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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

The regular Session of the 98th General Assembly will come to order. Will all the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Shaun Lewis, Capitol Commission, Springfield, Illinois.

PASTOR SHAUN LEWIS:

(Prayer by Pastor Shaun Lewis)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR JACOBS:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Jacobs)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

James R. Carder with Blueroomstream.com requests permission to videotape. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, April 9th, 2014.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Resolutions 1081 through 1083, offered by Senator Althoff and all Members.

Senate Resolution 1084 through 1087, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

Senate Resolution 1089, offered by Senator Van Pelt and all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1088, offered by Senator Rezin.  
It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill -- 3638, offered by Senator Kotowski.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4083, offered by Senator Righter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4327, offered by Senator Haine.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4694, offered by Senator Muñoz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4725, offered by Senator Haine.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4731, offered by Senator Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4762, offered by Senator Sullivan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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House Bill 5283, offered by Senator Barickman.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5397, offered by Senator Delgado.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5475, offered by Senator Syverson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5512, offered by Senator Mulroe.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5852, offered by Senator Connelly.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5893, offered by Senator Connelly.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5919, offered by Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5975, offered by Senator Delgado.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, can I -- if I can have your attention. All Members within the sound of my voice, please come to the Senate Floor immediately. We are going -- we will be going shortly to the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. All Members within the sound of my voice, please come to the Senate Floor immediately. We're -- we will be going to the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading momentarily. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Harmon, Chairperson on the Committee on Executive,

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reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 16 Recommend Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1090, offered by Senator Holmes.

It is substantive, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, as I announced a moment ago, we are going to go to the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. We will be starting on page 7, towards the bottom of page 7 of the printed Calendar. We'll be starting on Senate Bill 3306. All Members within the sound of my voice, please come to the Senate Floor immediately. This is final action. Ladies and Gentlemen, up on the board, we have Senate Bill 3306. Senator Rose. Mr. Secretary, Senator Rose seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3306 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3306. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Rose.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Rose, to explain Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Floor Amendment 3 is language drafted by Illinois Student Assistance Commission, for which they now support this bill. And we can adopt that, if it's the will of the Body, here and then debate the full matter on 3rd.

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3306. Senator Rose indicates he'd like to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3306.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is an initiative of the Illinois Community College's Association. It originally came to us - Senator Manar, who is my cosponsor on this - from our local community college, Richland College, as well as several others. I'd like to begin by thanking my cosponsors - again, Senator Manar, Senator McCann, Senator Van Pelt, and also Senator Kimberly Lightford, Leader Lightford. I very much appreciate her being a cosponsor of this bill as well. The bill is supported by ISAC. This is their language. It is -- creates a two-year pilot project for dislocated workers to get back to school sooner by opening a second opportunity for them to do so..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)



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Excuse me, Senator Rose. One second. Ladies and Gentlemen - Ladies and Gentlemen, can I have your attention please? Let's hold the visiting down. We are on the Order of 3rd Readings. Please hold the visiting down. Excuse me, Senator Rose. Please continue.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just to conclude, this came out of -- committee without any opposition. There are no other opponents. I know ISAC does support it and -- with the amendment. It was their language. Again, I'd like to thank my cosponsors, Senator Manar, Senator McCann, Senator Van Pelt, and Leader Lightford for her help on this initiative. And ask for a favorable vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, this is final action. The question is, shall Senate Bill 3306 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3306, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up on the Calendar, we have Senate Bill 3312. Mr. Secretary, Senator Forby -- seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3312 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3312. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Forby.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Forby, to present Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR FORBY:

Floor Amendment No. 3 is a part of the bill. I'll explain it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on the amendment? 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, Mr. Secretary, approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3312. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3312.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Forby, on Senate Bill 3312.

SENATOR FORBY:

Thank you. Today, this bill comes from A.B.A.T.E. Bob Myers is sitting up there in the -- in the gallery. He's been waiting for this bill for a long time. What this bill is, 3312 moves the regulation from {sic} a poker run from a Charity Game {sic} (Charitable Games) Act to a Raffle (Raffles) Act. So what this bill does is, when you have a poker run, the last stop of whatever county you're in, they have to buy the license and you buy the

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license from the county. So it's -- if you -- the county will give the license to the poker run. And they make five -- if they make five different stops, or six stops, or whatever they do, they have to list each stop of the runs and the stops does not have to have a license. And there is a cap on this. It's twenty-five dollars. Twenty-five dollars goes to each county. So every time you get a license, it costs you twenty-five dollars. And one other thing that A.B.A.T.E. is wanting to do is, a non-profit organization, if you're under five, you can't have a poker run for five years, so we're going to let that go back where they can waive it, go back to the first year. So I -- I don't know of any oppositions. I would like to have a positive vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Just a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator Kotowski.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

What -- this poker run, is there any running involved in this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Forby.

SENATOR FORBY:

For people like you that probably aren't -- don't know how to ride a motorcycle, you could run beside us.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion, Ladies and Gentlemen -- Senator Kotowski, did you have a follow-up question? Senator Kotowski.

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SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

I just wanted to say that I could tell whose idea, the friendly person in the Chair here. That -- that was an accurate statement. I don't know how to do that. But -- so a poker run is -- is you're -- you're on your -- your motorcycle and you're going from bar to bar to play poker?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Forby.

SENATOR FORBY:

It necessarily don't have to be a bar. One issue they done, and I like to do this, 'cause we always pick out some kid that -- with cancer or something, without money. This is a fundraiser where people that rides motorcycles can get together and talk and stuff, but the bottom line is they can donate some money to some poor kid or something that's -- that has an issue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

I assume such. Ladies and Gentlemen -- Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

I move the previous question.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you, Senator Haine. But seeing no further lights on, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3312 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 53 voting Aye, 2 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3312, having received -- received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Alex Davis with WCIA

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3 News requests permission to shoot video. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Senator Koehler, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KOEHLER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your point, Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Well, first of all, after that last bill, we need to have a program where we have an adopt-a-city legislator to come downstate and find out what a poker run is. But I rise today to introduce my honorary Page. He's Aaron Chess. Aaron is sixteen years old and a junior at Richwoods High School in Peoria. He is interested in politics, because he likes helping people and brings changes to his country, State and community. During his free time, he likes to play basketball, read -- books about presidents, Congress, and he volunteers at the Peoria County Democrats office. When he graduates from high school - listen to this - he plans on attending Georgetown University in Washington. He's already been out there to visit them. After college, he plans on starting his political career, first as a city councilman on his way to State Senate - he'll be in my seat someday - and then Congress and then hopefully after that, as the next President of the United States. Now, I'll tell you what this -- what this means, I mean, if you're going to have dreams, you either go big or you go home. And Aaron is an impressive young man. I had him take a picture sitting in Senator Barack -- then State Senator Barack Obama's chair. I met his mother. She is a supervisor of maintenance at the Par-A-Dice Hotel in Peoria. I just met her the other day. She was so proud of her son. Please give Aaron a -- a Springfield welcome, will you?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Aaron, welcome to Springfield. We wish you all the best in your endeavors. Thanks for joining us. Senator Kotowski, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

So I have an opportunity to redeem myself from that horrific cross-examination of Senator Forby. I have the great honor today of introducing my good friend - please stand up - Andrew Vucsko-Cameron, also known as AVC. He's ten years old. He's a fifth grader at Washington School in Park Ridge. He wants to be a paleontologist. You want to know why? Not just to study the history of the earth - so he can remind people of where it all started. I think that's really cool and really interesting. He plays trumpet and the drums. He's in the drum club at school. Now this is difficult for me to talk about now - he's a Sox fan. So, you know, that's -- again, like I said, it was hard for me to talk about, but, see, you got all that support there. He loves to read Percy Jackson and The Lightning Thief that are the Percy Jackson & the Olympians. He's joined here -- he's out here -- his parents are here. Please stand up. We have Todd Vucsko and Terry Cameron, and his brothers, Zachary and Andrew -- sorry, Zachary and Nate. Nate is a Cub fan. So, good to have you here, Nate. All right. You're the Cub fan. But, listen, this -- this guy is -- is the future. He's a very smart man. He wants to get out. He wants to make a difference in the lives of people when he grows up. He's already doing it. Could you please join me in giving him a great Springfield welcome to Andrew, AVC?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Alex {sic}, you and your family, welcome to the Illinois State

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Senate. Great to have you joining us. Senator Biss, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BISS:

For purposes of an introduction, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please make your introduction, Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Members, I'd like to introduce you to -- I have the great fortune today to have two wonderful Pages from my district. The first is Alex Fogel. Alex is in grade six. He's attending Bessie Rhodes School in District 65. His interests include basketball, reading, and chess, but, he assures me, not current events. And his future goal is to attend Northwestern University, so he intends to continue his educational experience in the 9th Senate District, which we're very excited about. I'm also joined by Soren Dorr, who is currently a fifth grader at King Lab School. He's got a strong interests in reading and music and playing guitar and bass. And I hope you'll just join me in wishing a warm Springfield welcome to my two -- two young men who are paging for me today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Thanks for joining us today. Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSE:

A point of personal privilege, if I may, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your point, Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are joined today by two of my interns, who are University of Illinois students. I have

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Patrick Venn with me. He is a political science/economics major. He is from Kenosha, Wisconsin, and he's a junior, who's wanting to go on to law school. I also have Jared Fattore with me. He's a psychology and political science major at the University of Illinois. He is from Joliet, Illinois, and he also is a junior who wants to attend law school. So, if we could, welcome them as well. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Patrick and Jerry {sic}, thanks for joining us today. Thanks for coming down. Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, back to the regular Calendar. We're on page 7, towards the bottom. Ladies and Gentlemen, as you can see up on the board, we're going to go to the Order of Constitutional Amendments 3rd Reading. It's on page 11 of your printed Calendars. First up, on the Order of Constitutional Amendments 3rd Reading, we have House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 1. Senator Steans, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, read the resolution in full for a third time.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 1.

(Secretary reads HJRCA No. 1)

3rd Reading in full of this House joint resolution constitutional amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Illinois first passed a crime victims' rights law in 1985. In November of 1992, people overwhelmingly adopted Article 1, Section 8.1 of the



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Illinois Constitution. This Section gave crime victims a number of constitutional rights, including the right to notification of court proceedings; the right to attend proceedings on the same basis as the accused, unless the court makes a specific finding; and the right to make a victim impact statement. The amendment did not work entirely as intended, however. The criminal justice system has not uniformly allowed victims to stand up for their rights. In 2008, the Attorney General in Illinois held five roundtables across the State to hear from victims about their experiences with the criminal justice system. Victims testified that they were not advised of their rights, that they were not provided timely notice of court proceedings, they were excluded from trials, and that they were not afforded the opportunity to present the victim impact statement. Victims also said their constitutional rights were elusory, because there was no recourse or remedy when a right's denied. So today we are here because of the sheer desire to ensure that victims can fully enjoy their rights that were enacted in '92 -- 1992 by the people of Illinois to ensure victims' dignity and a voice in the criminal justice process. I want to acknowledge years of hard work from the victim advocates, especially Lisa -- Attorney General Lisa Madigan and her staff, the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault, IllinoisVictims.org, and the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence, for their diligence and hard work. This has been years in the making, this constitution amendment, to make the victims' rights enforceable. We, in the Senate, overwhelmingly passed this amendment once before, but the State's Attorney still had some concerns. Over the last two years, since we did pass this, advocates met with the State's Attorneys across the State to listen

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to their concerns and work with them to craft language that addresses those concerns. So the language before you today is the result of those meetings and has the support of the Illinois State's Attorneys Association. Last week, the House passed this constitutional amendment by a vote of 111 to 2. This amendment, in brief - it's HJRC -- CA 1, excuse me, commonly referred to as Marsy's Law - gives victims the ability to enforce their rights in two ways: First, by giving them standing in the courtroom to assert their rights; second, by removing the existing constitutional language that bars appellate relief for victims. First, subsection (b) of the proposed amendment expressly gives victims standing, but makes it clear that standing is limited to the assertion of the twelve rights enumerated in subsection (a). There's express language that the victim does not have the party status; that the defendant does not have standing to assert the rights of a victim. Second, HJRCA 1 removes the existing Illinois constitutional language that bars appellate relief. This language is not currently found in any other state constitution governing victims' rights. Together, these changes allow the victim to seek a remedy for the violation of a constitutional right. Enforcement of victims' rights is consistent with the U.S. Supreme Court recognition in 1803 in the landmark case of Marbury versus Madison that there is a legal right, there should be a legal remedy. Subsection (b) also makes clear that prosecutors retain their discretion by providing that the Section does not alter the powers, duties, and responsibilities of prosecutors. And the language that prevents the defendant from using a violation of victims' rights to vacate a conviction or obtain other relief is retained. Finally, subsection (b) states that the court cannot appoint an

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attorney to represent the victim. The rights of victims will be enforced in the criminal case, not through a separate civil lawsuit for monetary damages. Language is added to subsection (d) that states that nothing in the amendment creates a cause of action against the State, counties, or their employees. HJRCA 1 adds two rights to the current list of ten rights. In response to reports the courts ordered the production and disclosure of victims' confidential privileged records without their knowledge or opportunity to object, the amendment gives victims the right to notice and court hearing before allowing this access to record -- their records. The second additional right is that victims will be afforded the right to have their safety and the safety of their families considered when bail and other decisions affecting the release of the accused are made. Thirty-two other states give victims constitutional rights. The experiences of states that provide for the enforcement of crime victims' rights show that defendants' rights are not diminished when victims' rights are respected; that courts are fully capable and routinely -- routinely balance constitutional rights, giving full effect to each; and that procedures are established to ensure the continued efficiency of -- of the trial in the appellate courts. I urge your support and very much appreciate the help of numerous folks, including the Senate President and Senator Bill Haine, in getting us to this point today. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you, Senator Steans. Excuse me. Is there any discussion? Senator Murphy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

To the -- to the amendment, Mr. President.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the amendment, Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

I -- I just want to commend the sponsor for her work on this amendment and join her in applauding the doggedness of the activists in pushing this amendment to this point. I want to specifically reference one advocate by name, Jennifer Bishop-Jenkins, who's from my area, who has worked tirelessly on this, who I have heard from, specifically, and I want to commend her for her sticking to this on behalf of her sister, who, I know, you recently had an anniversary on. So, congratulations to you for your efforts on this. I encourage Aye votes all around.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR ROSE:

To the bill, or to the constitutional amendment, excuse me.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the amendment, constitutional amendment, Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

I rise in strong support of this. Unfortunately, I cannot see the lady, but I wanted to thank her for this. As a House Member, I was one of the first sponsors on this, way, way back when. As Senator Murphy just pointed out, Jennifer Bishop is in the gallery. Has been through an experience that none of us would ever want to go through and would hope that would never happen again. As a former prosecutor, you do your best to work within the system and the rules that are there, but victims need this amendment. Every one of us, if you think back on your career,

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whether it's short or long, someone has come into your office and said that they were somehow a victim of crime and -- and -- and left outside the existing system, were not allowed to give voice to their thoughts and their opinions about what should happen. From time to time, we tussle in this Chamber and that's fine, but on this one, the sponsor's absolutely right, the victims are absolutely right, and it's -- I'm -- I can't tell you how happy I am to see this in final action here today. I -- I hope, I urge, I entreat, let's make this unanimous to the voters. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR RAOUL:

To -- to the resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the resolution, Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

I, too, rise in support of the resolution. I think adjustments have been made to this resolution from what was presented to this Chamber before in a manner that protects a victim's rights to be notified and to be informed, yet balances it with the traditions of -- of -- of the criminal court procedures in a way that does not compromise the ability to -- for State's Attorneys to carry out the -- the work -- work of the State. So I commend the sponsor and I commend the advocates who worked on this, notwithstanding the fate of it in -- in the previous version. I voted No the last time this resolution was presented. And that was not in any way a -- a signal of my sentiment towards making

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sure victims' rights are protected. And so I -- I -- I stand in strong support of this resolution and urge all Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Further discussion? Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

To the constitutional amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the resolution, Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

I want to thank, from the bottom of my heart, Senator Steans and the advocates, who worked for this bill -- this amendment over the years. And it's important for us to -- to pause a moment and realize that the opposition of the State's Attorneys was not designed to obstruct any effort to reach out to victims. The -- the primary duty of a State's Attorney is similar to the primary duty of the Governor, and that is to faithfully execute the laws of Illinois. There can only be one officer in charge of that effort in a jurisdiction such as a county, and that is the State's Attorney. And the State's Attorney's obligation is not to represent the victim. The State's Attorney's obligation is to represent the people, the administration of justice, which may or may not be consistent with the desires of a victim. And it's important to recall that in this system. And this is not an uncaring view, but it's a deeply held custom of a constitutional order that protects the innocent, as well as affords a means of bringing wrongdoers to justice. And that -- and this proposed amendment does not disturb that discretion. It is true that, over the years, victims have been shunted aside in many of these

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decisions. This amendment will afford them an opportunity to be heard that's formalized. And it reminds State's Attorneys that, yes, they have this duty and this discretion and this authority, but they should always be cognizant of the need to explain to a victim what is going on. The French premier Clemenceau once said, "War is too important to be left to the generals." It is true that sometimes the law is too important to be left to the lawyers. And that's what this amendment does. I want to leave you with this thought. As great as this is, the first and the primary benefit for good that we can do for a victim is to bring the evildoer to justice that made them a victim, that victimized them. Those who shed innocent blood, who rob and rape and murder, should be brought to justice and punished. That is the duty of the law. Everything else is secondary. The first duty of the law, as the Romans said, is the safety of the people - *salus populi lex est* - - *prima est*. And this amendment does not disturb that principle. And, Ladies and Gentlemen, I stand in strong support of it and, again, I congratulate this Senator, the House Members, those who have spoken, and above all, the -- the victims' advocates, for keeping our nose to the grindstone. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you, Senator Haine. Senator Steans, to close.

SENATOR STEANS:

Thank -- thank you, everyone, for the support on this. This really has been an enormous amount of labor going into it. And what we've talked about here, a lot of the conversation reflects sort of that need to keep balance. I think it's very appropriate. This week is the -- the country's celebrating the 30th National Crime Victims' Rights Week. And the theme this year is 30 Years:

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Restoring the Balance of Justice. I think HJRCA 1 restores this balance in Illinois. We -- we can't always stop violence or erase the pain we know that it causes to victims, but we can make sure, at least today, that their dignity and respect is honored during the criminal justice process. I want to ask a few folks to stand up in the gallery. Cynthia Hora, from the Attorney General's Office, has spent years of her life working on this. Polly Poskin, I know has been incredibly involved, as has Claudia Castro - I think is here also. And then really last and not least, but most importantly, Jennifer -- Jennifer Bishop-Jenkins, who has already been noted, has really dedicated an enormous amount of her personal time and energy on this. And it is personal. I mean, we've all been -- we've had -- we've been there. We've had a personal impact on it. Congratulations on all your hard work. Thank you very much for being here today to see this come to fruition. Urge your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 1 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-2, this joint resolution requires a three-fifths roll call vote. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 voting Present. Joint -- House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 1, having received the required three-fifths constitutional majority, is adopted and is declared ratified. Ladies and Gentlemen, on -- we're still on page 11 of the printed Calendar. Next up on the order of business is on the Secretary's Desk, Resolutions to amend the Constitution



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of the State of Illinois, is House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 52. Mr. Secretary, please read... Senator Raoul, you do wish to proceed. Is that correct? Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 52.

(Secretary reads HJRCA No. 52)

3rd Reading in full of this House joint resolution constitutional amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 52 proposes to amend the Illinois Constitution to ensure that no person is denied the right to register to vote or cast a ballot based on race, color, ethnicity, status as a member of a language minority, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or income. Currently, the Fifteenth and Nineteenth Amendments of the United States Constitution and the Voting Rights Act of 1965 provide that the right to vote shall not be denied based on race, color, previous servitude, sex, or status as a member of a language minority. However, no federal law prohibits voter discrimination based on ethnicity, sexual orientation, or income. In addition, there -- currently, there is no State cause of action for laws that deny a right to register to vote or cast a ballot based on these lists of characteristics. We've heard the stories from around the nation of states implementing laws specifically to limit the right to vote, whether it's voter ID laws, whether it's the

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reduction of early voting. In my case -- or whether it's striking names from the voting rolls based on Hispanic surnames. In my case, I did more than hear about it. Both in 2008 and 2012, I traveled to Florida to volunteer in the presidential election.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Excuse me, Senator Raoul. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're on the order of amending the Illinois Constitution. Senator Raoul, please proceed.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Mr. President. My own mother, who in 2012 was eighty-three years old, had to wait five hours in line in the sun. Further down in Florida, in southern Florida, I volunteered as I watched eighty- and ninety-year-old people, largely of African American and Hispanic descent, wait nine hours to -- to simply cast their -- their ballot, to exercise their right to vote. While in other parts of Florida, people were able to vote right away. What we're trying to do is, we're -- we're -- we're trying to continue in the spirit of what we did when we passed the Illinois Voting Rights Act and protect the fundamental right to vote that should be protected for all our -- our citizens. We should be encouraging all of our citizens to exercise that right and that's what we seek to do with this constitutional amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for questions, Senator McCarter.

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SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, I -- I -- I heard one thing that perked my interest here. Are you saying that this would discourage, possibly, a voter ID bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Yes, I'm saying that -- certainly a voter ID bill that would seek to limit the ability for people to vote. It should be noted that eleven percent of U.S. citizens lack a photo ID. Of that, eighteen percent of Americans age sixty-five and older do not have a government-issued photo ID, and citizens earning less than twenty-five thousand dollars per year are more than twice as likely -- like -- likely to lack a photo ID, and twenty-five percent of the voting age African -- voting age African-Americans do not have a photo ID, as -- as compared to eight percent for Caucasians.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, I recognize you -- you listed one stat there that -- about citizens over sixty-five. Does this bill {sic} talk about age?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

It talks about income, and as you know, a lot of the -- the -- as you may know, a lot of people in excess of sixty-five are -- are of lower income.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

But I asked the question about age and you gave me an answer with income. So is the answer, no, it doesn't address age?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Answer is no.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the resolution, Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the resolution, I apologize. You know, I -- I think we all -- none of us want anyone, no matter what the definition is to be, we don't want any of them to be kept from having that right to vote. But I -- I find it interesting that age is not there. I find it interesting that the express -- one of the express purposes is to keep a voter ID bill from becoming law in Illinois. Some of us live in areas where maybe that's not an issue, but I do. It's more of an issue in some others than -- you know. But I know firsthand in the county that I reside where we've had issues. And I think it would help. I think it would be just to the folks that come in and show their ID voluntarily. It would be justice to them to have everyone show that. Now, I understand, if it's not available, we should make it available, 'cause you gave the stats on those that don't have an ID. We should -- we should -- we

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should make it possible for them to have an ID, if that was -- if -- if we had a voter ID bill in this State. And we should not, as you said, have a voter ID bill that discriminated whatsoever. So I agree with you - we shouldn't have that bill. But we -- I believe, and I firmly believe, and I put this forth two or three years now, that we should have a voter ID bill that does not discriminate, that provides the -- that provides the ID for them, and brings fairness to all the voters. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR JACOBS:

I call previous question.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

There are four individuals seeking recognition. Senator Murphy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

To the amendment, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the resolution, Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

I appreciate the dialogue out here. It's a pretty good conversation thus far. Obviously, we take amending our Constitution very seriously. But we also take very seriously that fundamental, quintessentially American concept of the right to vote. And if we can send a message and make clear with this bill right here that it doesn't matter what your surname is, if you are -- if you have earned that right to vote, you will not be impeded in any way in exercising it. That's my understanding of the intent

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of this amendment and how it will, in all likelihood, be enforced. I don't read anything in here that expressly references a voter ID one way or the other. I understand interpretations of it and so forth. I read this amendment right here to say, and to reiterate, that here in Illinois, if you have earned the -- the legal right to vote, you will have the legal right to vote. You will not find one Republican on this side of the aisle or anywhere else who disputes that notion. Because I interpret this amendment that way, because I think that's the intention of the sponsor, I encourage everybody on our side of the aisle and, frankly, everybody in this Chamber to affirm that fundamental American right to vote and that it is our intent that everybody who can has the right -- and wants to, has the unfettered access to do so. I encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Further discussion? Senator Collins, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in strong -- to speak to the resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To -- to the resolution, Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

I rise in strong support of this resolution, which I consider absolutely necessary to the protection of our democratic form of government. I commend the sponsor. The right to vote is the right that defines us as American citizens. We've come a long way since 1787 and I want to give you a little walk through the history of why this resolution is so important. Our nation was founded on

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the proposition that we all are created equal, yet, from the beginning, so many of our ancestors were excluded from the promise of participatory democracy - women, people of color, people who did not own land, or didn't own enough land, and many others. They were excluded by law, and in some cases, when that didn't work, they were excluded from the franchise by force. Yet, it was through voting, as well as marching and sitting in and refusing to bow to injustice, that we have come this far in the struggle for the equality and true democracy. And civic participation, starting with the right to cast a ballot, holds the key to fighting the income inequality, racism, sexism, and many other disparities and forms of discrimination that remain. This amendment writes into our State Constitution that Illinois does not tolerate discrimination when it comes to the right to register to vote, to exercise that right and privilege. It embodies our deepest values as a State and carries with it our greatest hopes for the future. I join with my other colleagues and Senator Murphy, encouraging everyone to take a stand for what democracy means and what it means to live in a participatory democracy. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Senator Harmon -- Leader Harmon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HARMON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, I want to be sure that I understand clearly your intent with the constitutional amendment.

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Does the proposed constitutional right provide protection from voting laws or procedures that are intentionally discriminatory or have a disparate impact on the persons covered by the amendment?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

The constitutional right is -- is intended to provide to -- to the person covered by the amendment protection from any voter law or procedure regarding registration or casting a ballot at an election that either intentionally discriminates against or has a disparate impact or effect upon them, such as voter ID laws.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, in a court challenge involving one of these voting laws or procedures, would the law or procedure be subject to strict scrutiny or simply rational basis review?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

The law and procedure at issue would be subject to strict scrutiny in a court challenge. And I would add that because of the constitutional right, the State's authority to secure the integrity of the election process would be relegated to remedying proven instances of fraud and therefore addressing a proven problem. Because of this constitutional right, the State could not rely upon its authority to secure the integrity of -- the election process -- adopt prophylactic legislation or procedures



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as allowed by the Tennessee Supreme Court in its 2013 decision of City of Memphis versus Hargett.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, as another example, would this proposed constitutional right prohibit the result that occurred in the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in Crawford against Marion County Election Board in 2008?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Yes, the constitutional right proposed here would prohibit and foreclose the result that occurred in the Crawford decision.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Raoul, to close.

SENATOR RAOUL:

I -- I hold here in my hand a legal memorandum from the Heritage Foundation exemplifying an attempt to water down the Voting Rights Act to uphold voter ID laws. Let me make clear, because the speaker on the other side spoke to how he interpreted this resolution. This resolution is intended to definitely, let me make clear, definitely discourage voter ID laws because of their disparate impact and because they also are intentionally - intentionally - enacted, because we've learned from memorandums and communications that weren't supposed to be exposed and we've learned from meetings that take place of -- from national meetings of legislators that this is a strategy specifically to discourage minorities from exercising their right to vote. So, for those of

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you who would want to hang your hat for voting Yes on this based on the assumption that it's not intended to discourage voter ID laws, I made clear in my legislative intent, it is definitely - definitely - intended to discourage voter ID laws. So if you cast a Yes vote for this, you're casting a Yes vote to discourage voter ID laws. That's not -- let -- let's not be confused. So -- so the previous speaker talked about what was in the -- specifically in the legislation. As we always do, we do things by -- through legislative intent. So if you cast a Yes vote for this, you're voting against that national legislative organization that tells you to do -- to -- to enact these laws from state to state to discourage minority voters from voting so you could have a better success -- or you can have a successful outcome in your election. So your -- your Yes vote is a vote against voter ID. So -- so I have no problem with you voting No. If you're for voter ID laws, you should vote No to this resolution. I urge an Aye vote from all the people who want to encourage every American citizen, who has the right to vote, to be able to cast their ballot.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 52 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-2, this joint resolution requires a three-fifths roll call vote. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 52 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 52, having received -- having received the required three-fifths constitutional majority, is adopted and is declared ratified.

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Ladies and Gentlemen, if you will go to the -- to page 9 of the printed Calendars. Page 9 of your printed Calendar, on the Order of House Bills 2nd Reading, we have House Bill 4403. Senator Silverstein. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4403.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4590. Senator Brady. Out of the record. Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUNTER:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your point, Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. In the balcony, I'd like to welcome a group of business people. They're from the Illinois Black Chamber of Commerce and they're -- they reside all over the State. This is only a fraction of the people who are here. Their president is Larry Ivory, and -- and they've got a couple of hundred people in Springfield, down here lobbying and holding a reception. So I'd like to welcome them to the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Will our guests please rise? Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Nice of you to join us today. We appreciate it. Good to see you. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're going to continue where we left off on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading, which is on the bottom of

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page 7 of your printed Calendars. And next up is Senate Bill 3313. Senator Bertino-Tarrant. Do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3313.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of this Chamber. Senate Bill 3313, as amended, requires new business phone systems installed after July 1st, 2015, to be connected in a manner that when a user dials 9-1-1, the calls connects to a 9-1-1 system without a pre-dialing code. This bill allows businesses that have been certified to operate a private emergency answering point to continue their current practices. And I -- on a personal note, I'd like to thank this entire Chamber on joining me on this legislation that a father in Texas is pioneering to become Kari's Law nationwide.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

I just want to say thank you to the sponsor of the bill for

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working so hard on this and making it agreeable to so many people. It is a people bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, Senator -- Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3313 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3313, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 3318. Senator Link. Senator Link -- Mr. Secretary, Senator Link -- seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3318 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3318. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Link, to present Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. These are just two modifications. Be more than happy to discuss it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Floor Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Link, on Floor Amendment 4.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. This just changes United States to North America. Be more than happy to discuss it further on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on Amendment 4? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3318. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3318.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. This -- this gives racetracks flexibility to set their own operating hours for off-track betting and inter-track wagering sites, giving 'em the operation {sic} of their own wagers on racetracks located in {sic} North America. It -- it provides uniformity of allowing all Illinois racetracks

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locate in -- an OTB within a hundred forty miles of the track. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3318 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 51 voting Aye, 2 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3318, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. At the bottom of page 7, we have Senate Bill 3397. Senator Hutchinson. Mr. Secretary, Senator Hutchinson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3397 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3397. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hutchinson, to present Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Hi. Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Body. Floor Amendment No. 3 simply clarifies exactly who the intention is for this bill, that it only goes towards transactions that happen at the retailer that's located with the card, not dual-purpose credit cards. And I can explain the underlying bill on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on Amendment 3? Seeing

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3397. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3397.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, again, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3397 is a bill that allows the retailer to obtain a refund if the purchaser charges the purchase and then defaults on the loan. The purchase must be made by the retailer's private label credit card, which is a credit card that has the retailer's logo on it. It is only available in the -- in the instances where that card has a special relationship with that retailer. Happy to answer any questions. This bill did pass out of Revenue unanimously and I would ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3397 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who



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wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3397, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Let's turn to the top of page 7. Excuse me, page 8. At the top of page 8 of your printed Calendars, we have Senate Bill 3398. Senator Hutchinson. Senator Hutchinson, on 3398. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3409. Senator Manar. Mr. Secretary, Senator Manar seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3409 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3409. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Manar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar, to present Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd ask for an adoption of the amendment. Would -- happy to take questions on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3409. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3409.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill simply amends the Dental Practice Act to allow dentists who are enrolled in a medical network or in Medicare or Medicaid to administer flu vaccinations to a patient who is enrolled in that same network, who is over the age of eighteen, also accompanied with a valid prescription or standing order from that patient's primary physician. The bill in its state today presented before the Body differs greatly from the bill that was introduced. In my opinion, this is a very narrow expansion of the medical industry in terms of access to flu vaccinations. It's designed to drive that number up in the State, which is obviously good for public health reasons. And I would be happy to take any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR LaHOOD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator LaHood.

SENATOR LaHOOD:

Senator Manar, I know we talked about this bill in committee and -- and I know you answered this in committee. I -- I just

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want to confirm this. What you're trying to do here -- I know the original bill had a lot of other vaccines that were in the original bill last year and we've scaled it back to what it is here today, but -- but just to confirm, the bill we have today, there's no other state that currently allows this. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Before we answer -- before we answer that question, Ladies and Gentlemen - shh - please hold the visiting down. Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Correct. There is no other state that currently does this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator LaHood. Any further discussion? Seeing none, do you wish to close? Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would just ask the Members to note -- well, first, let me say that I've talked to a lot of Members of the Body about this bill. My intention here is to make sure that in areas of the State that need greater access to, in this case, flu vaccinations, that we make sure that the law doesn't stand in the way of qualified medical personnel delivering that vaccination. We've done this in the past on many occasions. This, in my mind, again, is a measured approach. It's a disciplined way to move forward. It's contained, as was mentioned, compared to the bill when it was introduced in the Senate, in its scope. And I would just simply ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3409 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed,

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Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 45 voting Aye, 9 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3409, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 3411. Senator Manar. Senator Manar seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3411 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3411. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Manar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar, to present Amendment -- Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. This amendment came out of the Labor Committee. I would ask for approval and be happy to take questions on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Manar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar, to present Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a technical amendment that

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also came out of the Labor Committee. Be happy to take questions on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on Amendment 3? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3411. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3411.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President and my colleagues in the Senate. This bill came to -- came to me from many different individuals and specifically the Fraternal Order of Police. The bill simply states that a county, municipality, or State -- State government cannot require a police officer to issue a specific number of citations - I want to stress that - citations in a given period of time. The bill also prohibits these government entities from using that criteria, specific number of citations in a specific period of time, in the matter of evaluation -- evaluating, excuse me, the job performance of -- of a police officer. I -- I believe this

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bill is necessary because a quota, which is what that -- that action is typically called, takes away from a -- a police officer's ability to use good judgment. I think it is oftentimes tempting for individuals and local government to use specific number of citations in a specific given period of time as a way to raise revenue for local government. I think that takes away from a police officer's discretion and it puts divisions in particular communities that ought not be there. This bill differs greatly, again, just like the previous bill, from when it was filed to how it sits in front of the Body today. I tried to work with the opposition to work through potential issues. There is still opposition to this bill. I want to acknowledge that upfront. And I value that opposition, but I do want to say to those opponents that I did my best to work through these issues with them. But I think the way that this bill is presented today is a good step forward for the State and I'd be happy to take any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Bivins.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you. This is what you need to know. This is what you need to know. This bill is not about quotas. That sounds good. We don't want people out issuing directives to their officers you have to have a certain number of tickets. That's not what this bill is about. This bill is about an action that was filed by the

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FOP against the City of Carbondale when the City of Carbondale police department wanted to have matrix standards of performance for their officers. The FOP did not like that. They challenged that. Wanted to do their own. The State Labor Relations Board said there's no duty upon the city to bargain over this issue, which is that what -- that's what they want to do, is bargain over this issue. So, the board issued a decision last September, the Illinois Labor Relations Board. Now, if you're not familiar with them, there's eight members on that board. Six of 'em appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the Mayor of Chicago, one appointed by the Cook County President. I would venture to say predominately they rule in favor of labor, probably more than they do management. But in this case, they ruled in favor of management on this issue, saying that you don't have the duty to negotiate and bargain. 'Cause here's the problem, Ladies and Gentlemen, with this bill: If you pass this bill, number one, you're circumventing the collective bargaining process that exists. And I would be saying the same thing if it was the sheriffs, a reversed situation, that we'd be going around the process of collective bargaining. I'm not anti-union. I'm a former union president. I've negotiated on both sides of the table for over three decades on labor issues. But, again, this isn't about quotas. And what's going to happen if you pass this bill? Now, anyone who's managed people, you know that you have that one percent, maybe five percent, in my case it was maybe one percent, of the employees who don't want to do their job, that they're not doing anything. And if you pass this bill, my fear is what's going to happen is that one percent's going to be filing grievances, unfair labor practices, that they don't have to issue a ticket for DUI, that

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they don't have to issue a ticket, they don't have to do their job. That's where we're going here. That's -- this is what this is over and, again, I'm not anti-union. This is not what it's about. But if -- if we circumvent this process, then we've opened the door for both management and labor to come to us anytime there's an issue and we pass a law to get what they want. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have a few questions of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Senator, I'd like to ask you a few questions to clarify some of the legislative intent of this. When this bill amends the Counties Code, do you mean sheriffs?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Yes, for purposes of legislative intent, when we use the term "county" in the bill, the term is meant to include the county and the sheriff's office as joint employers of the law enforcement officer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:



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Does -- does this bill have any effect on any federal or State grants or funds awarded to a department?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

No, it does not. Actually, the -- the original bill would have. This is an area, as I mentioned, that we tried to accommodate a suggested change from law enforcement. The federal or State grant requires a certain number of citations in a given period of time. That requirement would not be prohibited by this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

If a sheriff or chief wanted to mandate that an officer stop a certain number of people in a given period of time, is this still allowed under your bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Yes, it is. And I would say that we would expect, as all public sector employees ought to be, they should be evaluated at all times. And that would be allowed in the bill. The only thing that the bill prohibits is requiring a certain number of traffic citations in a specific period of time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you. Can a sheriff or chief require a certain number of DUI arrests?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

A sheriff or a police chief can mandate a certain number of DUI arrests. Arrests are specifically listed in the bill under the definition of "point of contact". Because an arrest involves a more serious crime and requires probable cause, it is not a problematic mandate on police officers. Again, the bill simply says that a predetermined outcome of issuing a certain number of citations in a given period of time and then evaluating that police officer on that criteria would be prohibited moving forward.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you, Mr. President. And my final question is, what about the concern that officers would never write citations under this legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

There are many ways, as the -- the legislation enumerates, on how officers can be evaluated. Points of contact may be instituted, as I said earlier, by way of a quota to ensure that officers are actively engaged, including quotas on stops, warnings, arrests, investigations, or community outreach, all of which can be done today. Again, the prohibition only applies to traffic citations.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

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SENATOR HOLMES:

And -- and, finally, to the bill. I would like to urge everybody to support this bill. This bill is not trying to do anything. This bill is, quite simply, very, very straightforward. It simply doesn't allow a county or municipality or a State from requiring an officer to issue a specified number of citations or warnings in a given period of time. It also prohibits these entities from using the number of citations in a specific period of time as an evaluation of job performance. This is -- that was a very outdated way of doing business. So I would appreciate an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Senator, this is one of those bills where, when I came in this morning, I didn't know how I'd vote. In fact, I am still not sure, but I have a couple of questions that I hope you can help me clear up, and I -- and I -- I'm serious, this is not politics. If -- if I'm understanding this correctly, there is nothing that would prohibit a police department from, even if the bill passes, from using a variety of means to evaluate officers, including tickets that have been written, so that they know that he's doing his job. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you for the question. It's -- it's partially correct and allow me to explain. There are a variety of tools today that exist that allow management to evaluate, in this case, the job performance of a police officer. What we are saying in this bill is that saying to a police officer that they have to write five tickets in one hour and then evaluating the job performance of that officer on that alone is prohibited. They could use, for example, the number of traffic stops. They could still say we have a zero tolerance on DUI arrests or seatbelt arrests or things of that nature. The number of times you visit a school. You know, the number of hours you spend in a -- in a community. You know, there's a variety of things that can be used that I would say leads us to better policing, better relationships. But -- but using a predetermined outcome of the number of citations in a given period of time in my mind is -- as the previous speaker said, is an outdated way to evaluate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Thank you. And I have just one other question. Actually, it was raised when -- when Senator Holmes was speaking. And I didn't really understand exactly what went -- went on there. Did I understand you to say or -- or -- in response to her question that there could still be a mandated number of DUI arrests? And if the answer is yes, how do you do that? What if -- what if the officer never stops somebody who'd been drinking too much?

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Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

The bill does not prohibit a -- a sheriff or a police chief from saying, for example, we have a zero tolerance policy for DUI stops. A citation is different than an arrest for driving under the influence, number one. Number two, there are grants that municipal governments and State government receive from -- from the federal government that are intended to enforce things like DUI laws, where it is quite plausible that a number would be attached to a grant. So we're saying in the bill, in that case, the provisions of the prohibition of the definition of a quota would not be exercised. So we want to make sure that that -- that continues. That -- that came to use from law enforcement in the bill and we tried to accommodate that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

I'm have a little trouble understanding. I just want to be sure. Are you saying that, currently, and under this bill, a police department can mandate, for example, that each officer must have two DUI arrests a month, or something like that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

The answer is, today they can, and under this bill, they still can. Yeah. But -- but citations, we're getting at citations. So -- so to the extent of your question, Senator Oberweis, this is a limited -- this is a limited step. You know, there -- there were some folks that say we should go further than this, and -- but I

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think this is a limited step forward, to say that, you know, traffic citations should not be mandated in number or outcome before the citation or the stop is even made and then using that to evaluate the performance of a police officer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Further discussion? Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RAOUL:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

I think this is a pretty straightforward measure that makes a lot of sense. You know, I -- I -- I can recall when, you know, drivers are -- are cautious, super cautious because it may be the end of the month and there are quotas and -- and police officers are forced to try to stop more cars, and -- and many of these stops are discretionary stops, because it -- it's a matter of whether it's improper lane usage and -- and things of that nature. So it's not always a radar gun stop. And if it -- it -- it's -- if -- if you give 'em that discretion and you have this pressure to write a certain number of citations, then in certain municipalities that pressure may be put on just as a means of generating revenue, not as a means of keeping the streets safe, but just because, oh, we need to pull in more money and so let's pull in some more money from motorists. That's not good policy. And so we've been operating with bad policy for some time. Police officers ought not be playing the role of fee or tax collectors. And I know many of us out here are always opposed to any fee increases and unfair

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impositions on the citizens at large, and so all of those people should -- should -- should be green lights on this bill, because -- because that's not what we ought to have our police officers doing. We ought to certainly have them stop somebody who is -- who's violating the laws in our Vehicle Code. However, we not -- ought not be incenting them to exercise their discretion to stop a certain number of people just to generate more money. That's bad policy. That's dishonest to our citizens. So I urge everybody to -- to push a green button on this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Further discussion? Senator Luechtefeld, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Luechtefeld.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

I guess I've been surprised at the number of calls I've had on this both -- in both directions. Early on, I had, excuse me, a couple of police -- captains or police chiefs call and say they were against the bill. One of 'em, for instance, and -- and -- said that, you know, he's served in two different situations, one where they had quotas, one where they had none, and -- and -- and he found that when they had none, everything shut down. They -- they -- there were very few, very few stops. There were very few things to happen and he -- he just thought that was -- that was not right. I told him that I believe that this thing -- this particular bill in -- was amended, or at least would allow, and he called 'em contacts, and he said I -- I -- I'm satisfied with the

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bill if I can mandate contacts. And -- and -- and then he hoped that simply good judgment -- and I really often believe that one of the best qualifications of any good officer would be simply good judgment. But you assure me that you can have contacts in - in this bill, is -- and you can have a quota on contacts, is that right?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Yes, thank you for the question. I'm going to read the text from page 3 of the bill. "Nothing in this Section shall prohibit the Department from evaluating a Department of State Police officer based on the Department of State Police officer's points of contact." So you could take the Department of State Police, in that instance, Senator Luechtefeld, and insert the -- this -- this language appears multiple times in the bill, so you can insert the other provisions for which the bill is intended to cover.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Manar, to close.

SENATOR MANAR:

Just simply ask for an Aye vote, Mr. President. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3411 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is -- oh, excuse me. Excuse me, Mr. Secretary. Excuse me. I forgot to read something. As the bill denies or limits the power of home rule unit under -- unit to tax, pursuant to Section 6(g) of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution, the passage of this measure will require a three-fifths majority. Mr.



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Secretary, would you like me to start that discussion over? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is... The question is, shall Senate Bill 3411 pass. As the bill denies or limits the power of a home rule unit to tax, pursuant to Section 6(g) of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution, the passage of this measure will require a three-fifths majority. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 1 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3411, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up on the Calendar, we have Senate Bill 3414. Senator Steans. Out -- out of the record. Senate Bill 3456. Senator Brady. Senator Brady seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3456 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3456. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Brady.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Brady, on Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR BRADY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Floor Amendment 2 is an agreement with the Department -- with DNR on how we can work to put abandoned wells back into production efficiently and effectively. I'd ask for your favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion on the amendment? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and

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the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3456. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3456.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment becomes the bill. As I said earlier, it creates a -- a way in which the Department of Natural Resources can work with owners to place property back into production for oil wells and others in an efficient way that avoids the courts. It's been agreed to and I ask for your favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3456 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3456, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3471.

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Senator LaHood. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3476. Leader Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3476.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Bill amends the Property Tax Code and makes a technical change to the erroneous homestead exemption which was passed last year. It cleans up language related to the interest that is charged, the procedure for placing and releasing the lien, and making back taxes payable to the treasurer, opposed to the assessor. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3476 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3476, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 3478. Leader Muñoz. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3486. Senator Martinez. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3509. Senator Manar. Out of the record. Ladies and Gentlemen, I skipped over -- or made an error with regard to Senate Bill 3509. Leader

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Muñoz, on 3509. Do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3509.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Muñoz, on Senate Bill 3509.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This 3509 is going to be a shell bill that we want to go over to the House. There is a bill that Representative D'Amico has to do a study and they wanted the shell to go there, if they ever get to reach some type of agreement with the insurance industry. Maybe we can see that bill sometime in Veto Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Muñoz, I apologize. There is a fair amount of noise in the Chamber. I -- did I understand you...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Excuse me, Senator Righter. You're absolutely right. Ladies and Gentlemen, shh, please. Senator Righter, please continue.

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SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Muñoz, did I hear you correctly to say that in its current form, Senate Bill 3509 is a shell bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

That's correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Can you give the Body some idea of what your expectations or hopes are that 3509 will come back looking like after it returns from the House?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

I don't have any idea right now. They wanted a shell bill. Hopefully, the insurance industry, after they do a study that Senator -- Representative D'Amico has a bill that they're working on and they were going to meet over the summer and try to come up with some type of a bill, agreed-upon bill, that we could possibly see in Veto Session. Other than that, I don't have any other language.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

The -- the title {sic} of the bill, Senator, is online insurance. So, I mean, can you tell me anything based on that

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title what -- what it -- who's looking for what out of this legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Pretty much says what I just said, online insurance. Secretary of State was involved on some of the negotiations as well. But, again, until we can get some language and -- agreed upon from everyone, we're just sending the shell over to the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Last question. Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Muñoz, just -- just -- I'm curious whether or not you would entertain the notion of seeking a deadline extension on 3509, so we - we, the Senate - can control the process here and not wait until the last hours of Session and -- and have the House dictate to us whatever policy the House believes is best on online insurance? With that, I'll wrap it up. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

No, I will not. I want to vote on this so we can get it out to the Chamber.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3509 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? Mr.

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Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 40 voting Aye, 14 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3509, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 3512. Senator Manar, on 3512. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3522. Senator Hunter. Senator Hunter seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3522 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3522. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Hunter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter, on Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Can we adopt the amendment and I'll explain it on two {sic}.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 3522. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3522.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3522 encourages the use of already enacted prosecutorial programs, such as the -- the Offender Initiative Program and the Second Chance Probation Program, and it allows for safe diversion of statutory -- statutorily eligible individuals charged with non-violent offenses from traditional prosecution into qualified community-based services. It does -- it does so by creating a funding mechanism within the Department of Human Services to facilitate payment for qualified community-based services for eligible individuals. It specifies which services may be funded, such as psychiatric, rehabilitative, and educational services. This is basically a front-end diversion program and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR MURPHY:

Question of the sponsor, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates she will yield, Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Senator, you had indicated that this sets up a funding stream within DHS. Where will the money that goes into this new funding source come from?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:



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Yes, Senator Murphy, what I neglected to state was that this -- this bill is subject to appropriation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

What is -- can you define for me what this new funding source or stream within DHS's budget, what will the line item be when the budget comes at the end of Session?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I'm not sure right now, Senator. We're examining -- we're still in the process of examining DHS's budget and we're looking for funding right now to fund these programs.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

You had indicated that these programs already exist. Where do they exist in our budget now and how much are we funding them in FY'14?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

So, Senator, couple years ago, this Body, the General Assembly, passed these two programs, the Offender Initiative Program and the Second Chance (Probation) Program, under the Department of Corrections budget, and so what this -- what -- what I'm trying to do now is allow Department of Human Services to support these programs that are over in Department of Corrections

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through funding.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

So those still exist and are housed in the Department of Corrections. There will be a new line item in DHS's budget to fund these two programs that already exist in the Department of Corrections. Why -- wouldn't it just be simpler to put the money you want to put into the existing line items in the Department of Corrections budget?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Well, we thought that these programs would be managed much better over at the Department of Human Services, because we're talking about psychiatric services and educational courses and many of these services are already provided. These providers are already funded under the Department of Human Services, and that is the reason why we have it set up like this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

And I -- and I -- I certainly don't want to belabor this, but I want to understand. So will you be moving the two programs you identified out of the Department of Corrections and into DHS? Or will it be as you said, that those will stay in Corrections and DHS will give Corrections money for them?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

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SENATOR HUNTER:

No, Senator. We have no intentions of moving correctional services. These offenders we're talking about have -- no -- no, we're not -- no, we -- there are no intentions of doing so. In the past, we've had different departments who work in cooperation with one another, and this is all we're doing, is allowing the Department of Corrections and the Department of Human Services to further continue to work on services together.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

How much money do you anticipate recommending go into these new DHS lines?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I have no idea, Senator, at this time. We were trying to get some numbers before committee, as well as prior to coming here today, and was unable to do so. So we're still examining their budgets. Once I find out - Mr. President - once I find out some numbers I'll be more than happy to share it with you and this Body.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

If this money gets funded, who determines how it gets spent?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Well, Senator, as with any -- any program, there is an RFP

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process and I'm sure that the Department of Human Services has -- they already have a mechanism in place to determine who -- which agency best qualifies to deliver these services. And I would leave it up to the Department of Human Services to -- further utilize their existing system to determine who will receive the dollars and who will not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

And the bill expressly says that DHS will come up with rules for who is qualified for the program. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy -- or, excuse me, Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

That is correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Have you had any conversation with the Department about entities that should be deemed qualified or what the rules should look like?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I have not. I leave that totally up to the Department.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill. I -- I appreciate

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the effort involved. It seems like there might be a cleaner, simpler way to do this through the appropriations bill for the Department of Corrections. I think this one maybe raises a few more questions than it answers, and for the time being, I'm afraid I need to recommend a -- a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Hunter, do you wish to close? Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just basically would like to say that in recent years, the General Assembly has supported numerous proposals that provide diversion, alternatives to incarceration or reforms to traditional processing at different points in the -- in the -- you know, in the justice system at the pre-trial prosecution stage and as an alternative to incarceration and at the community re-entry to release from prison. These intervention programs to protect public safety and save taxpayer dollars is the -- the focus that not only the -- the City of Chicago, the State of Illinois, and the country, for that matter, is headed in. You know, we have too many people locked up in jail who are located in jail because of mostly alcohol and drug offenses. So they need to be into diversion programs so that we can help clean them up, improve their -- themselves individually so that they can become better citizens. So, Mr. President, I would ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3522 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? Mr. Secretary, take the

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record. On that question, there are 41 voting Aye, 16 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3522, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up on the Calendar, we have Senate Bill 3538. Senator Sandoval. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3538.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Sandoval.

SENATOR SANDOVAL:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 3538 creates a sub-offense of criminal trespass to State-supported land when individuals on a property owned or leased by a transit authority, after receiving notice that the entry is forbidden, or remains on the land or in the building after receiving notice from the public body. This is an effort -- this is an initiative of the CTA and the RTA. And we've worked with both sides of the aisle to get an agreement on this bill. I'd ask an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3538 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3538, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3566. Leader Harmon.

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Out of the record. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're going to start at the top of the Order on Senate Bills 3rd Reading, page 2 of your printed Calendar. Senate Bill 16. Senator Manar. Out of the record. Senate Bill 68. Leader Lightford. Out of the record. Senate Bill 118. President Cullerton. Out of the record. Senate Bill 120. Senator Manar. Out of the record. Senate Bill 121. Leader Hunter. Leader Hunter seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 121 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 121. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Senator Bush. Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Hunter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter, to present Floor Amendment 1. Yes, take your time, Senator Hunter. That's fine. Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Hunter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter, to present Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR HUNTER:

...would explain -- I wish to adopt the amendment and explain it on 3.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion on Amendment 2? Seeing none, all those in favor will vote {sic} Aye. Opposed, Nay. The -- the Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 121. Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSE:

Mr. President, one of our Members is having some technical issues with their computer not being able to pull the data up. I would just ask for a brief pause while we have Senator McConnaughay's data analyzed here. Are you good? She's good now. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 121. Senator -- Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 121.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 121 amends the existing Illinois African-American (Family) Commission by updating and codifying what -- the process in which they're already performing. It updates the -- the data and statistics relevant to indicators of well-being for African-Americans in Illinois. The statute codifies the -- the -- the -- codifies that the Commission shall -- shall receive an annual funding allocation of no less than five hundred {sic} (thousand) dollars. It makes some minor technical



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changes to the wording of the Act in the area of the purpose and the objectives to allow for better clarification of the Commission's intended role and mission. They're -- they basically have a new executive director and the new executive director assessed the entire role, duties and effectiveness of the Department and came up with these recommendations. And so I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, shh. Please keep the visiting down. Senator Barickman, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates she will yield, Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you. Senator Hunter, we -- we discussed this bill in committee and, you know, I -- I think I raised some questions there regarding this funding allocation. Can -- can you explain to the Body the reason why you're mandating in this very unique way this minimum allocation of funding towards this program, rather than relying on the appropriations process, like probably every other funding request that we have here?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Senator Barickman, I believe that you-all are still confused over the presentation of this bill in committee. There is nowhere in this statute that mandates anything. Currently, the African-American Family Commission and the Latino Family Commission both

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receive seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars annually. So, basically, all we're doing is codifying and saying that they will not receive no less than five hundred {sic} dollars. They're already receiving seven fifty, so we're just putting -- just reducing the dollars in the event of a shortfall.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Yes, thank you. You know, to be clear, I -- I don't think there's confusion. I -- I think that you may be correct, in any given year through the appropriations process, the Latino Family Commission, this commission, may receive whatever appropriations they may receive. That is a -- that is a budgeting process. That is a reflection of the priorities of those who put together and support the budget. The question is, why change, through this legislation, and create a mandate, a single line that says the funding cannot be less than five hundred thousand? Are -- are you not concerned that we're setting a dangerous precedent? Why not -- why not have, you know, similar language for all the programs that State government funds? Why are you imposing this minimum on this specific program?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Senator, back in 1994, when this commission -- the African-American Family Commission was established by former -- Executive Order issued by former Governor Jim Edgar. He is the one that codified the language and he also put the money in the budget. And, basically, since there is a new executive director, he

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realized that the Latino Family Commission information was different from the African-American Family Commission. And so, basically, all we're doing is trying to match and qualify both family commissions, since both of them have the same goals and objectives in the mission of each commission.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

All right. To -- to the bill. You know, this -- I think the efforts here by Senator Hunter are -- are noble ones. And I certainly -- and I -- and I think there are probably many of us here who recognize the value of what Senator Hunter's trying to do here. There's a lot of good that's in this legislation. The -- the bad, however, is overwhelming. And it's very concerning that we might be mandating and changing the law in this one specific way to impose on this Body a minimum funding requirement that sets a precedent very different from how we fund every other very important priority of State government. Why we are -- making this change in statute to mandate a minimum funding level is unclear to me. Why not leave that to the budgeting process? Why not make the technical changes that, again, I think are good ones here and leave this funding requirement out? This is a very different change from the way the law exists today. The law today says that we -- that we might. It's a decision of the Legislature that we might fund this program at no less than five hundred thousand dollars. The change here is imposing an obligation on this Body to mandate a minimum funding level regardless of all the other priorities of State government. I think that's a bad precedent and I'd encourage a No vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Hunter, do you wish to close? Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I would just simply ask for an Aye vote. We are not changing anything. We are not mandating anything. I basically lifted the language out of the original language from 1994. As I've -- indicated earlier, there is a new executive director and he basically wants to codify and clarify. That's all we're doing here and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 121 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 45 voting Aye, 7 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 121, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading in our printed Calendar. We'll be skipping over the vehicle bills. If we accidentally skip over one of your bills, let us know. I'm sure you will. We're going to go to Senate Bill 223. We're on page 3. Senate Bill 223. Let it come up on the board. Senate Bill 223. Senator Martinez. Leader Martinez. Out of the record. Let's go to Senate Bill 226. Senator Frerichs. Mr. Secretary, Senator Frerichs seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 226 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 226. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Frerichs.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Frerichs, to present Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR FRERICHS:

Floor Amendment 2 deletes everything and -- and becomes the bill. Be happy to discuss it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 226. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 226.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Frerichs.

SENATOR FRERICHS:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 226, as amended by Floor Amendment No. 2, would require the Illinois State Museum to maintain a booth or section of American-made products. Similar booths or sections would be required at concession areas and gift shops in State parks and parkways at State historic sites

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and State memorials, and other properties that are under the jurisdiction of the Historic Preservation Agency under Section 6 of this Act. The Act also creates a Support Your Neighbor Commission, which will be created to help increase the number of American and Illinois products bought and sold by the State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR RIGHTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will, Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. Senator Frerichs, I -- I received some commentary about this bill, but it may very well have been aimed at the underlying bill. What -- can you tell me what the underling bill was and then how the amendment changes it, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Frerichs.

SENATOR FRERICHS:

Yeah. My guess -- I received a lot of those comments as well. I assume they were at the underlying bill. The underlying bill would have required American-made products sold in all the museums. A lot of the concerns were students coming, who like to buy trinkets, on field trips or something. Many of those small dollar or cent -- fifty-cent products are made overseas and we can't find them here in America. So what this does is hopefully highlights. For people who come and say I would like to buy Illinois-based products or American-based products, there's some sort of display

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that shows these are the ones that meet that, but it doesn't prohibit out -- products from outside the country.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

So, for example, the -- the student who is here from China wants to take home a little medallion that has a State of Illinois seal on it and they're going to turn it over and say, "Well, wait a second. I just came from the place where this was made at." At least, when they walk by the booth, they can say, "Okay, those are some of the things that are made in America, not just would I choose to have brought home." Fair assumption to say?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Frerichs.

SENATOR FRERICHS:

That is fair to say.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 226 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 226, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 227. Senator Hunter. Out of the record. Let's go to Senate Bill 230. Senator Manar. Senator Manar seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill... Let it come up on the board. There it is. Senate Bill 230 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the

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Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 230. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Manar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar, on Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would ask for adoption of the amendment. Be happy to take questions on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 230. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 230.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is an initiative of the State Comptroller's Office. It seeks to streamline how vouchers are submitted and circulated among universities with multiple



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campuses. I know of no opposition to the bill and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 230 pass. All those in favor will vote -- vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 230, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to -- down a couple of items to Senate Bill 274. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, I understand we have paperwork that's been filed that would allow President Harmon -- or Leader Harmon, excuse me, to present the bill. Is that correct? So, Mr. Secretary, please read Senate Bill 274.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 274.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 274 is President Cullerton's shell bill. It has a finance title. I'd ask my colleagues to vote to send it over to the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Senator Righter, for what purpose

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do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will, Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Can you elaborate for us, Senator Harmon, what the intent of the shell is that you're carrying for the Senate President, other than finance related?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, there -- in the past, obviously, we have -- the Leaders of the -- both Chambers have sent shell bills to the other Chamber so that we're in a procedural position later in Session to act. Today we're planning to take up, I believe, a total of four such shell bills, which is far fewer than prior General Assemblies have done. There is no particular purpose. We simply would like to have a -- a handful of -- of Senate bills in the House with a variety of titles so that we can act expeditiously late in Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To the bill, if I might, Mr. President. Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, particularly for those on the Republican side of the aisle, shell bills at this point in the process that are finance related that are being moved by the Leaders of Chambers are bills that you -- we should all watch very,

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very carefully, understanding that there are a number of proposals, informal proposals at this point, to make tax increases permanent, to raise taxes even more on working families in Illinois. So I would simply urge caution, particularly Members on this side of the aisle, with regards to this particular shell. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion, the question is, shall Senate Bill 274 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 39 voting Aye, 19 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 274, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up -- let's go down to Senate Bill... Senate Bill 344. Senator Morrison. Out of the record. Senate Bill 346. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, has there been paperwork filed on this to allow Senator Harmon to present it? Indicates that there is. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 346.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is another of the President's shell bills. This one has a revenue title. So, on behalf of Senator Righter, I will warn all of my Republican colleagues to be

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wary.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

You know, I almost didn't have a question till he said that. Mr. President, will the sponsor yield, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will, Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator Harmon, would a revenue title be an appropriate vehicle for a bill to -- to -- that would change the Tax Code, such as increasing taxes?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Righter, Senate Bill 346, as amended, would be an appropriate -- vehicle for a tax cut. Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Well, Mr. President, I -- I'll tell you what. To the bill, if I might. I -- I love, I love the sounds of those words, tax cut, but as we've listened -- learned sometimes in this Chamber, we hear things and then we learn things and the things that we learn don't necessarily match what was said. So I would still urge a great deal of caution - actually, for Members of both sides of the aisle, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 346

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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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 39 voting Aye, 19 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 346, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Mr. Secretary, let's go to Senate Bill 449. Senator Raoul. Out of the record. Senate Bill 451. Senator Mulroe. Out of the record. Let's turn to page 4 and let's go to Senate Bill 504, Mr. Secretary. Senator Mulroe, on Senate Bill 504. Senator Mulroe seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 504 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 504. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Mulroe.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe, to present Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. There's also a Floor Amendment No. 2. I'd -- I'd ask for the adoption of both and I'd -- happy to explain 'em on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion on Amendment 1? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, let's take Senate Bill 504 out of the record. We'll come back to it. Next up on the Calendar, we have Senate Bill 640. Mr. Secretary, let's go to Senate Bill 640. Senator Kotowski, do you wish to proceed? Mr.

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Secretary, Senator Kotowski seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 640 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 640. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Kotowski.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Kotowski, to present Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Like to present the bill on -- on 3rd Reading. Present the amendment on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on Amendment 2? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Kotowski.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Kotowski, to present Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Yes, permission to discuss the -- Floor Amendment No. 3 on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing -- is there any discussion on Floor Amendment 3? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 640. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 640.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Kotowski, on Senate Bill 640.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. The -- this legislation -- what we discovered was that there were -- there's about five hundred thousand people on child support in the State of Illinois and they receive these cards which allow them to get the money that they're owed from people who owe them the child support they're dutifully supposed to receive and they're being charged fees when they go outside network. Now, what we know about these five hundred thousand people is they're on Temporary Assistance for Needy Families; they're low income. And I worked with Healthcare and Family Services and Xerox Corporation on the two amendments to the bill. You know, one amendment saying they're not going to be charged fees if they go out of the network. Currently, if they're in the network for -- with PNC Bank, Charter One Bank, National City Bank, SHAZAM, they're not charged any fees. So, it was agreed upon. Working with Healthcare and Family Services and the Xerox Corporation, agreed upon the bill, and it neutralized their opposition, by making the effective date of the

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bill to be July 1st of 2015, so it wouldn't interfere with the current contract they have in this issue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 640 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 42 voting Aye, 10 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 640, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're -- with leave of the Body, we'll return to Senate Bill 504. Senator Mulroe. Ladies and Gentlemen, Senate Bill 504 previously was on 3rd Reading. It's been recalled to 2nd Reading. We've adopted Floor Amendment No. 1. Now, Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Muñoz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Muñoz, on Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. Floor Amendment 2 extends the Sanitary and Ship Canal TIF District in Chicago, which is scheduled to expire on the 31st of 2014, for a period of twelve years. I would ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on the amendment? Seeing none, all those in favor will vote Aye -- say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting -- excuse me, the Ayes have it, and the amendment is



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adopted. Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 504. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 504.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 504 extends two TIF districts - one in mine -- my district, the Read/Dunning TIF District, and the other in Senator Muñoz's district, Sanitary and Ship Canal TIF District. Both will be extended by twelve years. Both properties remain undeveloped or underdeveloped. The Sanitary and Ship Canal TIF District in Senator Muñoz's district, we really need the extension 'cause there's an agreement pending on a -- a -- by a developer that's relying on the TIF to be extended. And my hope for the property in -- at the Read/Dunning will eventually lead to a -- a high school that's much needed on the northwest side. Currently, our grammar schools and our high schools are bursting at the seams. Oh, I'm sorry...(microphone cutoff)... If I -- if I can add, in committee, we did not have all the letters. There are no objections. The paperwork is coming. We have two of the four

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that were needed. I spoke to Mike Kelly, who's the general superintendent of the parks. He said he signed it, but I don't have it in my hands to -- to give it to everybody. And we're also waiting for Cook County to give us their letter approving the extensions. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

He indicates he will yield for a question. Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, you're right. In -- in the committee, we were concerned about those letters. How many taxing bodies are there affected by these -- these TIF's and then how many letters do you have?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Okay, we -- first taxing body is the City, who's actually the -- the taxing body that's asking us to proceed with -- with the -- the bill. The Chicago Public Schools, we have that one. The City -- Chicago City Colleges, we have that letter. And hopefully you have those letters in your hand. Chicago Park District, that's the one that I'm told is already signed, making its way, but I do not have it to share with you. And the last one is Cook County that -- you know, we've been pushing and pushing them to get it here. I just don't have it at this moment and that's -- but I'd

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ask that we pass the bill and it's not going to -- this bill will not pass in the House unless we have 'em all, but I'm -- I'm confident we'll get 'em by the time they run through the process over there.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

One more question, then I'll speak to the bill. You mentioned the possibility of a needed high school in the area. How do you build a high school when you take away their -- their potential tax revenue?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Okay, currently - I -- at least for -- I can speak for the Read/Dunning TIF District - it's not producing any revenues because it's undeveloped. So we don't -- we aren't taking away anything because it's not producing anything. If we can -- can get a development in conjunction with the high school, hopefully, we build up some money to build up that infrastructure that will be given to the -- for purposes of building a high school, and then in twelve years all the money will go back to education.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill. You know, the problem -- the problem, folks, is, when -- when you build this up and you're going to build the school, so you're not going to have any revenue from them. You're not going to have any revenue to build that school. It's going to

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have to come from outside that area. I -- and in the other TIF, where there's a tremendous -- apparently, environmental concerns, it's going to take a lot of -- a lot of money to do that. The developer wants to make a deal to come in. The TIFD, I believe, should be limited to the environmental burden. And -- and I would think that that would be sufficient for the developer to come in and add to that property once it's -- it's to the level to where you can invest in it. Those are a couple of my concerns, but I think the main -- the main one here is principle that -- you're right, it's not going to -- it's not going to move when -- when it gets to the House if they don't have the letters of support, and for that reason, I don't know why we would let it move here either. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 504 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 504, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, if you will turn to page 11 of the Calendar, on the Order of Secretary's Desk, Resolutions. First up, we have Senate Resolution 1052. President Cullerton, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Resolution 1052, offered by President Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

President Cullerton.

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SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This resolution recognizes injured and killed workers who -- and it calls upon Congress and President Obama to continue to revive {sic} and strengthen workplace safety laws. The -- over forty years ago, Congress passed the Occupational Safety and Health Act. These protections have saved thousands of lives and prevented millions of workplace injuries, but over four million workers are still injured, thousands are killed due to job hazards each year. So on April 28th, 2014, organized labor nationwide will observe Workers' Memorial Day. This resolution declares April 28th, 2014, as Workers' Memorial Day in Illinois. And I would ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and -- the question is, shall Senate Resolution 1052 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Now we're going to jump to -- down to Senate Joint Resolution 53. Leader Trotter. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Joint Resolution 53, offered by Senator Trotter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Joint Resolution 53 designates the month of April 2014 as Illinois Sarcoidosis Awareness Month in our State. The 98th General Assembly encourages the federal government and other

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states to show their support of the goals and ideals of the National Sarcoidosis Awareness Month. Sarcoidosis is a non-contagious systemic disease of unknown origin. It can affect any organ of the body and more than one organ at any time. Currently, its direct causes are not known and the treatments are still unknown as well. Bringing awareness to this insidious disease certainly will be a -- a move forward to help those in -- affected individuals. And I ask for its passage.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on the resolution? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. We go to the -- towards the end of the -- on the Order of Secretary's Desk, Resolutions. On -- we're on the top, towards the top of page 12. We have Senate Joint Resolution 60. Senator Delgado. You wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 60, offered by Senator Delgado.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Delgado, to present your resolution.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Resolution 1052 -- oh, that's the wrong one. Give me one second, please. Senate Joint Resolution 60 designates the month of April 2014 as Illinois Prescription Monitoring Program Month in the State of Illinois. And, just real quickly, an initiative of Department of Human Services' Bureau of Pharmacy and Clinical Services, which I want to give a great shout out and thank you to. We're just looking to promote awareness about Prescription Monitoring Program

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in Illinois and I would ask for your affirmative vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on the resolution? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Hutchinson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your point, Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Body. I have some very special guests today. They are in the gallery behind me. They are seventh- and eighth-grade students from Saint Bernadette Catholic Academy, and my beautiful goddaughter, Imani Sykes, is a part of the class. She's here with her classmates, so, Imani, wave too. Please give them a warm Springfield welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Will our guests in the gallery please rise? Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Please rise and be recognized. Thanks for joining us today. What a great-looking group. Back on resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 86. Senator Rose. Do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Joint Resolution No. 86, offered by Senator Rose.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. On February 15th, 1989, Edgar

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County Deputy Sheriff John Dean Landrum gave his life in defense of his fellow Illinoisans and his hometown friends when he was tragically killed in the line of duty on Route 150 between Paris, Illinois, and the Indiana state line. This was the twenty-fifth anniversary of his death and we are seeking to name that portion of Route 150 in his honor. I appreciate the -- the President's acquiescence to do this resolution now. On May 3rd, his wife, Kay, and his five children and all the grandchildren are coming to honor the twenty-fifth anniversary of his death, and we were hoping to unveil the sign at that point in time, and so that's why we need to do this today, to have the sign done in -- by May 3rd. So, thank you. I would hope everyone could be supportive of this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on the resolution? Seeing none, as this resolution requires the expenditure of State funds, a roll call vote will be required. The question is, shall House Joint Resolution 86 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Joint Resolution 86, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, we're going to continue where we left off and that was on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading in the middle of page 4. We should have Senate Bill 641. Again, Mr. Secretary, I understand you have paperwork that would allow Senator -- Leader Harmon to present that bill. Is that correct?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes, Mr. President.



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates that it is. And so, Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 641.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 641 is another of the President's shell bills. It has a regulation title. I ask for your Aye votes to send it over to the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, question is, shall Senate Bill 641 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 39 voting Aye, 17 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 641, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 645. Leader Harmon. Out of the record. Senate Bill 646. Senator Haine. Senator Haine seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 646 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 646. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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Yes. Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Haine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine, to present amendment -- Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR HAINE:

One -- 1 and 2, Mr. President. The...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine, this is Floor Amendment 1 now. There is another one, but we're doing 1 now.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The underlying bill has to do with requiring, for the first time, regulation by the Illinois Department of Insurance of fraternal benefit societies. There's about ninety of these in the United States and maybe fifty or sixty of 'em are located in Illinois. They're religious- and ethnic-based groups and many of them run what is in essence an insurance company, and for years they have not been completely regulated - they have in some sense - and this brings them into the regulatory scheme by the Department of -- of Insurance. This has been negotiated extensively. The head of the umbrella group representing all of these groups is strongly for the bill. Recently, we obtained the agreement of two smaller groups, the Western Catholic Union, who are now for the bill, and the Polish Women's Alliance. Yes, Senator Kotowski, we appreciate that. You can give me a pierogi after this bill. The -- the Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 reflects the negotiations and allows, for example, the Polish Women's Alliance - they've historically elected their board - to keep electing them and their president, as long as they are qualified, according to the regulations of the Department. And then there's a -- an assessment language that's

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in Floor Amendment No. 2, reflecting the negotiations with the Western Catholic Union. They're now on board. We want all of them to succeed, and -- and keep in mind, if they go under, there is -- no indemnity fund can make their members whole. So it's in their interests and the people of Illinois' interest to have them carefully regulated, and they want to be regulated. They want to do it -- the right thing. So I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment 2, offered by Senator Haine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine, on Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR HAINE:

Floor Amendment No. 2 reflects the -- the late-hour negotiations with the Western Catholic Union and they wanted a little safety valve for their -- being allowed to waive in a -- in a -- give an assessment back to their insureds, consistent with actuarial findings that perhaps it would be unsound for them to do so. And with this amendment, they're totally in support of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on Amendment 2? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 646. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 646.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

What I stated at the beginning is it and I appreciate you, Mr. President, expressing your concerns about the Western Catholic Union, and Senator John Mulroe, especially, for the Polish Women's Alliance. They're all one big happy family and we all want to have solvent and good healthy fraternal benevolent societies. There are many of them in Illinois and we want them to do well. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Any discussion? Senator Mulroe, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

I would just want to publicly thank Senator Haine for his leadership and the members of the Insurance Committee that listened

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to the women from the Polish Women's Alliance that came down to Springfield for their first time. It's an intimidating place to come to for your first time. They were impressed by the fact that there -- we listened to them. There was thoughtful conversation and debate, and they were happy with the results as well. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Further discussion? Senator Brady, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BRADY:

I, too, want to thank Senator Haine for his negotiations on this and encourage Members to support it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, Senator Haine, I, too, want to thank you for your help with Western Catholic Union. Yes, Senator Haine, to close.

SENATOR HAINE:

I -- I would be remiss, Mr. President, if we didn't publicly thank the Department of Insurance, Director Boron, and all their staff for their long hours on this. They were doing the right thing in a difficult time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 646 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 646, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have

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Senate Bill 647. Mr. Secretary, I understand that there's paperwork that has turned the -- allows Senator Harmon to present this bill. Is that correct? He indicates that it is. Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 647 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 647. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon, on Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment becomes the bill. I move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 647. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 647.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The bill, as amended, creates the Telehealth Act. It is a title only. As some of you know, we've been negotiating Telehealth for well over a year. Negotiations are continuing in the House. Representative Feigenholtz has taken a leadership role there. She plans to pick up this bill and to conclude negotiations and send it back to us in final form. So I ask you for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR BRADY:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

Ladies and Gentlemen, as the sponsor indicated, this is a shell bill. There -- there's still some concerns about what we're doing here. I just want to be open with everybody that there's nothing that's been agreed or worked out. So vote as you will.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 647 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 39 voting Aye, 17 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill

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647, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, let's go to Senate Bill 726. Leader Harmon. Leader Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 726 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 726. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon, to present Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment becomes the bill. I move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 726. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 726.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)



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Leader Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 726 is an initiative of the Illinois Beer Distributors. The Liquor Control Act today says that someone who distributes a -- a -- beer, wine, spirits cannot give away for free to a retailer promotional material. A distributor of a soft drink may give such things away. This bill simply clarifies that a distributor who distributes both hard alcohol and soft drinks may give away promotional material related only to the soft drinks. I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 726 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 726, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, let's turn to page 5 of the printed Calendar, still on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. At the top of the page, we have Senate Bill 854. Senator Link. Leader Link. Out of the record. Let's go to Senate Bill 977. Senator Martinez. Leader Martinez. Out of the record. Mr. Secretary, let's skip down to Senate Bill 1098. Leader Harmon. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1998. Senator McCann, on 1998. Out of the record. Let's turn over to page... Mr. Secretary, one second. Ladies and Gentlemen, I have an announcement from the Senate President. All Senate bills

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that are on 3rd Reading currently on the Calendar will have an extension deadline. Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

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 passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 3664.

We have received like Messages on House Bills 3861, 4124, 4207, 4304, 4360, 4495, 4910, 4956, 5330, 5537, 5707, 5815, 5862 and 5894. Passed the House, April 10th, 2014. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

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

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 1452.

We have received like Messages on House Bills 3902, 4113, 4600, 4916 and 5897. Passed the House, April 9th {sic} (10th), 2014. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, Clerk.

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

House Joint Resolution 60.

Offered by Senator McCann, and adopted by the House, April 10th,

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2014. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House. It is substantive, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1091, offered by Senator Brady. It is a death resolution, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. Ladies and Gentlemen, let's go to -- to -- if you'll turn to page 11 of the printed Calendar on the Order of Constitutional Amendments 2nd Reading. Mr. Secretary, please read Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 40 for the second time in full.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 40.

(Secretary reads SJRCA No. 40)

2nd Reading in full of this House -- Senate joint resolution constitutional amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Ladies and Gentlemen, we will now proceed to the Order of Resolutions Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, all those resolutions read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolution on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted. All those in

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favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. And the resolutions are adopted. 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 -- has adopted the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Joint Resolution 90.

Offered by Senator Harmon.

(Secretary reads HJR No. 90)

Adopted by the House, April 10th, 2014. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

On the Order of Resolutions is House Joint Resolution 90. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 90, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of the immediate consideration and adoption of House Joint Resolution 90. Those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Harmon moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 90. All in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Ladies and Gentlemen, there being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 12 p.m. on the 29th day of April, 2014. The Senate stands

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adjourned.