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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

The regular Session of the 97th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Reverend Jonathan Franklin, Mt. Zion Apostolic Church, from Springfield, Illinois. Reverend Franklin.

THE REVEREND JONATHAN FRANKLIN:

(Prayer by the Reverend Jonathan Franklin)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

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

SENATOR JACOBS:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Jacobs)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journals of Friday, March 30th, and Wednesday, April 11th, 2012.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Senator Maloney.

SENATOR MALONEY:

Madam 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 CROTTY)

Senator Maloney moves to postpone the reading and the -- and approval of the Journal, pending arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. Rodney

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Correll, WLS-TV Chicago, requests permission to videotape the Session. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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

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

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

They're all death resolutions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 706, offered by President Cullerton.  
It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate the House of Representatives has adopted the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Joint Resolution 51.

Offered by Senator Raoul. And adopted by the House, March 9th, 2012. Timothy D. -- D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

We have received a like Message on House Joint Resolution 73, offered by Senator Jacobs. And adopted by the House, March

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30th, 2012. They are both substantive, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Senator John Jones, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR J. JONES:

Thank you, Madam President. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

State your -- point.

SENATOR J. JONES:

Thank you. I'm honored today, actually Senator Luechtefeld and I both, but Senator Luechtefeld's unable to be here today, but we have four Pages from Breese Central High School in Clinton County. And we have Alyssa, Klea and Amanda and Zach with us today from Breese Central High School in -- in Clinton County. So, give 'em a warm welcome. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Welcome to the Senate Floor. Senator Sandack, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SANDACK:

Good afternoon, Madam President. For a point of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

State your point.

SENATOR SANDACK:

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, as we kind of get in here, I -- it's my privilege to introduce Peter Crowe. Peter's my Page for the Day. He's from Downers Grove, Illinois. He's a fifth grader at Hillcrest School. He is a baseball player, a basketball player. He's a brown belt in Hapkido. So please mind your p's and q's. He plays the guitar. He's an

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eclectic youth of Downers Grove and represents everything good about Downers Grove. He's here with his mother, Joy Crowe. His grandparents are here. Please give 'em a warm Senate welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Welcome to the Senate Floor, Peter. Senator Koehler, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Madam President. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

State your point.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

I have with me today two Pages from Pekin High School. I have Catherine McMahan, who is currently a freshman at Pekin High -- Community High School, participating in marching band, speech, and student council. Her future plans include going into politics, which is a good thing. Or going into -- or -- or, marine biology. She enjoys jazz, Frank Sinatra, and hopes one day to make a difference in the world. Also, Elli Jung, who is currently a senior at Pekin High School as well. She enjoys the arts, classic literature, environmental sciences. In the fall, she will be attending Grinnell to further her education in visual arts and psychology, possibly pursuing a career in art therapy and maybe in -- joining the Peace -- Peace Corps. Also, I want to welcome their teacher, Colleen Kahl, who is in the balcony behind me. She is a teacher at Pekin High School in American Government and Social Studies. Please give them a -- a warm Springfield welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Will our guests in the balcony please rise?

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Congratulations on coming down to Springfield. Enjoy your day.  
Senator Murphy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

Purpose of an announcement, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

State your announcement.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Senator Millner will be back home in his district for the entire week due to a family illness. Just ask the record to so reflect and deem his absence as excused.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

The record will so reflect, Senator. Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4081, offered by Senator Haine.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4136, offered by President Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4242, offered by Senator Forby.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4541, offered by Senator Bivins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4757, offered by Senator Maloney.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5009, offered by Senator Jacobs.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5033, offered by Senator Schoenberg.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5111, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5450, offered by Senator Delgado.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5641, offered by Senator Righter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5771, offered by Senator Hunter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of these House bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. The members of the Committee of {sic} (on) Assignments will come to the President's Anteroom immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) Will the committee members please go to the President's Anteroom. (at ease) Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Criminal Law Committee - House Bills 4636, 4637, 5090, 5235, 5250, 5280 and 5289; refer to Energy Committee - House Bill 5814; refer to Executive Committee - House Bill 1907; refer to Local Government Committee - House Bill 4500; refer to Pensions and Investments Committee - House Bill 4513; refer to Revenue Committee - House Bills 1299 and 5789; refer to Transportation Committee - House Bill 4577; re-refer from Public Health Committee to Assignments Committee - Senate Resolution 661; re-refer from Executive Committee to Assignments Committee - Senate Resolution 638.

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Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture and Conservation Committee - Committee Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 3271, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 404; refer to Appropriations II Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2404, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2406, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2410, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2411, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2415, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2417, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2418, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2420, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2421, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2422, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2423, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2425, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2426, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2427, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2429, Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2430, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2431, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2432, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2433, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2434, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2435, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2436, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2438, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2439, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2440, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2441, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2444, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2445, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2446, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2447, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2448, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2451, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2452, Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2453, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate



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Bill 2455, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2459, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2460, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2461, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2463, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2464, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2465 and Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2466; refer to Commerce Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 5211; refer to Criminal Law Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2621, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 3804, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 5330, Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 5653; refer to Education Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 4029; refer to Energy Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 553; refer to Executive Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2988, Floor Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 3280, Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 735, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 5288; refer to Human Services Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 5592; refer to Insurance Committee - House -- Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 2885; refer to Local Government Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill -- 4753; refer to State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 4510; refer to Transportation Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 4598 and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Resolution 690; Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Resolutions 638 and 661.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Ladies and Gentlemen, the following committees will be meeting to take up committee or Floor amendments: Criminal Law will meet in Room 212 at 9:01 a.m. tomorrow; Executive will meet

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in Room 212 at 2:01 p.m. tomorrow; Appropriations II will meet in Room 212 at 4:01 p.m. tomorrow; Insurance will meet in Room 400 at 4:01 p.m. tomorrow; Energy will be meeting in Room 212 at 9:01 Thursday. President Cullerton, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Thank you, Madam President. I rise for the purposes of an announcement. Ladies and Gentlemen, to remind you, the annual Senate/House softball game in Lincoln Park is next Wednesday at 5:30. Senator Kotowski is going to be involved with organizing the team. As you know, the -- the House has twice as many eligible players as we do, and they also tend to be a little younger on average than we are. However, for many, many years, the Senate has prevailed in spite of those odds in that game. We expect that to be the case next week as well. Plus, we're looking forward to next year, because we have a lot of fresh faces coming in the -- the Senate as well. So I think it's really important that we attend the game and we make sure we defeat the House once again. It would be a nice omen for the rest of the Session, as a matter of fact. So let's look forward to doing that. Senator Kotowski will be the one in charge of passing out the uniforms. So please contact him. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Senator Trotter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR TROTTER:

Madam President, for purposes of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

State your announcement.

SENATOR TROTTER:

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Thank you very much. For Members on the Senate Democrat and Majority side, immediately upon recess, we will be meeting for a caucus in the President's Office, for approximately one hour.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Senator Murphy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

Purpose of an announcement, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

State your announcement.

SENATOR MURPHY:

The Senate Republicans have voted to take a caucus position that none of us will play in the softball game unless Senator Maloney's the manager. And we would also request a one-hour caucus in Room 409.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

Senator Maloney, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you. I -- I appreciate Senator Murphy's comment. Maybe I'll talk to Senator Kotowski, because me being the manager is probably the only way I'll get to play.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CROTTY)

The Senate Democrats and Republicans have moved to recess 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 the call of the Chair.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senate will come to order. Ladies and Gentlemen, all committees previously scheduled for this afternoon will begin immediately. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 12 p.m. on the 18th day of April, 2012. Senate stands adjourned.