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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The regular Session of the 96th 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 Pastor Shaun Lewis from the Capitol Commission in Springfield, Illinois. Pastor.

PASTOR SHAUN LEWIS:

(Prayer by Pastor Shaun Lewis)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Maloney, to lead us in the Pledge.

SENATOR MALONEY:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Maloney)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Madam Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journals.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Journals of Thursday, March 4th, and Monday, March 8th, 2010.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. President, I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journals just read by the Secretary, pending arrival of the -- of the printed transcript.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journals, pending arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. WICS-TV seeks leave to videotape and audiotape the proceedings today. Seeing no

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objection, leave is granted. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Resolution 703, offered by Senator Collins and all Members.

Senate Resolution 704, offered by Senator Harmon and all Members.

Senate Resolution 705, offered by Senator Dillard and all Members.

They are death resolutions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. Madam Secretary,
Introduction of Senate Bills.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3844, offered by Senator Delgado.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Madam Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ROCK:

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 4700.

We have received like Messages on House Bills 4756, 4796, 4820, 4854, 4866, 4868, 4873, 4945, 5006, 5054, 5161, 5204, 5223, 5234, 5262, 5283 and 5285.

All passed the House, March 4th, 2010. Mark Mahoney, Clerk of

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the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Madam Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ROCK:

House Bill 4756, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4854, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4866, offered by Senator Sullivan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4945, offered by Senator Wilhelmi.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5223, offered by Senator Forby.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of these House bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. The members of the Committee on Assignments will please report to the President's Anteroom immediately. The Senate will stand at ease.

(SENATE STANDS AT EASE/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The Senate will come to order. For purposes of the Members' information, we are still awaiting some members for the Committee on Assignments and we will recess momentarily to deal with the Committee on Assignments. In the meantime, we will turn to Senate Bills 2nd Reading. Ladies and Gentlemen, on your

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printed Calendars on page 4, on the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading, starting near the top of the page at Senate Bill 2638. Senator Bomke. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2638.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2647. Senator Koehler. Senator Koehler, do you wish to have your bill read? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2647.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we're going to turn ahead on our Calendars, skipping over a long list of -- of bills, to page 10, near the top of the page. Senate Bill 2793. Senator Jacobs. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2793.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2794. Senator Forby. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2794.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2795. Senator Althoff. Senate Bill 2797. Senator Martinez. Senate Bill 2798. Senator Bond. Senate Bill 2802. Senator Lightford. Senate Bill 2805. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2805.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we'll skip down to Senate Bill 2813. Senator Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read

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the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2813.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2814. Senator Lightford. Senate Bill 2817. Senator Jacobs. Senate Bill 2818. Senator Haine. Senate Bill 2819. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2819.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2820. Senator Althoff. Senate Bill 2824. Senator Althoff. With leave of the Body, we will skip over the next several pages of Senator Radogno's bills. Picking up on page 16 of your printed Calendar, Senate Bill 2925. Senator Frerichs. Senate Bill 2927. Senator Sandoval. Senate Bill 2931. Senator Righter. With leave of the Body, we will -- return to Senate Bill 2934. Senate Bill 2950. Senator

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Silverstein. Senate Bill 2951. Senator Silverstein. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2951.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2959. Senator Luechtefeld. The top of page 17. Senate Bill 2965. Senator Noland. Senate Bill 2969. Senator Althoff. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2969.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2970. Senator Emil Jones. Senate Bill 2980. Senator Maloney. Senate Bill 2981. Senator Radogno. Senate Bill 2983. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2983.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2985. Senator Martinez. Senate Bill 2986. Senator Sandoval. Senate Bill 2987. Senator Millner. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2987.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments reported, Mr. Secretary? I didn't hear you. I'm sorry.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2988. Senator Pankau. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2988.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2993. Senator Sullivan. I'm sorry, with leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bill 2992, I skipped over inadvertently. Senator Pankau. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2992.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Continuing on that order of business, Senate Bill 2993. Senator Sullivan. Senate Bill 2994. Senator Sullivan. Senate Bill 2995. Senator Sullivan. Senate Bill 3000. Senator Garrett. Senate Bill 3004. Senator Garrett. Senate Bill 3010. Senator Crotty. Turning, on your printed Calendars, to the top of page 18. Senate Bill 3011. Senator Crotty. Senate Bill 3012. Senator Crotty. Senate Bill 3016. Senator Bomke. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3016.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senator -- Senate Bill 3018. Senator Crotty. Senate Bill 3022. Senator Jacobs. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3022.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3023. Senator Bomke. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3023.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3024. Senator Murphy. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3024.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3025. Senator Wilhelmi. Senate Bill 3028. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3028.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3029. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3029.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3030. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3030.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3034. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3034.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3035. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3035.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3037. Senator Hunter. Senator Hunter, do you wish your bill to be called? Senator Hunter, do you wish the bill to be read? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3037.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3039. Senator Hunter. Do you wish your bill to be read? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3039.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3041. Senator Forby. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3041.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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3rd Reading. Now at the top of page 19 on your printed Calendars. With leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bill 3043. Senate Bill 3044. Senator Muñoz. Senate Bill 3047. Senator Koehler. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3047.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bills 3054, 3057 and 3060. Senate Bill 3061. Senator Althoff. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3061.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3064. Senator Trotter. Senate Bill 3068. Senator Collins. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3068.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3070. Senator Althoff. Mr.

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Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3070.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3084. Senator Martinez. Senate Bill 3085. Senator Raoul. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3085.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3086. Senator Raoul. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3086.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3087. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3087.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3088. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3088.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3089. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3089.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3090. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3090.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3091. Senator Althoff. Senate Bill 3093. Senator Sullivan. Senate Bill 3094. Senator Lightford. Senate Bill 3095. Senator Noland. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3095.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3096. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3096.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3097. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3097.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we're going to skip over the next several bills on page 20 of your Calendar, picking up our -- on the order of Senate Bill 3106. Senator DeLeo. Senate Bill 3117. Senator Garrett. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3117.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3119. Senator Althoff. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3119.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3128. Senator Bomke. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3128.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3129. Senator Righter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3129.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. We're now on page 21 of your printed Calendar. With leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bills {sic} 3130 through Senate Bill 3134. Senate -- Bill 3136. Senator Frerichs. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3136.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bill 3139. Senate Bill 3143. Senator Lightford. Senate Bill 3146. Senator Syverson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3146.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3147. Senator Clayborne. Senate Bill 3148. Senator Maloney. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3148.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill -- 3151. Senator Link. Senate Bill 3152. Senator Link. With leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bills 3156, 3158 and 3162. 3169. Senator Steans. We're now on the top of page 22 of your printed Calendar. Senate Bill 3172. Senator Link. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3172.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3173. Senator Link. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3173.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3174. Senator Link. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3174.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3176. Senator Millner. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3176.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3180. Senator Wilhelmi. Senate Bill 3183. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3183.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3188. Senator Jacobs. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3188.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3193. Senator Delgado. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3193.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3198. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3198.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3199. Senator DeLeo. Senate Bill 3206. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 3211. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 3214. Senator Wilhelmi. Senate Bill 3215. Senator Trotter. Senate Bill 3222. Senator Sandoval. Senate Bill 3231. Senator Sandoval. Senate Bill 3249. Senator Sandoval. Senate Bill 3251. Senator Sandoval. Senate Bill 3264. Senator Forby. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3264.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3265. Senator Viverito. Senate Bill 3266. Senator Lightford. Senate Bill 3267. Senator Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3267.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3268. Senator Emil Jones.

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Senate Bill 3269. Senator Hutchinson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3269.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3272. Senator Maloney. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3272.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3272. Senator -- excuse me, Senate Bill 3273. Senator Althoff. Senate Bill 3281. Senator Burzynski. Senate Bill 3282. Senator Risinger. I -- I apologize, Senator Burzynski. I couldn't see you there. Let's return to Senate Bill 3281. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3281.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3282. Senator Risinger. Senate Bill 3286. Senator Link. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3286.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3287. Senator Link. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3287.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3288. Senator Link. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3288.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3289. Mr. Secretary, please read

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the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3289.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3290. Senator Sullivan. Senate Bill 3291. Senator Koehler. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3291.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we are going to move forward on your printed Calendars to the bottom of page 30 - the bottom of page 30, still on the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading. Senate Bill 3629. Senator Sullivan. I apologize, Senate Bill 3622. Senator Frerichs. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3622.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I believe we have our paperwork in order. I think members of the Committee on Assignments -- present. The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. If the members of the Committee on Assignments will please report to the President's Anteroom immediately. The Senate will stand at ease.

(SENATE STANDS AT EASE)

PRESIDENT CULLERTON:

President Cullerton in the Chair.

(SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The Senate will please come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on

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Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to the Agriculture and Conservation Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 918, Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 2580, Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 3060, and House Joint Resolutions 57, 105 and 107 {sic} (SJR105 and SJR107); refer to the Commerce Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3657 and Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 3659 and Senate Resolution 681; refer to the Consumer Protection Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3097; refer to the Criminal Law Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill -- excuse me, 2578, Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 2824, Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3029, Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3030, Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3085, Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3513, Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3540, and Senate Resolutions 633 and 652; refer to the Education Committee - Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 3515; refer to the Elections Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2638; refer to the Energy Committee - Committee Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 3627 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3686; refer to the Executive Committee - Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 85, Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendments {sic} 86, Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 90, Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 91, Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 92, Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 94, Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 95, Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 97, Senate Joint Resolution

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Constitutional Amendment 99, Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 100 and Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 102; refer to the Financial Institutions Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2480 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2510; refer to the Insurance Committee - Committee Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 3239; refer to the Judiciary Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill -- 333 and Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 103; refer to the Labor Committee - Senate Resolution 643; refer to the Local Government Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 575; refer to the Public Health Committee - Floor Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 2627, Senate Resolutions 576, 577, 625, 635, 642, Senate Joint Resolution 89, and House Joint Resolution 56; refer to the Public Health Subcommittee on Nursing Home Care - Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 685; refer to the Redistricting Committee - Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 96 and Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 104; refer to the State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3708 and Senate Resolution 651; refer to the Transportation Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3716; and Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Resolution 659, Senate Bill 370, Senate Bill 381, Senate Bill 422, Senate Bill 615, Senate Bill 620 and Senate Bill 678.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Supplemental Calendar No. 1 has been distributed to your desks. Turning to that order of business, on the Order of Secretary's Desk,

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Resolutions, is Senate Resolution 659. Senator Sullivan, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's resolution.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Resolution 659, offered by Senator Sullivan.
No committee or Floor amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Sullivan, to explain your resolution.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. The resolution recognizes 4-H Day at the Illinois State Capitol. And I'm not going to read the entire resolution, but I would -- would like to highlight a couple of points in the -- in the resolution, because it talks about some of the benefits of 4-H and -- and the good that it does for youth here in Illinois. 4-H is the largest... Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, if you could please give your attention to Senator Sullivan as he presents this important resolution.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. 4-H is the largest youth organization in the State of Illinois, with nearly three hundred thousand Illinois youth participating. 4-H is part of the University of Illinois Extension and is available to all youth in every county in the State of Illinois. There are more than twenty-four thousand adults who volunteer with 4-H across the State. Research has - and this is an important point to me; I think something that we all need to keep in mind - research has

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shown that 4-H members do better in school, are more likely to see themselves going to college, are less likely to engage in risky behaviors, and contribute more to their communities. Where -- at the end of the resolution, it says - and I'll read here verbatim - "Resolved, by the Senate of the 96th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that Tuesday, March 9th, 2010 is 4-H Day at the Illinois State Capitol, saluting the rich traditions of Illinois 4-H, the outstanding accomplishments of Illinois 4-H members and leaders..." And just on a personal note, Mr. President, Members of the Senate, my -- my wife and -- and -- and I have four children and they have all been active and participated in 4-H over the years. My wife is even a 4-H leader. And I -- the thing I like about 4-H is, regardless of where you are in the State of Illinois, regardless of what resources that you have available to you, whether you -- there are opportunities for you in 4-H. If you have, as my children, and my sons especially, did -- if you live on a farm and you have -- you want to show livestock, you can do that. But if you live in the city and most 4-H members in this day and age do not live on the farm, they live in the city, and there are other opportunities for them, whether it be public speaking, whether it be horticulture, whether it be cooking, whether it be a multitude -- robotics. And if you're down in the Rotunda, I hope you go down there today and see some of the displays down there. There are tremendous opportunities for our young people. And, Mr. President, if I may as well, up in the gallery, on both sides of the Chamber, we have Illinois 4-H youth from all over the State of Illinois. And I -- it is wonderful that they are here today. We -- we -- I got to speak to 'em down in the

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Rotunda, but I'd also like, Mr. President, if we could, to recognize those individuals.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Under the circumstances, that seems in order, Senator. If the guests in the gallery would please rise and be welcomed to the Illinois State Senate. Is there any discussion of the Senator's motion? Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

Would the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The sponsor indicates that he will yield, Senator.

SENATOR HAINE:

These fine young men and women came into my office this morning, Senator Sullivan, and I have not seen in a long time such great, young Americans. I want to congratulate them and you. But I do have a question for you and I forgot to ask it this morning. Tell me what the four Hs are, would you, please? I'm a city boy.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Is it okay if I use my cheat sheet? And, Senator Haine, thank you for that question. The -- actually down in the Rotunda I had the -- the -- all the young people down there repeat over and over and over again, and I can't do it here in the Chamber because that would not be proper, but the four Hs stand for head, heart, hands and health.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question

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is, shall Senate Resolution 659 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Resolution 659, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Senator Millner, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MILLNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I -- I wish to table Senate Bill 3670.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Millner seeks leave of the Senate to table Senate Bill 3670. Is there any objection? Seeing no objection, leave is granted, and the bill will be tabled. President Cullerton, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CULLERTON:

For the purpose of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your announcement, Senator.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I think it's appropriate at this time that we have finished the certification for the primary that we point out that, as an institution, the Senate, I think, has done a -- a remarkable job in providing candidates for other offices, whether it be statewide offices or -- or local offices. And I just wanted to point out the fact that a number of Senators - I think -- believe nine Senators - ran in the primary. We had some that

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won and some that lost. I -- Senators -- on our side of the aisle, Senators Link and -- and Hendon ran for statewide office; Senator Pankau and Murphy and Dillard ran, and were unsuccessful. But we -- we think and we know that they did -- all of them did an excellent job in -- in representing the Senate as Senators. Senator Rutherford, Cronin and Hultgren were successful. I congratulate you. And certainly I want to congratulate Senator Brady as well. You know, it's the -- we did a little research on this and it's the first time that a sitting Member of the General Assembly is running for Governor since 1904. And I just wanted to let Senator Brady know that -- given the fact that he's in the General Assembly and he's running for Governor, that if there's anything we can do procedurally with regard to our schedule or his committee assignments, I wanted to offer that so that there's no inconvenience with regard to his -- his -- his campaigning for Governor. But with this honor, of course, also comes some responsibilities. And I just wanted to clarify that we had scheduled -- had scheduled, before the primary, Appropriation Committee hearings on proposed budget, and this is not a press release, but rather legislation that we are debating. And I just want to make sure that -- that -- that he knows that we are not playing politics with the State's budget woes by introducing pieces of legislation. He has, as I said, the first time in a hundred and six years, the opportunity to introduce legislation as a sitting Member of the General Assembly for a budget year that he intends to be the Governor. And that's a unique opportunity and we want to make sure that he understands that we're being very serious and not playing politics. Once again,

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I want to congratulate all of those who were victorious, congratulate all those who were not, because of the fine job that they did, and look forward to being as accommodating as we can to the schedule for those people who are campaigning. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator Cullerton. Senator Murphy, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

I -- a question of the -- the previous speaker.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator, do you have a question about President Cullerton's announcement?

SENATOR MURPHY:

I do. We can call it an inquiry of the Chair if you're more comfortable with that, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

I think an inquiry of the Chair may be in order.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Well, you know, I personally, as a candidate who was referenced, appreciate the gracious remarks from President Cullerton. I think a lot of us on both sides of the aisle did work very hard this year to try and put our stamp on the State. And we all know we're sitting here in the midst of a very difficult budget situation, and those of us on the Appropriations Committee have been looking at Senator Trotter's ten-percent across-the-board amendment. And the President made reference to the fact that it was not intended as a political gesture to file the ten-percent amendment and have the hearings,

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and we certainly appreciate that, as members of the committee and on this side of the aisle. But I guess one of the things I would be interested in hearing - and I think it would be helpful for the -- for the -- for the rest of this Session - is, if it is not a political gesture, is it the stated position of the sponsor of the amendment, Senator Trotter, and is it the intention of the Democrat Caucus in the Senate to support ten-percent cuts in spending in the current fiscal year, as that amendment requires?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator, I'm sorry to interrupt, but is this an inquiry of the Chair or a point of personal privilege? That we are not debating any particular measure, I just want to make sure we are on the correct order of business, Senator. Is this a point of personal privilege? Senator, we -- we haven't -- we haven't -- we -- we want to turn your microphone back on so that you can be heard. Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you. I -- it -- we'll call it a point of personal privilege. But I think the people in this Chamber and the people of this State deserve an answer on whether we're serious about cutting spending or whether or not this was in fact a -- a gimmick, as has been intimated by some. The President says it was not. I take him at his word on that. And I guess what we would like to see and hear: Is this a serious effort at reining in spending to bring this year's budget into balance? Do you support the amendment? And when can we count on a vote on it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator, for that point of personal privilege.

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Senator Cullerton, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes, thank -- thank you, Mr. President. I just reiterate that we're dealing here with legislation, not press releases. Amendments have been offered and assigned to committee. You offered amendments. Contrary to what was written in some recent reports in the newspaper, we did not block them. We have assigned your amendments to committee and we continue to have hearings on those amendments. It's a very serious budget crisis. My only point is, we're not playing games. We'll see what happens in the committee. But we're taking it seriously.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator Cullerton. Senator Link, are you seeking recognition?

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would call for a Democratic Caucus in the President's Office immediately.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

That request is always in order. Senator Syverson, are you seeking recognition?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Yes, Mr. President. The Republicans would like to caucus for the same time period. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

That request is in order as well. The Senate will stand in recess to the call of the Chair. After committees, the Senate will reconvene for further Floor action. The Senate stands in recess.

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(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The Senate will come to order. Madam Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ROCK:

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 5193.

We have received like Messages on House Bills 5294, 5302, 5307, 5376, 5507, 5509, 5511, 5678, 5718, 5761, 5818, 5819. All passed the House, March, 9th, 2010. Mark Mahoney, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Madam Secretary, Introduction of House Bills.

SECRETARY ROCK:

House Bill 4966, offered by Senator Righter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5054, offered by Senator Collins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5206, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5294, offered by Senator Demuzio.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5511, offered by Senator Righter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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1st Reading of these House bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, in a few moments, we will turn -- return to the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading. We will begin at the top of page 24 with Senate Bill 3293. We'll wait for a few more Members to join us on the Floor here. But we're going to turn to that order of business shortly. Ladies and Gentlemen, on your printed Calendar, on the top of page 24, on the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3293. Senator Bivins. Senate Bill 3294 -- 95. Senator Millner. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3295.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ROCK:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3302. Senator Demuzio. Senate Bill 3304. Senator Millner. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3304.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3305. Senator Millner. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3305.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3309. Senator Holmes. Senate Bill 3313. Senator Bond. Senate Bill 3316. Senator Garrett. Senate Bill 3320. Senator John Jones. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3320.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bill 3322. Senate Bill 3323. Senator Demuzio. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3323.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3332. Senator Cronin. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3332.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3334. Senator Lauzen. Senate Bill 3336. Senator Wilhelmi. Senate Bill 3342. Senator Clayborne. Senate Bill 3343. Senator Clayborne. Senate Bill 3344. Senator Clayborne. Senate Bill 3346. Senator Steans. Senate Bill 3347. Senator Steans. Senate Bill 3359. Senator Silverstein. Senate Bill 3372. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3372.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3374. Senator Haine. Senate Bill 3375. Senator Haine. Senate Bill 3378. Senator Haine. Senate Bill 3382. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 3383. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 3385. Senator Wilhelmi. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3385.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3386. Senator Wilhelmi. Senate Bill 3387. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3387.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3388. Senator Jacobs. Senator Jacobs, do you wish to have your bill read? Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3388.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3389. Senator Millner. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3389.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3390. Madam Secretary, please

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read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3390.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ROCK:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3391. Senator Millner. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3391.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are on the top of page 26 of your printed Calendar. Senate Bill 3401. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 3402. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 3404. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 3405. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 3411. Senator Brady. Senate Bill 3415. Senator Koehler. Senate Bill 3418. Senator Kotowski. Senate Bill 3420. Senator Kotowski. Senate Bill 3421. Senator Kotowski. Senate Bill 3422. Senator Kotowski. Senate Bill 3429. Senator Bond. Senate Bill 3430. Senator Althoff. Madam Secretary, please

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read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3430.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3433. Senator Bivins. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3433.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3446. Senator Silverstein. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3446.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bill 3460. Senate Bill 3461. Senator Link. We're now on the top of page 27. Senator Link, I'm sorry. Senate Bill 3461. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3461.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3462. Senator Link. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3462.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3464. Senator Demuzio. Senator Demuzio, do you wish to have your bill read? Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3464.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3467. Senator Bond. Senate Bill 3474. Senator Wilhelmi. Senate Bill 3478. Senator Syverson. Senate Bill 3480. Senator Steans. Senate Bill 3482. Senator Steans. Senate Bill 3483. Senator Luechtefeld. Senate Bill 3489. Senator Steans. Senate Bill 3491. Senator Millner. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3491.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3494. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3494.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3501. Senator Jacobs. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3501.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3503. Senator Jacobs. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3503.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for

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consideration?

SECRETARY ROCK:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3506. Senator Muñoz. Senate Bill 3507. I apologize, Senator Crotty. I skipped over your bill. Senate Bill 3505. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3505.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senator -- Senate Bill 3506. Senator Muñoz. Senate Bill 3507. Senator Emil Jones. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3507.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ROCK:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3508. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3508.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're now on the top of page 28 of your printed Calendars. Senate Bill 3509. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3509.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3514. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 3515. Senator Garrett. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3515.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3521. Senator Holmes. Senate Bill 3523. Senator Sandoval. Senate Bill 3529. Senator Viverito. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3529.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3531. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3531.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3533. Senator Raoul. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, for the purposes of your -- your planning, we are going to try to complete pages 28 and 29 on the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading. At that point, we will turn to 3rd Reading. I want to make sure all Members within the sound of my voice know that we will shortly be turning to final action. Continuing on page 28 of your printed Calendars, Senate Bill 3534. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 3535. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 3537. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 3538. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 3539. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 3540. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 3543. Senator Hutchinson. Senate Bill 3544. Senator Crotty. We're now at the top of page 29 of your printed Calendars. Senate Bill 3545. Senator Crotty. Senate Bill 3546. Senator Crotty. Senate Bill 3547. Senator Clayborne. Senate Bill 3551. Senator Hunter. With leave of the Body, we will return to the top of the page. Senate Bill 3546. Senator Crotty. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3546.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3552. Senator Forby. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3552.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3558. Senator Sandoval. Senate Bill 3560. Senator Sandoval. Senate Bill 3562. Senator Muñoz. Senate Bill 3564. Senator Haine. Senate Bill 3565. Senator Delgado. Senate Bill 3566. Senator Delgado. Senate Bill 3568. Senator Delgado. Senate Bill 3570. Senator Forby. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 3570.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3574. Senator Link. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

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Senate Bill 3574.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ROCK:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3576. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 3578. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 3584. Senator Bond. Senate Bill 3585. Senator Bond. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, as I indicated a few moments ago, we have completed page 29 on the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading; we're now going to turn our attention to the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading, beginning on page 36 of your printed Calendar at the top of the order. With leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bills 120 and 176. Senate Bill 333. Senator Wilhelmi. Do you wish to proceed? Senate Bill 384. Senator Demuzio. Madam Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Demuzio seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 384 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 384. Madam Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ROCK:

Floor Amendment 1, offered by Senator Demuzio.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Demuzio, to explain your amendment.

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SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 384 actually amends the Department of Natural Resources Conservation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, the Fish and Life {sic} (Aquatic Life) Code, and the Wildlife Code. And what this does is provides that veterans and individuals returning from service abroad may submit verification of service abroad for a free hunting, fishing or camping pass at one of the Department's office. What this does is to allow - this legislation - as they return, they would be able to have access to our public works and public parks and fishing and wildlife.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you. Is there any discussion of Senator Demuzio's Floor amendment? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ROCK:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 388. Senator Wilhelmi. Senate Bill 416. Senator Trotter. Senate Bill 546. Senator Cullerton. Senate Bill 575. Senator Forby. Senate Bill 603. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 603.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Madam Secretary, please take Senate Bill 603 out of the record. Continuing on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading on page 36 is Senate Bill 655. Senator Lightford. Senate Bill 679. Senator Steans. Senate Bill 685. Senator Steans. Senate Bill 692. Senator Muñoz. Senate Bill 720. Senator Cullerton. Senate Bill 730. Senator Sandoval. Senate Bill 918. Senator Hutchinson. Senate Bill 934. Senator Frerichs. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 934.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Frerichs, to explain your bill. Madam Secretary, please take Senate Bill 934 out of the record. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. This is final action. If you wish to have your bill called, please indicate so. I'd ask all Members to be on the Floor for final action. Senate Bill 935. Senator Cullerton. With leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bill 1118. Senate Bill 1137. Senator Cullerton. With leave of the Body, we're going to skip over the series of appropriation bills on page 37 and 38. Continuing in the middle of page 38, with leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bill 1888. Senate Bill 2060. Senator Kotowski. Senate Bill 2350. Senator Garrett. Senator Garrett, do you wish to proceed? Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

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Senate Bill 2350.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Garrett, to explain your bill.

SENATOR GARRETT:

Yes, thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3315 -- 2350, I'm sorry -- Senate Bill 2350 basically allows a veteran returning from armed -- armed conflict to apply the returning veterans' homestead exemption to the following taxable year, provided he or she purchases the house after January 1 and owns and occupies the house as of January 1 of the following year. This was just a loophole in the legislation. And it was requested by the Veterans Administration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator Garrett. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2350 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2350, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2456. Senator Schoenberg. Senate Bill 2476. Senator Hendon. Senate Bill 2485. Senator Haine. Senate Bill 2488. Senator Bomke. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2488.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Bomke, to explain the bill.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2488 raises the current penalty on aggravated assault with a weapon committed against a police officer from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class 4 felony.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2488 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2488, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2489. Senator Lightford. Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 2504. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2504.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Haine, to explain your bill.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you very much, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This merely codifies the Department of Human Services' current practice of requiring a court order before a

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criminal defendant can be housed in a non-secure setting if they're there pursuant to a order defining them unfit.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2504 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2504, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Now on the top of page 39 of your printed Calendars, on the Order of Senate Bill 3rd Reading, is Senate Bill 2505. Senator Frerichs. 2507. Senator Wilhelmi. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2507.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Wilhelmi, to explain your amendment.

SENATOR WILHELMI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2507 allows Wilmington Community School District Number 209-U to exceed its debt limitation and issue 2.285 million dollars in bonds, so long as the proceeds are used for projects approved by the voters on March 21st, 2006, when the referendum was approved. Prior to the issuance, the school board must determine, by resolution, that those projects are required because of the age and condition of the school buildings and that issuance is authorized by legislation exempting the debt from the district's

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debt limitation. Question was asked in committee about the percentage of EAV. This would increase from 13.8 percent to 14.4 percent. I'll be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Senator Lauzen, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Question for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The sponsor indicates that he will yield. Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Senator, can you tell us how that limitation works, you know, and -- and why it's in place?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Wilhelmi.

SENATOR WILHELMI:

Senator, with regard to the debt limitation, your question is why it's in place?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Actually, I assume that the reason why it's in place is, you know, fiscal responsibility and we don't want to borrow more than we can pay back. I guess I -- if you could explain to the Body how that limitation works. You know, what -- what's the percent -- what can you borrow up to?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Wilhelmi.

SENATOR WILHELMI:

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Thank you, Senator. It's my understanding that you can borrow up to a certain ratio of your EAV, and currently that ratio is 13.8 percent. This bill would allow this school district to borrow up to 14.4 percent of its -- EAV. Obviously, EAV in -- in our area, like in many areas around the State, that number has gone down. Equalized assessed valuations have suffered throughout the State. But this -- this referendum was passed in March of 2006. The school district in Wilmington has two projects left, one to a K through 1 building, and this bill will allow them to issue the remaining bonds, 2.285 million dollars, so they can finish those projects.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

So this is no increase in borrowing. It's just that they went against a technical requirement in their bond agreements and so they have to get permission from the Legislature to -- so it's no additional borrowing. It's just that they have to fulfill all the bond covenants. Is that right?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Wilhelmi.

SENATOR WILHELMI:

Yes, Senator, and thank you for that clarification.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Righter, are you seeking recognition? Any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2507 pass. All 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. On that

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question, there are 54 voting Aye, none voting Nay, 1 voting Present. And Senate Bill 2507, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2508. Senator Dillard. Senate Bill 2509. Senator Dillard. Senate Bill 2520. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2520.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Haine, to explain your bill.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a -- a trailer bill left over a couple years ago from the Flood Prevention District Act that we passed. And it passed the Senate last year, but it got made into another life form in the other Chamber in their magical, mystery machine. So we are back. And what it does was allow a -- it -- it allows, by law, a -- a levee district to annex property that is being served by them. An audit of the bottomland showed that there are many parcels that are in the levee district and protected by the levees and they don't pay any taxes to the -- to the levees, which ups the taxes for those who are paying. So it's a matter of equity.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Senator Burzynski, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The sponsor indicates that he will yield. Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. Senator, you know, I voted against the bill in committee and I think you understand why, and I just want you, if you would -- and I'll probably be the only No vote on the Floor as well. But -- but could this be considered a forced annexation? And how did these people get left out of the district in the first place?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Well, Senator, it's -- it's -- it's -- I wouldn't characterize it as a forced annexation. It -- it is a -- it is an effort by the General Assembly to bring -- to complete the legislative intent of establishing these Acts fifty/sixty years ago, which is to establish a tax base of those who are protected by the levee. And -- and the -- answer to your question, we don't know. I -- we were quite surprised to - and I actually talked to Senator Frank Watson about this - we were surprised to see the numbers of parcels and the -- the -- the size of the parcels that are not included in these two levee districts. One may assume that it was through an oversight or one may assume something darker, considering the past history of these levee districts, not the current ones - years ago.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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Thank you, Senator. Is there any further discussion?
Senator Lauzen, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you. A question for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Sponsor indicates that he will yield. Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Senator, in a previous bill, maybe last year, the one that you're referring to, I believe that I was a No vote because I was concerned that what this does is subjects these people who would be annexed into this to taxes and fees that they had not passed a referendum on. The people who are currently in the district have passed a referendum to be taxed and had the fees applied to 'em. Is that -- do I have my -- is my memory about right?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Senator, I don't agree with that description. I'm -- I cannot tell you how these districts were established by law. They were established at the time the federal government built this string of levees down the Mississippi River and turned them over to these areas, and the State General Assembly - we - created these levee districts. I'm not certain this was done by referendum. And -- and -- and -- but this bill says in effect that if one is protected by the levee, one is subject to paying for the cost of that levee. Since -- this is a minority of landholders that are not paying, and they are receiving the benefits of that levee and they're not paying. So, again, it's

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a matter of equity. When I passed the Flood District Control Act, numerous questions were asked on the Floor about the quarter-cent tax being paid countywide and that was necessary to raise the money to reconstruct the -- the levees. And -- and in the answer to those questions, I pointed out that there will be a bill which will establish a more uniform of taxation for those who are actually receiving the direct benefit of the levees.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Just a final clarification. I think that that's a very good justification that you're mentioning, that if we all benefit, we all pay the tax. My analysis, though, says that the -- some of the taxing powers in -- of this district were put there by referendum. These folks -- these folks have not passed the referendum. I would assume that the geography of the area has stayed the same since the original were in there and these people were not in there. And so wouldn't you think that there's more to it than, oh, well, somebody just forgot 'em? Isn't -- isn't there more analysis of -- well, why were they omitted in the first place?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Senator Lauzen, those are very good questions and I -- and I accept an analysis that the -- that there may have been a vote on these levees years ago, but I -- and I don't know why these parcels were not added. But the -- the point of the bill: these areas are struggling to raise sufficient money to match

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the federal government to save literally thousands of industrial jobs, homes, railroads, farm -- farms, and if everyone is not - pardon the pun - in the same boat - they're protected directly by the -- the -- the levee - it's just not equitable. So I'm -- I'm asking for an Aye vote to let the people of the Metro East continue their efforts to fairly manage this and raise sufficient money to keep these levees functioning.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Seeing no further discussion, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2520 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 45 voting Aye, 6 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2520, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Remaining on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading, 2523. Senator Clayborne. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2523.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Clayborne, to explain the bill.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. We passed legislation a couple years ago to create a pilot program in East St. Louis dealing with the (Child) Death Investigation Task Force. And they were supposed to come back with a report as of June 1st of 2010; however, they did not get funded... I -- I

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apologize. 23 -- 2523, I'm sorry, amends the Business District Development and Redevelopment Division to allow municipalities to pledge additional revenue streams to back bonds. Basically, about three years ago, we created the Business District Act that allows for us to add an additional one-percent sales tax in order to recoup some of the developers' costs. The law currently exists. I think there are probably about forty of these already and all we're trying to do is to use that -- that revenue stream and issue bonds to pay the project up front. The business district already exists. We just want to take that revenue stream and -- and bond it up front.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Senator Dahl, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DAHL:

To the bill, Mr. -- Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR DAHL:

This -- this bill is a levy with a sales tax without a referendum. It's a levy on the hotel tax without the use of a referendum. It declares an area that's blighted and it also allows for the seizure of land using eminent domain. This -- this bill last year passed through the Senate 34 to 21 on the 2nd of April and failed to pass in the House. So, I -- I -- suggest that you take a serious look at this. It's -- I think it's a slippery slope.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Haine, are you

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seeking recognition?

SENATOR HAINE:

Will the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The sponsor indicates that he will yield. Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

My friend, Majority Leader, is this important to your district?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

It's important to your district too, Bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

That's a very good and shrewd answer, Majority Leader, but I'm voting because it's important to your district.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2523 pass. All those in favor will -- 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. On that question, there are 31 voting Aye, 20 voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2523, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2527. Senator Kotowski. Senate Bill 2529. Senator Forby. Senate Bill 2533. Senator Clayborne. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

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Senate Bill 2533.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Clayborne, to explain your bill.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you. I -- I apologize. I just explained this bill. I was a little confused. This dealt with the Child Death Investigation Task Force. They were required to come back with a summary of the pilot program originally by January 2010; however, they did not get their funding. So we're just asking that it be extended to July 1st, 2011.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2533 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2533, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2534. Senator Clayborne. Senate Bill 2535. Senator Trotter. Senate Bill 2537. Senator Maloney. Senator Trotter, do you wish to... Senate Bill 2537. Senator Maloney. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2537.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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Senator Maloney, to present your bill.

SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you, Mr. President. We had a situation last year regarding the office of chief school business official that we clarified, because without two years experience, they couldn't get their CBSO {sic} designation, and this was corrected by allowing us to have university-approved experience. What this bill does is it allows the general administrative endorsement if the certificate holder has two years as a chief school business official, rather than requiring the two -- full-time teaching experience. The idea being that superintendents are not -- their emphasis is not on instruction and that's the job for the principal. And I would ask an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2537 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2537, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2538. Senator Maloney. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2538.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Maloney, to explain your bill.

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SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you, Mr. President. We have realized in the last four years that tuition increases at community colleges have risen at a much faster rate than any time in the history of Illinois. And many schools who receive the equalization grant fall below the amount of money necessary to receive that grant. What they used to do is have to then raise their tuition to eighty-five percent of the statewide average. What this bill will do is to lower the tuition rate and standard fee criterion to receive the equalization grant to seventy percent of the statewide tuition and fee. It does not reduce or increase any college -- college's portion of the equalization grant that they would receive under the statutory -- formula. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2538 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2538, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2540. Senator Wilhelmi. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2540.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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Senator Wilhelmi, to present your bill.

SENATOR WILHELMI:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2540 does two things. First, it resolves confusion as to the proper remedy for the courts to apply by providing that any person who suffers actual damages as a result of a violation of the Home Repair and Remodeling Act may bring an action under the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive (Business) Practices Act. Secondly, the Home Repair and Remodeling Act requires a contractor to give a pamphlet to his -- his -- his customer, as well as to have a signed contract with that customer. However, what the courts have found is that some of these consumers are using the Act to get out of paying the balance due on a home repair or remodeling contract. So the courts are asking for a clarification of this. I think what we are doing through this bill is saying that unless there's actual damages, a consumer cannot get out of paying the balance due to a home repair or remodeling company by using these two technical provisions in the Act of requiring a pamphlet to be given and requiring a written contract before work on the project. So, be happy to answer any questions and I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2540 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2540, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed.

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Senate Bill 2544. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2544.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Haine, to present your bill.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a -- creates the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact. And -- and has Illinois become a part of it. It's -- the purpose is similar to the Uniform -- Uniform Laws Commission, where they establish uniformity in writing insurance products, life insurance, disability income, long-term care, and several -- several other things. It speeds up the process. Provides for a -- a uniformity. We don't give up any sovereignty. If we don't like it, we opt out.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2544 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2544, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're turning to the top of page 40 of your printed Calendars, still on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2545. Senator Hunter.

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Senate Bill 2548. Senator Demuzio. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2548.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Demuzio, to explain your bill.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2548 allows the Illinois Community College Board to submit monthly vouchers, rather than the quarterly vouchers that they are now doing, to the State Comptroller's Office, setting forth the respected {sic} apportionments for base operating and equalization grants. This is an initiative of the ICCB and is being proposed as a way to help alleviate the issues of the Board right now, and community colleges and the State alike, as they face cash flow problems. This is a way that they feel might help alleviate their -- cash flow. I ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2548 pass. All 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. On that question, there -- there are 55 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2548, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2549. Senator Garrett. Madam

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Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2549.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Garrett, to present your bill.

SENATOR GARRETT:

Yes, thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2549 creates new requirements for which rainwater can be stored and used for plumbing. Also, this bill allows buildings -- public buildings to use rainwater harvesting systems for the use of plumbing, but not for the use of consumption. The bill also requires the Department of Public Health to adopt and publish a minimum code of standards for rainwater harvesting collection systems and rainwater harvesting distribution systems by March of 2011. I also need to read something into the record, if that's okay. The intent of this legislation is to encourage the voluntary development and installation of rainwater harvesting collection and distribution systems. Such systems are vital to increasing water conservation. The legislation requires the Department of Public Health to establish design and installation standards. The legislation also makes clear that existing rain barrels in other outdoor irrigation systems are not affected. This legislation applies to the collection of rainwater for non-potable use indoors for things like flushing toilets. The legislation defines what is and what is not plumbing. This term is relevant because it raises the issue of when it is appropriate to use a licensed plumber. We have worked over the

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last two years with representatives of the plumbers' unions as well as landscape contractors to confirm that this legislation does not in any way change the current law as it relates to licensed plumbers and outdoor contractors, and that is our intent.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Senator Risinger, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RISINGER:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill: This passed out of committee unanimously with the stipulation that the sponsor would read into the record the intent of the bill. And -- and we certainly didn't want the landscapers working on our drinking water and we didn't want the plumbers to have to put in our sprinkling system in our yard. So I appreciate that for the -- Senator, and I hope we have an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2549 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2549, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2551. Senator Kotowski. Senate Bill 2553. Senator Martinez. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2553.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Martinez, to present your bill.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2553 amends the limit -- the Limited Liability Company Act to provide that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation deposit all fees collected for certificates of registration in the General Professions Dedicated Fund. The Act did not previously specify where the fees should be deposited. And I'll be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Senator Burzynski, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Sponsor indicates that she will yield. Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Yeah, are -- are these funds potentially those that would be capable of being swept?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Senator Burzynski, I would hope not, but these -- this was never established when we first passed legislation. So this is just specifying where the fees should be deposited.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question

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is, shall Senate Bill 2553 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2553, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2556. Senator Haine. Senate Bill 2566. Senator Sullivan. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2566.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Sullivan, to present your bill.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2566 allows non-highway vehicles and recreational off-highway vehicles on -- to use county or township roads for the purpose of conducting farming operations. This was in legislation that we passed a few years ago. It inadvertently got deleted from legislation last year and so we're putting -- putting it back in. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2566 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill

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2566, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2570. Senator Righter. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2570.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Righter, to present your bill.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Chamber. Senate Bill 2570 is an initiative of the Illinois State Bar Association Family Law Council. It amends both the Code of Civil Procedure and the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act to prohibit the stay of a child support order simply by the party who's been ordered to pay that child support filing a motion to stay the judgment. Apparently, the Illinois State Bar Association has run into a case or two where individuals who are court ordered to pay child support were actually able to suspend their obligation, for sometimes months at a time, simply by filing a motion to stay that. This simply would make clear that that is not permissible under Illinois law. Be happy to answer any questions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2570 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56

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voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2570, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2573. Senator Frerichs. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2573.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Frerichs, to explain your bill.

SENATOR FRERICHS:

...Mr. President. Senate Bill 2573, as amended, amends the Motor Fuel and Petroleum Standards Act, the Weights and Measures Act, and the Soil Conservation Domestic Allotment Act to make several changes to bring Illinois into compliance with current federal guidelines.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Senator Jones, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR J. JONES:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. To the -- to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR J. JONES:

Thank you. You know, I -- I just caution people on this piece of legislation that Public Act 96-44 authorized forty-one thousand four hundred and sixteen dollars to be swept out of this fund. There's -- there's still about ten thousand dollars to be swept out of it. The Comptroller says there's only about

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eighty-one hundred dollars in there now. Plus the fact that this -- this increases the fines and penalties from five hundred dollars to a thousand dollars and seven hundred and fifty dollars to fifteen hundred dollars. And so, I would just encourage people to vote No on this. I mean, it's time that we started leaving the funds in these -- in these special funds and quit raiding 'em and we wouldn't need to be doing this. So I would encourage a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there further discussion? Senator Lauzen, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LAUZEN:

A question for the sponsor. Senator..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Sponsor indicates that he will yield. Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you. Senator, if I understand this correctly, this allows Department of Agriculture to collect a one-percent interest on overdue weights and measures inspector fees. Is that a one percent per month?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Frerichs.

SENATOR FRERICHS:

That is -- we're uncertain at this point. We'd have to get back to you. But, at this point, we're -- want to move forward.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you very much for that offer to get back. If it is

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per month, then it's twelve percent per month {sic}. It is, you know, for some folks -- and I bet you, you feel the same way, that for us to be charging twice or maybe even three times the prime rate when we're not paying our bills from the State of Illinois would seem to be a double standard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Frerichs, do you wish to close?

SENATOR FRERICHS:

I'd -- like to say that there are no fee increases with this. There are increases in fines. And this is supported by the Soybean Association and biodiesel industry. I would request a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. The question is, shall Senate Bill 2573 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 35 voting Aye, 19 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2573, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Still on page 40 of your printed Calendar on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. We are at Senate Bill 2579. Senator Koehler. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2579.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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Senator Koehler, to present your bill.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2579 amends the Illinois Estate and Generation-Skipping Transfer Tax -- Tax Act by giving the State Treasurer the ability to waive late payment penalties that are imposed on country treasurers if the reason that the payment was late -- due to an extraordinary force, including, but not limited to, the occurrence of a natural disaster that cannot be foreseen, cannot be avoided by the exercise of due care, and for which no person can be held liable. The State Treasurer would then make the determination. This is brought to us by the Treasurer's Office because of a -- a tornado that hit a county and their payments were late. So I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2579 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2579, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2581. Senator Collins. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2581.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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Senator Collins, to -- to present your bill.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2581 revises the State Banking Board and is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. It was amended to meet the concerns of the Illinois Bankers and the Community Bankers. And I would just ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator Collins. We're going to make sure our paperwork is in order on this bill. The paperwork seems to be in order, Senator. Sorry. Senator Rutherford, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RUTHERFORD:

Mr. President, thank you. To address the bill, if I may.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR RUTHERFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. This piece of legislation passed unanimously out of the Senate last year and somehow it got bottled up in the House. So, Senator Collins, I stand in strong support once again of your legislation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator, do you wish to close? Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Minority Leader Senator Rutherford, and I just ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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The question is, shall Senate Bill 2581 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2581, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2583. Senator Delgado. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2583.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

..Delgado, to present your bill.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2583, as amended, mandates the Task Force on Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion to submit its recommendations to the Task Force -- to the General Assembly by 12-31-2010. And I would ask for your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2583 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2583, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Sullivan, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR SULLIVAN:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Sullivan, to state your point.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, it is that time of year again. St. Patrick's Day is coming right around the corner and the 8th Annual Sullivan Caucus St. Patrick's Day Celebration will be next Tuesday evening, the 16th, at Floyd's, over on 5th Street, from 5 till 9 p.m. It's been a tradition. I can't believe it's been eight years. Mr. President, you and I have been here that long. You realize that? Eight years. Our eighth anniversary. It's a great celebration. Would like to invite everybody to attend. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator Sullivan, for that very important announcement. Senate Bill... We're still on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading, still on page 40 of your printed Calendar. Senate Bill 2589. Senator Luechtefeld. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2589.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Luechtefeld, to present your bill.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate

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Bill 2589 raises the penalty for public indecency and sexual exploitation of a child when the offense is committed by a person over eighteen years of age on or within five hundred feet of a school grounds when children are present. The penalty is raised from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class 4 felony.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2589 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2589, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2590. Senator Millner. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2590.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Millner, to present your bill.

SENATOR MILLNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2590 makes it a crime to knowingly conceal the death of another person. It's a Class 4 felony. And the current law only applies to concealment of a homicidal death. What has happened in Kane County - actually, a number of our counties - where someone has taken a body - for example, on a drug overdose - and they take - in the Kane County example - the body to Chicago, throw it in a

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dumpster and then conceal it. It adds additional suffering and pain to the families. And also it delays the time for law enforcement to act upon evidence. So, therefore, I ask for an Aye vote on this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2590 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2590, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. The bottom of page 40. Senate Bill 2594. Senator Lightford. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2594.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Lightford, to present your bill.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2594 removes the sunset date on the Preschool for All Children program. It would expire June 30th of 2010. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2594 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish?

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Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Aye, 2 voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2594, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, on page 41 of your printed Calendar, at the top of the page, is Senate Bill 2601. Senator Trotter. Senate Bill 2602. Senator Steans. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 2602.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Steans, to present your bill.

SENATOR STEANS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bills 2602 amends the Structural Pest Control Act to change some definitions, improve compliance, prevent lawn care applicators from making some claims about structural pest control, and increases fees for licensure for the first time in twenty-five years. Public Health worked with the Structural Pest Control Advisory Council in negotiating the bill. I don't know of any opponents to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The sponsor indicates that she will yield.

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SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Senator Steans, is it my recollection? I thought we are adding an amendment to this legislation that we discussed in committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yeah, this bill has been amended.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

That's fine. Thank you very much, Senator. I appreciate it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Steans, do you wish to close? The question is, shall Senate Bill 2602 pass. All 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. On that question, there are 37 voting Aye, 18 voting No, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2602, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Sorry.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 10 a.m. on the 10th day of March, 2010. The Senate stands adjourned.