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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

The regular Session of the 97th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desk? And will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Kenny Kidd of the Living Faith Baptist Church, from Sherman, Illinois. Pastor.

PASTOR KENNY KIDD:

(Prayer by Pastor Kenny Kidd)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Ed Maloney, please.

SENATOR MALONEY:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Maloney)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Please be seated. Madam Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, April 6, 2011.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

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SECRETARY ROCK:

Senator Sandoval, Chairperson of the Committee on Transportation, reports Senate Bill 1923 Do Pass; Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 953 and Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1732 recommended Do Adopt.

Senator Meeks, Chairperson of the Committee on Education, reports Senate Joint Resolution 27 Be Adopted, as Amended; and Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 79 recommended Do Adopt.

Senator Collins, Chairperson of the Committee on Financial Institutions, reports Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 87 recommended Do Adopt.

Senator Holmes, Chairperson of the Committee on State Government and Veterans Affairs, reports Senate Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 1270 recommended Do Adopt.

Senator Jacobs, Chairperson of the Committee on Energy, reports Senate Bill 1884 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Muñoz, Chairman of the Committee on Executive Appointments, reports the following: Appointment Messages 30 through 42, 44 through 51, 53, 54, 56 and 59 recommended Do Advise and Consent.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Resolution 160, offered by Senator McCarter and all Members.

Senate Resolution 161, offered by Senator Mulroe and all Members.

Senate Resolution 162, offered by Senator Mulroe and all Members.

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Senate Resolution 163, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

Senate Resolution 164, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

Senate Resolution 165, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

Senate Resolution 166, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

They are death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Resolution 159, offered by Senator Murphy.

It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Madam Secretary, Messages.

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 19.

We have received like Messages on House Bills 78, 176, 1216, 1254, 1260, 1287, 1359, 1391, 1444, 1513, 1530, 1549, 1562, 1573, 1703, 1706, 1730, 1981, 2069, 2313, 2861, 2875, 2917, 2927, 2935, 2937, 2938, 3033, 3037, 3038, 3131, 3207, 3241, 3257, 3346, 3440, 3458, 3464, 3468, 3503, 3591 and 3630 {sic} (3620). They passed the House, April 6, 2011. Mark



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Mahoney, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Yes. Will all Members come to the Floor? We're going to 3rd Reading. Please, will all Members at the sound of my voice come to the Floor? We're going to 3rd Reading. Will all Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Floor? We're going to 3rd Reading and we're starting with Senate Bill 1835. All Members please come to the Floor. We're going to start 3rd Reading action. Come to the Floor. Will Members please be in their seats? We're going to substantive business on 3rd Reading. All Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Floor. Leader Schoenberg, for what reason do you rise?

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Please proceed.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

First of all, I want to echo the sentiments of others that it's a delight to see you as the Presiding Officer. It's an honor well deserved.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Thank you.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

The -- the point of personal privilege that I'd like to raise, Mr. President, is that I'm joined today by two exceptional young people who are my Pages for the Day. And I'd like to introduce you to both of them. Ben Brewster, to my

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left, is a fifth grader at the Oakton Elementary School in Evanston. As you know, Evanston is really the -- the unofficial capital of the State of Illinois. And we have another fine student from Evanston schools here today. Ben's interests include LEGOs, reading..

SENATOR TROTTER:

Excuse me, Leader, please. We have someone still celebrating the local elections. Can we please get your attention? Leader Schoenberg.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

Yeah, I'm especially sensitive to this, because some people mistake us for each other.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Been told.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

The -- so Ben's interests include LEGOs, reading, anything to do with animals, and video games. He's accomplished academically. By the way, he is also Senator Steans' nephew, so as you can imagine, there's a lot of pressure on me to get this right today. And I'm also joined by Elyse Dillon. Elyse, to my right, is a senior at the Whitney Young Magnet School. Her interests include playing the piano, human geography, history, current events, reading, and something which we all think is important here, sleeping. Elyse aspires to eventually go into the Peace Corps. And I'd like you to give them all a warm Senate greeting. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Will all Members please join Senator Schoenberg in welcoming his exceptional guests? Senator Murphy, for what

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reason do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

Purpose of an announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Make your announcement.

SENATOR MURPHY:

I just ask that Senator Millner's absence yesterday and today be deemed excused. He is back home due to a family illness.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Thank you very much, sir. So recognized and it will be duly noted. Senator Hutchinson, for what reason do you rise?

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

State your point.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Good morning, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I have two very special constituents that are visiting me today. I have Amy and Josie Linman, who are both eighteen years old. They go to Bradley-Bourbonnais Community High School, so they live within the 40th District. Their parents are Judy and Larry Linman, who own a number of McDonald's in Kankakee County that I had a lot of fun at during our political activities. They actually let me serve food out of the window and surprise people through the drive-thru. But Josie and Amy are here because they both really like public service. They've participated in Youth in Government. They enjoy tennis, art. Amy is a Sunday school teacher and a part of the National Honor Society. And Josie

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does tennis and she does Sunday school teaching as well, as well as art and National Honor Society, and she was also a legislator in the Youth in Government system twice. So please join me in welcoming both Josie and Amy to the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Members, please join with Senator Hutchinson in welcoming her guests. Thank you. Welcome, both of you. We will now go to 3rd Readings. Senate Bill 1835. Senator Syverson. Do you wish to proceed? The Senator indicates that he does wish to proceed. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 1835.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Syverson, to explain the bill.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Nothing like starting off the Senate with a alcohol bill. This merely amends the Liquor Control Act and helps those non-home rule communities, like Rockford, who have a Veterans Memorial Hall. It allows them to serve liquor at special events. Again, we're doing this because of being a non-home rule. The local community has supported this and requested this legislation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Senator Syverson, to close. The question is, shall Senate Bill 1835 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who

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wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, no Presents, 4 not voting. The Bill, 1835, has received the required constitutional majority and it's declared passed. Senate Bill 1836. Senator, you wish to proceed? Senator Brady, do you wish to proceed? He indicates that he does. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 1836.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Brady, explain the bill.

SENATOR BRADY:

Thank you, Mr. President. This piece of legislation simply brings transparency to what we owe our vendors. It provides for the timely posting on the Internet of all bills that are outstanding. It's been agreed to by the departments and the agency and the Comptroller's Office. I know of no opposition to the bill. I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Senator Brady, to close. The question is, shall Senate Bill 1836 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? Madam Secretary, take the record. On the question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, no Presents. The -- 1836 has received the required constitutional majority and is declared passed. Senate Bill 1837. Senate Bill 1837. Senator T. Johnson. Do you wish to proceed? Seeing that

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he does, Senator -- Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 1837.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Johnson.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

Mr. President, Members of the Chamber, this is a relatively simple bill that some members on the Prisoner Review Board asked that I put forth for your consideration. Following the administrations of George Ryan and Rod Blagojevich, we passed some very, very strong and tough ethics laws, which were much needed, but those laws did a clean sweep that basically prohibited any member of any of the five standing boards to do anything outside of their work on the specific board to which they were appointed to. This prohibited members and -- and gave the members a mandate, really, to give up some of their teaching positions. We had one member teaching at the Police Academy in Chicago. Another one teaching at a community college, some night classes. This bill would only insert that all prohibitions remain except for that of teaching at a not-for-profit or professional board thing, in addition to their work on the PRB. Would ask for your consideration and a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Senator Johnson, we all know you've had a long, esteemed career over in the House of Representatives, but you're new to

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our Chamber over here. Is this, in fact, your first bill in the Senate?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

I'm -- I'm sorry, sir. Please.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

I actually had a lot of bills go through this Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

This is a little bit more of a refined Chamber. We don't just talk over each other. That's why the way the mikes work that way. But my understanding is, is, in fact, as a Senate sponsor, this is in fact your first piece of legislation. And so I guess the first question I would have, isn't this just a -- a -- a -- a crony bill for all your cronies on the Prisoner Review Board? Isn't that why you're pushing this? In...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Johnson, I -- I just want to remind you that, unlike the backwoods you've come from, over here in the Senate, you wait to be recognized and then you can speak into the mike. Please proceed, sir.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

You're confirming some of my worst fears. Senator Murphy, actually, this is a Democrat bill that was handed me to carry on behalf of my two Democrat colleagues on the Prisoner Review Board. And I always like to carry bills for the Majority.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Murphy, to respond.

SENATOR MURPHY:

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So, it would be accurate to say that it is cronyism; it just happens to be bipartisan cronyism on your part, which apparently in your estimation makes it better. But one other issue I -- I saw with this bill. Doesn't this blatantly allow and encourage double-dipping?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Johnson. Senator Johnson.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

Double-dipping presumes that you are probably a Member of this Chamber or the other Chamber and you then decide you also want to serve on a board and you want to teach and you want to do all these other things. These are poor people who are serving the public on our service boards. The Prisoner Review Board, which is probably one of the most important boards in this State, they have a lot to offer to the students at the public universities and to the police academies.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

To -- to the bill, Mr. President. I -- I -- for any of us who now have gotten to know Senator Johnson, I -- I am now struck with great fear at the retribution that will be coming my way over the rest of the Session for having done this. Senator, congratulations on a good bill. We're glad to have you in the Senate and encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Hunter, wish to be recognized? Senator Jacobs wishes to be recognized.

SENATOR JACOBS:



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Inquiry of the Chair, Mr. -- Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

State your inquiry.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Do you know if the -- the Representative's chip was removed from the back of his neck or does he still have that chip as he moved to the Senate here? Do you -- do you have any information on that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

I didn't hear any bells go off as he walked in the Chamber doors; however, he would know if that surgical procedure has been done or not. Senator Johnson.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

Was that a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

No, sir. Senator Jacobs, he still has the chip. Senator Schoenberg.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

Question for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Sponsor will yield.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

First of all, Senator Johnson, on a procedural matter, I seem to recall that this is not the first time you've had to be instructed as to how Floor debate has been conducted here on the Senate Floor. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Johnson.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

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Can I speak?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Yes, you may, sir.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

No. This is the second time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Schoenberg.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

So that would make you a repeat offender, correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Johnson.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

Correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Schoenberg.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

...should -- so should we be enhancing any penalties for a subsequent offense of Senate protocol or inferring that you're doing it deliberately because you're a repeat offender?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Johnson.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

No, but I think I should qualify for one of the many remedial programs that you people always institute on that side of the aisle and I should be entitled to a grant. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Schoenberg.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

Well, Senator Johnson, if I didn't have sufficient cause to

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question the sincerity of your earlier bipartisan commitment before, I certainly do now, because I think you've spoken to the true essence of the guiding philosophy that not only tailed you throughout your term in the House, but has now unfortunately followed you here in the Senate. Nonetheless, I'm going to support your bill. To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

To the bill, Senator Schoenberg.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

On its merits, this is indeed an excellent bill and I'm going to support it and I am delighted that you're here -- I -- I have the opportunity to work back in this building with you once again. I have additional incentive to support it and that's because I think Senator Murphy was entirely out of line. I think Senator Murphy, once again, was looking for a cheap headline. Last week, he gave Senator Mulroe a hard time. Senator Murphy, if you may recall, gave Senator Mulroe a hard time about his first bill, and giving Senator Mulroe a hard time about his first bill, he was suggesting that thousands of senior citizens were going to lose the potential to have their property tax breaks. Isn't that correct, Senator Mulroe? This from a man whose hometown wants to secede from Cook County altogether. So, I think, Senator Johnson, you are -- when we reissue the book Profiles in Courage, they should have a special chapter for you for enduring not just the ridicule, but from the pressures and criticisms within your own caucus, to reach across the aisle, albeit in a highly suspect manner, in order to pass a good bill. Congratulations. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

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Senator Johnson, you've probably noticed that it takes the good Senator a long time to say he is going to vote for your bill. Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

The sponsor says he will.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

You know that I'm going to have to do this, because the day you walked into this Chamber, you started attacking me on a few of my bills, so I have to at least ask you some questions and I'll -- one of them is that I -- I -- I -- the Prisoner Review Board, do they -- the members, do they pay into a pension system?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Johnson.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

I don't know. I think some of 'em do. I never did.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

I believe that they do. So my question is a serious one, again, because I know that that side of the aisle is always grilling us on double-dipping and on -- and on -- on having more than one pension, since we are trying to do much more pension reform and this kind of questions that we keep debating here in this Chamber. So they will be allowed -- by you -- by you -- by this new -- by this new law, we're going to, yet again, allow them to go and seek outside employment and be able to pay into

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another pension system. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Johnson.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

Not correct, because, at best, they would only be able to work an hour a day at teaching or something and that would never qualify them as a full-time employee or even part-time to get themselves an additional pension.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Okay, then, if that's what this bill will do, then I definitely will vote for your bill, even though you don't vote for mine. So, to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

To the bill.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

I just wanted to make sure that this Chamber understood that, again, you know, we're talking about pension reform. We're talking about the double-dipping. We're talking about making sure that we don't continue to see this happening in our pension system. So, this is a good bill. It's to work one or two hours while their real job is the Prisoner Review Board. I feel -- I feel good about this bill, so I'm going to vote Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Johnson, to close.

SENATOR T. JOHNSON:

To the last Senator, she now has at least one vote from me coming her direction this year. It's a tough bargain. This is

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a very good bill. Would recommend you support it. I think that those people have a lot to offer the schools that they've been asked to at least come and address. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1837 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? Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, 2 Present. The -- Senate Bill 1837 has received the required constitutional majority and is declared passed. 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 come to the President's Anteroom immediately. The stand it -- the Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) The Senate will come to order. There is some paperwork that we need to file. The Senate will please come to order. Madam Secretary, the Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Appointment Message 69

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Seventh General Assembly:

I, Dan Rutherford, Treasurer, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a member of the Personnel Review Board, Office of the Treasurer:

Elba Aranda-Suh

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee of -- on Assignments to meet. The members of the Committee on Assignments will come to the President's Anteroom immediately. All members on the Committee of Assignments will come to the President's Anteroom immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) Senate will come to order. President Harmon in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to the Agriculture and Conservation Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 840; refer to the Appropriations I Committee - House Bill 116, House Bill 117, House Bill 132, House Bill 3639, House Bill 3697; refer to the Criminal Law Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1470 and Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1471; refer to the Education Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1742 and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2134; refer to the Environment Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2193; refer to the Executive Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 543 and Floor Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 1821; refer to the Executive Appointments Committee - Appointment Message 68 and Appointment Message 69; refer to the Insurance Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 152 and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 152; refer to the Judiciary Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate

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Bill 1465; refer to the Public Health Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1464; refer to the -- refer to the Revenue Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1741; refer to the State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee - Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1853; refer to the Transportation Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 542; re-refer from Appropriations I Committee to the Assignments Committee - Senate Bill 2403, Senate Bill 2405, Senate Bill 2407, Senate Bill 2412, Senate Bill 2414, Senate Bill 2431, Senate Bill 2437, Senate Bill 2454, Senate Bill 2468 and Senate Bill 2475; re-refer from the Appropriations II Committee to the Assignments Committee - Senate Bill 2408, Senate Bill 2411, Senate Bill 2413, Senate Bill 2415, Senate Bill 2420, Senate Bill 2430, Senate Bill 2434, Senate Bill 2435, Senate Bill 2444, Senate Bill 2445, Senate Bill 2446, Senate Bill 2447, Senate Bill 2453, Senate Bill 2458 and Senate Bill 2462.

Signed by Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Bills {sic} 2403, Senate Bill 2405, Senate Bill 2407, Senate Bill 2408, Senate Bill 2411, Senate Bill 2412, Senate Bill 2413, Senate Bill 2414, Senate Bill 2415, Senate Bill 2420, Senate Bill 2430, Senate Bill 2431, Senate Bill 2434, Senate Bill 2435, Senate Bill 2437, Senate Bill 2444, Senate Bill 2445, Senate Bill 2446, Senate Bill 2447, Senate Bill 2453, Senate Bill 2454, Senate Bill 2458, Senate Bill 2462, Senate Bill 2468 and Senate Bill 2475.

Signed by Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Before recognizing Senator Trotter for an announcement, there are two Senators seeking recognition. Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUNTER:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have up in the balcony some young people who are representing this year the City Year Chicago program. And, basically, the City Year unites young people of all backgrounds for a full-time service, giving them the skills and opportunities they need to change the world. And we have Miss Christian Strobe, Diesha Williams, Calvin Body and Sarah Costa here visiting us from two of the schools in my district, Dulles School of Excellence, which is located in the Woodlawn community, and Sherman School of Excellence, located in the Englewood community. And let's welcome these young people - these fine young people - to the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Will our guests in the gallery please rise and be welcomed to the Illinois State Senate? Senator Sullivan, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your point, Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

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Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, I have a guest here with me today, a young man who was -- has done -- has served as an intern in my Macomb office for a couple years now. He just graduated in December from Western Illinois University with a degree in political science. He's just spending the day with me. I'd like everybody to welcome Russell Orrill to the State Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Welcome to the State Senate, Mr. Orrill. And we have Senator Christine Johnson seeking recognition. For what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR C. JOHNSON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR C. JOHNSON:

Mr. President and Members of the Senate, I would like to welcome today the members of the FCCLA from Indian Creek High School, which is in my hometown of Shabbona, Illinois, and their teachers, Ros Richardson and Julie Hogan. And they are in the gallery on the -- the Republican side of the aisle.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Welcome to the State Senate. Senator Trotter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR TROTTER:

Purpose -- purpose of an announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your announcement.

SENATOR TROTTER:

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Immediately upon recess, the Senate Democrats will meet in the President's Office for a caucus of one hour.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The Senate Democrats have moved to recess the Senate for purposes of a one-hour caucus. Senator Murphy, do you rise for a similar announcement?

SENATOR MURPHY:

I do, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your announcement, Senator.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Republicans request a caucus as well, upon adjournment for one hour.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Upon recess? Thank you, Senator Murphy. Both the Senate Democrats and Republicans have asked for a recess of the Senate for purposes of a one-hour caucus. Seeing no objection, the motion to recess is granted. The Senate now stands in recess until 2:10 p.m.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senate will come to order. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Resolution 167, offered by Senator Wilhelmi.

Senate Resolution 168, offered by President Cullerton.

They are substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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Madam Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ROCK:

House Bill 116, offered by Senator Steans.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 117, offered by Senator Steans.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 132, offered by Senator Steans.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3639, offered by Senator Steans.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3697, offered by Senator Steans.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of these House bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I have an update to the committee announcement schedule. The Senate State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee will meet today at 4:01 p.m. to take up Floor amendments. Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Supplemental Calendar No. 1 has been distributed to the Members' desks. We will be turning to final action. If all Members within the sound of my voice could be at their desks, we are turning to final action. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Supplemental Calendar No. 1 has been distributed to the Members' desks. To fulfill our responsibilities under Article V, Section 9 of the Constitution, we will now proceed to the Order of Advise and Consent. Before recognizing Senator Muñoz, I'd note WICS-TV seeks leave to videotape the proceeding. Is there any objection? Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Senator Muñoz.

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SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on appointments set forth in the Appointment Messages 30 through 42, 44 through 51, 53, 54, 56 and 59.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz moves that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session, for the purpose of acting on the appointments set forth in Appointment Messages 30 through 42, 44 through 51, 53, 54, 56 and 59. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate is resolved into Executive Session. Madam Secretary, Executive Appointments - Appointment Messages. Appointment Message 42.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the Prisoner Review Board, for a term commencing March 18th, 2011, and ending January 16th, 2017: William McKinley Simmons.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I now seek leave to consider the appointment on a roll call. Will you put the question as required by our rules?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read

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from Appointment Message 42. 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 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. A majority of Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Madam Secretary, Appointment Message 49.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be the Assistant Director of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, for a term commencing March 25th, 2011, and ending January 21st, 2013: Joseph Klinger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I now seek leave to consider the appointment on a roll call. Will you put the question as required by our rules?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read from Appointment Message 49. 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, 1 voting Present. A majority of Senators elected

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concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Madam Secretary, Appointment Message 50.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be the State Fire Marshal, for a term commencing March 25th, 2011, and ending January 21st, 2013: Lawrence Matkaitis.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I now seek leave to consider the appointment on a roll call. Will you put the question as required by our rules?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read from Appointment Message 50. 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 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Madam Secretary, Appointment Message 51.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the

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following salaried appointment:

To be the Director of the Department of Labor, for a term commencing April 18th, 2011, and ending January 21st, 2013: Joseph Costigan.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I now seek leave to consider the appointment on a roll call. Will you put the question as required by our rules?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read from Message 51. 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 44 voting Aye, 6 voting No, 2 voting Present. A majority of Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Madam Secretary, Appointment Message 54.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the Human Rights Commission, for a term commencing March 28th, 2011, and ending January 21st, 2013: Terry Cosgrove.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz.



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SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I now seek leave to consider the appointment on a roll call. Will you put the question as required by our rules?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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

SENATOR DUFFY:

To the appointment, Mr. Chairman -- Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the Appointment Message, Senator.

SENATOR DUFFY:

You know, I believe that this appointment has a -- a problem for -- for two main reasons. I believe that this is pure pay-to-play politics and I believe that this appointment and his new position will be a conflict of interest with his current role as Chairman and President of Personal PAC. I have some examples of that that I want to briefly describe. Terry Cosgrove, in his role as President and CEO of Personal PAC, did many things which a lot of people know about. He sent out mailers. He sent out e-mail blasts and he sends out robocalls to support and to oppose people that he feels are either in a conflict or agree with his positions. When I ran for office in 2008, even though, obviously, I was not in office before that, he sent out an e-mail blast and here's a copy if anyone would like to see it. And it states that "Dan Duffy is against abortion even in cases of rape and incest. Dan Duffy is leading a fight in the Illinois Senate for a law that would outlaw abortion in Illinois and make women a criminal if they have an

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abortion." And, of course, that's completely dishonest and untrue. First off, I don't oppose abortion in cases of rape and incest, and secondly, I wasn't even in the Illinois Senate, nor did I know any Illinois Senators at that time. I was just starting to meet them. So that was a completely false e-mail that he sent out, which I discussed with him today in the committee, and he did not deny doing this and his -- his explanation was that politics is a rough and tumble place and that things happen in politics that we all have to get used to. He also sent out another e-mail blast and referred people to a website. The website he referred people to, and it says, "Please go to [wvdanduffy.net](http://wvdanduffy.net) {sic} to hear Dan Duffy tell Democrats about his positions." Now this website was a website that he created or people that he knew created. That's why he put it on his e-mail blast. This was a completely false website that had a picture of me. They came and took a picture of my home and put a picture of my home on there. And I have five kids, but they didn't want to use minors, so they had five fake, stand-in substitute kids that they put on this website. And then on this website, they completely distorted all my positions and where I stood on all issues, not just abortion. So that was really crossing the line, because that website isn't just the typical rough politics or, like he described, the "rough and tumble" politics; that website, now we're falling in the line of identity theft. He's stealing my identity and -- and talking about things that aren't true. Also, another example I'd like to talk about is, as you know, Terry Cosgrove -- one of his other e-mail blasts - and I'm sure you've all seen 'em - but is about -- it says, "Have you ever wanted to represent your

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community by serving as a State Senator or State Representative? Please join Personal PAC in a -- in a session" - and this one was on April 25th - "to learn about how to transform yourself from a concerned citizen into serving the General Assembly." So what that means is, as his role is Personal PAC, and you can see if you go to his website at [personalpac.org](http://personalpac.org), that he also trains people and committees, just like he might have trained some people in this room and their campaign managers on how to run for office. And then finally, Mr. President, and thank you for the leeway, as we all know, Personal PAC gave over four hundred thousand dollars to Governor Quinn in the final months of his election. As we all know, Mr. Cosgrove really felt that that really made a difference, because when he did an interview recently with the Windy City Times, he stated in that that getting Quinn elected to office was one of his most satisfying accomplishments. So knowing this and knowing that -- the problems that we've had in Illinois all these years, knowing what we went through with Governor Blagojevich, and knowing that all the talking that Governor Quinn has done about ethics reform, are we really now going to appoint someone to the Human Rights Commission that has this past, that has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars to get the Governor elected, and now we're going to support that nomination by approving him? I hope not. I hope that we've learned something from the past in Illinois and I hope that we all vote No on this appointment. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Bivins, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BIVINS:

...you -- thank you, Mr. President. To the appointment.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the Appointment Message, Senator.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Two problems. I -- I had met with Mr. Cosgrove in my office a few days ago and was unaware of - as I told him in -- in committee - was unaware of his large donation that his PAC had given to the Governor within the last five months. And while it may not be illegal, we -- while it may not violate any ethics law, I think we have a duty and a requirement that we should avoid the appearance of impropriety and I think this does not meet that standard. The other thing in committee that he -- he answered to my question if he would still be involved with his Personal PAC, he answered that indeed he would continue on with that, which I believe is also -- would be a conflict, and the gentleman that we just appointed prior to this appointment, Mr. Costigan, was willing to give up several associations that he has in order to take a position with the State. So I would encourage a No vote on this appointment. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. We do have close to a quorum of the House on the Floor with us here today. We welcome to the Senate Chambers the Speaker of the House, Michael J. Madigan, Representative Yarbrough and Representative Harris. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To the motion, please, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the Appointment Message, Senator.

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SENATOR RIGHTER:

Excuse me. Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Chamber, I am a new member of the Senate Executive Appointments Committee. I served for just a very brief time, I should say, when I first was elected to the Senate and then was -- have not been on it for years before the beginning of this General Assembly. But it's always been my view that the Chief Executive deserves a measure of leeway in picking his or her team. Those are the people that the Chief Executive has to work with and they have to follow his guidance and he needs to feel comfortable with his team. And so I always feel like there's a -- there's a set of parameters within which if the Chief Executive works, then that's legitimate. But the Senate has a constitutional role in this process. And so those lines, wherever they are for each Member, we -- our job is to make sure that the Chief Executive does not go outside of those lines. And for all of us, those lines are different places and they're there for different reasons. But, surely, one of those for everybody has to be the integrity of the government in which we serve, and particularly the Chamber in which we serve. Now, a few weeks ago, this Governor appointed and submitted for approval to the Senate a former Member of the House of Representatives, who had campaigned adamantly against a tax increase, lost the November election, came back to Springfield, voted for a tax increase that was literally twice as large, and then was given a job by the -- the Governor at a pay that was at least fifteen thousand dollars more than she was making at the time. And this Body, Republicans and Democrats, stood up, Mr. President, and said, no, that does not pass the smell test.

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That is outside the parameters of where we think the Chief Executive should go. I would submit to you that to the people who we represent, not the circle here around the rail or in this Chamber or over there and certainly not on the second floor - I'm talking about the people back home who look to us to do the right thing, who are paying for us - this does not pass the smell test either. This falls outside of those parameters that the Chief Executive must operate within. Mr. Cosgrove's organization donated - donated - over four hundred thousand dollars to the Governor's campaign, the person who's giving him this job. Mr. Cosgrove and his organization were integral players in making sure that he kept his seat as Governor. That does not pass the smell test back home. That is outside of the parameters that this Chief Executive must work within. And I don't care what label you attach to it, "pay for play" or -- or whatever, that -- that's not the point. That's not the point here. We've got a bigger duty than that that you can slap a political label on and it's a duty to the people back home, and this is outside of those parameters. One other point that I must stand in opposition to this appointee, Mr. President, and that is, during the committee hearing, and Senator Duffy talked on this, Mr. Cosgrove himself admitted that someone during Senator Duffy's campaign fabricated a website that they purported to be his website, candidate Duffy's website. And while Mr. Cosgrove denied that Personal PAC had anything to do with creating the website, he did admit that somehow he came up with the address for the website and he and Personal PAC made a decision, knowing - knowing this was not the candidate's website - knowing that - they nevertheless made a deliberative

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decision to drive voters to the website so as to make them believe that what was on the website was what the candidate believed. I asked Mr. Cosgrove whether or not he thought, personally, that was right. To which the original response was, "You now, politics is a rough and tumble business." Well, that's not an answer. So is government sometimes, and that's not the attitude I want sitting anywhere near the Human Rights Commission. He told me then -- he told the committee that he would do it again. Look, every one of us in here and everyone in the House have been involved in campaigns that were difficult, that had mistruths, that tried to -- where one side or the other tried to foster misperceptions to one degree or another. We've all been involved in those, haven't we? But isn't there a standard, just like there's a -- parameters without which the Governor shouldn't operate? Isn't there a standard? Isn't there a base line somewhere where we say, "You know what? No, that's not right. That's out of bounds. We're not going to accept that." And I would submit that driving voters to a website that you know falsely represents the candidate's views is beneath the minimal standard of -- conduct that even we should expect, even in these days of politics. We can do better. Mr. Cosgrove on his résumé may be very well qualified, but we can do better than someone who's engaged in this kind of political activity. I would urge a No vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. I intentionally granted a fair degree of latitude on this. I would ask future speakers to confine their remarks to the appointment at hand, not to other

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appointments and not to other campaigns. Thank you, Senator. Senator Schmidt, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SCHMIDT:

I rise to speak to the appointment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the Appointment Message.

SENATOR SCHMIDT:

Okay. And I guess I'll just do this according to what has happened to me personally. I don't want to talk about anybody else. These stories I have really never heard before. But I will tell you, and I do know Mr. Cosgrove, and I -- I met with him for numerous hours during, you know, pre-campaigning, actually, and felt very comfortable talking to him and telling him of -- of my feelings about the issues he's concerned with. But I will tell you that I've been in government since 1985 and I take appointments very seriously and I want people appointed that -- they can have differences of opinion, but making false statements about someone is not a difference of opinion and is irresponsibility that is not acceptable to me. During my own campaign, phoned -- phone robocallings about statements about me, mailings about me that had nothing to do with me.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator...

SENATOR SCHMIDT:

I -- I understand.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

...could -- if you could please confine your remarks to the -  
- the appointment. We've -- we have covered much of this ground  
and -- and I don't know that it's fruitful to continue. If you



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could confine your remarks to this appointment. ...Schmidt.

SENATOR SCHMIDT:

...you. Mr. President, this is to character. This is someone that we are spending public funds on - my money, your money and the money in the -- of the people of the State of Illinois. I believe that this man's character is not an acceptable person in my mind to work in this area. So I would urge all of you to listen to what has been said and give a No vote on this appointment, because we need people of character more than ever right now in this State government. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Jacobs, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Mr. President. You know, I -- I -- I'm looking on this side of the aisle and I see the American flag, and you know what? Terry Cosgrave is an American citizen. He has the right - Cosgrove - he has the right to his point of view. He has the right to raise and expend money on behalf of candidates that he favors. But, you know, I've noticed that so far nobody's really talked about him not being qualified for the position. They said they didn't like his politics and they're -- they're terming it play-to-pay politics. Well, you know -- you know what I'm hearing, I'm hearing that it's play or be punished. So my Republican friends are saying to me today, he wasn't our guy, so he can't get in. Only your guy can get in. Everybody has a right in this State to stand on their own two feet. There's no old stock -- village stockades where we can

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put this gentleman and make him pay for his political sins. Fact is, he's a good man. He believes strongly in what he believes and he should if he wants to. I may disagree with him. I may agree with him. But the one thing I'll never do is punish him for his political beliefs.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. We have three Senators still seeking recognition. Senator Lauzen, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I didn't intend to speak, but what we just heard..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

You don't have to.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

I know, but I'm gonna. This one is important enough. The previous speaker says that it's a matter of, well, it's our guy, not your guy. That is absolutely false. That is not what we're talking about here. Not what we're talking about. It's what Senator Schmidt said. It's a matter of character. You don't want someone serving on the Human Rights Committee {sic} who's proven himself a liar. Now maybe we shouldn't use those words.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Lauzen, if we could please confine..

SENATOR LAUZEN:

It's a matter..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

...ourselves to the appointment and not engage in personalities on the Senate Floor. Thank you... Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

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I think that the essence of a person, of an appointment, is their conduct and their character. So, I -- I don't quite get the distinction, but you and I can talk later about that. A matter of character, you don't lie and then get an appointment to serve on a Human Rights Commission.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Delgado, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the appointment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the appointment, Senator.

SENATOR DELGADO:

I serve on the Executive Appointments as the Vice-Chair. It's been very difficult seeing folks come through that committee and I have my opinions on many. But we're talking about qualifications of a human being who brings a lot of controversy to State government, but he's very well defined with a history on the Human Rights Commission in Champaign County, having been, I believe, the Chairman. Mr. Cosgrove brings a unique style and an open way of living and that is what America I knew was all about. As we continue to close the picture window on America's freedoms, we are at the -- open democracy and able to have these open debates in committee and it was a wild one this morning. I thought it was exciting and it really motivated me. But let me say that at the point of Mr. Cosgrove - I think someone on the other side of the aisle pointed out very well - his résumé is very qualified. This is the Governor's choice. I didn't back this Governor in the primary or the -- well, in the general, we were there, but I didn't back

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this -- a little Freudian slip almost came out of me there. But what the -- what the -- the reality is, is that I support Terry Cosgrove. For the love of God, forty-six thousand dollars a year, part-time, to serve as a member - not as a chairman, a member - hundreds of thousands of dollars given away to who? Well, guess what? He would have had a pick of the low-lying fruit, but he's going to be a member, a member on something he has a strong passion about, not politics. We don't -- we have - - when have we heard about the politics on the Human Rights Commission? This is clearly political in this Chamber today and I respect the frustration. I've been in some nasty campaigns of my own - within the Democratic primary. They had me saying that I had a fictitious child in the State of Florida and that I was a deadbeat father when I only had two biological children and a wife who I've been with for thirty-seven years, my high school sweetheart. I've been there. The person who did that is one of my best friends now, because I understood the politics, and as long as my wife forgave him, I forgave him. My children forgave him. And who we talked about is now in Heaven. But I had to sit there today and I voted on his credentials and Mr. Cosgrove is highly -- highly qualified for this position. And let his politics roam, let him be free, because that's the America I know. Let's all make sure we respect the decision of this Governor. We have vetted this gentleman to the maximum and I would ask that we -- put our small politics aside till the next campaign. And contrary to popular belief, we can be statesmen. So let's do the right thing and help Mr. Cosgrove move on and let him practice what he preaches and let's see exactly what he does, because he'll have to come up for another appointment and

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we can -- we -- I -- I'm not inhibited to say that I have confidence in all of us and you to be able to -- if we don't get him in the wash, you can get him in the rinse. But this gentleman is highly qualified, Mr. President, and I would ask for green lights.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Thank you, Senator. The final Senator seeking recognition is Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

To the appointment, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the Appointment Message, Senator.

SENATOR STEANS:

Thank you very much. You know, Terry Cosgrove has dedicated his life to the issue of human rights. At -- it was a very personal issue for him; when he was a young man at the University of Illinois, he and his partner at the time went into a bar locally and were dancing and were told they were not allowed to do so and had to leave. Now, many people at that age may have just dropped it, but he did not. He went and worked with Lambda Legal and brought a lawsuit and got that bar to, in fact, change its policy and to allow same-sex partners to participate in what was happening there in the bar, just dancing. He went on then and turned that into his work in Champaign-Urbana and was asked to serve on the Human Rights Commission -- Human Relations Commission in Champaign-Urbana. He passed, working with Republican mayors in both Champaign and Urbana, two ordinances that were at the time the strongest human rights ordinances in the country that included protection for

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both source of income as well as sexual orientation. And ever since, you know him most well now for his role in Personal PAC and this is a person of principle and belief. That is what drives the organization. It's issue-driven. It is about supporting bipartisan, Republican -- or candidates who support pro-choice. And he is fiercely independent and is getting appointed as an independent, in fact, and has a real track record at Personal PAC. Their policy is very much to support people across both aisles as long as they support pro-choice issues. He, of course, supported Governor Quinn, because Governor Quinn is a pro-choice Governor. The -- any allegations of this being a pay for play is preposterous. This has been an incredibly issue-driven organization. That's been his entire track record and Terry Cosgrove could not be a person of higher integrity and moral character. I've had the pleasure of knowing him for years, well before I got into politics, and am very proud to be able to sponsor him for the appointment to the Human Rights Commission. And appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read from Appointment Message 54. 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 30 voting Aye, 25 voting No, 2 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Madam Secretary, Appointment Message 55. ...Bivins, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR BIVINS:

Mr. President, I'd like to verify the roll.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Bivins has requested a verification. Will all Members please be in their seats? Madam Secretary, will you please ring the bell? The Secretary will read the affirmative votes.

SECRETARY ROCK:

The following Members voted in the affirmative: Clayborne, Annazette Collins, Jacqueline Collins, Crotty, Delgado, Frerichs, Garrett, Harmon, Holmes, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jacobs, Emil Jones, Koehler, Kotowski, Landek, Lightford, Link, Martinez, Mulroe, Muñoz, Noland, Raoul, Sandoval, Schoenberg, Silverstein, Steans, Trotter, Wilhelmi and Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Bivins, do you question the presence of any Member voting in the affirmative?

SENATOR BIVINS:

Yes, Mr. President. I would question Senator Annazette Collins and Senator Emil Jones.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Emil Jones is at his desk, Senator. Sorry, Senator, did you question the presence of Senator Annazette Collins as here? Senator Bivins, do you -- do you question the presence of any other Members voting in the affirmative? On a verified roll call, there are 30 Ayes, 25 Nays, and 2 voting Present. Having received the -- a majority of Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Madam Secretary, Appointment

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Message... Madam Secretary, I believe the next Appointment Message on our Calendar is Appointment Message 56. Madam Secretary, Appointment Message 56.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the Human Rights Commission, for a term commencing March 28th, 2011, and ending January 19th, 2015:  
Robert Cantone.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I now seek leave to consider the appointment on a roll call. Will you put the question as required by our rules?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read on Appointment Message 56. 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 52 voting Aye, none voting No, 2 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Madam Secretary, Appointment Message 59.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments



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recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Judge of the Court of Claims, for a term commencing March 28th, 2011, and ending January 16th, 2017: Gerald Kubasiak.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I now seek leave to consider the appointment on a roll call. Will you put the question as required by our rules?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read from Appointment Message 59. 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 54 voting Aye, none voting No, 2 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Madam Secretary, Appointment Message -- Motions in Writing - Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ROCK:

I have a motion in writing from Senator Muñoz, Chairman of the Committee on Executive Appointments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ROCK:

I move to compile the following Appointment Messages to be

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acted on together by a single vote of the Senate: Appointment Messages 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48 and 53.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Senator Muñoz moves to compile the Appointment Messages to be acted on together by a single vote of the Senate. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. Madam Secretary, Executive Appointments - Appointment Messages. Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, with respect to Appointment Messages 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48 and 53, I will read the non-salaried appointments of which the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent:

To be a member of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library (and Museum) Advisory Board, for a term commencing March 18th, 2011, and ending December 31, 2017: Patrick Reardon.

To be members of the Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan (Board), for terms commencing March 18, 2011: David Hill, for a term ending July 1, 2012; and James Meyer, for a term ending July 1, 2013.

To be members of the Governors State University Board of Trustees for terms commencing March 18th, 2011: Bruce Friefeld, Lorine Samuels, for terms ending January 14th, 2013.

To be a member of the Guardianship -- Advocacy Commission, for a term commencing March 18th, 2011, and ending June 30th, 2012: Sharon Jenkins-Collins.

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To be a member of the Medical Licensing Board, for a term commencing March 18th, 2011, and ending January 1, 2014: Steven Dayan.

To be a member of the Northeastern Illinois University Board of Trustees, for a term commencing April 1, 2011, ending January 16th, 2017: Jonathan Stein.

Again, Mr. President, I'll reread this. There was a change on this.

To be a member of the Northeastern Illinois University Board of Trustees, for a term commencing March 28th and ending January 16th, 2017: Jonathan Stein.

To be the Public Administrators and Public Guardians, for terms commencing March 18th, 2011, and ending December 2nd, 2013, for counties indicated: Joseph Cernugel, Will County; Dana Considine, Lee County; Frederick Floreth, Fayette and Montgomery counties; Kevin McDermott, Sangamon County; and Timothy Newlin, Peoria County.

To be a member of the Quad Cities Regional Economic Development Authority, for a term commencing March 18th, 2011, ending January 14th, 2013: Randall Jacobs.

To be members of the Comptroller's Merit Commission, for terms commencing March 15th, 2011: Clyde Bunch, for a term ending January 16th, 2012; Rosemarie Long, for a term ending January 20th, 2014; and William Taft, for a term ending January 18th, 2016.

Mr. President, having read the non-salaried appointments, I now seek leave to consider the Appointment Messages on a roll call. Will you put the question as required by our rules?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

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Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Messages just read. 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. A majority of Senators elected concurring by a record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the Appointment Messages just read. Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move the Senate arise from Executive Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Muñoz moves that the Senate arise from Executive Session. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate has arisen from Executive Session. Senator Bivins, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BIVINS:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR BIVINS:

First and foremost, I'd like to welcome to the Senate Floor the State Representative from the 89th District, my very good friend, Representative Jim Sacia. And next I would like to introduce to you his son, Major John Sacia, who spent nine years in the Army, flying an Apache helicopter. He did three combat tours - two in Iraq and one in Albania. He joined the Air Force

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in a desire to fly faster and higher and now is an -- F-16 fighter pilot and he just graduated within the, I believe, the last month here. And so I'd like to welcome Major John Sacia.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Major Sacia, welcome to the Senate and thank you for your service to our country. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we'll stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. If all members on the Committee on Assignments could report to the President's Anteroom immediately, the Committee on Assignments will meet briefly. The Senate -- the Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. Senator Crotty will be in the Chair. The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Senator Harmon in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The Senate will come to order. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to the Appropriations I Committee - House Bill 116, House Bill 117, House Bill 132, House Bill 3639, House Bill 3697; refer to the Executive Committee - Senate Resolution 168.

Signed by Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Madam Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ROCK:

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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 192.

I have received like Messages on House Bills 1656, 1684, 1712, 1866, 1953, 2084, 2086, 2094, 2870, 2874, 3284, 3539 and 3550. They passed the House, April 7th, 2011. Mark Mahoney, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, with leave of the Body, we will turn to page 45 of your printed Calendars. On the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 744. Senator Link. Sponsorship has been changed to Senator Link. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Bill 744.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. I want to make this very clear what this is: This is a shell bill. It's the shell bill for the gaming bill. It's the bill that we have passed out of this august Body twice that we are sending over to the House. I would ask your indulgence to pass this shell bill out -- over. We are working with the House Members. We were -- are working

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on a bipartisan way of passing this bill. My colleague, Senator Syverson, is my chief cosponsor on this bill. We are working with Representative Beaubien and Representative Will Davis in the House. We are meeting on this piece of legislation. We will be working on the amendment that we will be adding on in the House. The final version will be coming back for concurrence in this Body when it's completed. So you will have a vote on the final bill when it comes back. But I would ask you to work with us to make sure that this bill continues on. If there's any questions, I will be more than happy to answer 'em.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

I just want to thank the Senator for introducing this. This is a work in progress and it's important to point out that the Senator's meeting with all parties that were engaged with last year's legislation. Nothing has been determined yet. So this just allows this progress to move forward. Failure to move this, unfortunately stops work that's important for a lot of communities. So, I hope we can get passage on this, knowing that this legislation will come back when it's negotiated. Thank you. Thank you for taking the lead on that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question

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is, shall Senate Bill 744 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 30 voting Aye, 14 voting No, 3 voting Present. Senate Bill 744, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Madam Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ROCK:

House Bill 78, offered by Senator Frerichs.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 147, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 176, offered by Senator Mulroe.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 178, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 190, offered by Senator Righter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 195, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 196, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 234, offered by Senator Murphy.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 248, offered by Senator John Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 263, offered by Senator Millner.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 274, offered by Senator Althoff.



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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 286, offered by Senator Delgado.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 298, offered by Senator Lightford.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1056, offered by Senator Sandack.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1084, offered by Senator Forby.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1095, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1101, offered by Senator Mulroe.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1112, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1209, offered by Senator Martinez.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1216, offered by Senator Koehler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1228, offered by Senator Mulroe.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1233, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1253, offered by Senator Martinez.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1254, offered by Senator Martinez.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1256, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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House Bill 1258, offered by Senator Noland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1260, offered by Senator Noland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1262, offered by Senator Noland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1315, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1316, offered by Senator Noland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1317, offered by Senator Noland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1326, offered by Senator Koehler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1378, offered by Senator Sandoval.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1391, offered by Senator Forby.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1404, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1425, offered by Senator Trotter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1458, offered by Senator Steans.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1484, offered by Senator Righter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1486, offered by Senator Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1487, offered by Senator Frerichs.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1491, offered by Senator Brady.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1494, offered by Senator Crotty.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1503, offered by Senator Maloney.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1513, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1514, offered by Senator John Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1530, offered by Senator Delgado.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1531, offered by Senator Delgado.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1549, offered by Senator Wilhelmi.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1560, offered by Senator Jacqueline Collins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1571, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1573, offered by Senator Wilhelmi.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1593, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1645, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1658, offered by Senator Radogno.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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House Bill 1670, offered by Senator Crotty.

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House Bill 1700, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1706, offered by Senator Noland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1710, offered by Senator Maloney.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1748, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1865, offered by Senator Jacobs.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1872, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1876, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1907, offered by Senator Raoul.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1949, offered by Senator Maloney.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1966, offered by Senator Sandoval.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1981, offered by Senator Koehler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1984, offered by Senator Haine.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2048, offered by Senator Hunter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2054, offered by Senator John Jones.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2069, offered by Senator Wilhelmi.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2101, offered by Senator Wilhelmi.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2105, offered by Senator Crotty.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2313, offered by Senator Sullivan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2362, offered by Senator Frerichs.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2500, offered by Senator John Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2860, offered by Senator Forby.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2891, offered by Senator Lightford.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2902, offered by Senator Garrett.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2922, offered by Senator Mulroe.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2938, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2982, offered by Senator Syverson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2993, offered by Senator Crotty.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3022, offered by Senator Lightford.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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House Bill 3033, offered by Senator Noland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3035, offered by Senator Haine.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3036, offered by Senator Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2853, offered by Senator Haine.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2976, offered by Senator Wilhelmi.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of these House bills.

House Bill 3037, offered by Senator Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3038, offered by Senator Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3042, offered by Senator Jacqueline Collins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3090, offered by Senator Delgado.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3115, offered by Senator Maloney.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3131, offered by Senator Pankau.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3134, offered by Senator Raoul.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3155, offered by Senator Koehler.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3158, offered by Senator Schoenberg.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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House Bill 3188, offered by Senator Frerichs.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3207, offered by Senator Garrett.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3222, offered by Senator Tom Johnson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3236, offered by Senator Schoenberg.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3273, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3289, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3329, offered by Senator Muñoz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3335, offered by Senator Garrett.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3343, offered by Senator Schoenberg.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3358, offered by Senator Maloney.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3376, offered by Senator Raoul.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3405, offered by Senator Haine.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3411, offered by Senator Rezin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3425, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3440, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3468, offered by Senator Holmes.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3478, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of these House bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I believe we have concluded our work for the day. We have committees meeting in just about two minutes. It is our intention to keep the Senate open for the possibility of receiving paperwork, but no further substantive action today. We will reconvene tomorrow morning at 9 a.m. and expect a full day of substantive action. We'd ask that you all be here bright and early, ready to go on 3rd Readings tomorrow, Friday, at 9 a.m. The Senate stands in recess to the call of the Chair.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The Senate will come to order. Ladies and Gentlemen, we appear to have caught up with our paperwork. We're going to go ahead and do our adjournment for the day. Don't mean to surprise anyone by changing the rules here. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 9 a.m. on the 9th day of April, 2011. The Senate stands adjourned. On the 8th day of April. The Senate stands adjourned.