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PRESIDENT JONES:

The regular Session of the 95th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Reverend John Park, Korean United Methodist {sic} (Presbyterian) Church, Springfield.

THE REVEREND JOHN PARK:

(Prayer by the Reverend John Park)

PRESIDENT JONES:

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

SENATOR MALONEY:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Maloney)

PRESIDENT JONES:

Madam Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Journal of March 11th, 2008.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Hunter moves to approve the Journal just read by the Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Resolution 583, offered by Senator Link and all

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Members.

Senate Resolution 584, offered by Senator Forby and all Members.

Senate Resolution 585, offered by Senator Wilhelmi and all Members.

Senate Resolution 586, offered by Senator Sandoval and all Members.

Senate Resolution 587, offered by Senator DeLeo and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 588, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

They're all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Resolution Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

And Senate Resolution 589, offered by Senator Martinez.

And Senate Resolution 590, offered by Senator Collins.

They are substantive.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Hunter, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR HUNTER:

I rise, Mr. President, for point -- a point of personal interest.

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR HUNTER:

We have in the balcony today a group of -- of visitors, group of wonderful women who has been out in the community doing all kinds of good work for the people. I'd like to take this

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opportunity to introduce my sorority sister, the women of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Will our guests in the gallery please rise and be recognized by the Illinois Senate? Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senator Crotty, Chairperson of the Committee on Local Government, reports Senate Bills 2004, 2031, 2034, 2077, 2158, 2181, 2191, 2304, 2356, 2422, 2532, 2580, 2733, 2744 and 2747 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 2014, 2052, 2162 and 2214 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Garrett, Chairperson of the Committee on Public Health, reports Senate Bills 1965, 2012, 2155, 2252, 2303 and 2506 Do Pass; Senate Bills 2173, 2348 and 2444 Do Pass, as Amended; and Senate Joint Resolution 76 Be Adopted; and Senate Joint... And Senate -- and Senate Resolutions 546 and 565 Be Adopted.

Senator Jacobs, Chairperson of the Committee on Housing and Community Affairs, reports Senate Bill 2434 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Wilhelmi, Chairperson of the Committee on Judiciary-Criminal Law, reports Senate Bills 1881, 1972, 2047, 2053, 2102, 2137, 2159, 2194 {sic} (2294), 2295, 2305, 2340, 2355, 2365, 2382, 2426, 2429, 2476, 2494, 2509, 2577 and 2834 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 1975, 2051, 2198, 2254, 2275, 2354, 2452 and 2855 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Raoul, Chairperson of the Committee on -- Pensions and Investments, reports Senate Bills 1959, 1960, 2479, 2520 and 2526 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 1985, 2090, 2362 and 2558 Do

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Pass, as Amended.

Senator Lightford, Chairperson of the Committee on Human Services, reports Senate Bills 1933, 2112 and 2394 and 2877 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 1938, 2165, 2403 and 2879 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Clayborne, Chairperson of the Committee on Environment and Energy, reports Senate Bills 2017, 2079, 2083, 2166, 2369 and 2514 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 1926, 2025, 2095, 2105, 2110, 2157, 2163, 2313, 2567, 2639 and 2640 Do Pass, as Amended.

And Senator Sullivan, Chairperson of the Committee on Agriculture and Conservation, reports Senate Bills 1945, 2407, 2562, 2570 and 2750 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 2775, 2861 and 2906 Do Pass, as Amended.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Madam Secretary, Messages.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

I have a Message from the House by Mr. Mahoney, Clerk.

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

House Bill 4130.

We've received like Messages on House Bills 4190 and 4730. Passed the House, March 11th, 2008. Mark Mahoney, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Will all the members of the Rules Committee -- all the members of the Rules Committee kindly come and meet in the

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Anteroom. All the members of the Rules Committee. In the meantime, we'll stand at ease.

(SENATE STANDS AT EASE/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Garrett, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR GARRETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. For a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR GARRETT:

Thank you. I'd like to ask my colleagues to welcome members of the Hemophilia Foundation of Illinois. They are visiting us today to do legislative advocacy work. We also wish to thank them for their efforts in bringing to our attention in previous General Assemblies that March is Hemophilia Awareness Month. And last year, we reinstated the Hemophilia Advisory Review Board. Please join me in thanking our visitors for being here today and expressing our appreciation for all they do and all they do to inform us on these issues that are so important to us and to them. There they are.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Will our guests in the gallery please rise and be welcomed by the Senate. Senator Bomke, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR BOMKE:

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

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State your point.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Would like my colleagues to welcome here today Gary Reavis, who is job shadowing me. He's a young man from Lutheran High School. And he'll be going to the U.S. Army next year. Gary is next to me and I'd appreciate it if you would give him a warm welcome.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Our guest please rise and be welcomed by the Senate. Senator Viverito, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR VIVERITO:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR VIVERITO:

Mr. President, I'd like you to warm -- give a warm welcome to a fine man that's doing a great job out at Sugar Grove. Our good friend, Tony Speciale, on the Democratic side. Tony, stand up and take a bow.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Will our guest please rise and be welcomed by the Senate? Senator Rutherford, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR RUTHERFORD:

Mr. President, for a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR RUTHERFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like for the Illinois Senate to please welcome Mr. Lee Waldbeser. He is a junior at Prairie

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Central High School. He's a football player, a member of the FFA. He is seventeen years old, Mr. President. I assured him that both you and I at one time were seventeen years old. Ladies and Gentlemen, would you welcome Lee to the Illinois State Senate?

PRESIDENT JONES:

Will our guest please stand and be welcomed by the Illinois Senate? Senator Sullivan, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

I actually have two introductions. First of all, joining us today in the gallery is the Hancock County Youth Leadership group. I believe there's twenty-three high school students from a number of high schools in Hancock County. They are here visiting today and taking -- participating and -- and viewing what we're doing here in Springfield. They are under the leadership of Sheri Merry and also Kristen Huls and Deb Pflasterer. And I'd like everybody to welcome them here to Springfield.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Our guests please rise and be welcomed by the Senate.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

And my second introduction, Mr. President, I also have a young man here with me, Nick Scheirer. He's a graduate of the U of I at Champaign. He lives in Germantown Hills, Illinois, which is just outside of Peoria. He is a -- just -- he

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graduated recently from the U of I with a degree in history, which was what my degree was in. So I know he's destined for a great future. I'd like everybody to welcome him to Springfield today as well.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Guest please stand and be welcomed by the Illinois Senate. Senator Schoenberg, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I'd like to introduce my colleagues and everyone here in attendance to Olivia Weiss, who's my Page for today. Olivia is a freshman at Loyola Academy in Wilmette. She's a resident of Glenview, a graduate of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Elementary School. Her interests include volleyball, basketball, and she believes that politics is a way to help people. Please give her your warmest Senate welcome. Thank you.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Will our guest please rise and be welcomed by the Senate? Senator Noland, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR NOLAND:

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you. Thank you, Mr. President. Like to introduce to

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the Senate -- I have a young man here, Andrew Hochstadt. He's here with his family, his mother and father, Barbara and Adrian, who are up in the gallery. He -- they are from Roselle. He is at Roselle Middle School. He will be attending Lake Park High School. He enjoys social studies, plays volleyball, moves to the net with a fierce -- fierce spike. He intends one day to serve in this Body. Again, his name is Andrew Hochstadt. Listen to that name. You're going to hear more -- more from him in the future. As you can see, he's looking mighty dapper and would serve greatly in this -- in this -- in this Chamber. I ask you to give him a warm welcome.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Will our guest please stand and be welcomed by the Senate? Senator Kotowski, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

First of all, I'd like to thank you for finally calling on me, sir. I appreciate that. I'm -- I'm joined here today by Chris Flynn. Chris is a constituent. He's a freshman at Purdue. He's studying political science. The Senate President has -- has enlisted him to run against me real soon. He said once you've finished with your school, you can run against Dan, because he's really not happy with my performance right now. But Chris is a wonderful young man. He's joined here today by his family. Please stand up in the gallery. His mom and dad, Mike Flynn, Jodi Flynn and Patrick. Please give them a round of

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applause. They've raised a great young man. And please welcome Chris Flynn to Springfield and please say goodbye to me, because Chris is going to be taking over pretty soon. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT JONES:

All right. Will our guests rise and be welcomed by the Senate? Senator Risinger, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR RISINGER:

For a point of personal privilege and an announcement.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Yes. State your point.

SENATOR RISINGER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have with me today Sarah Marshall. She's shadowing me. She attend -- she's a senior at Lutheran High School here in -- in Springfield. She's going to attend Lincoln Land College next year and study nursing and political science. Will the Senate please give her a warm welcome?

PRESIDENT JONES:

Guest please rise and be welcomed by the Senate. Senator Pankau, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR PANKAU:

Thank you, Mr. President. For an inquiry of the Chair.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Yes.

SENATOR PANKAU:

This morning, I filed motions on Senate Bill 2464 and Senate Bill 2468. Could you tell me what the status of those motions are, please?

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PRESIDENT JONES:

While I was completely unaware that you filed, but know -- more than likely they'll be printed on the Calendar. And when we come to that order of business, we'll deal with it. Senator Risinger, once again.

SENATOR RISINGER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Like the record to show that Senator Lauzen will not be on the Floor today due to illness.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Record shall so reflect. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senator -- Senator Halvorson, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Education Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2013, Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2512, Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2328 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2412; refer to Executive Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1999, Committee Amendments 1 and 3 to Senate Bill 2400, Committee Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 2432 and Committee Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 2825; refer to Financial Institutions Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1879; refer to Insurance Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2201; refer to Judiciary-Civil Law Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2287; refer to Labor Committee - Committee Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 2397; refer to Revenue Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2099; and refer to State Government and Veterans

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Affairs Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2538 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Joint Resolution 21. Senator Debbie Halvorson, Chairman. March 12th, 2008.

PRESIDENT JONES:

We're going to the Calendar on the Order of 2nd Reading, on page 2 at the top of the Calendar. Senate Bill 1857. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 1857. Senate Bill 1878. Senator Martinez. Senate Bill 1887. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 1887.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1893. Senator... Senate Bill 1923. Senator Schoenberg. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 1923.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1925. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 1930. Senator Schoenberg. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 1930.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on State Government and Veterans Affairs reports Committee Amendments No. 1 and 2 adopted.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Have there been any Floor amendments filed?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1981. Senator Clayborne. Senate Bill 1984. Senator Frerichs. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 1984.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1987. Senator Trotter. Senate Bill 1993. Senator Lightford. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 1993.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1997. Senator DeLeo. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 1997.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2005. Senator Link. Senate Bill 2002. Senator Link. Senator Haine. ...look alike. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2002.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Insurance adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Has -- has there -- Floor -- has there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. ...Bill 2005. Senator Link. Senate Bill 2015. Senator Clayborne. At the top of page 3... Senator Clayborne, on -- on Senate Bill 2015. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2015.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. At the top of page 3, Senate Bill 2021. Senator Frerichs. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

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Senate Bill 2021.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2033. Senator Koehler. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2033.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Local Government adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDENT JONES:

...there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2042. Senator Bond. Senate Bill 2070. Senate -- Senator Jacobs. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2070.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2078. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

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SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2078.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2097. Senator Wilhelmi. Senate Bill 2120. Senator Pankau. Senate Bill 2129. Senator Wilhelmi. Senate Bill 2135. Senator Millner. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2135.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2142. Senator Murphy. Senate Bill... Senate Bill 2187. Senator Koehler. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2187.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2190. Senator Link. Senate Bill 2199. Senator Delgado. Senate Bill 2240. Senator Harmon. ...Secretary, read the bill.

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Senate Bill 2240.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senator Watson, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR WATSON:

Yes, thank you very much, Mr. President, and a point of personal privilege, if I might.

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR WATSON:

Thank you very much. In the gallery here on our side, I'd like to -- to welcome and to recognize the southwestern Illinois group that represents the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association. They're having a reception tonight at the Sangamo Club from 5:30 to 7:30. And you're certainly all welcome to that. But anyway, we'd like to have 'em recognized and welcomed here to the Senate.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Our guests in the gallery please rise and be welcomed by the Senate. Senate Bill 2250. Senator DeLeo. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2250.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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3rd Reading. WICS-TV Channel 20 seeks leave to videotape the proceedings. Is leave granted? Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Senate Bill 2288. Senator Meeks. Senate Bill 2297. Senator Clayborne. On page 4, at the top of the Calendar, Senate Bill 2298. Senator Jacobs. Senator Jacobs. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2298.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2300. Senator Sullivan. Senate Bill 2301. Senator Halvorson. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2301.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2321. Senator Trotter. Senate Bill 2332. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 2336. Oh! Let's return to the Order of Senate Bill 2332. Senator Schoenberg. Madam -- Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2332.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. It's very difficult to hear. Senate Bill 2236. Senator Terry Link. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2336.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2338. Senator Link. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2338.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2342. Senator Wilhelmi. Senate Bill 2349. Senator Wilhelmi. Senate Bill 2352. Senator Wilhelmi. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2352.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2353. Senator Frerichs. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

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Senate Bill 2353.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2366. Senator Righter. Senate Bill 2387. Senator Collins. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2387.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2396. Senator Cullerton. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2396.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2399. Senator Terry Link. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2399.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2401. Senator Holmes. Senate Bill 2404. Senator Iris Martinez. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2404.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2461. Senator Jacobs. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2461.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. At the top of page 5, Senate Bill 2473. Senator Hunter. Senator Hunter. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2473.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2474. Senator Hunter. ...Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

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Senate Bill 2474.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2486. Senator Dan Kotowski. Or you could have your replacement do it. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2486.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2487. Senator Forby. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2487.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2488. Senator Forby. Madam -- Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2488.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary-Criminal Law adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

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PRESIDENT JONES:

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2492. Senator Lightford. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2492.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2500. Senator Deanna Demuzio. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2500.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2505. Senator Dan Kotowski. Senate Bill 2513. Senator Link. Senator Link. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2513.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Financial

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Institutions adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for -- for consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senator Haine, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

...you -- thank you, Mr. President. I rise on a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would -- I would ask the Chamber, the Senate, to welcome students from the Advanced Government class of Marquette Catholic High School in Alton, Illinois, my alma mater. And a very bright, exceptionally able group of high school students - the Marquette Explorers, Ladies and Gentlemen, with Beth DeCoursey, their teacher.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Will our guests please rise and be welcomed by the Senate? Senate Bill 2529. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 2531. Senator Iris Martinez. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2531.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2536. Senator Garrett. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2536.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

The Committee on Local Government adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDENT JONES:

...been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2552. Senator Murphy. Senate Bill 2547. Senator Clayborne. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2547.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Environment and Energy reported -- adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2552. Senator Murphy. Senate Bill 2564. Senator DeLeo. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

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Senate Bill 2564.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on State Government and Veterans Affairs adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDENT JONES:

...been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2575. Senator Syverson. Senate Bill 2581. Senator Risinger. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 2581.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2595. Senator Trotter. Senator Lightford, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Mr. President, I seek leave to return Senate Bill 1993 to the Order of 2nd Reading.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Okay. Senator Lightford seeks leave to -- of this Body to return Senate Bill 1993 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, so ordered. The bill shall be placed on the Order of 2nd Reading, Senate Bill 1993. Senator -- Senator Silverstein, what purpose you rise?

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SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Purpose for an announcement.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Proceed.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

That the Senate Executive Committee will meet upon adjournment today in Room 212.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Harmon. Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The Senate Revenue Committee will meet immediately upon adjournment in Room 400.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Forby.

SENATOR FORBY:

Labor Committee will meet today at 2:30. 2:30, Labor -- Labor Committee.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Delgado.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just a -- a form of announcement. The Committee on Licensing {sic} Activities will meet in Room 409 at 2:30.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Education will meet in Room 212 at 2:30.

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PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Schoenberg.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Senate Appropriations II Committee will meet at 4 p.m. in Room 212.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Point of -- point of announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Proceed.

SENATOR HUNTER:

The Appropriations III Committee will meet tomorrow at 9 o'clock in Room 212.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. A point of announcement. The Financial Institutions Committee will meet tomorrow morning at 9 in Room 400.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Maloney.

SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Higher Education Committee will meet at 4 p.m. today in Room 409. Thank you.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Insurance Committee will

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meet this afternoon at 4 p.m. in Room 400. Thank you.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Haine, could you tell me where the "Coal Brothers" are? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. President. State Government and Veterans {sic} will meet immediately on adjournment -- after adjournment in Room 409.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Mr. President, in answer to your inquiry, the Coal Brothers are getting ready to repair the levees with whiskey and rye.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Garrett.

SENATOR GARRETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. It's hard to compete with this. I just have a mere announcement to make. That is, Public Health will be meeting tomorrow morning at 10:30 in Room 400.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Crotty.

SENATOR CROTTY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Local Government will be meeting tomorrow and the corrected time is 10:30 a.m. in Room 409. And Housing and Community Affairs will meet at 11, also in the same meeting room, 409.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

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Mr. President, I rise for the purposes of a reminder announcement. The Judiciary -- Civil Judiciary Committee has recessed till tomorrow morning at 8 a.m. in Room 212. So I want to remind all the members of the Judiciary Committee to be there bright and early at 8 a.m. And any sponsors that have bills up, please come at 8 a.m. to Room 212.

PRESIDENT JONES:

There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate -- the Senate stands adjourned till the hour of 11:30, Thursday, March 13th. The Senate stands adjourned.