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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

The regular Session of the 97th General Assembly will please come to order. Will our Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Reverend Walt DeMoss, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Oswego, Illinois. Reverend.

THE REVEREND WALT DeMOSS:

(Prayer by the Reverend Walt DeMoss)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you, Reverend DeMoss. Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Jacobs, to lead us in the Pledge.

SENATOR JACOBS:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Jacobs)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Monday, February 27th, 2012.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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 printed transcript.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Resolution 635, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

Senate Resolution 636, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

They are death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Frerichs, Chairperson of the Committee on Agriculture and Conservation, reports Senate Bills 3270, 3292, 3436 Do Pass.

Senator Delgado, Chairperson of the Committee on Public Health, reports Senate Bills 3420, 3461 Do Pass; Senate Bills 2934 and 3261 Do Pass, as Amended; Senate Resolutions -- 516, 546, 580 and 586 Be Adopted; Senate Joint Resolution 46 Be Adopted.

Senator Maloney, Chairperson of the Committee on Higher Education, reports Senate Bills 2949 and 3428 Do Pass; Senate Bill 2818 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Hunter, Chairperson of the Committee on Human Services, reports Senate Bills 3325, 3337 and 3517 Do Pass; Senate Bills 2574 and 2820 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Silverstein, Chairperson of the Committee on Judiciary, reports Senate Bills 2569, 3204, 3415, 3549, 3552, 3572, 3602, 3626 Do Pass; Senate Bills 2534, 2897, 2948, 3249 and 3287 Do Pass, as Amended.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Senator Duffy, for what purpose

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do you rise?

SENATOR DUFFY:

Purposes of announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your announcement.

SENATOR DUFFY:

Senator Lauzen will not be present today due to an illness in his family.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

The record will show -- so reflect. Thank you, Senator Duffy. Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your point. Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we are honored by the presence this morning of the Chief Justice of Illinois, Illinois Supreme Court Justice Kilbride.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Welcome to the Illinois State Senate, Justice. Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

Well, Mr. President, I -- I just wanted to add that it's good to have the Chief Justice here and not be trying the Governor on impeachment articles.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, if I could have your attention, please. The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to

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allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. Will all members on the Committee on Assignments please come to the President's Anteroom immediately? Committee on Assignments in the President's Anteroom. Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) Ladies and Gentlemen, the Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Harmon, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Appropriations I Committee - Senate Bills 3830, 3832, 38 -- excuse me, 3832 through 3849, Senate Bill 3851 through 3864, Senate Bill 3866 through 3871, Senate Bill 3903 and Senate Bill 3905; refer to Appropriations II Committee - Senate Bill 3828, Senate Bill 3829, Senate Bill 3831, Senate Bill 3850, Senate Bill 3865, Senate Bill 3872 through Senate Bill 3902, Senate Bill 3904, Senate Bill 3906 and Senate Bill 3907; refer to Commerce Committee - Senate Bill 3190; refer to Criminal Law Committee - Senate Bill 2888; refer to Financial Institutions Committee - Senate Bill 3243; refer to Labor Committee - Senate Bill 2636 and 2943; refer to Transportation Committee - Senate Bill 2889; re-refer from Revenue Committee to Human Services Committee - Senate Bill 1351; re-refer to Assignments Committee - Senate Bill 3805; Be Approved for -- Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Bill 758.

Senator Don Harmon, Chairman.

Senator Harmon, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture and Conservation Committee - Senate Bill 3805; refer to Criminal Law Committee - Committee Amendment No.

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1 to Senate Bill 3636, Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3638 and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3655; refer to Education Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3408 and Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3410; refer to Environment Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2947; refer to Financial Institutions Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3177; refer to Human Services Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 267, Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1351; refer to Judiciary Committee - Committee Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 2569 {sic}, Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3426; refer to Local Government Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3184 and Committee -- Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3633; refer to Procurement Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 350, Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 20 -- 3296, Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3297; refer to State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3671.

Senator Don Harmon, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, if I could have your attention, please, have an announcement. The following committees will be meeting to take up Floor amendments: The Education Committee will meet in Room 409 this afternoon at 2:30 p.m. - Education, Room 409, at 2:30 p.m. Ladies and Gentlemen, I have another announcement: March 9th is the deadline for reporting all substantive Senate bills from committees. Any Senate bill requiring a committee amendment next week must be filed before this Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. That will provide time for

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amendments to be assigned to committees so that they can be heard before the committee passage deadline next week. Again, March 9th is the deadline for reporting all substantive Senate bills from committees. Any Senate bill requiring a committee amendment next week must be filed before this Friday, this Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. Ladies and Gentlemen, as you well know, there's committees this afternoon. Therefore, there being no further business to come... Just one second, please. Ladies and Gentlemen, just a further announcement. As we announced earlier, the -- the following committee will be meeting to take up Floor amendments: That's the Education, Room -- Education Committee in Room 409. That's at 2:30. Additionally in the Education Committee, Room 409, at 3:15 p.m., that committee will hear a Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3410. Education, Room 409, at 3:15 p.m. this afternoon, to take up Committee -- Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3410. Ladies and Gentlemen, there being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 11:45 a.m. on the 9th {sic} (29th) day of February, 2012. The Senate stands adjourned.