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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The regular Session of the 98th -- 99th General Assembly will please come to order. Will our Members please be at their desk? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by the Reverend Courtney Carson, Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, Decatur, Illinois.

THE REVEREND COURTNEY CARSON:

(Prayer by the Reverend Courtney Carson)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Please remain standing for the Pledge Allegiance. Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Cunningham)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

I especially want to thank the Reverend today for giving the invocation, because today is his twenty-ninth birthday. So, happy birthday, Reverend. Seth Richardson, The State Journal-Register, requests permission to photograph. Lisa Chess-Gustafson, Blueroomstream.com, seeks permission to videotape. No -- seeing no objection, permission granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, May 20th, 2015.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolutions 570 and 571, offered by Senator Althoff and all Members.

Senate Resolution 572, offered by Senator Bertino-Tarrant and all Members.

Senate Resolution 573, offered by Senator Koehler and all Members.

Senate Resolution 574, offered by Senator Brady and all Members.

And Senate Resolutions -- and Senate Resolution 575, offered by Senator Hunter and all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Resolution Consent Calendar. Committee Reports, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Martinez, Chairperson of the Committee on Licensed Activities and Pensions, reports House Bill 3680 Do Pass.

Senator McGuire, (Vice) Chairperson of the Committee on State Government and Veterans Affairs, reports House Joint Resolution 10 Be Adopted, as Amended; and Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3220 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Harmon, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive, reports House Bill 3538 Do Pass; House Bill 1121 Do Pass, as Amended; and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 3485 Recommend Do

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Adopt.

Senator Jones, Chairperson of the Committee on Local Government, reports Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 2636 and Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3693 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Noland, Chairperson of the Committee on Criminal Law, reports Senate Resolution 477 Be Adopted; Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 1453 and Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3215 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Sullivan, Chairperson of the Committee on Agriculture, reports Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 352 and Senate Amendment 4 to House Bill 3674 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Raoul, Chairperson of the Committee on Judiciary, reports Senate Amendment 3 to House Bill 2641 and Senate Amendment 4 to House Bill 3983 Recommend Do Adopt.

And Senator Delgado, Chairperson of the Committee on Education, reports Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3159 Recommend Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Messages from the House, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, Clerk.

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

Senate Bill 13, an Act -- a bill...

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

House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 13.

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We have received like Messages on Senate Bill 54, with House Amendment 2; Senate Bill 57, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 100, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 650, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 750, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 791, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 844, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 903, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 973, with House Amendments 2 and 3; and Senate Bill 1252, with House Amendment 3. Passed the House, as amended, May 20th, 2015. 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 passed a bill of the following title, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 306.

Passed the House, May 20th, 2015. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

House Bills 1st Reading, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 306, offered by Senator Delgado.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Will all Members at the sound of my voice come to the Senate Floor immediately? We will be going to 3rd Readings, final action. All Members at the sound of my voice, please come to the Senate Floor immediately. We'll be going to 3rd Readings, final action. Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR ROSE:

Mr. President, yesterday I'd intended to vote No on House Bill 494 and I'd like the record to reflect that, please. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Record will reflect your intention. Senator Murphy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

To fill the void, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

I'm sure you can.

SENATOR MURPHY:

I -- I sincerely appreciate your confidence in that regard. I am pleased to be joined today by my Page, Andrew Stomper. Andrew's a junior at Hersey High School. He's on the golf and tennis team. He's looking to go to either the University of Illinois, University of Wisconsin, University of Michigan. So he's got some great choices. He wants to major in math and economics. His parents, John and Amy, are back home earning a living so he can go to one of those fine schools. But I'd appreciate it if you'd all give Andrew a warm Senate welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to the Senate. With leave of the Body, we will turn to page 31, House Bill 3624. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3624.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senator Morrison, for what purpose do you rise? SENATOR MORRISON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Mr. President and Members of the Senate, I would like to introduce to you members of the Hanul Family Alliance, which are seated just behind us in the gallery. The Family Alliance is in Mt. Prospect in my district, and on May 29th, next Friday, they will be the site of a U.S. Citizenship Naturalization Ceremony. But they are here today, speaking with Members to impress upon the importance of maintaining funding for immigration services that encourages and assists immigrants in becoming U.S. citizens. I would ask for you to help me to welcome them this morning.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Will our guests in the gallery please rise and be... And welcome to Springfield. Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

A very important announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your announcement.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I have with me today two very, very special guests. I went to high school with these people

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and we've remained friends that long - Jerry and Julie Ulazek. They're from Naperville. Senator Radogno is their Senator. But, more importantly - and I'm pausing so you listen to me - more importantly, they have a summer home on Lake Springfield and they have heard rumors that we may be here this summer so they've invited us all over for beers. May we give them a welcome to Springfield, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

We'll be there. Will all Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Senate Floor immediately? Will all Members -- sound of my voice please come to the Senate Floor immediately? Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

Thank you, Mr. President. For purposes of an introduction. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your introduction.

SENATOR ROSE:

SENATOR ROSE:

Ladies and Gentlemen, I am very happy today to have my friend, Tim Glumac, here. Tim's a seventh grader at Mahomet, my hometown. His favorite subject is math. He wants to be a mechanical engineer when he grows up. He's also a member of the Scholastic Bowl team. They got fourth in State last year. When he grows up, he wants to go to the University of Illinois and Senator Napoleon Harris will be very glad to know that he is a football fan, and a Vikings fan at that. So, anyway, can we please welcome Tim Glumac?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. With leave of the Body, we will go to page 30 of the printed Calendar, House Bills 2nd Reading. House Bill 163. Senator Delgado. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 163.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 165. Senator Delgado. Mr.

Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 165.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration? SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 806. Senator Delgado. Mr.

Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 806.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3504. Senator Delgado. Mr.

Secretary, please read the bill.

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House Bill 3504.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any further -- Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Delgado.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Delgado, on your amendment.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Yes, I'll explain the amendment on 3rd Reading, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Delgado.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Yes, I would ask for the adoption of the amendment and I'll explain it on 3rd Reading, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Will you please turn to page 18? House Bills 3rd Reading. And can we please keep the noise down on the Senate Floor? This is final action. House Bill 233. Senator Bivins. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 233.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bivins.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 233 is an agreed bill between the Illinois State Police and the Coroners Association. It was on the Agreed Bill List and it amends the County Codes {sic} (Counties Code) in respect to the preservation and delivery of evidence in death cases. Requires the county coroner to properly preserve specimens from a death investigation if appropriate equipment is available and release the specimens to the investigative agency no later than thirty days after collection. I know of no objections -- or opponents and I'm happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 233 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 51 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 233, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 242. Senator Tom Cullerton. Senator Tom Cullerton. House Bill 313. Senator Forby. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 313.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Forby.

SENATOR FORBY:

Thank you. House Bill 313 does two things. For example, if you have a lease on a well, they pay every twenty-five dollars and you get twenty-five dollars paid, so it changes that twenty-five dollars to a hundred dollars now. And -- and it -- the second thing it does, if the hundred dollars don't get up till twelve months, they wait to twelve months before they pay you. That's the two things. I -- I know of any -- I don't know of any opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 313 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 313, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 352. Senator McCann. Mr. Secretary... Senator McCann seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 352 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 352. Mr. Secretary, are there any amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator McCann.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCann.

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SENATOR McCANN:

I would move for the adoption of the amendment and explain it on 3rd, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 352. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 352.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCann.

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Chamber. This is a bill that we've talked about a time or two around here in the last year or so. This is -- establishes a bobcat hunting and trapping season for the purposes of proactively managing the bobcat population in the State. I -- I mentioned a moment ago -- we just adopted Amendment No. 3 and I said I would explain it on -- on 3rd. The explanation of that amendment is - I'll read that very short and succinct amendment - it states that the harvest of bobcats in this State shall be non-detrimental, as defined by

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federal regulations and as determined by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service -- Service in accordance with Code of Federal Regulations. We've adopted that amendment -- introduced and now adopted that amendment in an effort to show one more time that this is not about eradicating bobcats. As a matter of fact, we're taking a very proactive stance towards regulating -- regulating the population, allowing the Department of Natural Resources to do its job. As a matter of fact -- and if this bill is half as important as half of you have made out to me it is to you, I wish you'd -- you'd listen a little bit. That being said, the Department of Natural Resources could have actually -- could have actually used the -- the number twenty percent or up to -- about seventeen percent. We could have gone up to seventeen percent of the believed population in the State. So we believe that there's approximately five thousand bobcats in the State. government -- federal guidelines would have allowed IDNR to have issued up to seventeen percent of that number in -- in initial bobcat permits. We're only going to issue up to ten percent. We've also excluded the entire northeastern territory of Illinois. So if you're -- if you'll visualize a map of the State of Illinois, think about Interstate 39, think about Interstate 74 in - these are rough -- rough gauges - that entire northeastern portion of the State has been exempted out of bobcat hunting. So, again, I believe this is all about allowing government to do what only government can do, regulate the natural resource. I look forward to answering your questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

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SENATOR HOLMES:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR HOLMES:

If my colleagues would stop meowing, I will make a few comments. I -- I really want to talk about -- I -- I think what concerns me about this bill and what has from the onset is that bobcats were on the endangered species list for a number of years and it was only fairly recently that they came off of it. And when I searched and talked with DNR, I found out there were actually no real issues or complaints with bobcats and, actually, relatively few sightings for the simple reason that bobcats, as a species, are extremely shy and tend to avoid as much human interaction as possible. They also are not out there attacking people's livestock, 'cause you have to understand that the bobcat is really a very small cat. We are talking a -- in the twentyfive- to forty-pound range. They're -- they're a small animal. So typically what they're out there hunting is not livestock; it's mice, squirrels, voles, moles, and that is their preferred source of food. So there really isn't a need to eradicate them in areas because of what their diet is. As a matter of fact, there isn't a need to get rid of this animal, which is a native predator species in the State. We are just passing laws to protect. Last year, we passed a wonderful bill protecting cougars and black bears, and the -- and -- and the reason we did that - and gray wolves - is because those predator species are extremely valuable because they keep that appropriate balance of nature that we had in the State originally, before we came in and, in our infinite

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wisdom as mankind, decided we needed to get rid of those animals. Now we're bringing and restoring that balance. That balance is not causing a problem. I will submit that the real reason for doing this -- because this is not like in Illinois when we go out and we -- we hunt geese and we hunt deer, and we're not using them as a source of food. They're not being hunted for any other reason than trophy hunting. And I do object to that, because I don't think it's the right thing to do for a species of animal that is really just restoring the proper balance of nature in the State as it was. So I'm asking you, please, do not vote and do not support this bill. We did have Sierra Club and some other environmental groups come and talk about why it's important to keep this balance. We also talked about making more of a compromise and the compromise that was made was very, very, very small. We could do more that would allow us to more instantly react if this animal's hunted and it again gets to the point where we need to put it back on the endangered species list, which seems ridiculous. Why don't we look at this more fully and more completely, work together and come up with an Agreed Bill List -- a agreed bill way of doing this, 'cause there really is a middle ground that would support this. This bill is not it. I ask you to please vote No. you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Anderson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

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I -- I rise in strong support of this bill and I -- I thank Senator McCann for filing this. To the Senator across the aisle, to her statements before: Senator, as a hunter myself, there is no person on this planet than the American hunter that is more conservation-minded. This bill is to make sure that we do not get into the situation that we have now with coyotes, that are running through the streets of Chicago. This is to make sure that we have a healthy population; that they can bring balance to the ecosystem. And as far as the trophy hunting, I have never seen a -- a stuffed bobcat in all my years of -- of hunting and all the hunters I know. This is about having a -- a good balance between bobcats, between deer, between everything in our State's ecosystem as far as animals. And, again, I want to say that there is no person that is more conservation-minded in the State of Illinois or in the United States of America than the American hunter. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Sullivan, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you. I'd like to speak to the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, I -- I know we've discussed this bill previously in the -- at previous times here. I do rise in strong support on the bill. I've worked with Senator McCann to -- to try to address some of the concerns that the opposition had laid out and they've even given us a -- a set of concerns that they would like to see and I just want to run through 'em real

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quick. They put one, two, three, four, five different items that they would like to see. First of all, they wanted to limit the taking of bobcats to specific geographic regions within the State. They wanted to identify other areas where That's been done. bobcats may not be taken. That's been addressed. They identify steps that would enforce the specific provisions of the rules. The Department of Natural Resources has done that. They want to identify biological indicators that would indicate vulnerability in the -- in the population. That's been addressed by the amendment that Senator McCann just adopted. You know, it comes down to - do you trust the Department of Natural Resources? That's what it comes down to. Do you trust them to implement this program like they have done for every other program that they manage? They reintroduced, several years ago, river otters. That population exploded, very productive. It worked very well. We came back later on, a few years ago, and we introduced a season so that they could manage them. They, the Department of Natural Resources, reintroduced bobcats several years ago. It's been very successful. It has worked. Now they need the ability to manage this animal like they manage every other animal in the State that's under their jurisdiction. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is the right thing to do. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HARMON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

He indicates he will.

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Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, you said something interesting in your -- your opening remarks and I wanted to ask you to elaborate. You said that we believe there are five thousand bobcats in Illinois. What do we know?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCann.

SENATOR McCANN:

When I say we believe, we obviously -- I'm referring to the -- the data collected by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. As I said in my opening remarks, as the previous speaker just mentioned, this is the unit of government, the agency, which has been charged with managing our natural resources, of which the bobcat is one. Their methods of -- of measuring the number of bobcat are not -- I'm certain, if we could miraculously put a tracking device on every single one of them, it probably would not come up to five thousand on the button. It would probably be some less or some more, whatever that number is. But, again, this -- this is not me. I think it's very important to realize impetus of this bill came from the previous that the administration's Director of Natural Resources, a fairly liberal fellow, who I got along with very well. It was his idea. He came to me and asked me to carry the bill. I was honored to do so. Presumably, since he was hired by the Governor, the former Governor, he was carrying the Governor's bill. So this started out as a Democrat administration's bill. It's now a Republican administration's bill. It passed both Chambers in the past General Assembly, the most recent General Assembly we just completed. And so to directly answer your question, I don't think anyone has any idea what the exact number is, but the scientists, who we -- who

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we have to trust, tell us it's around five thousand.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would note that, notwithstanding your answer, a Democratic Governor vetoed the bill the last time. So perhaps there was not unanimity in a Democratic administration for this. To the point, though: Senator Holmes had mentioned that the nature of bobcats, as we understand them, they are very reclusive, shy animals. They are not easy to count. I -- it's -- it's hard for me to understand why we believe this number without any real count. You exempted out northeastern Illinois. I'm grateful for that. That is one thing we asked about. Do we -- do we believe there are no bobcats in northeastern Illinois or was that just a -- a political accommodation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCann.

SENATOR McCANN:

Again, Senator, the scientists, the biologists at IDNR, track bobcat primarily by sightings from hunters. Hunters, when they - when they -- when they check tags, they -- they report bobcat sightings, and this is the way -- this is the technology, this is the -- the way that Natural Resources uses to track many animals, and the sightings, the concentrations, are lowest in that northeastern area. That -- again, this is going to be able to -- to be administered year to year by IDNR. A maximum of five hundred permits will be sold the first year. Under a best-case scenario, a reasonable scenario, probably half of those will be filled, and then if -- if we're -- if too many are taken or if not enough are

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taken, they will adjust those accordingly. And hunters are only going to go where the concentrations are. So, again, to answer your question directly, the concentrations of sightings are lower in the northeastern quadrant, as I think would make perfect sense. That -- that's very logical. And so this is all about managing the resource. Concentrations of -- of population are -- vary, especially in the southern and western sides -- parts of the State, and that's where hunters are going to go. Hunters are going to go where the populations are.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. One last question and then I'd like to speak to the bill. Senator, one of the other concerns raised when this bill was last debated was the overlap between the hunting season and the mating and birthing season for bobcats. There was some very legitimate concern that we would be taking these animals either during the -- the gestational period or immediately after the mother bobcat had given birth. Have you made any adjustments in terms of the season to account for the -- the life cycle of bobcats?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCann.

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, Senator, for that question. Again, the -- the biologists tell us that the season that they originally -- deemed appropriate is appropriate, and that's one of the reasons that we just adopted Amendment No. 3, is that the Department of Natural Resources is -- is saying -- we are saying in the bill that would

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hopefully become law, the harvest of bobcats in this State shall be non-detrimental. That -- that -- that phrase ensures the survival of the bobcat. I mean, I -- I hope you would consider that there are, I think, forty-three - to the -- to the information that I have available to me - there are forty-three other states who have a bobcat season. We would be presumably number forty-three. Indiana is working on one. They'd be -- we would be forty-four, Indiana would be forty-five, and once Indiana -- has theirs in place, that means every single state around us has a bobcat season. And as a matter of fact, in Missouri, it's open season, because they didn't get ahead of the population and proactively manage the resource. Now, because the resource got out of hand, it's actually open season on bobcat, and that's all this bill is trying to do is manage the resource so that it doesn't become open season on these creatures.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

I thank the sponsor for the changes that have been made. I appreciate those. I also would like to agree in part with Senator Sullivan and in part with Senator Holmes. I understand that this can be an important tool in the management of a population, but this population appears to me to be in no risk of running down the streets in Chicago. These are illusive creatures. We do not believe them to be at numbers that are posing a -- a difficulty.

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I think this is premature and I agree with Senator Holmes: I think the primary motive of this is not to control the population, but for sport and trophy hunting for the pelts. And I -- I think it's premature and I urge all of you to vote No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Ladies and Gentlemen, in the committee, we heard from individuals that didn't just throw out estimates or their quesses about how many bobcats there were and -- and how many -- they also didn't give us their -- just guess about how many deer, how many turkeys, how many feral cats, which I'm sure we'll hear about later. I think we have at least one expert in here on feral cats. So, you know, this -- this man that testified was a professional. I couldn't sit there and contest him, 'cause that's not my -that's not what -- I don't know that, but he knew it and he knew how -- how to manage wildlife, and that's what we're saying. And if you -- and if you think that if we don't pass this, you're going to do something good and you could be -- you know, maybe you get credit for being compassionate, but what's going to happen is, the same thing's going to happen that's happening right now - these bobcats are going to get killed. When they're taking down calves and -- and -- you know, on the farm, they're going to get killed. Only difference is, you're not going to know about it. It's not going to be documented. DNR is not going to be able to

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come back and give you a real number as to how they're going to manage this population. So if you do nothing and you kill this, the same thing is going to happen. And in my opinion, that's not being compassionate. Be compassionate, manage the population. Let professionals -- these professionals in DNR manage it and that will be an environmentally friendly action on your part. Vote Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Forby, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR FORBY:

Thank you. I'm debating on whether to get up here. There's only one Senator in this room that scares the daylights out of me and that's Senator Holmes, and she scares the hell out of me. But, anyway, talking, you know, we're hearing Chicago and the southern part; I live in the southern part of the State. And what we have down there in the southern part of the State, we have rabbits, we have quails, we have ducks. IDNR oversees all of 'em. They come; you know, this year you can only kill five ducks or you kill two geese or one deer or whatever. They oversees what's going on. My problem is, if we keep going with things like that and when I growed up as a young boy going out hunting rabbits and hunting quails and hunting pheasants, there's not many in my district no more. I mean, you have to raise 'em to bring 'em in to hunt. We never did have to do that anymore. Even your kitty cats, your precious kitty cats, if they're out, they're in trouble. That's right. When they -- when they come to Chicago, you'll see that. We have 'em in my district. I -- I want to bring 'em all -- if you don't mind, I'll bring 'em all and bring 'em up there to you. You can have 'em all. I don't care how many you got. But where

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we're at, I just think it's a good thing. I think this is a good bill. And IDNR is not gonna let you destroy all of our bobcats. They're not going to let you destroy all of our deer. They're not going to let you destroy all the ducks and the geese and whatever. We got people overseeing that. So I hope today that everybody will vote Yes on this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCann, to close.

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This simply boils down to the fact that IDNR is challenged with managing our resources and it comes down to, the question to be asked is, do you trust IDNR? This is not McCann's bill. This is not the hunters' bill. This started out as the previous administration's Director of Resources' bill. It's now the current administration's Director of Natural Resources' bill. And I -- I come back to you and ask you, especially -- I'm not even so sure about everybody over here, but especially over there, I'm talking to you. You know, there are many times that I join you in votes where these guys ask me what I'm thinking and I say, "You know, I take an oath here every second Wednesday of January of every odd year to protect and defend the Constitution and do what's best for the people of the State of Illinois." And so this isn't about just what your personal belief is. This isn't about just what your neighbor down the street says. This is about what the biologists at the Illinois Department of Natural Resources are telling us we need to do to properly manage - not eradicate, not decimate - to properly manage a healthy growth of the bobcat population. You know, when I was a kid, I used to think that the definition of courage was the ability to not feel

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fear in a very fearful situation. I realized as I -- as I got older, I realized that the definition of that person - that person is insane. To not be afraid in a very fearful situation is insanity. Courage means that you're very afraid and you overcome those fears to do your duty. The more afraid you are, the more opportunity you have to be courageous. I hope that you will stand here today - that we will all stand together, united - the upper Chamber of this -- of this Legislature, and show the people that we have the courage to do the right thing. I ask for an Aye vote. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 352 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 32 Ayes, 17 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 352, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Luechtefeld, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Mr. President. A point of personal privilege. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Now that -- now that we have the attention -- Senator McCann got the attention of the Body, I would like to introduce a few people to you. You know, all of us know that we are successful a lot of times because of the people behind the scenes who run our offices and we -- and we really can't do without those people. I have three ladies here today who've done that for me over the last twenty years, and, then, I'd like to introduce them to you and

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also ask that you give them a warm welcome. First of all, there's a lady by the name of Donna Hackstadt, Donna Johannes, and Katie Kramper. They're behind me here. If they'd stand. If you'd give 'em a welcome, I'd -- I'd appreciate it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

House Bill 356. Senator Harmon. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 356.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 356 is very similar to a bill we passed out of the Senate with overwhelming support in the last General Assembly. It creates a pilot program in Cook County for the field testing of narcotics, just like is done in every other county in the State. Currently in Cook County, instead of using the field test to determine probable cause, the samples are sent to the State crime lab for testing. This results in people sitting in Cook County jail, at great expense to the management, for twenty, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-eight days before they even have their probable cause hearing. I've -- we've worked out a -- a -- an agreement with all of the stakeholders. I'm not aware of any opposition. I thank Senator Noland for his work over the summer with the task force looking at criminal justice issues. We've reached agreement with the House and the Senate. And, again, I ask for your Aye

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votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 356 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 356, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 362. Senator McConnaughay. Senator McConnaughay. House Bill 363. Senator Hastings. Senator Hastings. House Bill 364. Senator Tom Cullerton. Senator Tom Cullerton. House Bill 372. Senator Cunningham. Senator Cunningham. House Bill 405. Senator LaHood. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 405.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator LaHood.

SENATOR LaHOOD:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Body. House Bill 405 is a technical change. It amends the Park Commissioners Land Sale Act. This is an initiative of the Illinois Association of Park Districts. And what this does, it provides that notice of an application for the sale of park district land not exceeding three acres must be given at least ten days before the day of the hearing on the application and provides that all interested parties may appear at the hearing of the application in circuit court. Be

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happy to answer any questions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 405 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 405, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 417. Senator Bush. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 417.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your bill.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. This -pretty simple bill. All that it does is it adds Lake County to
the Upper Illinois River Valley Development Authority. They will
now be part of that and I ask for an Aye vote and would be happy
to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 417 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 50 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 417, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared

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passed. With leave of the Body, we'll turn to page 32, Senate Resolution 318. Senator Manar. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 318, offered by Senator Manar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar, on your resolution.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you for your indulgence in this matter, moving to this piece of legislation on the This resolution is simple. Senate Resolution 318 designates the 10th day of October in the State of Illinois as Anencephaly Day for the people of the State. A few facts about anencephaly: Almost all babies that are born with anencephaly will die shortly after their birth; babies born with anencephaly are usually blind, deaf, and unconscious when they are born, but they can hear and they can be aware of their surroundings. Centers for Disease Control estimates each year that about one in every four thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine children in the United States will be born with anencephaly. And while there's no cure and its exact causes and risk -- risk factors are unknown, we certainly want to raise awareness about this disease to the people of this State. So the resolution simply designates the 10th day of October of each year in the State as Anencephaly Day. And I would ask for support from the Members of the Body.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor for -- the question is, shall Joint -- Senate Resolution 318 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it.

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The resolution is adopted. Senator Manar, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. For a point of personal privilege. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR MANAR:

The inspiration for the resolution that we just adopted is a baby that was born by the name of Evelynn Santel, and she is the daughter of Tom and Meghan Santel, who are with us today behind the President's Chair. They are dear friends of ours in Bunker Hill. And this idea came from Meghan and if -- Meghan, if you would rise for a moment. The idea is to raise awareness about anencephaly and she came to me with this idea and I'm pleased that the Body agreed to put it in motion and make October 10th Anencephaly Day. So I would just like to recognize Meghan and Tom and their family that have joined us here today in Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

House Bill 421. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 421.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, Mr. President, Members of the Senate, this bill amends the Nurse Practice Act. We've worked with the nurses and the

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Medical Society and this bill now has no opposition to it. It provides a little bit more relaxation in the requirement the APNs have on a written -- regarding the written collaborative agreements so that they can now have prescribing authority for APNs in a hospital setting. It allows the APN to maintain practicing within a medical practice group for up to ninety days even if the physician with whom they have the written collaborative agreement leaves the practice. I would urge an Aye vote and I'm happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 421 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 421, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 488. Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 488.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 488 permits courts to award... Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 488 permits courts to award reasonable costs and attorney's fees to any interested or injured party who prevails in an action prohibiting an individual

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firm, corporation, or other legal entity from conducting activities in violation of the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, Fingerprint Vendor, and Locksmith Act. I'll answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 488 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nay, none voting Present. House Bill 488, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 500. Senator Haine. House Bill 573. Senator Noland. House Bill 642. Senator Holmes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 642.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. House Bill 642 creates the Woman's {sic} (Women's) Business Ownership Council within the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to review the status of women-owned businesses statewide. It's an initiative of the Woman's {sic} Business Center in Aurora to learn how the State can better foster women-owned businesses in Illinois. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 642 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 642, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 745. Senator Kotowski. House Bill 821. Senator Hutchinson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 821.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson, on your bill.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Body. House Bill 821 -- okay, House Bill 821 is the campus sexual assault bill. This bill reinstates the underlying bill with various technical changes. A survivor -- there are certain things that we did change that I will talk about in the legislative intent on the bill. But this is a bill that is designed to make sure that college campuses can respond adequately when there is an instance of campus sexual assault. Illinois has a critical need for preventing sexual violence in higher education. Because of that -- our law is mostly silent in this important area. I am happy to answer any questions. We have done a fair amount of negotiation on this bill. I know of no opposition. But, again, after a little bit of legislative intent, I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR RAOUL:

A question of the sponsor for legislative intent.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

She indicates she will yield.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Senator Hutchinson, in Section 15(b), it requires higher education institutions to respond to an electronic report within twelve hours of receiving the report. In what ways can a school respond to electronic reports?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Senator Raoul. Understanding that higher education institutions vary in size, resources and community needs, the bill gives schools the flexibility to choose the manner it would like to respond to -- electronic reports. A school may respond to an electronic report verbally - for example, with a telephone call; electronically - perhaps with an automatic reply or link to a webpage - or otherwise. No matter what method a school uses to respond, of greatest importance here is that the higher education institution's response provide the reporter, who may be in crisis, with information and resources about the survivor's rights and options, hopefully as soon as possible, but at least within the twelve hours of receiving the report.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

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Now the bill includes annual training requirements for students and employees of a higher education institution. Both Sections state that the higher education institution must provide training. What is a school's obligation regarding participation, by students or employees, in any training offered? And are there any requirements for how schools must offer the training? PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you for that as well. Higher education institutions must offer annual training to all students who attend at least one class on campus and to certain defined employees. The legislation does not mandate participation in the training. The bill intentionally gives schools the flexibility to implement the format of training that best works for their respective communities. A higher education institution could offer training through a web-based module, webinar, classroom setting, or any other program or method that meets the needs of their campus community.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Now multiple federal laws exist on this topic and the Department of Education has issued guidance concerning sexual violence on campus. It's important that any legislation the State adopts is consistent with federal law so as to avoid unintended consequences of putting a higher education institution at risk of violating one law to comply with another, especially as the laws and guidance in this area continue to evolve. How does this

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legislation address this concern?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

A number of federal laws, regulations, and Department of Education guidance cover sexual violence on campus. This legislation is consistent with existing federal law - also {sic} Title IX and the Clery Act - and the VAWA, or VAWA, Reauthorization Act, which is the Violence Against Women Act, which becomes effective on July 1st, 2015. It also incorporates some best practices recommended by the Department of Education. Unlike federal laws and guidance, which are scattered, this bill provides a framework for high {sic} education institutions to be able to comply with federal law. This legislation currently provides higher education institutions the flexibility to develop and implement best practices on their campus as ideas of what is a best practice evolve. I'm committed to continue to work on this issue and to make sure that it remains consistent with federal law in this area.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

And -- and, finally, how does this bill apply to incidents of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking that occurs off campus?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

This legislation applies equally to incidents that occur on

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campus and off campus.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR RAOUL:

I -- I want to thank the sponsor and the Attorney General's Office for taking time to meet with the higher education community on this. It's important to recognize that there is no college or university that is for sexual violence or sexual assault on their campuses. The Department of Education has slowly given guidance as to how higher education institutions are to deal with this issue and there's a lot at risk for these higher education institutions. Again, none of them want sexual violence on their campus. The Attorney General and Senator Hutchinson has provided some additional guidance for the higher education institutions in the State of Illinois. And I appreciate the sponsor's indication that they'll continue to watch federal law and the Department of Ed's approach to this so as to adjust what we've done in the State of Illinois. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hutchinson, to close.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you very much, Senator Raoul, for all your help in helping to negotiate this, especially with the institutions of higher education in the City of Chicago. I also want to thank Senator Bennett for being a wonderful chief co-sponsor and the

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leadership the University of Illinois has shown on this topic. To those of you in the Chamber that have heard that campus sexual assault is something that is -- now become a national issue, I do want to make sure that we understand that as we work to create ways for students to report and for institutions to better respond, that that means we will hear more instances of sexual assault. And we need to understand that that, for the purposes of this piece of legislation, is a good thing, because people then would be in a position to report what happened to them. And as long as we still live in a society that glorifies violence in a lot of different ways, this is a topic that is important, not only to the students, but to parents and to all of us at large. Campus sexual assault is something that we should all be concerned about. And I'm -- I'm proud of this legislation and I'd like to also thank the Attorney General's Office for her wonderful leadership in this I think Illinois is going to do some wonderful work in laying the groundwork for how campuses across the country deal with this very, very important topic. So I thank you for your consideration and I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 821 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 821, having received the required -- 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 821, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you rise?

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I -- I think I need some strengthening in my finger, Mr. President. I intended on voting Yes on the last bill, but my finger strength did not allow for the green button to come on. So I'd -- I'd like the record to reflect my intention.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

For legislative intent, your record will reflect -- your intentions will be reflected. House Bill 1119. Senator Raoul. House Bill 1285. President Cullerton. House Bill 1326. Senator Bennett. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1326.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1326 would prohibit the disposal of manufactured gas plant waste, or MGPs, in municipal solid waste landfills, unless that waste passes a specific toxicity test. This bill has been heavily negotiated with the EPA and Members of both parties, including Senator Rose, here to my right. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. Thank you, Senator Bennett. This has been a long time coming for the areas of Central Illinois in the effort to protect our water supply. Those of you who are

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north or south, over half a million people get their water supply every day from the Mahomet Aquifer. It's been under -- frankly, it's been under siege for the last several years by a plan to place some very dangerous chemicals and substances on top of it. We now have worked, I think for a very long time, with our federal delegation, our State legislative delegation, our mayors, our county board chairs to -- to protect our water supply. part of that. The reality is - and what's amazing to me - is the federal law, for all the rules and regs, there's absolutely no protection anywhere against dumping what are known as manufactured gas plant wastes in landfills. MGP wastes are extremely dangerous, very carcinogenic. They leach into the groundwater. You can drink them. Very, very harmful stuff, yet there's no federal protections whatsoever. What this bill does - and I was happy, we actually negotiated this largely in my office in -- earlier this spring in Champaign, and Senator Bennett was there and Representative Ammons and others - we'll provide -- the State of Illinois will fill that gap where the federal government has failed to protect its citizens. We will step in and add these regulations to -- to allow our State EPA to have some teeth to their enforcement powers when it comes to these MGP wastes - and other wastes as well, but MGP is one of the primary ones - by -- by providing this -- what's known as a TCLP test. This gives us the ability, the authority to enforce those regs that puts teeth into our State regs where the federal government has failed. And I very much appreciate Senator Bennett - the effort he's put into this - Representative Ammons Representative Hays, Representative Mitchell, Representative Brown, our delegation, but most of all, Mr. President, I want to say something here in memorial. And at the appropriate time, I'd

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ask for a moment of silence. This issue first came to my attention years, literally years, ago. I have a letter here. The first letter I sent out in opposition to this plan was over seven years ago. Seven years we've been fighting this, and the person who brought it to my attention was the Lieb family out of Monticello, Bob Lieb, Terry Lieb, their {sic} boys. They have been fighting tenaciously this entire time to protect the Mahomet Aquifer. Bob who's now in his nineties, he - probably mad at me for saying that - but he serves on the DeWitt-Piatt Water Authority, but Terry, his son, who was a former President of the Piatt County Farm Bureau, actually died this -- just a month ago. And actually, it was almost -- in some bizarrely fitting way, his death was timed with the -- the -- the announcement that we finally have some movement to move forward and protect our water supply. And so at the end of -- at the appropriate time, Mr. President, I would ask that we have a moment of silence for Terry Lieb and -- and his loved ones who have been left behind. The Lieb family, in my opinion, was the first one out of the gate to bring this forward to me and to start this fight - that we're not going to conclude today, but we're going to take a big step forward in protecting our water supply. And so I'd ask at the appropriate time for a moment of silence for Terry Lieb, his wife, the boys, and -- and for his father, Bob, who -- who no one should have to go through that as a -- as a parent. So, thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Bennett, to close. SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Senator Rose. I think you make some -- some great points. I know it's been a long fight for many in our -- in our

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area of the State, an area trying to protect the water source for eight hundred thousand people. I believe this bill does that. I believe we've considered all the principals and all the -- all the perspectives. It's got no known opposition. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 1326 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1326, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Rose, in his discussion, asked for a moment of silence. I will honor the request. So will all of us stand for a moment of silence? (Moment of silence observed) House Bill 1336. Senator Steans. Senator Steans. House Bill 1337. Senator Raoul. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1337.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul, on your bill.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1337 codifies rights guaranteed to foreign nationals by Article 36 of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. I urge your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

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House Bill 1337 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 51 Ayes, 2 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1337, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1345. Senator McConnaughay. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1345.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McConnaughay.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. This amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Requires a minimum of eight hours of prelicensing education by an owner, principal, corporate officer, director, or a member or a partner of a limited liability company or limited liability partnership of an application for a remittance agent license. This is an initiative of the Secretary of State and I know of no opposition. And I appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1345 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1345, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1359. Senator Biss. House Bill

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1360. Senator Biss. House Bill 1361. Senator Martinez. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1361.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

...you -- thank you, Mr. -- Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 1361 amends the Rental Housing Support Program Act by creating and defining the term "annual receipts". It requires the Illinois Housing Development Authority to distribute appropriations to the Rental Housing Support Program solely from annual receipts on deposit into the Rental Housing Support Program Fund. It also clarifies that the Illinois Housing -- IHDA would -- will be required to receive appropriations authority for the Rental Housing Program Fund yearly from the General Assembly, as is required under the current law. And I'll be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1361 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1361, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Martinez, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just want -- point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Today with us, over in the Republican gallery, up -- I have a grade school that does great things, builds great leadership. Many of these children are both in Senator Delgado and my district. I want the Senate to please welcome ASPIRA School. They're here visiting us and just learning more about the process. Please give them a nice welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. House Bill 1363. Senator Holmes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1363.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. This bill amends the Park District Code. It removes the requirement that park districts may only create and manage joint recreational programs with contiguous entities. It also adds additional entities that park districts may create and manage joint recreational programs with to include forest preserve districts and conservation districts. I would ask for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1363 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 52 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1363, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1365. Senator Steans. Senator Steans. House Bill 1418. Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1418.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

We passed a identical bill out of the Senate previously, but House Bill 1418 aligns various crime statutes of limitations with the extended statute of limitations of certain sex crimes if both crimes are committed at the same time and other certain factors are present. It allows prosecution for armed robbery, home invasion, kidnapping, aggravated kidnapping to be commenced at the same time as various violent sex crimes if those underlying crimes of those statute of limitations have not yet run. And I'll answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1418 pass. All those in favor, 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? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 -- 58 voting Aye, no voting Nay, none voting Present. House Bill 1418, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1424. Senator Martinez. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1424.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate -- Senate Committee Amendment No. 2 deletes all and becomes the bill. It keeps the underlying language of the bill and it changes the number of additional hours a licensed cosmetologist is required to obtain in order to become a licensed barber from a hundred {sic} hours to five hundred hours to align with the Amendment No. 1. It also changes the time frame an individual has to obtain a cosmetology license if they have graduated barber school or to become a barber if they have graduated cosmetology school from a minimum of six months to a maximum of two years down to the minimum of three months and a minimum {sic} of one year. This change aligns the amount of time required to obtain the additional hours with the decrease in additional hours. Also, it amends the regulatory sunset to extend the sunset for the Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Hair Braiding, and Nail Technology Act of 1985 from January 1, 2016 to January 1st, 2026. And I'll be happy to answer

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any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates she will yield.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, does this make it more difficult or much -- or easier for someone to be involved in this profession?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

I think it makes it easier. First of all, when you go to cosmetology school, it's fifteen hundred hours; the same with barber school. Now if you want to be able to cross both professions, it's less hours to deal with the barber and the less hours they have to deal with cosmetology. I think it's a -- a good bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1424 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1424, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll go to page 24, House Bill 3215. Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return

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House Bill 3215 to the Order of 2nd Reading. No -- seeing no objection, leave granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 3215. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, on your amendment.

SENATOR HARMON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 3215. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3215.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, on your bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate.

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House Bill 3215 is a companion bill to Senator Noland's Senate Bill 218, dealing with the possession of marijuana. This -- this bill would address directly the concerns raised by the clerks with respect to expungement and the collection of fines. bill's passage, the -- or introduction, the clerks are neutral on Senator Noland's bill. It also deals directly with Senator Murphy's concerns regarding someone who is stoned to the bejesus supervising a driver with a learner's permit. I want to thank Senator Murphy for giving me the opportunity to say "stoned to the bejesus" on the Senate Floor. I -- I could say "stoned to the bejesus" a third time with your indulgence, Senator Murphy. Thank you very much. I will relish that opportunity as long as I can remember it. I'm not aware of any opposition to the bill. I'm going to stop looking at Senator Murphy right now. I'm not aware of any opposition to the bill and I ask for your Aye votes on this bill and on Senator Noland's companion bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Just please remember everything's recorded. Senator Noland, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. Okay, we're going to stop using the term "stoned", please, all right, if we would here. All right, but I do want to thank Senator Murphy for his input, as Senator Harmon had indicated, and also to the county clerks for actually persisting in this, making this a better bill. And I think that the Senator's covered the changes. We can cover more changes on -- on my bill when we call it, but thank you, Senator Harmon. Thank you all for making this a -- an easier process by bringing this bill. Thank you.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Any further discussion? The question -- Senator McCarter, on a late light. For what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

One question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR McCARTER:

I'm -- I'm just -- I'm looking at this and it says "oil and gas-service of notice". Is -- is this -- I -- I understand there's been movement on this bill. I'm not questioning the contents of what you want to pass here, but should this be on a bill with this heading or should it be on another?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. The actual title of the bill is "AN ACT concerning regulation". So this is a germane amendment. The original bill had dealt with oil and gas services, but the title of the bill itself is regulation. So no concerns with germaneness, but thank you for the inquiry.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 32 -- 3215 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 3215, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll go to page 18, House Bill 218. Senator Noland. Mr.

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Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 218.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. We had debated this bill to a significant extent the other day, but I'm going to reread the summary so that everyone is aware. It is a rather sensitive issue, I'm aware, but I -- I do want to recount the elements of the bill, which, in effect, House Bill 218 will reduce the penalties for cannabis possession of small amounts of and cannabis paraphernalia. Possession of fifteen grams or less of cannabis would be a civil penalty punishable with a fine of not more than a hundred and twenty-five dollars. It reduces -- that's a State fine of a hundred and twenty-five dollars. It reduces criminal penalties for possession of cannabis in amounts less than one hundred grams. Beginning a hundred eighty days after the effective date of the Act, the citation, or court records, issued for -- for possession of less than fifteen grams of cannabis, paraphernalia associated with fifteen grams or less of cannabis, automatically be expunded - however, with the exceptions made under the previous bill, I would note - by the -- by the clerk or by the The -- the records would, however, be judge presiding. automatically expunged on January 1st or July 1st of each year, having not made a previous motion for expungement by the court. HB 218 makes other significant changes to the Cannabis Control Act

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as well. It establishes a per se level of fifteen grams -- and actually that's a threshold level of fifteen nanograms of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol - didn't think I was going to be able to say that, did you? All right - per milliliter of -- of blood, as an -- established intoxication level. This is similar to the .08 alcohol level for determining alcohol impairment here in the State of Illinois. It also allows for saliva testing of drug and alcohol intoxication in addition to the already permitted blood and urine tests. House Bill 218 also makes using, possessing, or transferring a butane gas canister for the purpose of manufacturing a cannabis-based product a Class 2 felony. HB 218 does not - I want to repeat - does not prohibit any unit of local government from imposing fines greater than those permitted by the Act. I'll be glad to take any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR ROSE:

Question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR ROSE:

Senator Noland, is there any limit to the number of fines you can get?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Limited in your bill? No. Sorry, didn't realize my mike was on. The answer to that, sir, is, no, it's not.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

So, the maximum fine, I believe you said is a hundred and twenty-five dollars, but there is no limit to the number of maximum fines you can get. In a speeding ticket, if you get two tickets, your third ticket you're out. You lose your license. Did you give any consideration to something like that in here?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Senator, to your point, and thank you for that -- that question, and the answer is, I have considered that. Unfortunately, the -- the tenor and temper in the House is such that this -- this bill is not likely to pass if we were to amend it. But I will tell you, I'm glad to work with you on a trailer bill to address that concern as well.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Editorially, I'm shocked that the House is dictating terms to the Senate. But, if I may question you. This is a "must appear" ticket. So one of the things that's discussed and talked about is the idea of getting this out of the court system, yet the way we interpret this, everyone who's issued a ticket now has to show up in court, be seen by a judge just to pay the fine. And there's a convoluted process by how we determine the difference in a "must appear" and a "may appear" ticket, but our reading is, this is a "must appear" ticket. Why are we further going to clog our court

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system if the intention is to unclog the court system?
PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Another excellent question, Senator. And the answer is that the State is not directing the courts to -- for the defendants to appear. That would be by local rule. The local courts can determine whether or not it's "must appear".

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

...think -- I think that ends up becoming a issue of statute having to say that's "may appear" or by Supreme Court rule, but irrespective of which it is, the fact is that under this bill, we'll be sending even more people into our local court system, not less. We'll be sending those who are -- who are legitimately seeking justice, pushing their cases out farther and farther to -- to handle this new docket. But let me get to my biggest concern with the bill. My biggest concern of the bill is, I found no requirement of any sort of drug treatment in here. It's a fine only. Is there a requirement for drug treatment in here, Senator? PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Senator. Again, not by State directive. No, that is correct. However, there's nothing keeping local jurisdictions from imposing the requirement for treatment. And to your -- to your concern regarding the issuance of more tickets, the whole point of this bill is to keep people out of jail and to -- and to

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not cause excessive or high rates of -- of -- of -- population rates at places like Cook County, Kane County, or suburban -- or suburban county -- county jails.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

But this is a civil ticket. It's not a criminal ticket.

Right?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Yes, Senator, that's in effect the -- the purpose of the bill, to move this from an arrestable offense to a ticketable offense. That's correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

So where in the Civil Code are the courts authorized to order drug treatment?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Senator, it would be treated just -- very much like our traffic fines and traffic -- issuing a moving violation under our Traffic Code. The courts do have this jurisdiction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Senator Noland, the courts do not have that jurisdiction,

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unless it's specifically granted to them, and even Senator Haine is nodding in agreement with me on that one. Thank you, esteemed Professor Haine. The reality is here - and if I may, to the bill, Mr. President - you talk about unclogging the court system and letting people out of jail earlier, you're going to have -- first of all, if that's your -- if that's your intended impact, you're going to do the exact opposite because you're going to require everybody to show up in court on "must appears". So you're going to further delay, further hamper an already overburdened, overclogged court system. And -- whether it's justice in a criminal sense for a victim of a crime or whether it's justice in a civil suit, the court system will become even more overburdened than it is by having everybody now standing in line to simply pay a hundred-and-twenty-five-dollar fine. Second of all, I am, quite frankly, completely flummoxed as to why you wouldn't include some amount of drug treatment here, because otherwise all you're doing is essentially legalizing it and taxing it. I mean, is that the goal here, Senator Noland?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

No, Senator, this is not about legalizing and -- and legal - legalizing and taxing or taxing and regulate, I think is the term that perhaps you're suggesting, and I -- that's not this bill, absolutely not. This is to simply notch it down, put a lid on the boiling pot as far as our criminal -- the pressures on our criminal justice system related to possessions of small amounts of cannabis. That's the only purpose of this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Well, Senator Noland, I would suggest that without drug treatment or some other -- some other mechanism to ensure that these folks will be sufficiently rehabilitated, what you are doing is in effect just legalizing it and taxing it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Senator, I accept that as your opinion. That is not my purpose or the purpose of the bill. But I think that there's more than just anecdotal evidence to indicate that forced treatment of individuals who might not otherwise benefit, particularly with regard to the use -- the -- the -- the minor use, the small possession and -- and usage of -- of cannabis and/or alcohol for that matter -- you know, when you force somebody into treatment for alcohol rehabilitation that really does not warrant it, going to have sometimes a more deleterious effect than not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Mr. President, I will conclude briefly, but let me -- let me suggest how that -- why that fails on its face. To have no cap on the number of times you can come back through here without providing any -- so, clearly, if you come back three, four, five, six, seven times, maybe you got a problem. Maybe you could use some drug treatment. Oh, but that's not in here. And not only is it not in here, contrary to the Senator's assertion, courts can't simply add it on as a local requirement in civil court. Second,

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I -- I just -- I -- it amazes me that we have this notion that we're going somehow pretend to be one thing, but actually do something else. So, we're not going to call it decriminalization with this unlimited number of times you can pay a hundred and twenty-five dollars, which sounds to me like a license, I might add - but even in driver's licenses, you still only get two bites of the apple; you lose your license on the third one - no drug treatment ever, ever. But here's the funny thing, even if -- the basic thing here, 'cause my opinion really is that you're simply legalizing this and -- and assessing a tax to it in the form of essentially a hundred and twenty-five-dollar user fee, but you're going to lose out because you're only going to get the money from the people who get arrested. I -- I -- I just -- I think this is absolutely asinine on its face to be completely open-ended, to have no cap, to have no drug treatment. Certainly, I think we could all agree that maybe if somebody comes through three, four, five times, maybe they got a problem. Maybe it's time to go get some drug treatment. Obviously, I'm opposed. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, is it -- is it -- is it a concern to you that a college student with a beer in the car in a college town could be given a fine of up to, say, even two thousand five hundred dollars

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and a year of jail -- is it -- is it a concern that that is quite different than what you're imposing on someone that might have as much as fifteen grams of marijuana?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Senator, if I understand your question correctly, you're citing current law, which imposes a -- it -- it makes it a misdemeanor to possess fifteen grams or less of -- of marijuana, currently, and also a fine, possibly a fine of twenty-five hundred dollars. And I believe your question is, does it concern me that we're now changing that and -- reducing the penalty, and the answer is, well, no, because that's why I -- I have actually submitted this bill. But we are not legalizing. What we are -- this is still illegal. It's still illegal to possess this even small amount of cannabis. It is fineable at the State level up to a hundred and twenty-five dollars. But I draw your attention to -I know that it's a rather lengthy bill - but on page 184, Section 17.5, regarding local ordinances. "The provisions of any" - and this speaks to Senator -- the previous speaker's concern as well - "The provision {sic} (provisions) of any ordinance enacted by any municipality or a unit of local government which imposes a fine upon cannabis other than as defined in this Act are not invalidated or affected by this Act." So local jurisdictions are able to impose greater fines, to -- to your concern -- to address your concern.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

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Senator, I -- I guess I probably wasn't as clear as I should have been when I asked you the question, but I'm -- I'm asking you what -- if you succeed today to where under fifteen grams, the fine is a hundred and twenty-five or whatever is established locally, which I think they can, do you think it's right that a twenty-year-old that is underage with an open beer in the car, can be charged with a Class A misdemeanor with a fine up to twenty-five hundred dollars and a year in jail. Do you see any practical fairness in that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Well, Senator, first of all, I'd like to diagram that question in order to be able to kind of break it down to its essence, but I'm going to answer this as more a question about how I feel about this, as opposed to what perhaps is the status of arrests related to one versus the other. And my response is that I'm okay with somebody in the privacy of their own home perhaps engaging in this as long as it's, you know -- you know -- and -- but that was my other bill. Okay? That's not this bill. Okay? So this bill makes it illegal to possess even this small amount no matter where you are, whether it's in a car, or it's on the street, it's on the train, it's -- you know, in your private -- the privacy of your home. It's still illegal.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

I -- I -- I'm not going to ask the question the third time. I'm -- I'm going to speak to the bill. I -- I don't think the

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sponsor wants to actually answer that question, but that is the truth. A twenty-year-old with one open beer, today, and after you pass this, if you do, will be charged with a Class A misdemeanor with a fine up to twenty-five hundred dollars and a year in jail. And -- and I just asked if you think that's sensible. It's not. This whole discussion is not sensible. Now, go back to when we were passing medical marijuana. That's all we wanted. That's all -- all the proponents wanted, but -- just -- it's just a -- you know, it's -- it's a trial program. It's only going to -- we're going to try this for four years, see if it works, and it's only going to be limited to these people - that's all. You passed that and now you want to decriminalize it. The day before, we talked about rehabilitation and caring for people and how we're going to make sure that they get treatment. We're going to make sure that they're redeemed, they're -- they're transformed. And now you don't care. Now you're going to -- you're -- you're not going to hold them accountable. You're going to allow them to have as many fines as possible. I consider it disingenuous. It's wrong. Wait for the four years of medical marijuana to show us how great marijuana is for our culture and for our citizens and then let's talk about this. Until then, vote No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Paul Elders of WICS seeks -- TV seeks permission to take video and audio. Seeing no objection, permission granted. Senator Barickman, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

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SENATOR BARICKMAN:

First of all, there -- there were a number of -- there's been a number of -- of questions and concerns, some of which were raised last week, some of which I raised with the sponsor and with others on this bill. And I -- I first want to say thank you to those who listened to those concerns and have addressed some of them through the trailer bill that we just adopted. I know that, for myself and, I believe, for others on this side of the aisle, we appreciate you listening to some of those concerns and -- and taking action on some of them and I -- I look forward to continuing to work with you, if this measure becomes law, on other concerns that others have raised on this. But -- but to the -- to the bill, you know, the -- the people of this State -- it -- it -- as you travel the State and as you listen to the people of this State, the people of Illinois have continually told me that they want their government to give them more freedom over their decisions, especially those decisions which aren't having an impact on others. The people do not want to be scarred for a lifetime because of, oftentimes, insignificant indiscretions that they've made which haven't had an impact on others. And I think this legislation acknowledges those beliefs that the people of Illinois have. The -- the people also believe that we have a social contract with one another; that there are certain things that we believe government should do and we pass laws to reflect those values. So we pass laws to deter people from doing certain activities and we pass laws to penalize people who do certain things that put others at risk. And I think when you consider what this legislation does to create a bright-line standard to determine when someone is impaired because of their use of marijuana and getting behind a wheel and putting others at

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risk, this legislation creates a bright line for all of this — for all of us to understand what truly is right and wrong here. And so I think this bill does that and it reflects some of those values that the people of Illinois want us to reflect through our laws. And, of course, you know, every conversation that we've had this year, it's all about the money. Every person you talk to in this State wants us to find ways to start to save money and they're asking us to reprioritize our use of those scarce State resources, namely their taxpayer dollars, their tax dollars. And this legislation gives us an opportunity to do that. We reprioritize, we save some money at the State level. We have an opportunity to save some money at the local level. And I think if this legislation passes, we begin to do that. So for these reasons, I stand here today and will be voting Yes. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Murphy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

Question of the sponsor, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Senator, we just had a trailer bill pass and the trailer bill was put forth to address some of the concerns of people who spoke against this bill last time. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

That's precisely correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

The -- the trailer bill had language in it that said that the trailer bill only goes into effect if this particular bill we're debating now becomes law. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

That's my understanding, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

That trailer bill has not passed the House or even been to the House yet, has it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Senator, you are twice correct, but I understand it's on its way.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Would you be willing to -- and -- and I guess here's my concern - I spoke to issues that I felt like needed to be addressed in the bill and I do appreciate, as Senator Barickman referenced, the attempt to address it. My concern is - and for anybody whose -- anybody whose support was predicated on the trailer bill, understand this - if we vote this bill out of the Senate right now, it goes to the Governor's Desk and there is nothing that

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prevents the House from never moving the trailer bill that assuaged your concerns and got you to vote for this bill today to get this to the Governor. That is the fact. So, my request, Senator, to really, really make clear that this is a good-faith effort, this trailer bill, I'm asking you to pull this bill out of the record and hold it here until the trailer bill, that's intended to assuage the concerns and swing the votes, passes out of the House of Representatives without amendment. Will you pull this bill out of the record until that bill passes the House?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Senator, I -- it's the decided sense of our caucus here that they'd rather not do that -- we'd rather not do that. So I have to respond in the negative, but I will say this, I do have assurances from the House sponsor here that she will file a Motion to Concur immediately and also, too, it has been suggested that we perhaps run these two bills together to -- towards the Governor's Desk and I'm happy to make every effort to do that. But we really need to move this bill along. We need to move this piece of the people's business to a final conclusion here and closure. And so -- but I will do everything else that we can to accommodate what other concerns you may have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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SENATOR MURPHY:

I appreciate those words, Senator, but they're really only words. We -- today's May 21st. We have ten days. There are ten days left in this Session. There is absolutely no reason, whatsoever, this bill can't be held until the House bill -- until the bill -- till the House concurs on the trailer bill. And, again, anybody who withheld their support of this bill the first time, you need to think long and hard about whether you're willing to support it on the promise that the House is going to act, because of course the House has never let us down. absolutely no reason - schedule, timing, process, any other way, shape or form - that this bill can't be held in this Chamber without a vote until the House acts on the trailer bill that is effectively the promise that's being made by the proponents to you who have concerns about their bill. Let 'em walk the walk and keep the promise and then give them your vote, but not until then. As a result, I have to urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bivins, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR BIVINS:

You know, what you allow, you get more of. I can, unfortunately, or maybe fortunately, I'm old enough to remember when we -- we used to call gambling "vice", and, of course, today we call it "lotto". But we relaxed the laws many, many years ago on gambling, and does anybody think we have not grown to a great

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degree of more gambling? And as you pass the medical marijuana laws and say that it's a safe and effective drug - and by the way, to my knowledge, I don't think there's one person in this building that can say that -- that's qualified to say it is - and as we decriminalize marijuana and we keep moving down this path towards legalization that some other -- other states have done - and it's become a disaster if you talk to some of the people there who now regret their decision - we also send a message; we send a message to the young people, like the young man sitting next to me, Senator Rose's Page, and to the young people up here in the -- in the gallery, we're sending a message that it's okay. It's okay. So I guarantee you as you go down this path, what you allow, you will get more of. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Oberweis, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the -- the Senate, I will tell you, I have never in my life tried marijuana, with or without inhaling. Having said that, I believe we have way too many people in jail and way too many people who have their lives affected by arrests for minor drug violations. And I think we need legislation to change that. Having said that, though, I believe this is not the right bill. I do not believe this is the best solution. I believe we can do much better and I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Our final speaker, Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill. I was kind of going back and forth...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Kind of going back and forth, figuring out where that was going to take us. Whether this -- I kind of felt like I, you know, needed something to mellow me -- mellow me out a little bit and I think we all need to mellow out a little bit. Listen, you know, there's been some concerns raised about whether the sky is going to fall and there's just going to be just this proliferation of use of marijuana as a result of decriminalization. Let -- let me refer you to just a couple of states that did this a -- a long time ago, and they're not liberal bastions by any means. The State of Nebraska and the State of Mississippi in the 1970s moved towards decriminalizations of small amounts of marijuana. And quess what happened in those two states with regards to teen usage? decreased. It didn't increase. It decreased. Meanwhile in the State of Texas, where they compelled treatment, the rate of teen usage was higher. So the logic that's been used by a couple of speakers is -- is reversed by actual facts, based on other states. The reality is, you know, judges aren't -- on -- on occurrences, judges aren't sending users of small amount of marijuana to drug treatment. It's not happening. It would be illogical for them to do so 'cause we have very limited resources and we've heard from proposed budget cuts that those resources for substance abuse treatment are going to be even more limited, and so should we be

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sending -- compelling individuals to be referred to treatment for use of small amount of marijuana when we have meth users, cocaine users, heroin users that are in need of those resources? Governor has shown the leadership of appointing a commission to look at criminal justice reform and, you know, the issues that we're tackling on a bipartisan basis to move towards redirecting our resources. I believe, the recommendations that are going to come out of that commission are going to be a lot more difficult than this question here. This should be an easy one. This should be an easy one. You know, the -- a study from Pew Research indicates that nearly half of all Americans at some point have used marijuana. The -- the -- the -- the suggestion -- and I'll acknowledge I'm one of 'em - and I did inhale - but -- should nearly half of all Americans be labeled a criminal? nonsensical. We have limited resources. The -- the suggestion that we should do this kind of forced referral is illogical. suggestion made by a previous speaker that local authorities don't maintain the ability to make a referral if there's an indication of -- of an excessive use when combined with other factors that -- that may merit a referral, that still exists. So don't believe this notion that we're taking away that option. mandating it, but we're not taking it away at the same token. I think this is -- I think, again, this is -- and I appreciate the Governor having the courage to -- to make sure that we address the -- the -- the things that we've done in the past to overcriminalize and over-incarcerate. And I want the Members of this Chamber -- if -- 'cause if we can't do this, we won't be able to do what's going to come out of the Governor's commission, 'cause it's going to be a lot more challenging. So I urge an Aye vote on

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this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland, to close.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. And I want to thank all who've worked on this, but before I -- I do that, I want to make an assurance to those that are -- had raised the question about whether or not we could hold this bill. You have my assurance that what we will do, once this bill passes here today, is that we will hold it in this Chamber. I will request the Senate President hold it in this Chamber until the other bill, the trailer bill, is passed over in the House. And you've already heard that we have the House sponsor's -- the sponsor of this bill, who will probably be the House sponsor of the -- she is the House sponsor of the trailer bill, that she'll be moving that and seeking its passage, and once that is passed, we'll send them both over to the Governor at the same time. So you have my assurance on that as a matter of housekeeping here. I want to thank those who've made some -raised some concerns regarding the concern for young people. I want to say this to young people that may happen to be listening in or to posterity and history, young people, it's not right. It's not appropriate. It's not something that anybody should recommend that you indulge in the use of marijuana, just like using at a -at too young an age alcohol or any other recreational substance. I don't know of any others that I'm aware of. So, it's wrong and I would encourage the children of this State and, of course, my own children and I'm sure we all here would encourage our own children to abstain from the use of this substance. But people do imbibe in this. People do use this and it should not be something,

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as other speakers have said today, something that is a -- a scarlet letter on not only their social lives, but also their professional lives as well. We can all think of people, perhaps, who were arrested at a very young age for this and have -- have suffered as a consequence, and I would tell you - and it's not probably a surprise, probably not news to anybody here - that we have a President of the United States that but for the fact that he was not caught, or it was not otherwise revealed that he had used marijuana at a very young age, that he might not be the President of the United States today. So this is a history-altering type of -- type of an occurrence that happens in the lives of our young people and ought not. Medical marijuana - we have -- we have a situation here where now we have the use of medical marijuana and we ought to allow for this bright-line threshold determination as to what -- when somebody is intoxicated or when somebody is not. That's an issue that's going to be facing us as well. So I'd like to thank Matt Jones from the State's Attorney's office -- or, excuse me, the Association of State's Attorneys here in the State of Illinois for his -- just his persistence over the last two years, as well the House -- the House sponsor, Kelly Cassidy, for -- sticking to it and -- and seeing this through. And I'd like to thank the -- the court clerks as well for helping us make all of this a -- a better -- a better piece of legislation with the companion bill. With that, I ask an -- for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 218 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 36 Ayes, 19 Nays --

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37 Ayes, 19 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 218, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Harmon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Having voted on the prevailing side on House Bill 218, I move to reconsider the vote by which the Senate just passed it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Here we go. Mr. President, I move to table the Senator's motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland moves to table the motion to reconsider. On that question, those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion is tabled. Senator Lightford, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. On a point of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, in the President's Gallery, in the well above the President, I'd like to welcome the Westside Health Authority and their students for coming down to advocate on Teen REACH dollars. If you could please welcome 'em to the Illinois Chamber, I would appreciate it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Welcome to Springfield. Senator Mulroe, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MULROE:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR MULROE:

Mr. President, I, too, would like to welcome a group from Oriole Park Grade School on the northwest side of Chicago. They're with Ann Poland and I'm sure other parents and instructors. They're sitting in the -- above the Republican side in the south gallery. It's -- from -- they're one of the greatest schools in the northwest side of Chicago and have some of the greatest kids. So please welcome them.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. On page 34 of the Calendar is the Order of Consideration of -- Postponed. This is final action. As the bills on the Order have already been presented and debated, on -- the Floor debate on each bill will be limited to one proponent and one opponent, each speaking to the bill. Senate Bill 33. Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 33.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. -- President. Senate Bill 33 adds PTSD to a

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list of medical conditions that qualifies an individual to participate in the Medical Cannabis Pilot Program.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

There will be one opponent. Senator Murphy. Can we please keep the noise down on the Senate Floor? This is final action on a Postponed Consideration. Please keep the noise down. Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Question of the sponsor, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Yeah, Senator -- Senator, this -- this bill, we discussed this in the past. This bill has been promoted, I think, and -- and sort of framed as something that can help veterans coming back with PTSD and there had been conversations about potentially narrowing the bill to -- to -- to only allow veterans who have been diagnosed with PTSD to -- to access medical cannabis. Has such an amendment been applied to this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

To -- to the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

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SENATOR MURPHY:

You know, the -- there'll be a bill coming up in a little bit to talk about extending the cannabis pilot because, frankly, it hasn't even started. And if we all go back to when the cannabis -- medical cannabis bill was passed, those who passed it worked diligently to really make it tight and narrow and not subject to abuse. We don't know yet how this one's going to work out and now we're talking about expanding it. And we're talking about expanding it into something that, while very serious -- PTSD is unquestionably serious and among veterans it is extremely serious, and there's no question about any of that, but it's also a diagnosis that is ripe for abuse by those who choose to abuse it. And there are other states that have seen a proliferation of marijuana use through the -- the loophole of nebulous-type, hard to diagnose, hard to really objectively diagnose conditions like PTSD. I think before we even have our pilot -- medical cannabis program off the ground, to expand it, number one, and then, number two, to expand it to a condition that is so difficult to define and can be sometimes subjective, is not the right path for us to go down and I think it's completely inconsistent with the spirit and the intent of those who were drafting this originally to be such a tight, tight bill. So, might be something to consider if it were narrowed to veterans, but this broadly, I just -- I don't think I can support and I have to encourage a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, to close.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

So we all have friends and family that serve in public service jobs, whether it be firefighters, police officers, nurses; they

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all experience traumatic events. It's not just veterans. We also have people in our community that have been affected by sexual assaults. They suffer from PTSD. These things are serious and I can tell you that living with PTSD isn't easy. My friends that live with PTSD, it isn't easy. As a matter of fact, last week, I lost a classmate, named Ben Larson, who -- who instead of deciding to talk it through and -- and manning up, as we say, he decided to drink himself to death. And if this option was available to Ben, maybe he wouldn't have died two weeks ago -- or last week. Not to mention that this administration, the Department of Public Health had sanctioned a hearing downtown, this administration - not the last administration, this administration - sanctioned a hearing downtown where the Department of Public Health hired an advisory group to determine what symptoms should be added to the list. And that advisory group that advises the Department of Public Health had advised and recommended that PTSD be added to the list of symptoms that's currently on the bill for the pilot program. But that's -- that -- that process takes a very long time through JCAR and a lot of things. People are suffering now and people deserve it now, just like epilepsy and a lot of the other symptoms that are added. And I can tell you that if we narrow it to veterans, that does everybody else who's affected by PTSD a disservice, a disservice, and that's why I urge an Aye vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 33 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are -- 34 Ayes, 19 Nays,

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2 voting Present. Senate Bill 33, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Hutchinson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to do a motion to reconsider. Voting on the prevailing side, I'd like to move to reconsider.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

I move to table the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings moves to table the motion to reconsider. On -- on that question, those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion is tabled. On page 35, the printed Calendar, is House Bill 1446. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1446.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. As you may recall, this bill was heavily debated, so I'm going to try to keep it short. This bill's about giving someone a chance to apply to the Secretary of State to get a restricted driving permit who has changed his or her life around. It's for a person who has gained

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control over their disease, alcoholism, instead of alcoholism controlling them. If the bill passes, it'll be used rarely and only in limited cases. The person that applies for the restricted permit will have to prove to the Secretary of State hearing officer, by a clear and convincing evidence, that they're -- they have had no driving infractions in the last five years since their last sentence; they'll have to prove they've been sober for the last three years; that they've successfully completed a rehabilitation program by a licensed service provider. They will also have to go through an evaluation program set up by the Secretary of State. They also have this -- have this BAIID device installed in their car. And since the last debate, we've learned that every BAIID device that gets installed into the cars has facial recognition. So the person's face will be matched with whoever is blowing into the machine. This -- this device is actually reviewed or recalibrated every sixty days to make sure it's accurate and the -- the actual blows and the person blowing into is reviewed by the Secretary of State every sixty days. I also want to remind everyone that this -- there is no opposition to this bill; that Mothers Against Drunk Driving and the Alliance Against Intoxicated Drivers {sic} (Motorists) are for the bill. They believe it's a good and sound public policy for everyone who has overcome their challenges to drive legally with insurance. I respectfully ask for your -- your Yes votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

As this is a Postponed Consideration, there will be one opponent. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To the bill, if I might, Mr. President.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. As we have discussed before on this bill and a number of other bills, there is a -- a valuation -- a re-evaluation of what's going on with regards to sentences and the Criminal Code and ways to treat differently offenders, while at the same time assuring that the public is protected. And sometimes we are getting so caught up in the first of those that perhaps we are losing sight of the second of those. And I don't know -- I can't imagine there is a person in this Chamber who doesn't sign on to the notion that a person deserves a second chance and I bet almost everyone would sign on to the fact that, under certain circumstances, everyone deserves a third chance. And there may be some people who think maybe even a fourth. But, Ladies and Gentlemen, at some point you got to say, this person doesn't care about the other people driving on the roads. They literally don't care. They can't keep themselves under control, and at that point, you have to say, what's more important - the possibility that after getting four convictions, this person might be able to not drink and drive, or the family in the minivan, who's driving on the road as well, who is in danger when these people are on the roads. I would suggest that at some point, protecting the public, the people who are not drinking and driving, must be our first priority. Please vote No. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, to close.

SENATOR MULROE:

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The public safety is always our first priority. That's why MADD and the Alliance Against Intoxicated Drivers {sic} are for the bill. They want to make sure that people who have overcome their challenges are getting the opportunity to drive legally with insurance. This is about providing hope and giving a chance to someone who has overcome one of their demons in their life and we provide them an opportunity to be gainfully employed. I'd ask for your Yes votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 1446 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 34 Ayes, 17 Nays, 1 voting Present. House Bill 1446, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. On the Order of Postponed Consideration is House Bill 226. Senator McCarter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 226.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

House Bill 226 allows the Sandoval Community School District 501 to issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed two million dollars. I ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Now there'll -- same thing, there will be one opponent.

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Seeing no opponent, the question is, shall House Bill 226 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 33 Ayes, 13 Nays, no -- none voting Present. House Bill 226, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you rise?

Can we have a verification, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter requests a verification on the last vote. Will all the Members please be at their seats? Mr. Secretary, please read the affirmative votes.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Althoff, Anderson, Barickman, Biss, Bivins, Brady, Clayborne, Connelly, Cunningham, Haine, Hastings, Hunter, Koehler, LaHood, Landek, Link, Luechtefeld, McCann, McCarter, McConnaughay, McGuire, Mulroe, Muñoz, Murphy, Nybo, Radogno, Rezin, Righter, Rose, Sullivan, Syverson, Van Pelt, President Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter, do you question any of the Members voting in the affirmative?

SENATOR HUNTER:

Yes, Mr. President. Is Senator Biss on the Floor? PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Biss. Senator Biss. Strike from the record. Does Senator Hunter request anyone else that voted in the affirmative? SENATOR HUNTER:

Leader Clayborne.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Clayborne. Senator Clayborne. Strike from the record. Does Senator Hunter request any other person that voted in the affirmative?

SENATOR HUNTER:

Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings. Senator Hastings. Strike from the record. Does Senator Hunter -- seek anybody else that voted in the affirmative?

SENATOR HUNTER:

Senator -- Muñoz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz. Senator Muñoz. Strike from the record. Does Senator Hunter seek any other Member that voted in the affirmative? SENATOR HUNTER:

Senator Mulroe.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe. Senator Mulroe. Strike from the record. Does Senator Hunter seek any other Member that voted in the affirmative?

SENATOR HUNTER:

No, Mr. President. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

On a verified vote, 28 Ayes, 13 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 226, having not received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Excuse me, my mistake, failed. Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUNTER:

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Mr. President, I mistakenly hit the wrong button when voting on House Bill 226. I should have voted a No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The record shall reflect your indication. Senator Duffy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DUFFY:

Mr. President, I'd like to file a motion to reconsider the vote. I'm on the prevailing side.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUNTER:

I move to table the motion, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter moves to table the motion to reconsider. On the question, those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion is tabled. House Bills 3rd Reading. You're out of order, Senator Righter. You have not been recognized. Senator Murphy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

For a motion. I'd like -- I'd like a roll call on Senator Hunter's motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

It's always in order. The motion to table... The motion to - to vote on House Bill 226 was requested. A roll call vote to
motion to -- the motion to table. All those in favor will vote
Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all
voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?
Take the vote -- take the record. On that, there are 28 Ayes, 23
Nays. Having received the majority of those voting, is considered

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tabled. Senator Murphy, for what purpose do you rise? SENATOR MURPHY:

Verification of the roll call, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Murphy, you request a verification on the roll call vote? Mr. Secretary, please read the affirmative votes.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Biss, Clayborne, Collins, Tom Cullerton, Delgado, Harmon, Harris, Hastings, Holmes, Hutchinson, Jones, Koehler, Kotowski, Lightford, Link, Manar, Martinez, McGuire, Mulroe, Muñoz, Noland, Raoul, Silverstein, Steans, Sullivan, Trotter, Van Pelt, President Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Murphy, do you question anybody who voted in the affirmative?

SENATOR MURPHY:

I do, Mr. President. Senator Biss.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Biss is right there in the aisle, sir. Do you -- do you question any other Member that voted in the affirmative?

SENATOR MURPHY:

No, I don't.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

On a verified roll call, it's 28 Ayes, 23 Nays, none voting Present. Declared passed. Motion is adopted. With leave of the Body, we'll go back to where we left off. House Bill 1452. Senator Harmon. House Bill 1453. Senator Mulroe. Senator Mulroe seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 1453 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order

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of 2nd Reading is House Bill 1453. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Mulroe.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on your amendment.

SENATOR MULROE:

Mr. President, it's just a technical amendment. I'd be happy to explain everything on 3rd and I'd ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 1453. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1453.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on your bill.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1453 allows the court to grant orders of supervision to individuals charged with speeding twenty-six miles an hour or over the -- over the posted speed limit

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if it is his or her first offense and, second, if he or she was not driving within a designated school, construction, or urban district.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR ROSE:

Senator Mulroe, may I ask a question, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR ROSE:

Senator, this would put it back to the way it was before. Correct? When you could get court supervision at this level. Correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Yes, correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Outstanding. I look forward to supporting your bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1453 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay -- Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 47 Ayes, 5 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1453, having received the required

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constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1485. Senator Rose. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1485.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you. This represents an agreed bill with the Department now. As passed the committee with the amendment, the Public Aid Code is amended to provide for registering of an administrative paternity order so they can be challenged or enforced in court at a later date. Allows for a petition challenge of administrative paternity court order. And this came out of committee on leave. I'd ask for its favorable adoption. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1485 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1485, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1496. Senator LaHood. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1496.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator LaHood.

SENATOR LaHOOD:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. This is an initiative from the Illinois State Dental Society. And this provides that an application by an applicant for a dental license who did not graduate from dental school in the United States or Canada must complete two years of general dental clinical training in the United States or Canada prior to licensure. Be happy to answer any questions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1496 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1496, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1530. Senator Martinez. House Bill 1665. Senator Jones. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1665.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Jones, on your bill.

SENATOR JONES:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 1665 provides a school bus private carrier employer, who has satisfied the employer requirements contained in

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the Vehicle Code, shall be held to a standard of ordinary care for intentional acts committed in the course of employment by the bus (driver) permit holder. I know of no opposition and I ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1665 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1665, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2474. Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2474.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill requires each county's committee on finance to prepare a tentative annual appropriation ordinance and make it available for the public to inspect and comment on at a public meeting. I know of no opposition to this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2474 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted

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who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 2474, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2477. Senator Koehler seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 2477 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 2477. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Koehler.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler, on your amendment.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment allows State banks, savings banks, and credit unions to conduct savings promotional raffles if the board's directors authorizes a raffle and each token or ticket represented has an entry that has an equal chance of being drawn. And I move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 2477. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

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House Bill 2477.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler, on your bill.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. In addition to the amendment that I just read, this bill also amends the Illinois Credit Union Act by clarifying that credit unions chartered in other states that have not registered with the Illinois Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation may still collect on loans made to Illinois residents. I know of no opposition and appreciate a supportive vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2477 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 2477, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2482. Senator Martinez. House Bill 2483. Senator Holmes. House Bill 2502. Senator Sandoval. House Bill 2503. Senator Cunningham. House Bill 2543. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2543.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Steans, on your bill.

SENATOR STEANS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill requires that DCFS, when placing a child, make reasonable efforts to identify, locate, and provide notice - that's what's being added - to adult grandparents and other adult relatives of the child who are ready, willing, and able to care for the child. It's just clarifying that notice is also provided to potential grandparents who might be able to take custody. Thank you. I urge an Aye vote. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2543 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 2543, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll go back to House Bill 2502. There's been a change in sponsorship to Senator Steans. Senator Steans? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2502.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Steans, on your bill.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Yes, and Senator Sandoval had to leave for his daughter's graduation,

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so I am covering this now for him. This is a technical amendment, agreed upon by the Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund, Chicago Teachers Union, and Chicago Public Schools, to provide uniform creditable service and pensionable earnings reporting laws for all schools within the district. This is to ensure that reporting requirements for charter schools and all schools are the same and I don't know of any opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2502 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 2502, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2547. Senator Althoff. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2547.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, on your bill.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. House Bill 2547 is an initiative of the Illinois County Treasurers' Association. It just adds "if known" as a qualifier. So it provides that the annual tax judgment, sale, redemption and forfeiture record for mobile homes should contain the vehicle identification number if known. This little phrase makes it consistent with all the other

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provisions in the statute. Be happy to answer any questions. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2547 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 2547, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2554. Senator Althoff. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2554.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, again, Mr. President. House Bill 2554 amends the Property Tax Code and it creates detailed instruction for all parties involved during the property tax board of review complaint procedure outside of Cook County. It's trailer language basically to the Public Act that we passed out of Session last year and it makes -- which made several changes to the property tax board of review complaint procedure. It is an initiative of the Illinois Property Tax Lawyers Association.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Little technical glitch. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2554 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all

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voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 2554, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUNTER:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I have in my district, visiting, the Washington Park CICS, in the President's Chamber, and I would like to welcome them to the Chamber. Their -- one of their leaders, Franklin Rose, his mother and father's the one that taught me how to play softball when I was thirteen years old.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. House Bill 2556. Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2556.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison, on your bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill creates the Human Trafficking Resource Center Notice Act. It requires certain businesses to post a notice informing the public about the availability of a hotline for anti-trafficking

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information. It makes a business that violates the posting requirement civilly liable. And the Department of Labor, in its normal course of regulating business, will be the responsible party for enforcement of those posting provisions. I'm happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2556 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 2556, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Sullivan in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen, with leave of the Body, let's go to 2567. Senator Steans, on 2567. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2567.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. House - House Bill 2567 provides that a minor who's under thirteen years
of age cannot be admitted or detained in a detention facility
unless the local youth service provider has been contacted and has
not been able to accept the minor. This is to -- we all know that

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it's much better for young kids to get placed in a community-based setting and not get into a facility, if possible. So this is just another avenue of trying to get them into a community-based option and only a facility is the last -- as the last option. Urge an Aye vote.

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 she will yield for a question. Senator Righter. SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Steans, there was a conversation during committee on this bill, specifically with regards to what exactly is the law enforcement obligation here? I think the bill uses the word -- that they -- make an effort to contact them. I think there were some questions about what suffices as a contact. Can you just clarify that a little bit for me, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

It's a phone call. There -- there's the CCBYS, the youth service - that's a twenty-four-hour hotline. It's just making that phone call and it's a way of notifying on the form that they already are doing that they've actually -- they can just check off that they've made that phone call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

So, to just take that one step further then, Senator. If law enforcement reaches out, makes the call, cannot reach anyone, they have complied with their obligation -- what their obligation would be, if this were to become law. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, that's correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Any -- any other discussion? Seeing none, Senator Steans, do you wish to close? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 2567 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. House Bill 2567, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Let's turn to the top of page 22. Next up on the Calendar, still on the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, we have House Bill 2569. Whoop. Mr. Secretary, with leave of the Body, let's go to 2636. 2636. Senator McConnaughay, on 2636. Do you wish to proceed? Indicates she does not. Let's go to 2640. Senator Steans. Senator Steans, on 2640. Senator Steans seeks leave of the Body to return Senate {sic} Bill 2640 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 2640. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans, to present Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, this is just combining two previous bills into one bill and I'll explain it on 3rd.

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?

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 2640. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2640.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, this bill makes some changes to the condo law that are agreed to by all the various associations impacted. It requires condo association bylaws to allow members to participate in meetings by telephone or other technological means. Also requires condo bylaws to contain provisions that members receive notice at

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least forty-eight hours prior to a meeting and it requires bylaws to provide that each owner receive a copy of proposed annual budget at least twenty-five days prior to its adoption. It's currently thirty days. It also makes some other technical changes. And I would urge an Aye vote. I don't know of any 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 House Bill 2640 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And 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. House Bill 2640, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Mr. Secretary, let's -- with leave of the Body, let's go back to House Bill 2557. 2-5-5-7. Senator Link, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2557.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. This just allows a bingo licensee to conduct a -- special permit bingo games at the same location as the regular bingo games. Currently, under -- a bingo licensee is prohibited from conducting special permit bingo games at a regular

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bingo location. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2557 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And 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, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2557, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen, we'll turn to page 22 of the regular Calendar. Towards the top of the page, we have 2569. Before we go there, Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise? SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. On the previous bill - I believe it was 2559 $\{ sic \}$ - can I please be recorded as an Aye

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. The record will so indicate that it was your intent to vote Aye on the previous bill. 2569's up on the board. Senator Link, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

vote? Thank you.

House Bill 2569.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator -- Mr. Secretary, please take 2569 out of the record.

Next up, we have 2627. Senator Link, how about 2627? Mr.

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Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill. ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2627.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. This seeks to harmonize the Illinois law with the federal law. It raises "high risk home loan" trigger on loans to a principal dwelling classified as personal property purchased for fifty thousand or less. Currently, the "high risk home loan" restrictions apply to annual percentage rates on loans of -- loan is six percent {sic} points over the average prime rate. I know of no objection 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 House Bill 2627 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 52 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2627, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen, if you'll turn to page 21 of the printed Calendar. We'd like to go back to 2462, Mr. Secretary. 2462. Senator Link's bill. Indicates he'd like to proceed. Senator Link seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 2462 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on

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the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 2462. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration? ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Link, to present Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a -- just technical changes on the amendment -- on the bill. I would ask for its adoption and discuss it on the 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, 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 House Bill 2462. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2462.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. This creates the Authorized Electronic Monitoring in Long-Term Care Facilities Act. It

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authorizes the use of video or audio surveillance in nursing home resident's room at the resident's own expense. The bill outlines consent requirements, notice -- the intent of {sic} the facility, and notice of electronic monitoring to visitor. This -- I -- I -- I want to make sure every Member in the Senate realizes that this is an agreed-upon bill. There is no opposition to this bill. I thank the Attorney General and others for helping to get this. I do want to read for legislative intent. We strive to ensure that the use of cameras and recording devices in {sic} residentsdriven. With this bill, we are enabling residents to use cameras if they want. We are not mandating that anyone be required to have one. The resident's choices -- chooses the type of device they want to use and how they want it to be used, when they want it to use. A resident or a roommate may withdraw their consent at any time. We acknowledge that there may be times when a resident, regardless of legal status, needs privacy. For example, current State law recognizes that all residents should be afforded some privacy by providing that a long-term care omnibus {sic} may meet privately with the resident without the consent of a guardian or a power of attorney. In this bill, even if the guardian, or other persons, has consent on behalf of the resident to use the camera, the resident can direct that the camera be turned off and blocked at any time. Be more than happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 2462 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted the

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record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2462, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen, let's go back to page 22 of the regular Calendar. We have House Bill 2641. Senator Mulroe. Senator Mulroe seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 2462 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen, correction there, we're on 2641, House Bill 2641. Senator Mulroe. You bet. Senator Mulroe seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 2641 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 2641. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe, on Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. The amendment becomes the bill. I'd ask for its adoption. I'd be happy to discuss it on 3rd.

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 3, offered by Senator Mulroe. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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Senator Mulroe, to present Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This actually guts and replaces the initial amendment and becomes the bill. I'd be happy to discuss it on 3rd.

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?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have House Bill 2641. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 24 -- excuse me, 2641.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This is a trailer bill to Senate Bill 3075 that we passed in the Veto Session. It was regarding reducing juries in civil cases from twelve to six, and also imposed -- or it increased what juries get paid. The first day being twenty-five, the second day and thereafter being fifty. What this bill does is amends the amount that jurors get paid down, so it's a reduction in what the juries

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are going to get paid. It's going to be twenty dollars on the first and second day, thirty-two dollars on the third and the days that follow. This has been a negotiated bill. We've worked for five months with the counties, the -- the court clerks and trial lawyers to come up with this compromise. Everyone supports the bill. What's now included in these amounts are sums that may include or -- for travel, meals, and other expenses that the counties pay them. So we're trying to pay the jurors a little more, but not bust the county's bank, so that they're all happy with it. We've also allowed for an additional jury service fee up to fifteen dollars to offset any other costs. I'd -- I'd ask for your support. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill. I $\operatorname{\mathsf{I}}$ or maybe a question of the sponsor. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he -- indicates he will yield for a question. Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Okay, so, Senator, we just want to make sure we understand this and -- and I think there was some significant opposition to the legislation that occurred previously, last term or what have you. And -- but where we're at today on this bill -- and I -- I -- I think I'm going to vote for this bill; I just want to make sure I understand what's happening. If -- if we do not pass this bill -- counties, and especially some small counties around the

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State, are concerned about the cost that they are going to need to pay their jurors. This bill will reduce some of those potential costs. Is that right?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

That is correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

No further questions. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion - Senator Mulroe does not seek to close - Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 2641 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. And opposed, Nay. And 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. House Bill 2641, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have House Bill 2642. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, let's go to 2643. Senator Steans. Next up, we have 2644. Senator Steans. Indicates she'd like to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2644.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans.

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SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, this -- House Bill 2644 is a trailer bill to a bill we did last year that created Section 18.8 in the Condo {sic} (Condominium) Property Act. Unfortunately, the -- during drafts, language got too broad than the original intent of the bill. This bill now narrows the scope back to what the intent was to ensure that it only applies to condo board actions that are taken regarding common elements of the community, instead of any action a condo board can take. Currently, what the problem will be right now is that - I'm going to give you an example so you can understand it - without adopting this, a board could approve a one-million-dollar project for capital improvement without obtaining unit owner approval. Clearly, that wasn't the intent. We need to make sure unit owners have a chance to get approval when the board is making these kinds of decisions. I would urge an Aye vote for this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 2644 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. And opposed, Nay. And 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, 1 voting Present. House Bill 2644, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, next up, we have House Bill 2673. Senator McConnaughay. Mr. Secretary, please read the lady's bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2673.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McConnaughay.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code is amended to give the circuit court jurisdiction over all persons alleged to be in need of involuntary administration of psychotropic medication, whether or not they are charged with a felony. The prohibition on filing involuntary commitment petitions regarding persons charged with a felony is retained. This comes from the Mental Health America in {sic} (of) Illinois due to concerns that persons in county jails cannot be subject to court proceedings for -- involuntary administration of medications that could assist in maintaining the person's fitness to stand trial. I know of no opposition. I appreciate a Yes vote. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2673 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. And opposed, Nay. And 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. House Bill 2673, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, Ladies and Gentlemen, we have House Bill 2677. Senator Connelly. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2677.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. House Bill 2677 is a technical change that clears up an ambiguity to —to the Dental Service Plan Act, allowing dental service plans to enter into reinsurance agreements. This is language provided to me by the Department of Insurance. There are no known opponents. I ask for 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 House Bill 2677 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2677, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Mulroe, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MULROE:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your point.

SENATOR MULROE:

Earlier I introduced some students from Oriole Park School, grammar school on the northwest side of Chicago. The other half of the group is here. If they could stand up. They're with Ms.

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Rhine and Ms. Chris -- Chris DD. They're great kids and from a great school. So if you can welcome them to Springfield, I'd appreciate that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Welcome to the Senate. Thanks for joining us today. Great to have you here. All right, Ladies and Gentlemen, where we left off on the Calendar is 2722. Senator Connelly. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2722.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. House Bill 2722 is an initiative of the Department of Corrections. It amends the Code of Corrections by removing the current requirement that an inmate's residence be posted on -- on the DOC website when that inmate is released on a grant of sentence credit for good conduct. The intent is to protect the privacy of those reentering society from witness protection issues and gang retaliation issues. I'm not aware of any opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 2722 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.

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On that question, there are 51 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2722, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have House Bill 2731. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2731.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. You know, as we have moved into care coordination in the Medicaid program, we have a variety of different models out there. This bill is providing transparency on how those various models are performing. It's a big step towards strengthening our ability for -- as consumers to have the best information about making your health care decisions. What it's doing is requiring the Department to provide monthly online reports relating to Medicaid enrollment, managed care enrollment, and the eligibility redeterminations no later than January 1st of 2017. And I would urge an Aye vote. Thanks.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2731 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

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voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2731, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. 2744. Senator McConnaughay. Mr. Secretary, please read the lady's bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2744.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McConnaughay.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2744 amends the Municipal Code. This is an initiative of municipalities. It's to -- meant to establish clarity in respect to the provisions on boundary line agreements between municipalities. It provides that the jurisdictional boundary line agreement between two municipalities is not in conflict with other agreements with a third municipality as long as it doesn't affect the boundaries of the third municipality. This bill is for clarification purposes. I request 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 House Bill 2744 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 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2744, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2746 --

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2745. Senator McConnaughay. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2745.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McConnaughay.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. This one also amends the Municipal Code to give non-home rule municipalities the authority to record an administrative adjudication judgment against a defendant's property. Home rule municipalities currently have this authority. It sets forth an alternative proceeding to take place after the expiration of the period which in -- in with -- which the judicial review may be sought for final determination of a code violation. I know of no objection to this. I request a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2745 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, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2745, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. At the bottom of page 22, Ladies and Gentlemen, still on the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, we have House Bill 2763. Senator Noland. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

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House Bill 2763.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 2763, brought to me by the Registered Surgical Assistants of Illinois and Illinois Surgical Assistant Association, amends the Insurance -- Illinois Insurance Code and the Registered Surgical Assistant and Registered Surgical Technologist Title Protection Act to require payment for services rendered by a registered surgical assistant who is neither an employee of an ambulatory surgical treatment center, nor an employee of a hospital, to be paid at the appropriate non-physician modifier rate if the payor would have made payment had the same services been provided by a physician. Take any questions. Simply asking for Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR BRADY:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator Brady. SENATOR BRADY:

Senator, my notes indicate that Blue Cross and the Illinois Insurance Association is opposed to this. Can you tell me why?

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SENATOR NOLAND:

Not entirely, Senator, but what I do understand is that, in part, they're just simply objecting that this be codified. They are currently making these payments anyway. They don't have much of an objection from what I understand, but they did file -- you're correct, they slipped against.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

So, Senator, what you're doing is, you're codifying the rate of reimbursement for these procedures statewide?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Yes, we are.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

And that rate you're setting is based on what?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Senator, my understanding is that this is currently under -the rates are already set. We're not introducing any new rates.
And we just need to refer to the Registered Surgical Assistant and
Registered Surgical Technologist Title Protection Act to identify
those. And they are essentially -- they're actually less than
what the physicians would be -- that the reimbursement rate would
be if a physician had actually performed those duties.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

But what rate are you -- what's the level the rate is set at? PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Senator, for that question. So the rate would be the appropriate non-physician modifier rate, whatever that is. I cannot tell you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

Who -- who sets that? Is...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Hello. Senator, I believe that would be the Insurance Commission. Is that correct? The companies themselves. The companies themselves set the rate of reimbursement. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

So to be clear, you're simply requiring that they pay the same rate for these services of these specialists as they would pay the surgeon if the surgeon or the doctor were to perform the procedure.

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Senator Noland.

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SENATOR NOLAND:

No, Senator, that was the point that I previously made, that they would not be paid the same as a physician, but the non-physician modifier rate. So they're actually -- it's a savings. You should know it's a savings of up to -- between twenty and seventy-four percent of the rate that the doctors are being paid. So it's a great cost savings to -- to the health care industry in general and to insurance providers.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

I -- I -- so, Senator, they -- you're saying the insurance companies have a rate of reimbursement, Medicare has a rate of reimbursement, Medicaid has a rate of reimbursement, but this specialty class of -- of specialists would receive the same rate of reimbursement and they are -- they have to be paid the same as who? So you're paying -- you're requiring that the payor pay the same amount to this specialist defined as, question, as what other specialist defined as?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Only -- only those for surgical assistants there, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator -- Senator Noland, would you repeat that, please, that answer? Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you Mr. President. And, Senator, to respond, only for surgical assistants.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

The surgical assistants will have to be paid what -- the same rate as who?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Senator, to respond - okay - that -- I'm going to -- I'm going to read this from what I believe is -- the actual current law. Under current law, the Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center Act and the Hospital Licensing Act have provisions nearly identical - okay? - to House Bill 2763 - okay? - which was Public Act 93-0352 - which require "payment for services rendered by an assistant" - "an assistant in surgery who is not a hospital employee...". And then the Code provides that the employee "shall be paid at the appropriate non-physician modifier rate if the payor would have made payment had the same services been provided by a physician." PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Brady. Any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Noland, do you wish to close? Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. It's just simply a question of fairness. Once again, I want to reiterate that this is a cost saving -- savings to -- to the health care providers of between twenty and seventy-four percent. So there should be all green votes up there. Really do thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 2763

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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 41 voting Aye, 12 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. House Bill 2763, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, let's turn to the top of page 23 of the regular Calendar, House Bills 3rd Reading, is House Bill 2781. Senator Connelly. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2781.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. House Bill 2781 amends the School Code. It creates a three-year pilot program for e-learning. This was brought to me by the West Chicago -- Superintendent of Schools of West Chicago and the Superintendent of Schools in Leyden Township, which is in Leader Harmon's district. Before an e-learning program is implemented at the district level, it's important to know that the district has to bring their proposal to the State Board of Education and they have to meet any number of requirements. I'm not going to read them all, but they have to ensure access for all students from home or an appropriate facility; they have to ensure appropriate learning opportunities for those children with special needs, which was a -- an -- an issue that was addressed at the committee hearing; and

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it also has to monitor and verify each student's electronic participation. It is a three-year pilot project. There are two school districts that have contacted Representative Fortner and I. It requires the State Board to review it before it even is implemented. And it's -- it's something that I think it -- it's already working -- or being used in Ohio and Minnesota, and we're hoping to start this process here in Illinois. I'll answer any questions and I seek an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR MANAR:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Connelly, we had a little bit of discussion about this bill in committee and I just wanted to clarify a few things. For the purposes of average daily attendance and the utilization of attendance rates and records for general State aid to schools, how would an e-learning day count toward average daily attendance?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

That's a -- thank you for the question, Senator. That is something that would have to be determined by the State Board of Education as part of its approval.

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Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Would attendance -- pursuant to the language of the bill, I believe it says five hours of -- of instruction time during elearning. Would that attendance be counted for the entire district or would that be counted just for those students that report five hours of e-learning?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

I -- I apologize, Senator. If you'd repeat that. There are people behind me making noise.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar, please repeat the question.

SENATOR MANAR:

That would be Senator Rose, just to -- just to point out. For -- for students -- so if there's an e-learning day, students that report five hours of work are counted as attending class or would the attendance be applicable to the entire school district, thus reporting a one hundred percent attendance rate?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, again, Senator. It's my understanding from staff that, too, would be something determined by the rules at the State Board of Education level, should they even approve this program.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

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Thank you, Mr. President. Last question. For -- for districts that provide a proposal - I want to make sure I get this right - they're going to propose to the State Board of Education to be part of the pilot. My concern, as I stated in committee, is that while it's being said to us that this is a pilot, the mere fact that some districts don't have the capacity when it comes to being connected through the Internet, don't have the capacity to be one-on-one with electronic devices, don't have the money to provide their students with access to technology, that that, by default, would exclude many - and I don't have a number - but I think it would be perhaps hundreds of school districts in the State, and I think that's my underlying concern with the bill. And while I appreciate the sponsor's work to make sure that this is a pilot project, I do have a concern that the way that the bill is drafted, it, by default, would be exclusionary in nature and would only apply to the bill. Is there anything in the bill, Senator Connelly, that provides for assistance to districts that want to participate, but don't necessarily have the capacity to do so because of financial concerns?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Those are all great concerns. We addressed them and I agree with you. I -- I would like to see where we had the wherewithal to do it statewide. I don't believe in the -- in the language of this statute that that's provided for.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Connelly, to close.

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SENATOR CONNELLY:

I -- I appreciate the -- the questions from Senator Manar. I also want to thank those of my chief co-sponsors, Leader Harmon and a number of other Senators. It's a -- it's a pilot project. It's something that we hope -- Ohio's done this; Pennsylvania's done this. This -- demographically, very similar to Illinois. And I -- I will also -- it's mindful that the two districts that came to me are essentially low-income districts that are finding the wherewithal to provide this for their students. And I would respectfully ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall 2781 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 46 voting Aye, 3 voting Nay, 2 voting Present. House Bill 2781, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Well, the Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. Will all members of the Committee on Assignments please come to the President's Anteroom immediately? The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 577, offered by Senator McCann.

It is a death resolution, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 576, offered by Senator Bush.

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It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, Introduction of Senate Bills.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2136, offered by Senator Anderson

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2137, offered by Senator Morrison.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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

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

Senate Bill 1335.

Together with the following amendment which is attached, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit... Let me try that again.

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

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

Senate Bill 1335.

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

House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1335.

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We have received like Messages on Senate Bill 1378, with House Amendment 2; Senate Bill 1383, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 1408, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 1793, with House Amendment 1. Passed the House, as amended, May 21st, 2015. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports. SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture Committee - Floor Amendment 4 to House Bill 4029; refer to Criminal Law Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 2569, Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 3143; refer to Executive Committee - House Bill 4038; refer to Judiciary Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 803; refer to Local Government Committee - Floor Amendment 3 to House Bill 735; refer to State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee - House Joint Resolution 4; Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Bills 2029 through -- 2038, Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 3234, Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 3428, and Senate Joint Resolution 27. Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-b (b- -- 3-8 (b-1), the following amendments will remain in the Committee on Assignments: Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 2569.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, with leave of the Body, we are going to go to the Order of House Bills 2nd Reading. House Bills 2nd Reading. On page 30 of the Calendar, we have House Bill 1516. Senator Muñoz, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read

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the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1516.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Are there any Floor amendments, Mr. Secretary, approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Muñoz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Muñoz, to present Floor Amendment 4.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I will explain the amendment - it becomes the bill - on 3rd Reading. I ask for its adoption.

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. Senator Nybo, for what purpose do you rise? SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Mr. President. For a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your point, Senator Nybo.

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SENATOR NYBO:

Well, first off, I'd like to thank Senator Rose for his assistance in helping me realize that I had a group of school students down here. So, Chapin, always looking out for me and I appreciate that. If everybody -- if I can have your attention, there is a wonderful group of students down here from Hinsdale Middle School. There's some of the seventh graders. It's part of the district that I represent. Of course, they know my predecessor better than they -- they know me, but we had a nice meeting. And I am very proud to report - and I know we're all going to appreciate this - that all of these seventh graders have passed their constitution test and so they're -- they're here observing State government. They're watching us and they're very engaged and interested. And I would really appreciate it if they could stand up. Everybody stand up. And if we could extend them a very warm welcome to Springfield, I'd appreciate it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, let's welcome our guests from Hinsdale. Congratulations. Good job on your test. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're still on the Order of House Bills 2nd Reading. On page 30, we have House Bill 1660. Senator Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1660.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Ladies and Gentlemen, on page 31 of the regular

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Calendar, House Bill 3234. Senator Rose. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3234.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. On page 32 of the regular Calendar, still on the Order of House Bills 2nd Reading, we have House Bill 4018. Senator Muñoz, on 4018. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

House Bill 4018.

House Bill 4016.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're going to continue where we left off on the Calendar with House Bills 3rd Reading and we're on the top of page 23, or towards the top at least, 2788. Senator Biss, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2788.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate, for the opportunity to present this bill before you. It's an exciting moment for me. House Bill 2788 amends the Managed Care Reform and Patient Rights Act, and what it does is it adds the American {sic} (Accreditation) Association for Ambulatory Health Care as an accreditation entity for the list of approved accreditation entities for MCOs. I know of no opposition and I'd appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2788 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 52 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2788, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have House Bill 2790. Senator Righter. Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen, let's go to 2797. Senator Bertino-Tarrant. Mr. Secretary, please read the lady's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2797.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2797 allows the Secretary of State to establish and maintain an online application process for notaries public. Currently, they only accept paper form.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 2797 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And 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. House Bill 2797, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have House Bill 2812. Senator Biss. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2812.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 2812 restricts managed -- Medicaid managed care entities from divulging information related to sensitive health services unless the recipient authorizes the receipt of the bill explanation. The

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idea here is that if there are certain types of sensitive services one might receive, either involving private information or even perhaps a relationship with another individual who lives in the same household, and this privacy measure protects recipients of these services from violations of their privacy or even in some cases their personal safety. I know of no opposition. And I'd appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 2812 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. House Bill 2812, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. 2822 is next on the Calendar. Senator McConnaughay, on 2822. Let's go to 2824. Senator Bush. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2824.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you, Members of the Senate. So 2824 changes the Homeland Security Preparedness Fund from a special State fund to a federal trust fund. This is an IEMA initiative to correct an audit finding. And I know of no

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opposition and would urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2824 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 Bill 2824, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. 2915 is next on the Calendar. Senator Rose, on 2915. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2915.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you. This is the identical House version of the bill we previously passed unanimously earlier this year under the Illinois Caregiver Act. It's the AARP initiative to help improve patient safety in our hospital discharge and also save money by eliminating re-admits in the process. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is shall House Bill 2915 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And 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

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question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2915, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. 2916. Leader Radogno. Mr. Secretary, please read Leader Radogno's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2916.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill amends the Public Safety Employee Benefits Act. It simply gives municipalities an additional year to report information about this program so that if we decide to make a change to it, we have good information upon which to base that change.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 2916 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 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2916, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. 2925. Leader Trotter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2925.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 2925 allows a podiatric physician who is qualified for licensure, other than completion of their postgraduate training, to receive a maximum three-year temporary license while that individual is in their postgraduate program. This basically addresses current law and the practice of podiatric medicine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 2925 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2925, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3093. Leader Radogno. Mr. Secretary, please read the lady's bill. SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3093.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill would allow Lemont Township High School to make a one-time declaration of interest

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earnings that they have not declared due to some errors, and that would allow them to use it for general purposes. I would be happy to try to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 3093 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3093, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, with leave of the Body, we're going to turn to page 25. Mr. Secretary, to House Bill 3299. 3299. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3299.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill extends the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program Act. In effect, it extends it an additional eighteen months. And the reason we are asking this Chamber for an extension is the inept roll out of the program by the previous administration, to be frank. That's the only reason. In the past few months, the current administration has in fact straightened

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out some of the problems created last summer and fall and they have in fact proceeded with issuing registration cards to patients and caregivers. They've authorized the dispensary licenses and some of the other licenses necessary to the Act, including those for a license to grow the substance, and the infrastructure is being set up. Many people have invested money in this - a considerable amount of money. There's been a vetting of those who have invested in it by the current administration, all to the good. Those people who wish to be patients are waiting for this, as are many others. And I would also remind us -- remind you all that besides that fact, when we crafted this, as was referred to an hour ago, it seems like a century ago, but it was referred that we had a very tight Act, and we have maintained that. This -- the Chicago Tribune, in either today's paper or yesterday, had a column which referred to Illinois' Act as the most restrictive in the entire United States - something we should be proud of. listened to -- when this thing started in the Senate and continued through a three-year process, we listened to the objectors and incorporated many of their concerns in the bill. But -- and I would also point out to the Body that, last year, fifty-four of us, including this sponsor, voted to use this substance in the treatment of juvenile epilepsy with the proper authorization, consistent with the Act, a very compassionate thing to do for children. There was fifty-four votes for that. And that program, of course, would be affected if this one collapsed because of a lack of ability to complete the pilot program within the period of time. So we are asking for eighteen months in effect. And I would ask for an Aye vote and answer any questions. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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Thank you, Senator Haine. 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)

The sponsor indicates he will yield for question. Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator Haine, when is the -- when is this Act set to expire?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

January 1, 20 -- 20 -- 2017.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Now, Senator Haine, I'm looking at page 3 of your bill, line 19.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter, excuse me just a second. Senator Haine wanted to respond -- re-respond to that first question. Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

I'm sorry, Senator. It's 2018.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you, Senator. I guess it's a little ironic that the -- the misstatement you made actually

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would make the bill make more sense, because we are two and a half years from the sunset of this Act. We know almost nothing about how this Act is going to play out. Is this going to work? If it does work, does it work well? Does it not work very well? Does it work well in some areas and not in others? And do we need to make changes? Why the rush to extend the sunset on a bill two and a half years before -- before that's -- that is set to occur? PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Senator Righter, that's -- that's the question of the day and the -- the answer is that the four-year pilot program, given the inept roll out of last year which delayed it, isn't a sufficient time. And that's the -- the -- the -- the -- the judgment of those who are bringing this bill to us that they need another eighteen months to complete the growing process, the -- the dispensary system, to -- to set up the infrastructure, to regulate it, and to control it. I mean, it's -- it's a four-year program and this extends it eighteen months.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Well, I appreciate that, Senator, but not extending it now doesn't foreclose the possibility of extending it next year or the year after that, and what I'm suggesting is, is that even though we're relatively early in the process, let's just let it percolate for a little while. I mean, if you wait till next year, you're still a year and a half from the sunset, and if you wait from two years from now, you're still six months from the sunset. So why

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don't we just give it a little time to just observe the unfolding of at least for, I don't know, another year?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Senator Righter, people have invested considerable amounts of resources in this and they would like the certainty that they have sufficient time for it to, in fact, work. And there will be a need for further investment in any business enterprise and that would require them foreseeing a sufficient amount of time. I — I don't have any money invested in it. Doesn't make any difference to me. But to make this system work, you need the resources and the people that are investing that are saying they need the eighteen months because, again, we lost — they lost considerable amount of time last year.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Link in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

...you -- thank you for recognizing me, Mr. President. Okay, Senator Haine, obviously, I've failed to move you on that issue. Let's try another one. There's another provision in your bill. In addition to just the sunset, there's another provision in your bill that, by law, extends the expiration date for anyone who's received a card that enables them to either use the medicinal marijuana or carry that for a patient. Now, a moment ago, you -- you talked about how tightly controlled this bill is and how great of a process that's built -- built into this bill. Part of that

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process is, at the end of the year, an individual who has one of these cards has to go back to the Department of Public Health and prove to the Department that they should have the card for another year. You're circumventing that process for all the people who have gotten cards before the first dispensary is licensed by saying that you're automatically going to -- extend their sunset for another year. Why not make sure those people are still eligible for those cards?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Senator, quite simply, they have the card and they haven't been able to use the substance. So they're buying permission, but at the -- they're buying the privilege to use it, but it's not there, so we're extending it as a matter of fairness, of simple equity. To have 'em come back and redo it, wouldn't seem to be fair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

But, Senator Haine, the -- the -- the yearly renewal process was put in place in the bill, I mean, that you voted for and sponsored, because conditions might change and you wanted a yearly renewal process, which you are walking away from by automatically extending these cards. Now I'm not suggesting that we should make these people pay for another year, but shouldn't, at the very least, the Department be able to check all of these people, like you want them to be required to do before we automatically extend the cards and their eligibility for another year?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Department started issuing the cards before dispensaries were constructed. So that's -- that's a big problem and I have no problem with DPH monitoring how they're used. Obviously, they're not being used. So I -- I -- in a -- as a matter of equity, we have to extend this to give them an opportunity to use the substance. The -- all the restrictions are still there. We don't have any -- the -- the delays were not because of anyone -- any recipient of the card. The delays were caused not by anyone who's invested money in a cultivation center, which takes time to construct. It takes time to grow the It takes time for the State Police to create an substance. infrastructure to monitor it. It takes time for the Department of Public Health to have a system for them to monitor the user. All this takes time and we lost time last year, through no fault of the investors, through no fault of the cardholders. So extending the time doesn't do violence to the -- the restrictions, nor in the surveillance of those who use it or produce it or dispense it. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To -- to the bill, if I might, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. I'm not suggesting that we're doing violence to anything here. What -- here's my point, is that it would be

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unthinkable in this Chamber to say, someone who's been issued a Firearm Owner's Identification Card, to just renew their card without the State Police checking it because they hadn't been able to find the gun they want. We would never pass a bill in this Chamber saying, you know what, we're just going to extend someone's driver's license for a year or two beyond what their expiration date is because, quite frankly, they've not been able to find a car to drive. We don't really care that much whether they're still -- they're qualified to have the gun or drive the car. That's the same issue here. We brag so much in this building about how tightly controlled of a bill this is and one of the provisions that is good in the bill -- in the law is that we require the cardholders to recertify with the Department every single year that they're still eligible users. Well, this bill circumvents that process for those people, because now they're going to get an extension on their cards and the Department has no idea whether or not they are -- continue to be eligible users. If the individual who maybe was a cardholder for a while and has decided, in addition to having that card, they want to deal a little marijuana or a little methamphetamine on their own, the Department has no idea, because the Department's not going to check their records now under this legislation. We can extend the Act without circumventing the process of making sure the Department of Public Health is -- is -- is confident that the cardholders still are qualified to be cardholders and this bill runs around that. I would urge a No vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise? SENATOR McCARTER:

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To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR McCARTER:

There's -- there's another aspect of this and I think it's being presented right here. The sponsor really said it for us. He said this was an inept roll out and this is -- and there was a considerable amount of money invested. We all know that. So what do you do when you have a bad business model? Well, in your -- in the private sector, sometimes you just quit or sometimes you just -- you go and find some more money, you borrow more money, you do whatever it is to survive. But in this case, what we do is we extend and expand, because you're talking about two -- nearly -about two thousand three hundred approved customers. That's forty customers for every dispensary. Now remember, these people have invested millions. How are they going to get their millions back on forty customers in a single dispensary? They're not. This is a bad business model. No matter what I think about the cultural ills of the -- of marijuana itself, this is a bad business model. And we are trying to fix it for these people, because we're compassionate, I suppose. Forty people per dispensary. This is -- this was just a bad idea. It may have looked good. disappointing part is, the same people that lobbied some in the Legislature to pass the bill are now owners - and, for that, we should be ashamed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine, to close.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of -- of

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the Senate. This is not analogous to the extension of a FOID Card or a driver's license. The -- the operator of a motor vehicle is in fact operating the motor vehicle. The FOID Card holder is in fact using the shotgun. This is a cardholder that cannot use the substance for which the card is given them by the State. And the business model is up to the businessmen. The -- it isn't their fault, nor is it the cardholder's fault, that we're asking for the The -- it wasn't the business model that brought it -brought me here today as sponsor of the bill. It was the State government under the previous administration and their bungling. That's what brought us here. So I am asking for what is equitably an extension so that the pilot program can proceed and, as the previous speaker indicated, whether we can determine whether it's in fact a bad business model or a bad idea. This thing -- there is no restriction lessened in this extension - none. If someone is selling methamphetamine and they have this card and it -- it will come to the attention of the Department of Public Health and, by law, the card will be revoked. If they are involved in any other activity that's against the law, the card will be revoked. That's going to happen now. So this merely extends the bill to allow the pilot program to go forward to fulfill not only the pilot program goals, but also the goals, as I pointed out previously, in Senate Bill 2636, now a Public Act, which fifty-four of us voted for, allowing this substance to ameliorate the ravages of juvenile epilepsy and other -- Crohn's Disease and other diseases. It's an eighteenth-month extension and I would respectfully ask for an Aye vote. Thanks.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, House Bill -- shall House Bill 3299 pass.

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All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. All -- have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 33 Ayes, 16 Nays, 6 voting Present. House Bill 3299, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you rise?

Mr. President, having voted in favor of the bill, I move to

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

reconsider.

Since this is a new thing, I'm going to motion -- make a motion to table that. I don't want to lose this roll we're on. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine moves to table the motion to reconsider. On that question, those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion is tabled. Senator Sullivan, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

For the purpose of an announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your announcement.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Mr. President, Members of the General Assembly here, immediately upon adjournment, the Senate Democrats would -- will be caucusing in the President's Office for approximately one hour. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. A point of announcement. The Republicans would also like to caucus at four o'clock.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

May I correct that, please? The Senate Republicans would like to caucus upon adjournment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

They're all in order. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I make a motion to reconsider the request for the caucus, if I might.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Out of order. We will be going to Supplemental Calendar 1. Senate Bills on 2nd Reading. Senate Bill 2029. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2029.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2030. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2030.

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2031. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2031.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2032. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2032.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2033. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2033.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2034. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2034.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2035. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2035.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2036. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2036.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2037. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2037.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2038. President Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2038.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Let me make an announcement here. Please pay attention. Environment and Conservation Committee, today at 5 p.m. in Room 400. Agriculture, tomorrow at 8:30 a.m., Room 409. Criminal Law, tomorrow at 9 a.m., Room 400. Local Government, tomorrow at 9 a.m. in Room 212. The Committee on Assignments, please meet -- to the President's Anteroom immediately. The Committee on Assignments, please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately. (at ease) Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Environment and Conservation Committee - Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1672; refer to Local Government Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 3159.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 10 a.m. on the 22nd day of May 2015. The Senate stands adjourned.