally insane.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Then I think we may need to take this bill out of the record.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Senator, I apologize for interjecting a serious note into this discussion, but -- and I support your bill, but I -- I think it would be useful to the Members if you would explain the nature of the controversy and why this -- you feel and -- and the committee felt that it was not a -- a substantial burden to make this change and the difference between the petitions when the facility director agrees with the recommendation as opposed to when she or he do not agree with the recommendation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Senator Hawkinson, thanks for your question. Let me give a brief overview 'cause it -- it is -- it's a strange bill to have as a first bill, but it's a very serious matter. There was a -- it's a procedural change in the Code, but it -- it arises out of a very sad situation, and that is that there was a -- a defendant who was found not guilty by reason of insanity who murdered his wife with an ax and then calmly and deliberately dropped his baby, and let the baby drown, into a bathtub. This has come forth from

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the Cook County State's Attorney's Office. And the state of the law right now is that the State has the burden, in these hearings and so forth, to show that the defendant should stay locked up, and what we're doing is saying, no, that's not where the burden should lie; the burden should lie with the defendant in this case. And this is a unique part of the law that -- that is different, that the Legislature has spoken about in the past and said this is a time that's very unique and very special and the -- the defendant should bear the burden in this case. And all we're doing is saying let's carry this -- this all the way through.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the speaker yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

I apologize. I was the -- out of committee when this came up; otherwise, I would have asked it in committee. But I just wanted to find out, is this restricted to a particular set of -- of violations? I -- I -- this -- this arises out of a murder case, for example, where -- you know, I could see a concern about releasing a murderer on the streets after a relatively short period of time, but does this apply to all felonies or only particular felonies?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Senator, the bill is silent as -- as to any sort of triggering mechanism of the nature of the crime. It -- it -- the triggering mechanism is the not guilty by reason of insanity plea.

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Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

So -- so, conceivably, this could be a situation where -- let's say somebody was found not guilty for a -- a less serious offense but had been found not guilty by reason of insanity, they were in a facility of some sort and conceivably could never be released unless they proved, in fact, what? I -- what is it that they've got to prove? What's the burden that they're going to have to meet to get released, under this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

That they're no longer in -- in need of mental health services.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is -- Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

And -- and that would be by clear and convincing evidence, is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Roskam.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

That's right, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there further discussion? If not, Senator Roskam, you wish to close, sir?

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Please vote Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

The question is, shall House Bill 3180 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?

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Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, 1 Member voting Present. House Bill 3180, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Congratulations, Senator. House Bill 3225. Senator Dudycz. Read the bill, Madam Secretary. I'm sorry. Out of the record. Out of the record. House Bill 3254. Senator Cronin. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 3254.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 3254 provides that schools may excuse a student from performing/observing dissection and may allow the student to instead perform an alternative project. This bill passed out of Education Committee unanimously. Ask for your favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 3254 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, 2 Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 3254, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3312. Senator Dudycz. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 3312.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Rauschenberger. I'm sorry. Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCHZ:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. House Bill 3312 amends the Vehicle Code providing for the issuance of Vietnam Veterans license plates, World War II Veterans license plates and Organ Donor Awareness license plates. I know of no opposition and I would seek your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is -- is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 3312 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 3312, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3428. Senator Rauschenberger. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 3428.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 3428 is declarative of existing law. It clarifies that the frozen fair cash value means the value of the property prior to the commencement of rehabilitation work without consideration of any reduction reflecting value during the rehabilitation work. Also clarifies that improvements are not factored into the

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assessment during this period. States that this is declarative of existing law. It's a cleanup on how they handle the -- the assessment freezes for the -- for restored historical residences. I'd appreciate support of this important piece of legislation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 3428 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 3428, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3435. Senator Sieben. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 3435.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This legislation amends the School Code and changes when a school board may amend a certificate of tax levy to when a change in the assessed valuation resulting from application of the equalization multiplier causes school district's tax extension to be less than the maximum permissive rate allowed by law or the maximum tax rate allowed by voter-approved referendum. We did amend this in the Education Committee so it -- now it applies the same in taxed and non-taxed counties as well -- tax-capped counties as well.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 3435 pass. Those in favor will vote

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Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 50 Ayes, 6 Nays, no Members voting Present. House Bill 3435, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3455. Senator Sullivan. House Bill 3460. Senator Syverson. House Bill 3476. Senator Noland. Top of page 9 is House Bill 3478. Senator Dudycz. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 3478.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCH:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3478 amends the Gasoline Storage Act. It allows for dispensing of fuel from a tank truck directly into the fuel tanks of vehicles in four specific circumstances: first, agriculture sites for agricultural purposes; second, construction vehicles and equipment used at construction sites; third, commercial vehicle fleets at a site not normally accessible to the public; and four, police, fire and emergency medical service vehicles or other vehicles that are owned by State government, local government or school government. The -- the third provision is only applicable, by the way, to Cook County and counties contiguous to Cook County. The emergency vehicles, the agriculture vehicles and construction vehicles are already allowed to have direct fueling under the State Fire Marshal rules and this bill simply codifies into -- into law. It requires the State Fire Marshal to adopt rules. They will address safety concerns, such as standards for the -- for the tank truck operators, in these rules. Other states -- surrounding states

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allow for the direct fueling of commercial vehicle fleets, including Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri and Wisconsin. And this practice, Ladies and Gentlemen, is currently happening illegally in our State. We have fire trucks that are being filled on the aprons in front of the fire stations, and technically they are doing it illegally. What this will do is make that legal. This would -- this bill would regulate the practice of direct fueling and, hopefully, even increase safety compared to what is happening now.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

I have a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Senator Dudycz, the -- the trucks that are owned by a corporation are referred to as a fleet, I think, in the bill. Could the corporation also include just regular pickup trucks in that fleet that could be very easily driven to a local gas station and filled up at the station? Are they within the parameters of this bill, to be fueled on-site?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Are -- if you're talking about the construction vehicles that are being used on a construction site, yes, that would include the -- the other vehicles, such as the aggregate haulers and the pickup trucks. That's correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

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So just a Ford Ranger or a Chevy S10 could be fueled at the site under this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCH:

Yes, I guess it could if it were -- if it was part of the construction site and they were -- even if it was a foreman, for example, going back and forth, he could, but most of the equipment currently, the heavy-duty equipment, can be -- can be fueled on-site. This would include all -- all vehicles. Of course, we have to differentiate the difference between the -- the diesel fuel and the gasoline fuel. If there -- if most of the vehicles are diesel and they are fueling diesel on the site, it would be kind of -- it would be highly impractical for -- for two or three pickup trucks to have a -- a construction site have a specific truck just pull in just to fill those two or three vehicles.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further -- Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

If -- if the construction site is a highway, for instance, and we have flaggers out there, is this going to result in more tankers on the road that could possibly be involved with a -- with a situation where we have cars driving by and possibly result in more accidents?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCH:

Well, I don't know about the -- the tankers -- you know, causing more accidents, Senator Welch. We do have the -- the tankers that are allowed to be on the sites, whether they're on I-55 or on a off-site construction site, because they do have to come there and -- and fill those heavy-duty equipment machinery

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anyway.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator O'Daniel.

SENATOR O'DANIEL:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I rise in strong support of this legislation. I think pickups, whatever it is, if it's part of that job where they have 'em out there with the foremen in 'em and with oscillating lights and things, it's very important for them to have to leave the job and -- and go somewhere else or do something else and would incur additional cost. So I see nothing wrong with this, and I would support this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

A question for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

What are the safety -- what are the safety precautions that have been put in place so that there aren't terrible accidents from this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCH:

Well, there are -- there are various safety precautions already in place that have been put in place by the Fire Marshal's Office. We had included the Fire Marshal in the discussion of this language, and they have discussed -- or, they have expressed absolutely no opposition to it. All involved in the formation of this -- this bill have agreed to go to the Fire Marshal, have the Fire Marshal add whatever necessary safety measures should be included, before this practice is put into place.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there further discussion? If not, Senator Dudycz, do you wish to close, sir?

SENATOR DUDYCH:

I would appreciate your favorable support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

The question is, shall House Bill 3478 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 46 Ayes, 6 Nays, 1 Member voting Present. House Bill 3478, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Resolutions Consent Calendar, Mr. Secretary. We will now proceed to the Order of Resolutions Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, all those read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolution on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No objections have been filed, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The motion carries and the resolutions are adopted. Senator Karpziel, for what purpose do you rise, ma'am?

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. To announce a caucus immediately upon adjournment in Senator Philip's Office. We're hoping it will be a very short one, but we do want a caucus immediately upon adjournment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Republican Senate Caucus in Senator Philip's Office as soon as

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we adjourn. Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HARRY:

A Message from the House by Mr. Rossi, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Joint Resolution 57.

(Secretary reads HJR No. 57)

Adopted by the House, March 30th, 2000. The resolution is offered by Senator Weaver.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Weaver now moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of the immediate consideration and adoption of House Joint Resolution 57. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Weaver now has moved for the adoption of Senate Joint -- House Joint Resolution 57. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Mr. Secretary, have there been any motions filed?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Yes, Mr. President. Senator Halvorson and others have filed a motion with respect to House Bill 3036.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Mr. Secretary, the Chair requests that these motions be printed on the Calendar. So ordered. Is there any further business to come before the Senate? If not, pursuant to the adjournment resolution, Senator Sullivan moves that the Senate stand adjourned until the hour of noon, Tuesday, April 4th, 2000. Senate stands adjourned.

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