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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

The regular Session of the 93rd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the gallery please rise? The invocation today will be given by Dr. Richard Ahlgrim, Berean Baptist Church, of Springfield, Illinois. Dr. Ahlgrim.

DR. RICHARD AHLGRIM:

(Prayer by Dr. Richard Ahlgrim)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Link)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Reading and Approval of the Journal. Senator Woolard.

SENATOR WOOLARD:

Mr. President, I move that the reading and approval of the Journals of Tuesday, February 18th; Wednesday, February 19th; and Thursday, February 20th; and Wednesday, February 26th, in the year 2003, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journals.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you. Senator Woolard moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. Senator Clayborne, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

State your point, sir.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Behind me, I have NFL Hall of Famer, former St. Louis Cardinal/Dallas Cowboy tight end, the third tight end admitted to -- selected to the NFL Hall of Fame, Jackie Smith. I would like for the Senate to recognize Jackie Smith.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Congratulations and welcome to Springfield. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

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Senator Haine, Chairperson of the Committee on Local Government, reports Senate Bills -- Senate Bill 524 Do Pass and Senate Bills 106 and 157 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator del Valle, Committee on Education Chairperson, reports Senate Bills 70, 564 and 566 Do Pass and Senate Bill 368 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Shadid, Chairperson of the Committee on Transportation, reports Senate Bill 358 Do Pass and Senate Joint Resolution 3 Be Adopted.

Senator Cullerton, Chair -- Co-Chairperson, and Senator Dillard, Co-Chairperson, the Committee on Judiciary, reports Senate Bills 274, 329, 348, 387 and 474 Do Pass; and Senate Bill 244 Do Pass, as Amended; Senator -- Senate Resolutions 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 28 Be Adopted.

Senator Obama, Chairperson of the Committee on Health and Human Services, reports Senate Bills 40 and 277 Do Pass and Senate Bills 64, 76 and 110 Do Pass, as Amended.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Resolution 54, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

Senate Resolution 55, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

Senate Resolution 56, also offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 57, offered by Senator -- Righter and all Members.

They're all death resolutions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 338, offered by Senator Radogno.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

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Senate Resolution 58, offered by Senator Emil Jones and all Members.

It is a death resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Resolution Consent Calendar. We'll be standing at ease for just a couple minutes. The Rules Committee will be meeting momentarily and we'll just be standing at ease just for a couple minutes. Thank you. Senator Lightford, what -- for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. For the purpose of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

State your point.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you. I'd like to just announce, on behalf of Black History Month, the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus is also sharing brunch right now in the House Chamber's hallway. There's a soul food feast that I invite all of you to grab a plate in the hallway of the House Chambers. Please, grab a plate. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Lightford, what -- for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. Sorry for a second time, but I'd also like for you to know that we have beautiful scarves to also celebrate Black History Month that we will be passing out to all Members. Hope you like 'em.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Burzynski, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just for purposes of announcement. I'd like to recognize that Senator Sieben is not in Springfield this week. His mother passed away. And we'd just like to make the Body aware of that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

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Thank you very much, Senator. The -- thank you very much, Senator. The record will so reflect that. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senator Demuzio, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Executive Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 328 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1459; refer to Financial Institutions Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 24; refer to Judiciary Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 108, Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 240 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1793; refer to Licensed Activities Committee - Committee Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 78; and refer to Revenue Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 179.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Sullivan, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR J. SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

State your point.

SENATOR J. SULLIVAN:

Members of the Assembly, I, along with Senator Dave Sullivan and Representative Ed Sullivan, would like to invite the Members to the first, and hopefully annual, Sullivan Caucus St. Patrick's Day Celebration. It's going to be held on Tuesday, March the 18th, at Marley's Pub, from 5 until 8 p.m. You're all going to be receiving a notice -- a flyer in the -- in the -- through the mail. And we -- we hope to have refreshments and food and a good time, and we'd like to see everybody come, if at all possible. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Hendon, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Mr. President. I rise for -- to make a motion for immediate consideration of a death resolution, Senate Resolution 53, which deals with the

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tragic tragedy at E2 nightclub. If I could get suspension of the rules for immediate consideration of Senate Resolution 53.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Hendon moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediate consideration and adoption of Senate Resolution No. 53. Those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, say Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Hendon, to explain the resolution.

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a death resolution, so I'd like, if we could, to have control in the Chamber. Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Chamber. This resolution is joined not just by myself, but Senator Obama, Senator Hunter, Senator Lightford, President Jones, and all Members. As you know, we had a great tragedy in the City of Chicago where twenty-one young people lost their lives. There are several Members who would like to speak on the resolution. I would like -- if we could recognize Senator Barack Obama, whose district in which this tragedy occurred, who will speak on the resolution, and then other Senators, as -- as they wish. And I will come back and -- and close it, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I'm going to be brief. All of us, I think, were stunned and shocked by what occurred several weeks ago at the E2 nightclub. I think that the expressions of grief that have taken place not only in the City, not only in the State, but across the country, have been difficult to participate and observe. So many young people whose lives were lost senselessly. Many of them were from my district, but many of them were from districts throughout the City. Obviously, this resolution is a very small gesture relative to the extent of the pain that was caused, but I think that it is appropriate and necessary that we, as the Legislature, acknowledge the magnitude of this tragedy, that we provide a resolution to the families of the victims of this tragedy, letting them know that we, as a State, are concerned about what happened, that our heart goes

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out to them, that the loss of so many young lives should have been prevented and that we are paying enough attention to this matter that we'll make sure that these kinds of tragedies do not occur again. And so not only are my prayers, and I think, certainly, the Senate's prayers, with the families of the victims, I think that this is also an appropriate gesture and resolution for us to send a signal that we're going to be paying much closer attention to the circumstances in which these kinds of tragedies occur and can be prevented. So with that, I would urge the adoption of this resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you. Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

...you, Mr. President. I'd also like to just extend my most humble feeling of that it could have been me. Most of the time we hear a lot of negativity that comes from the press, but actually this was a group of mothers, a group of college students, a group of fathers and workers across my district. Some were quite young and I just -- just want to just emphasize the nineteen-year-old, because I'm sure there was a time when we all grabbed one of our siblings' identification and went to a nightclub to have a good time. And I believe that's exactly what this group of young people were looking to do and had no idea that it would be a time for them to go home, so... I have met with some of the family members. Memorials were held all across the City of Chicago and also at the Rock of Ages Church in my hometown of Maywood, where two of the individuals were members. And just -- I'm deeply touched. Never know the right things to say. But I just want all of you to know that it could have been any one of us or one of our children or grandchildren. So we just want to make sure that we send our deepest prayers and sympathies to the families. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'm -- I join my colleagues in -- in this resolution. I attended a wake last week in -- in my district, on the west side, and it was -- it was really quite profound. I walked in and -- just a beautiful, young, strapping

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kid who never should have been in a casket, and I -- I hope that no other family needs to go through that and I hope that we can act here in Springfield to help make sure that never happens. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I, too, join my colleagues in acknowledging this resolution. As -- Senator Lightford mentioned, you know, there's hardly words that you can say when -- when various situations occur like this, however I'm looking beyond this incident now and looking at the children that are left behind, you know, all -- all the siblings. And -- and right now a lot of love and a lot of attention is going to have to -- to be focused on the children, you know, in terms of -- of educational benefits, the support that they would need emotionally and the physical support and all the love. I do know that there is a fund that was set up to acknowledge the family members and to -- and to give them some financial support. So, I think that if any kind of donations can be -- can be given, then I'd appreciate any kind of support that anyone else can give. But I just think that prevention and public safety is -- is probably going to be something that's going to finally come out of this whole situation, you know, and -- and a whole lot of education, because it's unfortunate that this situation has occurred, but we will learn from it, as the incident in Connecticut, as well. But thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Meeks.

SENATOR MEEKS:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would be remiss if I didn't say something on behalf of the victims. I was on the scene on Monday morning a few hours after the incident occurred. I was able to go to the hospital and be with several of the family members, as well as to have to do one of the most -- one of the most difficult things there is to do in life, and that is to actually take family members into the morgue to identify their dead. Had an opportunity on Monday, I preached one of the funerals, and the memorial service that the City held that was

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sponsored by one of the radio stations was actually held at our church and our President, President Jones, was there, as well as the Governor, and our President represented this Body very well and spoke on behalf of all of us at the memorial service. And so I just wanted my voice to be added to the record. And that memorial that has been set up, we personally -- I was able to personally set that up at the Seaway Bank. And so if there are individuals who want to contribute, there are thirty-seven children left without mother or father, and so that fund will be set up -- it has been set up at the Seaway Bank. There's a post office box, and if anybody wanted to contribute, they could contribute to the children who are left behind.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you very much. Recognize Senator Hendon, to close.

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Mr. President. The kind words of all the Senators spoken here today are greatly appreciated by all the families. A large number of the victims were from my district. I went to more memorials and funerals than I care to ever remember. I want to read into the record the names of the twenty-one young people, our citizens, citizens of the State of Illinois, who lost their lives in this tragedy - and it was a tragedy. Before I read their names into the record, I want to say that we've heard a lot of the negative things about what happened there, people trampling on each other, but there were a lot of heroes there that night, a lot of heroes who helped people get out, a lot of heroes who showed people the door and helped pull out victims, a lot of heroes, like the pastors and elected officials who showed up on the scene and gave aid and comfort to the family, the firemen, the policemen. It's easy to dwell on the negative, but we need to think about the positives. We lost a lot of lives, but it could have been a lot worse. And as Senator Hunter said, I hope this gives us an opportunity to get something positive out of this. And some of you may say, "How can you get something positive out of such a tragedy?" Well, Channel 11 did a story on this. And it was -- it was a coldhearted story, in my opinion, but I was able to take some things out of it, and I said this at one of the memorials for two of the victims that I went to. Channel 11 pretty much said

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they were unemployed, they were high school dropouts, what were they doing out at a club at that time of night. That's cold. That's very cold. These were human beings. Yes, some of 'em were unemployed, so we need to make sure that we have more job opportunities throughout the community. Some of 'em were high school dropouts, so we need to make sure that there is better GED programs and opportunities to go back to school. We have to do outreach in this State. I have been pushing some time for Scared Straight programs because we can't get away from the violence that led to the tragedy - two young women fighting over nothing. We have to have conflict resolution programs in this State. We have to get 'em when they're -- when they're young before they hit eighteen and nineteen and... A fight led to another fight, which led to the mace, which led to the stampede and the tragedy. We need to deal with some of the underlying issues here. And let's remember these twenty-one people in a way where we have something good for these young people out here to do so their self-esteem will rise. We have to deal with black-on-black love. And it takes all of us in this Chamber - Republican, Democrat, downstate, northern Illinois, Chicago - we all have a responsibility as Senators, as people who know and love God, as people who every day before we start, we have a prayer from some denomination. Let's take that prayer and let's -- let's get something meaningful out of this for the following twenty-one people: Nita Anthony, Robert Brown, Demetrica Carwell, Bianca Ferguson, Kevin Gayden, Debra Gill, Danielle Greene, Chanta Jackson, Teresa Johnson-Gordon, David Jones, Charles Lard, LaTorya McGraw, Antonio Myers, Nicole Patterson, Nicole Rainey, DaShand Ray, Damien Riley, Charita Rhodes, Maurice Robinson, Eazay Rogers and Michael Wilson. Thank you. I move for the adoption of this resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Hendon moves for the adoption of Senate Resolution 53. All in favor will say Aye. Opposed will say Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

I have an announcement.

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State your point.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Mr. President, I have been here for quite some time, as you well know, and we have had some unusual and rare requests for announcements, but today one of our Members will be pleasantly surprised and certainly full of joy of this significant announcement and, of course, only those of us who have experienced this milestone can imagine the feeling at this moment. And so, Maggie Crotty, I would like for you to stand up and let you know that your son, Mark, and Angela Crotty want you to know that you're going to be a new grandmother. Thank you. Congratulations.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Crotty, congratulations. Committee Announcements. Senator Silverstein, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

For purpose of announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

State your announcement.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Just remind the Body that the Senate Executive Committee will meet at 1:30 in Room 212, and there'll be a pre-meeting in the back in the conference room.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Link, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR LINK:

For an announcement that Senate Revenue Committee will be meeting at 1 o'clock in Room 400.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you very much, sir. Senator Woolard, what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR WOOLARD:

For the purpose of an announcement. The State Government Committee will be meeting at 1 p.m. in A-1 in the Stratton Building.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you, sir. Senator Welch, purpose you rise, sir?

SENATOR WELCH:

The purposes of an announcement.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

State your announcement, sir.

SENATOR WELCH:

I would like to announce that the Appropriations II Committee will meet at 3:30 in Room 212 in this building. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Silverstein, what purpose you rise, sir?

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Just to correct the announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

State your point.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

It will be -- Senate Exec Committee will meet at 1 o'clock, not at 1:30. I apologize.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senate Exec will be back to the original hour of 1 o'clock. Senator Lightford, what reason do you -- what purpose do you rise, ma'am?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. On a point of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

State your announcement.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Tomorrow morning, Financial Institutions will meet in Room 400 at 9 a.m. Tomorrow morning, Financial Institutions will meet at 9 a.m. in Room 400.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you very much. Senator Carol Ronen, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RONEN:

For the purposes of an announcement. The long-awaited Labor Committee will meet today at 3:30.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you very much. Senator Munoz, what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR MUNOZ:

For the purpose of announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

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State your announcement.

SENATOR MUNOZ:

Licensed Activity will meet today at 3:45, instead of 3:30, at the Stratton, A-1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you very much. Senator Hendon, what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR HENDON:

Purpose of an announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

State your announcement.

SENATOR HENDON:

The Executive Appointments Committee will be meeting tomorrow morning at 8 a.m. in Room 212.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

That's tomorrow morning, Executive Appointments, 8 a.m. Following members of the media seek the -- leave to photograph or videotape the proceedings: The Chicago Tribune requests permission. Is there any objection? Hearing none, leave is granted. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Resolution 59, offered by Senator Demuzio, Senator Ronen and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 60, with similar sponsorship. And they are both death resolutions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Consent Calendar. The Senate will stand in recess to the call of the Chair, at which -- at which time the Senate will reconvene for the purpose of receiving reports and communications, the introduction of bills and other matters not - not - requiring Floor action. We anticipate reconvening today around 3 o'clock. No Floor action will be taken until the Senate reconvenes on Friday, tomorrow morning, February 28th, the -- the year 2003. The Senate stands in recess. We will announce tomorrow -- at 3 o'clock what time tomorrow.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

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Senate will be in order. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senator Link, Chairperson of the Committee on Revenue, reports Senate Bills 362, 416, 417, 496 and 505 Do Pass and Senate Bill 289 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Demuzio, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture and Conservation Committee - Senate Bills 1165, 1166, 1211, 1572, 1853 and 1854; refer to Appropriations I Committee - Senate Bills 644, 1264 through 1319, 1483, 1780, 1790, 1798, 1799, 1800, 1801, 1802, 1876, 1877, 1878 and 1879; refer to Appropriations II Committee - Senate Bills 1078, 1188, 1189, 1216 through 1263, 1593, 1772, 1792, 1794 and 1796; and re-refer to Rules - Senate Bill 590; refer to Education Committee - Senate Bills 1146, 1186, 1191, 1321, 1333, 1368, 1369, 1371, 1375, 1400, 1403, 1467 and 1998; refer to Environment and Energy Committee - Senate Bills 25, 1330, 1379, 1380, 1479, 1480, 1518, 1535, 1594 and 1797; refer to Executive Committee - Senate Bills 1148, 1170, 1171, 1201, 1322, 1385, 1415, 1416, 1449, 1477, 1478, 1510, 1520, 1525, 1541, 1586, 1592, 1754, 1789, 1803, 1865, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874 and 1875; refer to Financial Institutions Committee - Senate Bills 1172, 1193 and 1500; refer to Health and Human Services Committee - Senate Bills 1156, 1185, 1190, 1332, 1364, 1365, 1366, 1367, 1381, 1386, 1387, 1388, 1414, 1417, 1418, 1428, 1430, 1482, 1492, 1495, 1522, 1523, 1531, 1542, 1543, 1548, 1569, 1570, 1587, 1589, 1590, 1591, 1748, 1779, 1861, 1882 and 1889; refer to Insurance and Pensions Committee - Senate Bills 1151, 1152, 1157, 1207, 1208, 1213, 1346, 1358, 1359, 1377, 1389, 1432, 1444, 1476, 1484, 1509, 1511, 1513, 1774, 1776, 1777 and 1851; refer to Judiciary Committee - Senate Bills 1147, 1154, 1163, 1175, 1176, 1194, 1195, 1197, 1199, 1203, 1206, 1320, 1326, 1327, 1329, 1338, 1339, 1342, 1347, 1352, 1376, 1412, 1440, 1441, 1455, 1457, 1458, 1468, 1481, 1503, 1505, 1506, 1507, 1577, 1751, 1884 and 1885; refer to Labor and Commerce Committee - Senate Bills 1196, 1212, 1360, 1573, 1763, 1855, 1857 and 1999; refer to Licensed Activities Committee - Senate Bills 1155, 1438, 1544, 1545, 1571, 1749, 1762, 1770 and 1880; refer

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to Local Government Committee - Senate Bills 1164, 1167, 1204, 1205, 1210, 1337, 1345, 1353, 1370, 1382, 1384, 1407, 1409, 1546, 1576 and 1647; and re-refer to Rules - Senate Bills 1073 and 1117; refer to Revenue Committee - Senate Bills 1344, 1372, 1373, 1378, 1401, 1433, 1436, 1446, 1461, 1466, 1474, 1498, 1499, 1765, 1864, 1881 and 1883; refer to State Government Committee - Senate Bills 1200, 1335, 1336, 1363, 1402, 1504, 1530, 1757, 1758, 1759, 1778, 1784, 1829, 1859 and 2000; refer to Transportation Committee - Senate Bills 1149, 1361, 1362, 1397, 1408, 1434, 1435, 1453, 1491 -- pardon me, that was 1471, 1521, 1581, 1773, 1804 and 1848.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Madam Secretary, any further committee reports?

SECRETARY HAWKER:

No further reports, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Madam Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

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

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed a bill of the following title, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 16.

Passed the House, February 27, 2003.

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 11.

Adopted by the House, February 27, 2003.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Madam Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 354, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

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...instructed by the Secretary of the Senate that there'll be no further business coming before the Senate. Then pursuant to the adjournment resolution, the Senate will stand adjourned until the hour of 10:30 - let me repeat - 10:30 on Friday, February 28th, the year 2003. The Senate stands adjourned.