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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The regular Session of the 98th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desk? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Father Tom Meyer, Our Saviour's {sic} (Saviour) Catholic Church, Jacksonville, Illinois. Father Meyer.

FATHER TOM MEYER:

(Prayer by Father Tom Meyer)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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

SENATOR JACOBS:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Jacobs)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journals of January 9th, 10th, 16th, 23rd and 24th, 2013.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Madam President, I move that the Journals just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hunter moves to approve the Journals just read by the Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

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Senate Journal of Monday, May 20th, 2013.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hunter.

### SENATOR HUNTER:

Madam 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 LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. James Carder, Blue -- Blueroomstream.com, requests permission to videotape. Leave is granted. Mike Brooks, WICS-TV, requests permission to record audio and video. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 316, offered by Senator McCann and all Members.

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They are all death resolutions, Madam President.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Forby, Chairperson of the Committee on Labor and Commerce, reports Senate Amendment 3 to House Bill 3125 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Collins, Chairperson of the Committee on Financial Institutions, reports Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 2432 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Hutchinson, Chairperson of the Committee on Revenue, reports Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 2345 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Harmon, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1002 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Raoul, Chairperson of the Committee on Judiciary, reports Senate Amendment 3 to House Bill 948, Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 1225 and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 2832 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Hunter, Chairperson of the Committee on Human Services, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 629, Senate Amendment 5 to Senate Bill 1454 and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 1191 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Jones, Chairperson of the Committee on Local Government, reports Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 2482 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Noland, Chairperson of the Committee on Criminal Law, reports Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 49, Senate Amendment 3 to House Bill 804 and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 2471 Recommend Do Adopt.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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 that the House of Representatives has concurred with the Senate in the passage of a bill of the following title, to wit:

Senate Bill 2101.

Together with the following amendment which is attached, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2101.

We have received a like Message on Senate Bill 2184, with House Amendment 1. Passed the House, as amended, May 20th, 2013. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Mr. Secretary, Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Appointment Message 223

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

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, 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 Illinois Comprehensive Health Insurance Board:

David K. Hill

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

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, 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 Children and Family Services Advisory Council:

Julie A. Morrison

Appointment Message 225

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

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, 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 Children and Family Services Advisory Council:

Erin McNamee

Appointment Message 226

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

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, 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 Children and Family Services Advisory Council:

Naomi Jakobsson

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Appointment Message 227

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

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, 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 Children and Family Services Advisory Council:

Mattie Hunter

Appointment Message 228

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

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, 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 Children and Family Services Advisory Council:

Timothy Egan

Appointment Message 229

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

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, 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 Children and Family Services Advisory Council:

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Jay Paul Deratany

Appointment Message 230

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

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, 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 the Executive Inspector General for the Office of the Executive Inspector General for the Governor:

Ricardo Meza

Annual Compensation: \$150,168

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator LaHood, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LaHOOD:

Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your point, Senator.

### SENATOR LaHOOD:

Thank you, Madam President. I am here today with my Page, who's from Peoria. Her name is Miss Autum Greeson. And Autum is a junior. She's from Peoria, but she's a junior at DePaul University. She's a cheerleader at DePaul for both men's and women's basketball. She is also, in her spare time, a swim instructor, a lifeguard, and she has an interest in politics and government. And I would -- ask everyone to give her a warm Springfield welcome. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

You're welcome. Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Senator

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Mulroe, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR MULROE:

I'd like to welcome two special guests to the Senate, Michael Keenan and his mother, Diane. Michael is nine years old. He has ambitions to be a professional baseball player, and after he makes all that money, he's going to run for the United States presidency. I'd wish -- everyone give him a warm welcome, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Senator Sullivan, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

For an announcement, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you. Leader Sullivan, please state your announcement. SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you. Madam President, if I could have the -- get the attention of the Chamber, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we will be having a moment of silence. If you could please have no conversations going on right now on the Floor. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, can you please take your conversations off the Senate Floor? We will have a moment of silence. Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

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Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. Yesterday, I think anybody that watched the news last night or this morning saw the horrendous impact that a tornado, or multiple tornadoes, had in Oklahoma. I was watching the news last night and again this morning and the devastation was just kind of unbelievable. That path that tornado took through the community there in Oklahoma was just unbelievable. But, you know, there was numerous homes, schools, government buildings destroyed. The path, they said, was two miles wide, over twenty-some miles long. So -- and, obviously, we did get a little, I guess, good news this morning: The -- the number of lives that were lost was -- was lowered. That was a very good thing. But still dozens of people were killed by that tornado. And I think we -- if we could just take a moment of silence here today and remember our -- the -- the individuals that were killed, those individuals that were impacted by that tornado, I think it would be very appropriate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please rise for a moment of silence. (Moment of silence observed) Thank you. Senator Steans, for what purpose do you rise?

#### SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, for a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

State your privilege point, Senator.

#### SENATOR STEANS:

Hi. Yes. I want to just introduce the Chamber to Jill Gottfred. She is shadowing me -- for the day. She had gone through the Teach for America's Leadership -- Political Leadership Quality Education Program -- fellowship, and as part of that, she

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is shadowing me for a day. So please welcome and introduce yourselves to Jill Gottfred. Thanks.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Welcome, Jill, to the Illinois Senate. Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Madam President. The Senate Republicans would like to have a caucus - thirty minutes in Room 400 immediately.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Althoff moves that the Senate recess for the purpose of a thirty-minute Republican Senate Caucus. Seeing no objection, the motion is granted. The Senate now stands in recess to the call of the Chair. After the Senate Republican Caucus, the Senate will reconvene for the purpose of Floor action. The Senate stands in recess to the call of the Chair. There was a late light. My apologies. Senator Jones, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR JONES:

Purpose of introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

State your introduction, Senator.

### SENATOR JONES:

Two introductions. Joining me in the President's Gallery, we have students from Morgan Park High School, down here advocating about guns. Just had a nice thirty-minute conversation about conceal and carry, and they were very, very, very -- a very good conversation, might I add. Also, I would like to introduce two of my constituents from the greater Roseland area who represent Developmental {sic} (Developing) Communities Project, DCP - Pastor

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Rayford Grady, the President of the Board of Directors, and Tiffany Hightower, who's the Project Director. Developmental Communities Project has been in existence for over twenty-five years and -- has made contributions to the Greater Roseland area. DCP makes strong presence in the community by facilitating youth anti-violence programs, creating opportunities for economic development in disadvantaged socioeconomic areas, workforce development, advocating for environmental equality. Now, our former colleague, who was a State Senator at the time, Barack Obama, who's now the U.S. President, was the first executive director of DCP twenty-five years ago. So, the -- the organization is still in existence and still doing wonderful things in the community. So please join me in welcoming Pastor Grady and Tiffany Hightower.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Will our guests in the gallery please rise and be welcomed to the Illinois Senate? The Senate will now stand in recess to the call of the Chair.

### (SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

#### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

...will now come to order. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we will be going for Floor action, Floor action to House Bills 3rd Reading. Please come to the Senate Floor for Floor action. Ed Cross, WAND-TV, requests permission to videotape. Leave is granted. Ladies and Gentlemen, if you can please turn your Calendars to the top of page 5. With leave of the Body, we will return to House Bill 3rd Reading, House Bill 3. If you could please follow me to the top of page 5. House Bill 11. Senator

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Collins. Senator Collins. Out of the record. Senator Althoff, on House Bill 49. Out of the record. Senator Martinez, on House Bill 61. Senator Martinez. Out of the record. Senator Mulroe, on House Bill 71. Out of the record. Senator Althoff, on House Bill 84. Out of the record. Senator Harmon, on House Bill 105. Senator Harmon. Out of the record. Senator Biss. Senator Biss, on House Bill 116. Senator Biss. Out of the record. Senator Koehler, on House Bill 125. The gentleman is ready to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 125.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Koehler.

### SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 125 adds a new Section to the Counties Code regarding the powers of the joint regional planning commission. It provides that any real property sold or conveyed by the commission must be appraised by a licensed and certified appraiser, and that the appraisal shall be available for public inspection. It also sets forth the contract requirements concerning purchase of real property by the commission. This is really an issue in Peoria County, where the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission wants to buy a property from the county. Be happy to answer any -- any questions.

#### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall

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House Bill 125 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 53 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 125, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Hutchinson, on House Bill 131. The lady indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 131.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hutchinson.

#### SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Madam President. House Bill 131 requires training for probationary police officers and university police officers in the use of electronic control devices, including psychological and physiological effects of the use of those devices on humans. The bill also requires inspections to ensure appropriate training, as well as a report to the General Assembly on the result of those inspections. There's no opposition to this bill in the Senate that we were aware of.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question -- oh! Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

### SENATOR ROSE:

Just a question of the sponsor, if I may.

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She indicates she'll yield. Senator Rose.

#### SENATOR ROSE:

Senator, will -- will this require the officers in question to actually be tased as part of their training?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

This isn't the Senator's first bill. Senator Hutchinson.

#### SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Not that I'm aware of.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rose. The question is, shall House Bill 131 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 54 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 131, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we will return to House Bill 3 on the bottom of page 4 on your Calendars. Senator Sullivan. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Sullivan.

#### SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. The -- House Bill 3 simply extends the time period during which school districts may transfer money between specified funds for any purpose through June 2016. Be more than happy to answer any

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questions. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 3 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Holmes, on House Bill 189. Senator Holmes. The lady indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 189.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Holmes.

### SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Madam President. Very simply, this amends the Property Tax Code and it provides that rates may be calculated beyond three decimal points to allow the extension to be as close to the levy requested as possible.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 189 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 54 voting Yea, O voting Nay, O voting Present. House Bill 189, having

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received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Althoff, on House Bill 198. The lady indicates she wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

## SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 198.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Althoff.

### SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Madam President. House Bill 198 provides for the issuance of the Illinois Police K-9 Memorial license plates. It also creates the Illinois Police K-9 Memorial Fund. This Fund will be used to pay grants to the Northern Illinois Police K-9 Memorial for the creation, operation, and maintenance of a police K-9 memorial park {sic}. I think everyone who is familiar with this program knows how important these officers, these four-legged officers, are to the State of Illinois and to the police departments that they serve. I would ask for an Aye vote.

#### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 198 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 54 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 198, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Muñoz, on House Bill 479. Out of the record. Senator Hutchinson, on House Bill 490. Senator

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Hutchinson. Out of the record. Senator Bertino-Tarrant, on House Bill 494. The lady indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

## SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 494.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

### SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you, Madam President. House Bill 494 establishes a one-year moratorium on the expansion of virtual charter schools from April 2013 to April 2014. The bill also requires the Charter School Commission to report on the effects of virtual charter schools and give recommendations. The intent of this bill is not to interpret {sic} any virtual learning that is currently happening, but to review full-time virtual schools. I will also add that I -- there is a concern with the moratorium currently in place; however, I would question if this bill would impact that simply because the -- the charter school groups are not opposing this and remaining neutral. I'm happy to answer any questions.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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

#### SENATOR McCARTER:

I have a few questions of the sponsor, please.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The sponsor indicates she'll yield. Senator McCarter. SENATOR McCARTER:

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Senator, two years ago, there were lengthy discussions on how we approve new charter schools and we actually set up a separate group to approve those schools, and we did that for a reason. There was -- I think there was complete agreement after it was all over. Members from both sides of the aisle, from the north, from the south, everyone got together and agreed that we had covered a lot of territory and we were not going to make any changes in the near future. Why would we go and reverse what everyone agreed on two -- just two years ago?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

#### SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you very much for that question, Senator. And my best answer with that is -- is to say, first, virtual-learning charter schools are -- are a new concept and I can't say for sure whether or not that was considered. But, however, simply, this bill gives us a year to just review that very question. We want to make sure that we have the best education for our children and all this does is allow us to review it, see if this is the direction we'd like to go forward and, once again, make that decision then.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

#### SENATOR McCARTER:

Let -- let me remind you that this wasn't just something that was said in passing; that there was an actual memorandum of understanding put forth that said that we would not be proposing legislation related to charter schools through -- you know, for the next two years. Now, the -- the problem with this is, this is very broad. I mean, virtual learning and charter schools are not

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the same thing. Yes, they could be interrelated. Some could have a component of the other. But why, if -- is your concern here the -- do you want to put a check on virtual learning, or -- or is it the charter schools that you're trying to get after here?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

#### SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

I can honestly say I'm not trying to go against any charter school, and this is literally -- and virtual learning, obviously, is a little different than the actual virtual charter school. Once again, as I stated, the intent here is not to stop virtual learning. There's many components of virtual learning. I actually ran a school that had virtual learning as a very significant part of the everyday curriculum. This, again, is not to -- to stop a school. As we -- we spoke earlier about not being able to find a teacher and thus allowing a student a specific curriculum and going through the virtual aspect of it - this is not touching that. This is not virtual learning. Again, this is not, also, to go after charter schools. While it is a moratorium on virtual charter school learning, it is simply for us to be able to better make decisions. If this is how we -- if this is going to be an acceptable way that the State allows students to learn on a fulltime basis.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

#### SENATOR McCARTER:

Seeing that we've got this crossover, and you say you're not -- you're not trying to affect charter schools, but you would, in some way, like to -- are you sure -- you, at least, question the

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validity of a virtual learning in this environment, even though you've had some experience with it in the past, why would you make it so broad that it -- that it -- that it abolish -- that -- that it affects charter schools? Did you work with someone to try to narrow this language to where it just addressed virtual learning only?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

### SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Once again, my idea was to -- to express my intent. Did I work with someone to change the language of this? No, I -- I did not. I think the language is -- is clear. It -- it says establishing virtual charter schools and I -- I was happy with that language.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

#### SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill: Ladies and Gentlemen, I don't know why you would limit any opportunity for children in this State. If -- if the sponsor questioned virtual learning and whoever might be providing that in the future, the bill should have addressed that. The bill should not have addressed charter schools. We had an agreement. Both sides of the aisle came together and said we weren't going to propose any legislation regarding charter schools until June 30th, 2013. Meaning through this Session. We couldn't have waited that long to keep our word? So I guess the next time we have some kind of an agreement and there is a memo of understanding, it really doesn't mean much. I oppose this bill, one, for that; two, because you are limiting the opportunities for children in this State. We

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should not do that. We should give them every opportunity there is, whether it's virtual, whether it's charter schools, whether it's public schools, and -- and -- as well as supporting private schools. We -- we cannot afford to take a timeout in helping our kids learn. I strongly encourage a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Further discussion? Senator Holmes, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HOLMES:

To the bill, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

#### SENATOR HOLMES:

I don't think we can afford to not take a timeout to carefully review what's going to happen with these virtual charter schools. So, I definitely stand is support of this legislation. A one-year moratorium in order to find out the answers to the many questions - and we had hearings on this - that the proponents of the virtual charter schools were unable to answer, questions such as student performance - which certainly has to be a key concern - the evaluations, the costs, and government regulations. So I have grave concerns about State funding that's being diverted to pay -- it's being diverted from my local school districts in order to pay for students to attend a for-profit virtual charter school. Also, a Charter School Commission does already exist at the State level to review cases or appeals by charter organizations. virtual charter school is a clear case of a for-profit entity coming to us to pass legislation because they're unhappy with the response to their virtual charter school by local school districts,

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both the educators and the residents. And mind you, those residents are the taxpaying parents of these students that would be impacted. This is not what we should be doing. At the very least, it's prudent to take a year to find out the real answers to these questions that we all have, that were asked in my community, that they were unable to answer. So I would ask all of you to support this piece of legislation, so that, in a year's time, we can have these results and make the absolute best possible decision for the children of Illinois. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Delgado, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Madam President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

### SENATOR DELGADO:

Including what was just said by my colleague, Senator Holmes, I agree a hundred percent. As to the process - previous speaker talked about the process - as the Chairman of the Education Committee, the first bill I sunk in the subcommittee was mine, regarding charters, regarding children who are looking for alternative education in a charter system. But because of the MOU, we made sure that we honored that MOU. As to virtual charters, I want to commend the sponsor; I want to commend the education staff. And although it could be a -- philosophical, it is my position and those of my colleagues that I worked very close with in regarding that memorandum and my counterpart in the House, Representative Linda Chapa LaVia, the Chairperson for Education, we're very comfortable in understanding that this had to be

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addressed for all the reasons Senator Holmes has pointed out. I allowed that out with counsel of Madam President, my Vice-Chair, as to staff and others, understanding that we had talked to all parties. So, I understand it can be very frustrating. This is part of what we do. And that's why we have to have thick skin. But I stand in strong support of the lady's motion. I would pray that we could see that this was handled to the best manner. the point, that at some point in time, I, too, had questioned it with the -- with the Senator, making sure, verifying and clarifying that we were not in violation of those who would want us to honor, as we would want them to honor, our agreements. So with all due respect, as the Chair of the Education Committee, it was my decision, along with many of you that helped me understand, and the chairperson from Education and Senator Holmes, who is directly impacted, that this bill should receive Aye votes. Thank you, Madam Chair {sic}.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant, to close.

### SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you very much. On -- on just a personal note here. I understand when we -- we speak on education issues, we take 'em very, very personal, and as we should, because they affect our community and they affect our students. I can assure you, any bill that I present may face opposition from -- from various groups, including the unions, including administrative groups, but I can assure you, I will never come before you and present a bill that is detrimental to students. And while this may seem that it's in conflict, I can assure you, it's a good decision, because we need to make sure what we are doing is for our students

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and it is impacting them positively. So I urge an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall House Bill 494 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 46 voting Yea, 7 voting Nay, 2 voting Present. House Bill 494, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Please turn your Calendars to the top of page 6 - top of page 6. House Bill {sic} 3rd Reading. Senator Hutchinson, on House Bill 513. She indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the lady's bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 513.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hutchinson.

### SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Body. House Bill 513, as amended, states that candidates admitted to an alternative certification program at Governors State University and participants in the Teacher Quality Partnership Grant program much be admitted on or before March 31st, 2014, complete their coursework on or before August 31st, 2015, and be entitled to certification on or before September 31st, 2015. Current law states that no one may be admitted to an alternative certification program after September 1st. This is just making sure that they

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don't lose out on any existing grant money for a program that's already in existence. And I would ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 513 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 513, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Martinez, on House Bill 532. The lady indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 532.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Martinez.

### SENATOR MARTINEZ:

...you -- thank you, Madam Chairman -- Madam President and Members of the Senate. House Bill 532 is identical to 1495, Senate Bill -- 1495. It is -- provides for a ten-year sunset extension to the Electrologist Licensing Act. It is an initiative of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulations {sic} (Regulation). I'll be happy to answer any questions.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House -- House Bill 532 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have

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all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 532, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Martinez, on House Bill 533. She indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 533.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Martinez.

### SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 533 is also identical to Senate Bill 1496. It also provides for a ten-year extension to the (Registered) Surgical Assistant and Registered Surgical Technologist Title Protection Act. This Act is presently set to expire January 1st, 2014, and it is the initiative of the Department of Professional -- Financial and Professional Regulations (sic) (Regulation). And I'll be happy to answer any questions.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 533 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 533, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Raoul, on House Bill 595.

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He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 595.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 595 amends the Community Association Manager Licensing and Disciplinary Act. It creates a three-tiered license and regulatory scheme for community association managers by adding supervising community association managers and community association management firms to the Act. Under current law, only community association managers are licensed by IDFPR. It also makes technical changes to allow for the enforcement of the Act. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 595 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 53 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 595, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Link, on House Bill 702. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 702.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Leader Link.

#### SENATOR LINK:

...you, Madam President. This is a compromise between Meditrain {sic} (Medmentum) and IEPA. And it also is introducing a -- new medical waste processing company in North Chicago, which is in my district. I know of no opposition to the bill.

## PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 702 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 57 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 702, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Hutchinson, on House Bill 733. She indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the lady's bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 733.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hutchinson.

#### SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Okay. Senate Floor amendment makes a technical change to -thank you, Madam President. I'm sorry. I was making sure we'd
done this right. Let me start that over. Thank you, Madam

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President and Members of the Senate. Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 makes a technical change to House Bill 733, the Illinois Domestic Animals Running At Large Act. The amendment makes the following changes: inserts "or court" on page 3, line 19, which will require the court to publish the notice. Wanted to make sure there were no unintended consequences for the changes in the bill, which adds camelids, ratites, and fowl to the definition of "livestock". Gives animal control administrators and animal control officers the authority to impound trespassing stray animals. Makes adoption and/or humane euthanizations an option for individuals who have impounded trespassing animals as a way to discharge the animals, if the owner does not pay the impoundment fees. It increases the penalty for an individual who's violated -- violated this Act ten or more times, to be charged with a Class 4 felony. And deletes language that makes each day an individual in -- violation. So we worked with the Farm Bureau to makes sure that we didn't create any unintended consequences for people who really, you know, are not trying to violate the Act at all, but to give humane societies and other folks a way to humanely deal with large stray animals. I would ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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

SENATOR RIGHTER:

A inquiry of the Chair, if I might. Is there...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

State your inquiry.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Is there a Floor Amendment 1 to the bill that -- our

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information shows it's still in committee. Maybe I'm wrong. It sounded to me like the sponsor was describing Amendment 1 on 3rd Reading. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Righter, the amendment was actually adopted on yesterday. The speaker may have just misspoke on the bill. So the amendment has been adopted. Is there any further discussion? Senator Righter.

### SENATOR RIGHTER:

I wonder if -- inquiry of the Chair -- not inquiry of the Chair. Excuse me, will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Whatever you like, Senator. The sponsor indicates she'll yield.

#### SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. I'll get around to it at some point. Thank you. Senator Hutchinson, I wonder if you can go through a detailed listing of the animals that you are adding to the Domestic -- Illinois Domestic Animals Running At Large Act, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hutchinson.

### SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Camelids, ratites, and fowl.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Righter.

#### SENATOR RIGHTER:

What's a ratite? And, Senator, you can either describe that or you can act it out, if you can tell me.

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Senator, to act it out.

#### SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

You would -- I'm telling you, you'd think I just got here. But I just found out that it's emus or ostriches and things like that. And emus, though - after a very funny story I heard - can go up to twenty-five miles an hour, so if they're stray, it's a serious issue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Righter. Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 733 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 733, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Clayborne, on House Bill 743. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 743.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Clayborne.

### SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Madam President. This amends the Wildlife Code by extending the youth-only hunting season to three days between the days of September 1st and October 31st. Currently, it's two days. And they're just asking for it to be extended so that the youth do not have to miss school, as I understand it.

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### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 743 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 57 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 743, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Silverstein, on House Bill 772. Senator Silverstein seek {sic} leave of the Body to return House Bill 772 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 772. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

## SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Silverstein.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

#### SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Madam President. This retains the bill, but clarifies that curriculum for the adult driver courses shall not require operation of a motor vehicle.

#### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

## PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill...

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Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 772. Senator Silverstein. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON

House Bill 772.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

### SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

...you, Madam President. This is an initiative of the Secretary of State's Office. It would require applicants for a driver license between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one that have not completed the graduated license program to enroll and complete an adult driver education course.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 772 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 52 voting Yea, 3 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 772, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Silverstein, on House Bill 804. Out of the record. Senator Sullivan, Leader Sullivan, on House Bill 806. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 806.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Leader Sullivan.

#### SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Madam Chairman {sic}, Members of the Senate. House Bill 806 makes it a Class A misdemeanor to knowingly purchase a targeted methamphetamine precursor for a third party for the purpose of evading the Methamphetamine Precursor Control Act, the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, and the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act. What's happening is, over the years, the General Assembly -- we've passed legislation to make it more difficult -- or, to limit the amount of ingredients that are used - especially like pseudoephedrine - that's used in the manufacture of meth. Well, what's happened is, individuals, the meth makers, have gone out and asked multiple people to go out and buy small quantities of the ingredients, and then use it to -- and then, obviously, use it to make meth. So what this legislation does is addresses that problem. It makes it a Class A misdemeanor for the first conviction, a Class 4 felony for the second. It's an initiative of the Attorney General. I know of no opposition. I'll be more than happy to answer any questions.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 806 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 57 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 806, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Raoul, on House Bill 821.

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Senator Raoul. Out of the record. Senator Kotowski, on House Bill 827. Senator Kotowski. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 827.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Kotowski.

### SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Good afternoon, Madam President. House Bill 827 amends the Code of Corrections to provide that any information...

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator -- Senator, may I interrupt for a moment. We have an amendment for your bill we need to adopt. Senator Kotowski seeks leave of the Body to return to House Bill 2nd Reading -- House Bill 827 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

## SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Kotowski.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Kotowski.

## SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Thank you very much. This is simply a technical amendment, which includes the word "members" after "household" on page 4, line 7.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for

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consideration?

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 827. Senator Kotowski. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 827.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Kotowski.

### SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Thank you very much, Madam President. House Bill 827 amends the Code of Corrections to provide that any information or written statements provided by the victim's family members about the effect the offense has had on the victim and the family member must be included in the presentence report.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rose.

### SENATOR ROSE:

Thank -- thank you. Will the sponsor yield for a question? PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Indicates he will. Senator Rose.

#### SENATOR ROSE:

Senator, this is very, very, very close to a bill that I had that passed earlier this year. Will this allow first-degree relatives of a victim to include information in the presentence

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investigation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Kotowski.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Yes, sir.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

So, this is actually my bill. What -- what is different in this than the one that passed a month ago out of here?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Kotowski.

### SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

The first thing would be the sponsor. The second thing, it's identical to Senate Bill 1528, which was not adopted -- it's very -- very similar. However, Senate Bill 1528 does not require the State's attorney to inform the victim of the right of the victim's spouse, guardian, parent, grandparent, and other immediate family and household members to present an impact statement at sentencing.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Rose.

### SENATOR ROSE:

So that -- because that's what we were going to add in the House. That was my -- at the end of the day, that's my question. So your bill adds that back in? All right. Just out of -- could I get sponsorship of it, please? Cosponsorship. I'd appreciate it. This is a big deal for my district. It actually emanated in my district from a terrible tragedy, and I'd appreciate being a hyphenated cosponsor. Thank you.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Kotowski, to close.

### SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Simply ask for an Aye vote, and I'd be more than happy to indulge Senator Rose on that request.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Question is, shall House Bill 827 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who...(microphone cutoff)... Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, O voting Nay, O voting Present. House Bill 827, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Leader Clayborne, on House Bill 830. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 830.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Leader Clayborne.

### SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. Under current law, an additional thirty percent of the delinquent amount of the fine, fee, or judgment is charged to the offender if an unpaid balance remains after the time fixed for payment. This bill provides for additional fee to include taxable court costs including, without limitation, costs of service of process in order to cover the cost of collecting fees from the offender. I know of no opposition. I would ask for a favorable vote.

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### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 830 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 57 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 830, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Noland, on House Bill 923. Senator Noland. Out of the record. Senator Haine, on House Bill 948. Out of the record. Senator Martinez, on House Bill 984. She indicates she wish to proceed. Please read the lady's bill. SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 984.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Martinez.

### SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 984 is a cleanup of Public Act 97-0046, which became effective July 1st, 2012. It created the Conservation Police Operations Assistance Fund to support Illinois Conservation Police, which is funded through filing fees collected from defendants who are convicted under any one of the several enumerated Sections of the State law that pertains to natural resources. Public Act -- 97-0046 provides that the fees shall be charged on any defendant who is convicted of conservation violation of one of the enumerated Section. It omits the word "conservation" so the provision applies to a defendant who is convicted of a violation of one of the

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enumerated Sections, thereby eliminating any confusion with Supreme Court rule which applies to conservation offenses. This bill makes no substantive change regarding who is the subject to the fee; it merely provides clarity to the clerk of the circuit court, who are charged with collecting it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator Righter, I saw a light. Are -- are you seeking discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 984 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, O voting Nay, O voting Present. House Bill 984, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Righter, on House Bill 989. He indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the gentleman's bill.

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 989.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Righter.

#### SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Chamber. House Bill 989 simply creates a Public Safety Diver plate. It's like many of the specialty plates we have here in the State of Illinois and would operate the same in terms of startup costs and procedures. I'll be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 989 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 53 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 989, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Holmes, for what purpose do you rise?

### SENATOR HOLMES:

Madam President, I'm typically at my desk voting for both myself and Senator Kotowski, and I stepped away from my desk and he meant to hit the Yes button, obviously hit the -- No. Can I be recorded as being a Yes on that last bill?

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Yes. The record will reflect your intention, Senator. Senator Haine, on House Bill 996. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read your bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 996.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Haine.

### SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This retains the -- the jurisdiction of the Gaming Board to regulate charitable games. It also does a number of other things. With the independent testing labs, has more than one for the purpose of testing gambling games and equipment. Current law

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only allows the Gaming Board to contract with a single lab.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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

SENATOR MURPHY:

To the bill, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

### SENATOR MURPHY:

This -- this charitable games bill, it expands from four to twelve how many games a particular entity can have. It's a pretty significant expansion. I believe it'll actually stay in the Department of Revenue. I think there was an amendment that ends up leaving it in the Department of Revenue. The Department of Revenue is skeptical as to whether or not they have enough investigators to be able to actually monitor, frankly, the four games that can be done, not to mention the twelve that this expansion will provide. Given this, I would encourage a No vote. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Haine, to close.

## SENATOR HAINE:

I would ask for an Aye vote, Ladies and Gentlemen. It's for charity.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Excuse me. I'm sorry. Senator Delgado, that was a late light. I'm sorry. Do you -- okay. Senator Haine, to close. The question is, shall House Bill 996 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the

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record. On that question, there are 40 voting Yea, 12 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 996, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. President Cullerton in the Chair.

#### PRESIDENT CULLERTON:

Ladies and Gentlemen, today it's my pleasure to welcome the Consul General of the Republic of Turkey in Chicago, Fatih Yildiz. This office serves thirteen Midwestern states. These include Illinois, as well as Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin. Consul General Yildiz assumed this position as Consul General of Turkey in Chicago as of September 20th, 2010, after serving in numerous capacities in foreign affairs. Many of us in this Chamber have had the opportunity to travel to Turkey. I've had the pleasure of going there twice myself. So, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, the Consul General of the Republic of Turkey in Chicago, Fatih Yildiz. Please welcome him.

#### CONSUL GENERAL FATIH YILDIZ:

(Remarks by Consul General Fatih Yildiz)

## PRESIDENT CULLERTON:

Senator Lightford in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, do you have any motions on file?

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Have a motion with regard to Senate Bill 9.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Mr. Secretary, please print the motion on the Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

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#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred with the Senate in the passage of a bill of the following title, to wit:

Senate Bill 2199.

Together with the following amendment which is attached, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2199.

We have received like Message -- we have received a like Message on Senate Bill 2233, with House Amendment 1, and Senate Bill 2270, with House Amendment 1. Passed the House, as amended, May 21st, 2013. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCann, for what purpose do you rise?

## SENATOR McCANN:

Madam President, a point of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your point, Senator.

#### SENATOR McCANN:

I have here with me as a guest today on the Floor, at my side, Joshua Greenwood. Joshua is fifteen. He's a freshman at Pittsfield High School. He's been here once before with student council. He aspires to attend the University of Southern California, and he eventually would like to be in film as a producer/director. He has the courage and the audacity to admit what many of us won't - he does want to, indeed, direct. And so I applaud his courage for that. His parents, David and Dana, and

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his sister, Brittany, are here in the President's Gallery on our side. And if you'll all join me in welcoming them to Springfield, we would appreciate it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Will the guests in the galleries please rise? And welcome to the Illinois Senate. Motion in Writing. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, on Supplemental Calendar No. 1. On Supplemental Calendar No. 1, which has been distributed, please turn your attentions to Motions in Writing, Override Total Vetoes. Senate Bill 9. Senator Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion. SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move that the Senate Bill 9 -- I move that Senate Bill 9 do pass, notwithstanding the veto of the Governor.

Signed, President Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

President Cullerton.

#### SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Madam -- Madam President, Members of the Senate. This is a bill that I am cosponsoring with Senator Radogno. I move that the Senate override the Governor's total veto of Senate Bill 9. As you may know, Senate Bill 9 passed this Chamber by a vote of 44 to 9, with 1 voting Present, and the House by a vote of 86 to 28, with 3 voting Present. The bill corrects errors identified in Senate Resolution 821 and House Resolution 1157 regarding the Illinois Commerce Commission's implementation of ComEd's and Ameren's formula rates under the 2011 Energy Infrastructure Modernization Act, or smart grid bill. The legislation is an outgrowth of the ICC's written response that corrective legislation was necessary. The language in this bill

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was developed by the ICC's staff in cooperation with ComEd, Ameren and legislative staff and is understood to be clear unambiguous. Now, the Governor claimed in his veto message that Senate Bill 9 is an unprecedented interference in the ICC's ratemaking authority. That's simply not true. Ratemaking, including the setting of formula rates, is a legislative function delegated by the General Assembly to the ICC. Both the Senate and the House found that the ICC, through its orders, misinterpreted its delegated authority under the smart grid bill. And the ICC itself said corrective legislation was necessary. So Senate Bill 9 restores the legislators' original intent. In addition, the process in drafting this bill produced better communication and cooperation between the ICC, ComEd, Ameren, and the General Assembly. I look forward to continuing that productive relationship and I would ask for an Aye vote.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 9 pass, notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. 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 Yea, 11 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 9, having received the three-fifths majority, is declared passed, notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, please turn your Calendars to page 19 - to page 19 - on the Order of Secretary's Desk, Resolutions. Secretary's Desk, Resolutions. Senate Resolution 160. Senator Martinez. She indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

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#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 160, offered by Senator Martinez.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Martinez, on the resolution.

### SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Madam President. Fellow Members of the Illinois Senate, as the proud sponsor of Senate Resolution 160, I want to share with this Body how important it is to take a minute to reflect upon and support a resolution that focuses on a small piece of American history that occurred in the Korean Peninsula in the 1950s. Making that history were farmers, sugarcane workers, coffee bean pickers, and fishermen. Many lived in poverty and saw, through their enlistment in the military, an opportunity to put behind them a life of few opportunities and advancement for themselves and their family. We are -- Senate Resolution urges Congress and the President to award the Congressional Gold Medal to the 65th Infantry Regiment, otherwise called as -- the "Boringueneers". It details the valor -- the valor of the 65th Regiment, including their receiving ten Distinguished Service Crosses, two hundred and fifty-eight Silver Stars, six hundred and twenty-eight Bronze Stars, over twenty-seven hundred Purple Hearts, and many other individual awards. Testimony provided to the Senate Committee on Senate agency and Veteran Affairs {sic} (Committee on State Government and Veterans Affairs) pinpointed that it was the Borinqueneers who cut a pathway thirteen miles wide in order to provide an avenue for the retrieving {sic} 1st Marine Division and the Army's 7th Infantry Division when, after the Chinese entered the war, they were surrounded and nearly eliminated and -- had it not been for the Boringueneers.

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exposed information that -- illuminated that the last two bayonet charges in our military history were performed by the 65th Regiment. I wonder what role did segregation, isolation, and prejudice played in the distribution of ammunition and other resources needed to win the battlefield. All these items are detailed in the verbiage of the resolution. But what the resolution didn't do was describe the life of the returning soldiers. Allow me to share with you the life and time of one of those Borinqueneers who still lives in my district and is eightythree years old. He is -- he was a young man of nineteen when, in 1949, he further encouraged him to -- his father encouraged him to enlist in the Army. He was trained to be a machinist and truck driver. He was assigned to a motor pool within the -- the 65th Regiment. While his regiment was ordered to Korea, his job was to fix and drive trucks filled with soldiers into the killing fields Because he was part of the motor pool, he was also responsible for removing the dead and their body parts. One event that he can't seem to get behind him is when the truck in front of him was hit by a mortar. It was forced off the mountainside road into a valley filled with enemy soldiers who proceeded to machinegun them down with many of the poor souls still on fire. A day later, he was ordered to remove the dead; many of them he knew because they were from the same town he was from. After he received an honorary discharge from the Army, he opened an auto shop -repair shop in my district and worked as a businessman until he couldn't physically work anymore. Like many soldiers who witnessed carnage, he has demons. Nevertheless, he, along with his buddies -- Army buddies, opened up and operated Boricua Post 37, where they provided support for each other. They march in the annual

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Puerto Rican parade. They manage to buy a float, as they would participate in Vietnam parades — veterans' parades. And — and he wanted here to — he wanted to be here today, but he's very ill and he can't travel much these days. But I want to return back to my district with an approved resolution in my hand and thank him for his services. It is the least we can do. Please vote in favor of Senate Resolution 160. Honor my constituent and others, veterans like him. And — finally, remember one thing — remember that nineteen hundred Borinqueneers who went to the — went to Korea, six hundred and seventy of them never came back alive. Others, like my constituent, came back broken. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Resolution 160 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, please turn your Calendars to page 6 - page 6. We are returning to the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading on page 6. House Bill 923. Senator Noland. He indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the gentleman's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 923.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 923 amends the Employee Classification Act to require that a contractor report

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information to the Department of Labor on individuals who are -sole proprietors, or partnerships which the contractor employs in
a calendar year that are not considered employees for the purpose
of the Act. The -- the intent of the bill is to ensure that
contractors and subcontractors are correctly classifying employees
and paying the appropriate amount of taxes and benefits to
employees and the State of Illinois. I ask for an Aye vote.

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

#### SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Madam President. Will the sponsor yield?
PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Althoff.

### SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Senator Noland, I recall a great deal of conversation about this piece of legislation in committee. Might I ask, originally, when it was introduced in the House, were not all contractors, including union contractors, included in this legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Noland.

### SENATOR NOLAND:

Well, Leader, I'm not privy to what the discussions were in the House, but I can tell you that all contractors are included in the legislation. Here, they are just -- it just exempts responsible bidders, who already meet this criteria.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Althoff.

### SENATOR ALTHOFF:

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The conversation in the committee - and I will recollect for you - did actually specify that when this legislation was introduced, it did affect all and it didn't carve out responsible bidders, which typically are unionized contractors. Second question for me, please: Can you also indicate or explain and elaborate what the problem is and why this is absolutely necessary? And how many violators there are to this that -- that we're changing the legislation -- changing the law?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Noland.

#### SENATOR NOLAND:

That's an excellent question, Leader. Although I cannot tell you exactly with specificity how many violators there are, but the information that I have indicates that upwards of half a billion dollars is being missed in revenue on an annual basis. So, the problem is fairly widespread.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Althoff.

### SENATOR ALTHOFF:

If the problem is extraordinarily widespread, I go back to my original question and ask why it is that we are exempting responsible bidders. It's an assumption you are making that they're following the law and there is no one to catch there, which I think is an extraordinarily erroneous assumption to make just in general. So, my -- my question, again, is, is what is the specific reasoning of exempting that class of contractor and not just making it applicable to all?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Noland.

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#### SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, and thank you, Leader, for the question. Responsible bidders have to meet a number of indicia and criteria, and I'm going to run down the list here, which in the end, I -- I hope would answer your question, because responsible bidders, though they not -- do not by necessity have to be union, and -and a number of them are nonunion responsible bidders. So, the classification of union I think is, you know, not applicable here. But the responsible bidders -- to help answer your question, to be a responsible bidder, a -- a contractor must meet the following requirements: That is that they comply with all applicable laws of the State of Illinois; all provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act; they must meet the Equal Employment Opportunity requirements under federal law; they must have a Federal Employee {sic} (Employer) Identification Number; they must have a certificate of insurance; must participate in an approved, federally registered apprenticeship program; and must maintain an office in Illinois for individuals working on a public works project. So, the problem is, is that we have large contractors who do not fit that criteria who are basically skirting the law and not paying their -- their fair amount of taxes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Althoff.

### SENATOR ALTHOFF:

To the bill, Madam President. What you are doing with this legislation is you are requiring a specific type of contractor to file a report and you are exempting responsible bidders with the assumption that because you're a responsible bidder, you're following the law. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is not necessary.

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If it's necessary for one, it should be necessary for all. Government is here to protect all individuals and not segregate specific types of businesses against others. I would urge you to look very closely at this and vote No. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Further discussion? Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?

### SENATOR McCARTER:

Like to ask a question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator McCarter.

#### SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, I -- I understand who this applies to and who it doesn't. What's that mix? Would that be about half -- half and half, sixty/forty? Would half of those typically be responsible qualified bidders or are they -- and the others not? Would they be about half and half?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Noland.

#### SENATOR NOLAND:

Senator, responsible bidder only applies to public works projects and I'm not sure that that data is available in order to fully respond to your -- your question, so...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

#### SENATOR McCARTER:

All right. I think the -- the extra information that we're asking for: How many people does it apply to? I mean, is -- is it a group of maybe fifty percent of those in the construction

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industry, or forty percent, or ten percent? How many people? Is it -- how many would it apply to and how many would it not apply to?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Noland.

#### SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you. I'm -- I'm not sure. While there has to be a finite number of those individuals, I don't have the data, and I don't think that it's really germane to the question at hand here. We're talking about making sure that those that do exist are simply complying with the law. And I'm not sure that whether they actually have the classification of a responsible bidder or not, really is of import, in that where -- what we're trying to do is we're trying to make sure that all contractors and subcontractors are reporting income and are also, if you, in the case of a contractor, are properly paying for things like workers' compensation insurance for their employees. That's, you know, that's -- that's really what we're after here.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

#### SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, this doesn't have anything to do with public works projects. That's -- that's -- that's an answer to another question. Let me just -- let me just suggest that you're talking about half and half. Okay? Let's -- if it's sixty/forty, we'll say half and half. If it's half and half, which I don't know how you cannot know who you're going after if you know who's skirting the law, if you know that it's about -- a half a billion dollars of revenue that we're missing. So, how can you derive any estimate

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of five hundred billion if you don't know who we're going after here? And, second of all, how can we be assured that these people that are responsible bidders aren't skirting the law as well? PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Noland.

#### SENATOR NOLAND:

Well, Senator, I think that there is at least some data available to indicate how large the construction market is, for example, and, from that, be able to understand what segment of our economy and what portion of our overall revenue that otherwise would have been generated in any given year would have been apportioned to that segment, and that being the construction industry. So, the estimates that I have, and I'm not a hundred percent -- I'm not sure of the method that was used to derive that -- that figure, but you're correct, we're talking about upwards of five hundred million dollars a year that is going unreported -- or there are taxes that are going uncollected. But I would also draw attention to the fact that of those contractors that are penalized, or would otherwise have been penalized by this bill, we're only talking about -- out of the hundreds, if not thousands of contractors, sizeable and otherwise, we're only talking about between eleven and fifteen. So, you know, most people are -- are fairly honest, but, obviously, we have a problem where a significant number of contractors are not. And I wish I could report on the method that was used so I could perhaps give you a more -- specific number, but I'm not able to do that at this point. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

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Senator, so five hundred million - just a number that you threw out there because you have no facts to back it up. Even if we're talking about fifteen people that have skirted the law in some way out of thousands, now you're going to put -- you're going to put forth a -- a burden on all those that are -- that are nonresponsible bidders - which is a horrible phrase, by the way -you're going to put a burden on them that's going to collect five hundred million dollars in revenue? I don't understand that. How much is this going to cost the Department to implement?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Noland.

#### SENATOR NOLAND:

Well -- okay. So, in addition to the fact that this is an attempt to help the Department streamline the enforcement of -- of this policy, when you consider the fact that we're actually going to generate over five hundred million dollars in annual revenues, because we're now collecting taxes that are otherwise being avoided, it's -- the -- the pluses clearly outweigh the minuses for the State and for the taxpayer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

## SENATOR McCARTER:

I -- I apologize. I didn't get an answer. I just asked what
-- I mean, was there not a fiscal note filed on this in the House
and was there not a projection put on what this costs the
Department?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Noland.

### SENATOR NOLAND:

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No. My understanding -- the information that I have is that there was not. There was not a fiscal note that was filed. And I -- you know, obviously, here in the Senate, we didn't -- we didn't have one filed, so... You know, unless you want to file one. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

#### SENATOR McCARTER:

I think it's a little late for me to be filing a fiscal note, but -- according to the rules. Not having an apprenticeship program, do you -- do you consider that skirting the law?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Noland.

### SENATOR NOLAND:

No, I don't.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

#### SENATOR McCARTER:

But you listed as one of the components of -- the reasons that you weren't going to enforce the same demand of information on those that are responsible bidders because they had an apprenticeship program. So -- so I just have to assume that those that don't have an apprenticeship program, there's a problem and that we suspect that they could be skirting the law. I mean, here's -- here's the problem: We're talking about people -- we're talking -- you know, in this downturn, in the construction market, what goes first? New -- new construction. What comes back quickest and what is -- what is leftover? Remodeling -- projects, home projects. Who came to the -- who came to our committee to say that they really didn't like this bill? The Lumber

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Association. The Home Depots. The Lowes of the world. 'Cause these small contractors, this is how they're making a living. Most of these guys were working for the large, responsible bidders and they got fired. Now they're doing small projects. That's what happens in a recession. Now, to answer your question, here's the fiscal note in the House. It's -- it's in our records. So, there was a fiscal note filed. And the cost is eighty-eight thousand two hundred and forty-four dollars. To the bill: Ladies and Gentlemen, you can't let people throw out numbers of five hundred million dollars in savings to go after people who you think are skirting the law. These are people that are trying to make a living. These are the guys hauling stuff on carts out of the Lowes and Home Depots that are going and doing small jobs for people to feed their families. And you want to -- you want to create a law that sets aside business for responsible bidders. And you want to -- you want to create a law that goes right after the little guys. That's exactly what we're doing right here. In the middle of a -- you want to do that? That's wrong. You talk about picking winners and losers, that's exactly what you're doing right here. This bill is wrong. I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Further discussion? Senator McCann, for what purpose do you rise?

### SENATOR McCANN:

Will the sponsor yield, Madam President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he will. Senator McCann.

#### SENATOR McCANN:

Senator Noland, this particular piece of legislation seems to

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be pointed at the construction industry. Can you name another industry that has to comply with -- with sharing its list of business partners, other than maybe lobbying? Other than lobbyists, is there another industry that we are requiring or thinking about requiring to share those sorts of proprietary lists? PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Noland.

#### SENATOR NOLAND:

Well, Senator, first of all, I'm not sure that we would define this as -- these as proprietary lists. We're talking about transaction. We're talking about the payment of what would otherwise be considered income to an entity. Okay? That needs to be reported. We're just simply asking that it be reported through the Department of Labor, in addition to the Department of Revenue, which should be done on the contractor or subcontractor's side. It's not being done, and that's why we're putting in this extra -- this extra check. As to what other industries are actually doing this, I don't have a -- a response to you, but the construction industry seems to be of a -- particularly problematic, and we're just trying to begin by -- by addressing this one -- by addressing that industry.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCann.

### SENATOR McCANN:

To the bill: Senator Noland, I'm not going to stand here and ask you a long tirade of questions, because, quite frankly, at a certain level, I agree with you, believe it or not. I have not been here for -- but a couple of years, two and a half years. I've been operating a very small building and remodeling business down

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in Carlinville, Illinois, and, for years, beating my head against the wall trying to do it right, while I watched my competitors, union and nonunion both, skirt the law that we already have on the books. The laws that we already have on the -- we have laws that say that if you are a contractor, you're a general contractor, you're directing the daily duties of your employees, that you shall - not maybe you should think about it - but that you shall provide workman's compensation to your employees. And I'm very proud to say that I'm entering my twenty-first year in my first generation business and I've never worked one day without workmen's compensation. And when I've called the Workmen's {sic} (Workers') Compensation Commission, here in Springfield, to individuals and -- and corporations who I knew were skirting the law in various ways - there's a lot of ways to do it - I've been -- I usually never get a call back, or I'm told they have no enforcement officers or they -- they just really don't have time for that right now. So we already have laws on the books. Right now, it is against the law to operate your building or remodeling business, or any business for that matter, and not provide workmen's compensation. That's -- that's -- that's one of the issues. And so you're -- I agree with you. I want to find these scofflaws, because I want it to be a more level playing field for all those hardworking men and women who lay it all on the line, put their reputation on the line every day, risk everything to hang out a shingle and be in business. So I'm trying to figure out how in this time of -- of economic turbulence, we are going to go back to our constituents, and I -- and -- and since we're -we're -- we're letting the seventeen percent of the construction industry that is union -- and I'm for collective bargaining.

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-- my father, my stepfather, my father-in-law, my grandfathers are all union coal miners, or were union coal miners. I believe in collective bargaining. But I also believe in level playing fields, fair playing fields. And since seventeen percent of the construction industry is unionized and will be let off the hook, what we're saying when we go back to our districts, in our home districts, and we look those people who are just trying to provide a future for their families in a very noble way - building, providing shelter for other families - you're saying to eight out of ten of your constituents that they don't really matter; their rights aren't really as important as the rights of their union counterparts - because these laws already exist. I've called the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation to report folks who are doing plumbing and roofing without a license. We have one inspector for all of downstate Illinois. They laugh at you when you call. I would -- I would suggest that here in the State of Illinois, we start enforcing some of the laws that are on the books, instead of passing new laws that would be undue burdens on the very people that we say that we're trying to help the most, the people -- big businesses are going to benefit from this. Go -- when you go back home to your home districts, be prepared to look your constituents in the eye and tell them how you voted for a bill that helped the big guys and punished the small business people, the many first generation small business entrepreneurs who just want to have a shot at the American dream. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Further discussion? Senator Oberweis, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

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To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

#### SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Illinois Senate, small business creates jobs throughout the United States and certainly in Illinois. I've started businesses where I've been the only employee and then later two employees, three employees, five employees, ten employees, and so on. This bill is very clearly a bill which will help large businesses and penalize small entrepreneurial businesses. In fact, in committee, in discussing with the Illinois Department of Labor, I asked the question, if there was a problem if I started a business and subcontracted out the construction, the painting, the drywalling, everything else. And their answer was, yes, they have a problem with that. I have no employees. I'm doing it all myself. That's bad. In my opinion, I want to encourage entrepreneurs to step up and take the risk. They can be individual entrepreneurs. can be doing this on their own. They can be contracting on their own. They can be starting businesses on their own. And that -to me, that's exactly what we want. This is the American dream. This bill makes that dream more difficult. It, in fact, says that we're going to penalize somebody who's doing something wrong or breaking the law. Well, that's great, but we already have the laws on the books. We can already penalize 'em. If somebody's breaking the law now, because we create a second law and say now you're going to be breaking two laws, it's not going to stop somebody who's doing something wrong because there are two laws they're breaking instead of one. Illinois has a reputation of

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being very anti-business. With your vote today, we can send a message that says, yeah, we're anti-business; we're going to keep right on at it. Or we can send a message that, you know what, it's time that we change and it's time that we welcome entrepreneurs and small business people in Illinois. And with that, I ask for your vote in opposition, your No vote on this issue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Any further discussion? Senate -- Seeing none, Senator Noland, to close.

### SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Madam President, and thank you to my colleagues who raised some -- I think, some very important questions and helped us highlight, I think, some important aspects of this bill. You know, I want to readdress, if I may, just briefly, just the fact that, you know, the Employee Classification Act, you know, it only applies to the construction industry. So that's why this only applies to, well, the construction industry. With regard to the fact that we have laws on the books and we're not somehow enforcing those laws, it is clearly due to a lack of inspectors. If we really want to enforce the labor laws in this State, let's start funding the Department of Labor so that we can actually have them enforce the laws that are on the books. So, that would be my -- my admonishment to -- to -- to those who -- who -- make that complaint. Again, as far as protecting the little quy, you know what, this applies across the board. This does not single anybody out. And if you're a good actor, if you're somebody who's paying the benefits and -- and the taxes that you're supposed to, you're not going to be affected by this. But if you're a bad actor and

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you're suddenly forced out of business, it's hard to have empathy for those who are not doing the right thing. And this -- all this does is ask that you do the right thing. This is a reporting bill. This does not increase any number of individuals that are actually going to be affected by -- by the request that -- that's made here, as long as they're already doing the right thing. So, with that, I simply ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall House Bill 923 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 35 voting Yea, 19 voting Nay, 2 voting Present. House Bill 923, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. On the top of page 7, on the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, House Bill 1010. Senator Hastings. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1010.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hastings.

### SENATOR HASTINGS:

...you -- thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. This is a recommendation from the Secretary of State Advisory Committee on Traffic Safety. House Bill 1010 removes eligibility for supervision when the violation of the Vehicle Code or a similar local ordinance was the proximate cause of death of another person.

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This provision only applies to a defendant whose driving abstract contains a prior conviction or disposition of court supervision for any Vehicle Code violation or a suspension, revocation, or cancellation of the driver's license. I just ask for an Aye vote. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1010 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. House Bill 1010, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Steans, on House Bill 1017. Senator Steans. Out of the record. Senator Holmes, on House Bill 1045. The lady indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1045.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Holmes.

### SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Madam President. House Bill 1045 extends the final report date for the Local Government Consolidation Commission to September 30th, 2013.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1045 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted

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who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1045, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Now on the Order of House Bills, 1191. Senator Delgado seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 1191 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 1191. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration? SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Delgado.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Delgado, on Floor Amendment No. 1.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. Mr. Clerk {sic}, would like to remove -- table Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Delgado wishes to withdraw Floor Amendment No. 1. Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is withdrawn. Now on the Order of House Bill 1191, Senator Delgado seek leave of the Body — are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Delgado.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Delgado, on Floor Amendment No. 2.

### SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Madam President. Floor Amendment No. 2 adds to the underlying bill by allowing the Long Term -- Long Term Care

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Ombudsman Program, subject to appropriation, advocate on behalf of older persons and persons with disabilities that are receiving Medicaid waiver services and care coordination services from managed care organizations. And I would ask for your approval. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 1191. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1191.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Delgado.

### SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Madam President. It's very wonderful to visit with you three times in a row, as it has been in a while for me. House Bill 1191, with Amendment No. 2, is an initiative of the Department on Aging and enables the Department to establish reasonable fees, via administrative rule, in order to offset costs associated with departmental conference, trainings, and other programs. Additionally, this measure allows the long term care ombudsman, subject to appropriation, to advocate on behalf of

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seniors and persons with disabilities residing in their homes and community-based settings if that person receives Medicaid waiver services or care coordination services from a managed care entity. And I would ask for your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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

SENATOR SYVERSON:

To the bill, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

### SENATOR SYVERSON:

I quess maybe not a question, but just to comment to my good And we talked about this in -- in committee and I understand what you're trying to do with this legislation in creating this position. I -- I believe that there's already safeguards in place with the -- with the senior citizen hotline that can be used. But I think the bigger concern is, at a time when we have to go home and explain to seniors and senior groups that we're having to cut their programs, at a time when many organizations we're hearing from aren't getting paid, the idea of adding a new program, expanding a program, creating a new program, I think becomes problematic for us. And I think the timing of doing this, especially with a week to go, knowing that we have such a high backlog of unpaid bills to seniors and senior programs, that promising yet another program, I think, is a mistake. And so, I stand reluctantly and -- and urge opposition to this until the State can afford a program like this. Thank you and thank you for allowing me to share.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Delgado, to close.

#### SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Madam Chair {sic}. I appreciate the gentleman's comments. I would indicate to the -- to the Members, this is an initiative of the Department on Aging. And our health care -- my disability advocates, including all of those wonderful seniors I work with within my district and throughout the State, have not given me any indication that there's any problems with this whatsoever. And this is a very reasonable request. And as we move forward, our most vulnerable populations of our seniors and children must always be the priority of State government. I would ask for your Aye vote.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall House Bill 1191 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 38 voting Yea, 16 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1191, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Syverson, on House Bill 1199. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1199.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Syverson.

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## SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Madam President. This legislation provides that a person or an entity may not use an electronic tracking device to determine the location or movement of another person. An electronic tracking device means any device attached to a vehicle that reveals its location or movement by the transmission of a radio signal. This is on behalf of local sheriffs and State's attorneys that asked for this clarification. Know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1199 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 57 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1199, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Frerichs, on House Bill 1209. The gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

## SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1209.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Frerichs.

### SENATOR FRERICHS:

Thank you much, Madam President. House Bill 1209 brings the (University of) Illinois Scientific Surveys Act and other relevant areas of statute up to date by making some technical changes. It

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is supported by the University of Illinois, the Prairie Research Institute, Illinois Petroleum Council, Association of Aggregate Producers, and there are no known opponents at this time. I'd be happy to answer any questions of the Body.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1209 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1209, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Koehler, on House Bill 1217. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

## SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1217.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Koehler.

## SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 1217 extends the sunset date on the Plumbing License Law to January 1st, 2024, from January 1st of 2014. Ask for an Aye vote. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1217 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that

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question, there are 56 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1217, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1225. Senator Hastings. Senator Hastings seeks leave of the Body -- return House Bill 1225 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 1225. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

## SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hastings.

## SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Madam President. Floor Amendment No. 2 becomes the bill. I'll -- I'll address it on 3rd Reading.

## PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

# PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 1225. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1225.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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Senator Hastings.

## SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 1225 will require the Illinois High School Association to post a training video on CPR and AED, which stands for automated external defibrillators, on its website if it's provided to the Association free of charge and is no more than fifteen minutes in length. The amendment will also require school districts to notify parents and staff of the video and encourage them to view it. I'll open up to questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1225 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1225, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Mulroe, on Senate {sic} Bill 1247. Out of the record. Senator Koehler, on Senate {sic} Bill 1272. He indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill. SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1272.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Koehler.

# SENATOR KOEHLER:

...you -- thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 1272 designates the first Saturday of each month as Eat

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Local, Buy Illinois Products Day in order to build awareness of local foods, their purveyors, and Illinois products, and increase their demand. Appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator Oberweis, for what purpose do you rise? To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

I would support that, especially if you emphasized ice cream in that bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Koehler, to close? The question is, shall House Bill 1272 pass. All those in favor, 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 Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1272, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Kotowski, on House Bill 1288. Gentleman indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

# SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1288.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Kotowski.

### SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Just a point for clarification: This is not an initiative of Senator Chapin Rose. This is my own bill. House Bill 1288 requires Illinois State Board of Education to adopt State special education complaint procedures, consistent with federal law. It will also

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make changes to the "stay-put" provision in current law that allows a child to remain in his or her present educational placement until the school district and parents agree on another appropriate placement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1288 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1288, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Sandoval, on House Bill 1295. Senator Sandoval. Out of the record. Senator Silverstein, on House Bill 1309. Senator Silverstein. He indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the gentleman's bill.

# SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1309.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

# SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 1309 provides that a person commits aggravated assault or aggravated battery when, in committing assault or battery, the person knowingly video -- knowingly video or audio records the offense with the intent to disseminate the recording. I'll take any questions.

# PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall

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House Bill 1309 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1309, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Sandoval, on House Bill 1330. Senator Sandoval. Out of the record. Please turn your Calendars to the top of page 8. Continuing on House Bills 3rd Reading at the top of page 8. Senator Mulroe. Out of the record. Senator Link, on House Bill 1349. He indicates he wish to proceed. Senator Link, on House Bill 1349. He indicates he wish to proceed. Senator Link -- seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 1346 {sic} to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 1346 {sic}. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

# SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Link.

# SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Madam President. The amendment just adds exemptions for health care facilities and facilities owned or operated by public utilities.

# PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 1349. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1349.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Link.

# SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Madam President. This allows fire districts, by ordinance, to require of property owners the installation of an access or key box if the structure is protected by automatic fire alarm or security system or access to or within the structure or area is unduly difficult because of secured opens -- opens and immediate access is necessary for life safety purposes. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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

SENATOR JACOBS:

A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

I was just wondering if you could repeat what you just said. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall House Bill 1349 pass. All those in

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favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1349, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Frerichs, on House Bill 1351. He indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the gentleman's bill.

## SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1351.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Frerichs.

# SENATOR FRERICHS:

Thank you very much, Madam President. House Bill 1351 amends the IMRF Article of the Illinois Pension Code. The bill makes two changes. Under current law, a retiree can return to work and still collect their pension provided they have a position that normally requires less than six hundred or a thousand hours. Now this means employees can actually work more than the six-hundred- or thousand-hour limit and still collect their pension. This bill creates a bright line test. An annuitant that works more than six hundred or one thousand hours a year has to participate in IMRF. This means they will stop collecting their annuity, make contributions to the system, and earn service credit. The bill also clarifies that an elected official that does not elect to participate in IMRF can continue to receive an IMRF earned in a different position. I'd be -- happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1351 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 57 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1351, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Holmes, on House Bill 1353. She indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the lady's bill.

# ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1353.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Holmes.

# SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Madam President. Very simply, this allows park districts, forest preserves, and conservation districts to invest in highly rated municipal bonds. We extended this authority in recent years for counties and municipalities.

## PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1353 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1353, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Muñoz, on House Bill 1389. He indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the gentleman's bill.

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## ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1389.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz.

## SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. It extends the -- ability of the RTA to issue up to four hundred million in Working Cash Notes until July 1, 2016. Under current law, it's only until four {sic}. We're only extending this -- the sunset so the RTA will be able to get the lower interest rate. I know of no opposition.

## PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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

## SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Madam President. I reluctantly rise in support of this bill. But the reason this bill is necessary is the State of Illinois is a deadbeat. It owes the mass transit agencies in this State over three hundred million dollars, and if the State would pay its bills, get its fiscal house in order, this bill wouldn't be necessary. But it is necessary to get people to and from work, to and from their health care providers, and to and from whatever educational institutions all of the students in the metropolitan Chicago area ride. But, again, this bill wouldn't be necessary if the State wasn't a deadbeat and owed more than three hundred million dollars to these entities. But I urge an Aye vote. Thank you.

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# PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz, to close? The question is, shall House Bill 1389 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 43 voting Yea, 13 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1389, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Harmon, on House Bill 1453. Out of the record. Senator Clayborne, on House Bill 1457. Leader Clayborne. Out of the record. Senator Brady, on House Bill 1529. He indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the gentleman's bill.

## ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1529.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Brady.

# SENATOR BRADY:

Thank you. This allows for the -- for the issuance of (retired) law enforcement license plates. It creates an Illinois Sheriffs' Association Scholarship and Training Fund.

# PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1529 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 53 voting Yea, 3 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1529, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Muñoz, on House Bill 1539.

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He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1539.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This allows one person authorized by local authority to direct traffic for processions or assemblages. I know of no opponents. Under current law, only police officers, firemen, or school crossing guards with proper authority may direct traffic. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

There any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1539 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 57 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1539, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Martinez, on House Bill 1545. She indicates she wish to proceed. Please read the bill. ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1545.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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Senator Martinez.

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## SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 1545 amends the Title Insurance Act by requiring every application for a title insurance agent include a signed and notarized affidavit affirming that the applicant and any controlling person over the applicant have never been convicted of -- of, or plead {sic} guilty to, a crime of theft or dishonesty. It also requires that any person who has been convicted of crime and {sic} theft or dishonesty must disclose the conviction to the Secretary of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulations {sic} (Regulation) and cannot be registered as a title insurance agent without the written permission of the Secretary. And I'll be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1545 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Yea, 1 voting Present, 0 voting Nay. House Bill 1545, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Murphy, on House Bill 1548. Senator Murphy. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1548.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Murphy.

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## SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you, Madam President. House Bill 1548 amends the Criminal Identification Act and Unified Code of Corrections. It allows an honorably discharged veteran of the Armed Forces or National Guard or a person currently enlisted and has served one tour of duty to petition the Prisoner Review Board for a certificate of eligibility for expungement recommending, but not forcing, that the court order the expungement of all official records of the arresting authority, the circuit clerk, and the Department of State Police concerning the arrest and conviction for certain nonviolent Class 3 or 4 felonies, excluding sex offenses and others. I'd be happy to take any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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

# SENATOR RAOUL:

There's a new day in Springfield. I rise to commend the sponsor and to let him know, although it may seem a little bit crowded over here, we have a seat for him over here.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Murphy, to close.

## SENATOR MURPHY:

I -- I appreciate the support on the bill. I'm not sure the welcome would be that -- long, or that lasting, if you ever had me over there. Appreciate an Aye vote.

# PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall House Bill 1548 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?

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Take the record. On that question, there are 46 voting Yea, 6 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1548, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Silverstein, on House Bill 1571. He indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1571.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Madam President. House Bill 1571 specifies the types of investments that insurance companies are authorized to hold to maintain the capital and surplus amounts required by the Department of Insurance, and the financial characteristics that each -- investment vehicle must possess.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1571 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 57 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1571, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Koehler, on House Bill 1572. Indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1572.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Koehler.

### SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 1572 amends the Illinois Credit Union Act by adding clear requirements of the decision-making process of penalizing a credit union for misconduct. This legislation details that in order for a penalty to be assessed by the Secretary of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, evidence of a violation, the participation of unsafe practices, and a financial loss must be present. And this comes from both the IDFPR and the Illinois Credit Union League. Happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1572 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1572, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. On the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, House Bill 1745. Senator Holmes. She indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1745.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Holmes.

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## SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you, Madam President. House Bill 1745 prohibits county boards from aggregating electrical loads within incorporated areas of the county by requiring county boards to only submit the referendum to residents within the unincorporated areas. This was actually an initiative of Kane County. They wanted to initiate municipal aggregation in the unincorporated areas of the county while avoiding any existing municipal aggregation programs.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1745 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1745, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Link in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

House Bill 1809. Senator Holmes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1809.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Holmes, on your bill.

### SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. Very simply, this just adds a person with mobility limitations resulting from cancer or its treatment to the definition of a person with disabilities under

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the Vehicle Code to allow them to obtain a temporary placard for parking.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1809 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The -- all those in favor will say -- vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1809, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2199. Leader Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2199.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Muñoz.

# SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. It amends the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois to mandate that Illinois State Diabetes Commission must be -- by January 10th, 2015 and on January 10th of each odd-numbered year, forward to the General Assembly a report that contains certain information. It's just getting all this information regarding the standards on diabetes, rates, outreach needs, costs and resources. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2199 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 2199, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2239. Senator Hutchinson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2239.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson, on your bill.

### SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 2239 provides that in the Sanitary District Act of 1917 that in the event that the appropriate appointing authority fails to appoint a trustee, the appropriate appointing authority shall reconvene and appoint a successor on or before July 1 of that year. And ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

She indicates she will yield.

SENATOR McCARTER:

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Senator, can you explain to us why we are spending the time passing this bill here today?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson.

## SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

When the appointing authority fails to come together to make the appointment, it just adds a little more time for the folks that need to make this appointment to do it. The -- this is a legislatively appointed commission. There are only two authorities like this in the State. So we're not changing anything in the Sanitary Act that it pertains to the locals. We're not requiring the locals to do anything different. We are just giving the legislators a little more time to make the appointment by the span of, like, three months or so.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

## SENATOR McCARTER:

Is there any consequence to them not appointing someone? I mean, would you not assume that they would just continue with who they had and you'd make a call, to the legislators in this case, and say, hey, appoint somebody. And if -- would it not -- I mean, there's no penalty for this, is there?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson.

## SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

No, don't believe there's a penalty. Just the person that would be there just remains there in perpetuity. So, this just cleans up a -- a thing that allows, in these two instances, when the Legislature doesn't come together, they make the

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reappointment. We're not adding -- there's no cost; there's no change to what the locals have to do. It's just a little more time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill: Ladies and Gentlemen...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Ladies and Gentlemen, the sponsor is absolutely correct this really doesn't do anything. And it -- it's really -- you
know, we should be spending our time passing -- passing laws that
make a difference in people's lives. This is ridiculous. Those
legislators, whoever they are - I don't know who they are - just
appoint the people. Do -- do your job. You know, at the same
time, in every committee, I hear this -- now, this new small
government routine, this, you know, big push for small government
coming from the other side of the aisle, saying, hey, don't make
another law. If those people are elected, let 'em do their job.
That's what I'm saying right now. Same thing you told me in the
committee. These are the people elected, let 'em do their job.
Why should we have to pass a law just so they can't do theirs?
Vote No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Hutchinson, to close.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Please vote Yes.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 2239 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 47 Ayes, 5 Nays, 1 voting Present. House Bill 2239, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2245. Senator Delgado. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

House Bill 2245.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Delgado, on your bill.

## SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 2245 amends the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act to require school personnel to complete training on recognizing and reporting child abuse. The training is required within one year of initial employment and at least once every five years after that. And I will be open to any questions and would ask for your Aye vote.

# PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2245 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 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 2245, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2250. Senator Mulroe. Mr.

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Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2250.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on your bill.

## SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. As amended, this bill is identical to Senate Bill 1756, which passed unanimously in April. It basically prohibits the sale of ecigarettes, which contain nicotine, to anyone under eighteen.

# PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2250 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 2250, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2262. Senator Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

# ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2262.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter, on your bill.

## SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2262 amends the

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Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Article of the Illinois (Public) Aid Code by providing that the Department of Human Services shall disregard the value of assets held by a family as it relates to the determination of the TANF eligibility. The TANF asset test is a pre-welfare reform policy established in 1996 that is no longer necessary because stringent work requirements discourage families that aren't truly needy from -- from receiving It prevents our poorest families from building savings behavior and becoming financially independent responsible citizens. Eliminating assets -- asset tests is a national trend because it saves taxpayers moneys. The State's administrative cost far exceeds the very small number of families disqualified by this policy. Last year, one hundred and nineteen thousand tests were given and only eight people were disqualified. And the cost of this investigation, we spent -- the State spent nine hundred and sixty thousand dollars on this. And I'll take any kind of questions that anyone may have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Some questions of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates she will yield.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, a couple questions. One, you had mentioned that the -- the -- the savings on this, the -- the cost to doing background checks for people that are on TANF, is a nine-hundred-and-sixty-thousand-dollar savings. Is that in manpower and has the

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Department agreed to lay off that number of individuals to cover that savings?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

## SENATOR HUNTER:

Senator, that was -- that cost came from an administrative -- from the administrative staff. And there is a backlog of applications and a shortage of workers in general, so they'll -- they will be reassigned and has been in most cases.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

## SENATOR SYVERSON:

Do we know -- you had mentioned last year that there was only eight people, I think you said, that were removed off for having assets that exceeded that level. Do we know how many additional people will sign up for this program if we've now eliminated any asset tests for this program?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

# SENATOR HUNTER:

No, I'm sorry, we don't know.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

# SENATOR SYVERSON:

I guess -- well, is it -- with an unknown number, I guess -- well, one of the reasons why we -- this -- we only had eight people that were disqualified is that most people who were applying for it were following the law. And there were guidelines that when they went to apply, they said, this is what your asset test is to

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be in this program. So I can understand why there wouldn't be a lot of people found that they were illegally signed up for the program. But my concern is, if we don't know how many people will now qualify -- are we talking about hundreds of thousands of people? Are we -- all those that are currently going to college now? Because there is no asset test, would anybody that is in a job training program or going to college now qualify for this program?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

### SENATOR HUNTER:

No, they do not qualify, Senator. I don't really believe that more people are going to apply for this program because of the stringent work requirements created in the 1996 welfare reform. A TANF recipient must participate in thirty hours per week of work-related activities to receive four hundred and thirty-two dollars in terms of monthly checks. And this works out to about three dollars and thirty cents per hour worked. You can go and work for McDonald's or one of the other fast foods and make more money than that. This -- this amount is well -- well below the minimum wage. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

### SENATOR SYVERSON:

If a person is going to school or having a job training, they would also, though, qualify for that -- that grant as well. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

# SENATOR HUNTER:

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Not always the case, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

### SENATOR SYVERSON:

What would be the guidelines then? I mean, historically, the purpose was to help individuals that usually didn't have assets or didn't have jobs or job skills. But what -- what would be the guidelines? If -- if anybody with any assets were going into a job training, what -- what guidelines are different in this than would be in other job training programs?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

# SENATOR HUNTER:

I don't understand your question, Senator. What kind of training are you referring to?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

# SENATOR SYVERSON:

We said, under this program, a person who is in a job training program or going to school would qualify for this grant. What would preclude anybody currently that's in a job training program or currently interested in going back to school from being able to qualify for this program? They wouldn't be earning the income, but education is part of the qualifications, but many people who are going to school have assets and wouldn't qualify for this program. So, what -- what would -- what -- what would prevent anyone that is going to school now from being able to apply for this program if assets are not part of this test?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Hunter.

### SENATOR HUNTER:

If students -- if persons going to school apply for this program, I'm sure there's only going to be a small amount, if, in fact, this does occur. I mean, with the work requirements already built in, I don't think that a college student would really have the hours and the time to -- to -- to work the thirty hours a week, because they're in school.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

# SENATOR SYVERSON:

If you're going to school, I don't think there is a work requirement. I don't think you have to do both. I think you're allowed to have job training, you're allowed to do education, but you're not required to do both, I don't think, under this law.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

# SENATOR HUNTER:

I'm sure that an education requirement could be a part of it, but it's really left up to that caseworker. You know, the -- the -- the person that's on this program has to communicate with their caseworker, and if that caseworker does not approve it, then you know, it doesn't work.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

### SENATOR SYVERSON:

Well, I don't think the caseworker has the authority to do that. The -- the -- the guidelines of the program are -- are set in stone. If you meet these qualifications, you would qualify for

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this program. And in this case, if there's no longer any asset test, and it doesn't require any asset test, then what would preclude someone that's going back to school that may have assets, that may have savings, but now is going back to school to get additional training, what would preclude them from applying for this program? Historically, they wouldn't be allowed to because they had savings or they had assets, but if we're eliminating all asset tests for that, what would preclude them from seeking this program for the education component?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

### SENATOR HUNTER:

I have no idea, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

# SENATOR SYVERSON:

I guess that -- that just -- and -- and I understand what you're trying to do, and I understand what the Department's trying to do by eliminating one more layer, but there's a -- a purpose we do this. At a time when we can't pay our bills, at a time when our goal is to try to help those who are in the toughest situation, to be cutting other programs, to say now we're going to expand a program that says, regardless of what assets you have, regardless of how much money you have in the bank, regardless of how many homes you own, you're going to be allowed to qualify for a -- a program that's going to pay you to go to school, I think beats -- is not what the original intent of TANF was all about. And the fact that we don't know how many people are going to qualify for this program, we could be opening a floodgate that could cost --

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taxpayers significant amount of dollars. And, lastly, I think it sends a wrong message to the taxpayers of Illinois that we're going to expand a program to say, "It doesn't matter what your assets are; you're going to qualify for this program." So, I would -- I would like us to rethink that and -- and see if there's a better way we can do this without expanding it to everybody in the -- in the State of Illinois. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Biss, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

# SENATOR BISS:

In a vacuum, the question of asset tests can be a tough question. You have, on the one hand, the desire to target the programmatic resources as carefully as possible and make sure that every penny is going toward people who are truly in need. And you have, on the other hand, the disincentive problem - that you don't want to encourage or mandate that people stay without any assets in order to enable them to receive benefits. That -- that directs people to behave in ways that are against their own self-interest and against the social self-interest. So, in a vacuum, you have these two questions bumping up against each other. But we don't live in a vacuum. We live in a world where the 1996 Welfare Reform Law has been the law of the land for over fifteen years. And that law places requirements on TANF recipients that are stringent enough that it is simply inconceivable - if you work out the arithmetic - that someone would meet those requirements by -- while

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not being truly in need. Someone would meet those thirty-hour weekly requirements and those low-income requirements simultaneously, it simply is inconceivable. And so, this bill before us is really not a tough question. It's a simple question, because the question about targeting those resources narrowly to those in need, that test is still met when we pass this bill. But when we pass this bill, we'll no longer be placing that very, very dangerous incentive on people to spend down their assets in order to receive TANF. Therefore, I enthusiastically urge an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Delgado, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

## SENATOR DELGADO:

I, too, support -- rise in support of House Bill 2262, because the asset test works against the aims -- against TANF program. Prohibits our poorest families from building much needed savings, as has been stated. Savings is hard for all our families, but at the end of the day, this bill assists those families who have been maybe victims of this economy. Those new -- some of the new folks that -- let's get the stigmas out of our head again and start thinking about some of those families who had to turn to use these benefits and are homeowners and/or already had savings. Homeowners get liens put on their homes, by the way, and then -- and they need assistance in their later years. And the funds of the bill -- and -- and, by the way, the State will be saving money in

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relieving the administrative burden of the asset testing. And at the end of the day, I -- I hear it and I agree, and I like the terminology the previous speaker, my colleague Senator Biss, brought up, "inconceivable" that on one day, I sit here and I listen about how people want to sit home and take advantage of the government and do nothing at home, sit around and be lazy. Other side, this would help in terms of being able to make sure that they're upward bound. If they're going to school, they're not going to get on public aid. They are going to have work study. They are going to be upward bound and moving forward. So at the end of the day, which one is it? This is a wonderful bill. glad to be part of it. And whenever we're ready, let's get some green lights up on House Bill 2262. It does save money. removes the asset test and -- assets test, and at the same time, it does alleviate the overall program and assures those who have had to turn away from a job and lost it and now need a little bit of help. Let's make sure we protect all Illinoisans. Let's vote Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Harmon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HARMON:

Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

She indicates she will.

### SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Hunter, I was a little troubled by the exchange with one of our colleagues. Isn't the asset test necessary to keep people who don't need the TANF program off of the program?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

## SENATOR HUNTER:

No. No, because the income requirements and the stringent work requirements keep people who aren't truly needy off the program. In addition, cases are redetermined every six months and the recipients must prove they meet income, residence, and other eligibility requirements.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Harmon.

## SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, if -- if we abandon the asset tests, could -- can you -- state as clearly as possible the income and work requirements that would still be associated with the program?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

# SENATOR HUNTER:

The work requirements are thirty hours per week, except a single parent and {sic} a child under six has to work twenty hours. And -- and they will receive four-hundred-and-thirty-two-dollar check a month. And the pay is three dollars and thirty cents per hour.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Harmon.

### SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. And, Senator, what -- what is the -- what is the -- the income threshold cutoff?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Hunter.

## SENATOR HUNTER:

Currently, it's two thousand dollars. Two thousand dollars, currently.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

## SENATOR HARMON:

The exchange thus far suggests that we are somehow dramatically undermining this program. I don't think anything could be further from the truth. The asset test is -- strikes me as outdated policy that -- that hurts more families than it helps. Senator Hunter said that the income threshold is two thousand dollars. As I understand it, for a family of three, it's eight thousand and eight hundred dollars. That's a very low income threshold cutoff. The check is four hundred and thirty-two dollars a month. I think the proof's in the pudding. The -- the -- what -- what I've learned from the Department, DHS conducted a hundred and ninety-two thousand individual eligibility reviews and found eight cases where the family assets exceeded three thousand dollars. Of those cases, one had assets about thirty-five hundred; another about four thousand; another had a car, a second car that was worth more than three thousand dollars at a two-parent household, and they well need to get to work. This eligibility review process on the asset test cost the Department ninety-six -- nine hundred and sixty thousand dollars that could be better

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spent elsewhere. I -- I think it's clear - and I think other Members on our side of the aisle have given voice to this - this is an outdated policy that can be eliminated without compromising the integrity of the program given the other tests. And I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter, to close.

## SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill basically encourages families to build savings and it saves the State, significantly, administrative costs. The asset test should be eliminated because it -- it basically sends the wrong message. It tells recipients, TANF recipients, "spend, don't save, and don't take responsibility for your family's financial future". And I would ask for an Aye vote.

# PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 2262 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 32 Ayes, 21 Nays, 1 voting Present. House Bill 2262, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

## SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I request a -- a verification of the most recent roll call.

# PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter has requested a verification. Will all Members please be in their seats? The Secretary will now read the

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affirmative votes.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Bertino-Tarrant, Biss, Bush, Clayborne, Collins, Delgado, Frerichs, Harmon, Harris, Hastings, Holmes, Hunter, Hutchinson, Jacobs, Jones, Koehler, Kotowski, Landek, Lightford, Link, Manar, Martinez, McGuire, Mulroe, Muñoz, Raoul, Sandoval, Stadelman, Sullivan, Trotter, Van Pelt, President Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Does Senator Righter question the presence of any Member voting in the affirmative?

#### SENATOR RIGHTER:

I don't, Mr. President. Just, welcome back, to my colleagues who came back to the Floor.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

It's always a pleasure dealing with you. On a verified roll call, there are 32 Yes, 21 Nays, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill - or House Bill 2262, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Will the Committee on Assignments please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately? The Committee on Assignments meet in the President's Anteroom immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) The Senate will come back to order. Mr. Secretary, our 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 Bill 1443; refer to State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee - Senate Resolutions 217, 243, 257, 298, 301, Senate Joint Resolution 35, House Joint Resolution 5, 24 and 27; re-refer from Local Government

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Subcommittee on Special Issues to Local Government - House Bill 983; Be Approved for Consideration - House Bill 1544 and House Joint Resolution 6.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Criminal Law Committee - Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 115, Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill -- 821, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 1063, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 1443 and Committee Amendment 2 to House Bill 1443; refer to Executive Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 851, Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1002, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 3271; refer to Insurance Committee - Floor Amendment 3 to House Bill 2618; refer to Labor and Commerce Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 922; refer to State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 1544, Floor Amendment 4 to House Bill 2780 and Committee Amendment 6 to House Bill 3035; Be Approved for Consideration - Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 490.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Ladies and Gentlemen, the following committees will be meeting to take up Floor amendments in addition to items previously posted: Local Government will meet in Room 212 at 9 a.m.; Criminal Law will meet in Room 409 at 9:05 tomorrow; Insurance will meet in Room 400 at 9:30 tomorrow; State Government and Veterans Affair {sic} (Affairs) will meet in Room 409 at 10 a.m. tomorrow; and Executive will meet in Room 212 at 10 a.m. tomorrow. Senator Jones, for what purpose do you arise?

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#### SENATOR JONES:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question to the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your question.

#### SENATOR JONES:

Since I'm Chairman of Local Government, can we move it from 9 o'clock to 10 o'clock?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

We had discussions of moving it to 8 or 8:30. Senator Kotowski, for what purpose do you rise?

#### SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 1443 can be heard in the Senate Criminal Law Committee. For tomorrow.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

At what time, Senator Kotowski?

#### SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Probably before Senator Jones' committee. Is it 9 o'clock? 9 o'clock.

### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Thank you. Senator Kotowski moves to waive all notices and posting requirements so that House Bill 1443 can be heard tomorrow in the Senate Criminal (Law) Committee at 9 a.m. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and it will -- and it and all notices of -- and posting requirements have been waived. Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

### SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. I, too, would move to waive all applicable Senate rules so that House Bill 983 can be heard

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tomorrow, May 22nd, in the Senate Local Government Committee at 10 a.m. No, 9 -- 9 a.m.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff moves to waive all notices and posting requirements so that House Bill 983 can be heard tomorrow at 9 a.m. in the Senate Local Government Committee. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notices and posting requirements have been waived. Senator Jacobs, for what purpose do you rise?

### SENATOR JACOBS:

Question of the Chair. I...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State -- state your question.

### SENATOR JACOBS:

I was just inquiring what committee Senator Forby's right to carry bill has been posted in. Has it been posted for tomorrow, waiving emergencies and everything? Is that -- is that done?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

We will take it under consideration and check for you. Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RAOUL:

A -- a point of personal privilege. I -- I have information... PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State -- state your point.

#### SENATOR RAOUL:

...in response to Senator Jacobs' question. I think that committee was the Committee on Sub - Subcommittee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

On the -- on page 16 of the Calendar, the Order of House Bills

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2nd Reading, House Bill 129. Leader Lightford, on House Bill 129. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 129.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 922. Senator Holmes. Out of the record. House Bill 946. Senator Manar. Out of the record. House Bill 1189. Senator Cunningham. Out of the record. House Bill 1238. Senator Dillard. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1238.

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 1375. Senator Kotowski. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1375.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for -- 3rd Reading. House Bill 1516. Senator Silverstein. Out of the record. House Bill 1573. Leader Muñoz. Out of the record. House

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Bill 1584. Senator Althoff. Out of the record. House Bill 1683. Senator Dillard. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1683.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

There -- have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 1810. Senator Sandoval. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1810.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 1849. Senator Manar. Out of the record. House Bill 2213. Leader Lightford. Out of the record. House Bill 2317. Leader Harmon. Out of the record. House Bill 2382. Senator Bertino-Tarrant. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2382.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant, on your amendment.

SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to move it -- move it on, adopt it, read it on 3rd and answer questions then. Thank you. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2408. Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2408.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, on your amendment.

#### SENATOR HASTINGS:

I'd like, Mr. -- thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to address the Floor amendment on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, question is -- all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2432. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2432.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Mulroe.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on your amendment.

#### SENATOR MULROE:

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

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amendment becomes the bill. I ask that it be adopted and I'd be happy to explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2470. Leader Lightford. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2470.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2482. Senator Stadelman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2482.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

#### SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Stadelman.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Stadelman, on your amendment.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Prefer to discuss on 3rd Reading, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2498. Senator Delgado. Out of the record. House Bill 2530. Senator McConnaughay. Out of the record. House Bill 2574. Leader Sullivan. Out of the record. House Bill 2585. Senator Sandoval. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2585.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2586. Leader Lightford. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2586.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2654. Senator Jones. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2654.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2695. Senator Kotowski. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2695.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on State Government and Veterans Affairs adopted Amendments 1 and 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2716. Senator Morrison. Out of the record. House Bill 2747. Leader Harmon. Out of the record. House Bill 2755. Senator Rose. Out of the record. House Bill 2764. Leader Muñoz. Out of the record. House Bill 2787. Senator Dillard. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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House Bill 2787.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration? SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2856. Senator Bertino-Tarrant. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2856.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2934. Senator Bertino-Tarrant. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2934.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2943. Senator Morrison. Out of the record. House Bill 2947. Senator Morrison. Out of the record. With leave of the Body, we'll go back to House Bill 2947. Senator Bush will take over for Senator Morrison on the bill. She's --

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Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2947.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration? SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2955. Senator Althoff. Mr.

Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2955.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2969. Senator Stadelman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2969.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3063. Senator Bertino-Tarrant. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3063.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3075. Senator Silverstein. Out of the record. House Bill 3125. Senator Forby. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3125.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Forby.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Forby, on your amendment.

SENATOR FORBY:

Yes, I'd like to explain the Floor Amendment on -- No. 3. That takes all the -- all the opponents out of it and makes it agreed bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the amendment -- all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3227. Senator Koehler. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3227.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3232. Senator Koehler. Out of the record. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned till the hour of 11 a.m. on the 22nd day of May, 2013. The Senate stands adjourned.