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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

The regular Session of the 99th General Assembly will come to order. Will all the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Chance Newingham, Lifegate International Ministries, Athens, Illinois.

CHANCE NEWINGHAM:

(Prayer by Chance Newingham)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Hutchinson, to lead us in the Pledge.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Hutchinson)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, April 20th, 2016.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Good afternoon, Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. Lisa Yuscus with Blueroomstream.com and Sherrie Phipps with WCIS requests

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permission to videotape. Seeing no objection, leave is granted.  
Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Resolutions 1773 and 1774, offered by Senator Anderson  
and all Members.

They are death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senate Resolutions Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Communications  
from the Secretary of State.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

I have a letter from the Office of the Secretary of State,  
dated April 21st, 2016.

To the Honorable Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate:

Dear Mr. Anderson - This office is forwarding herewith a copy  
of a Notification of Vacancy from the Legislative Committee of the  
Republican Party of the 26th Legislative District, declaring the  
existence of a vacancy in the Office of State Senator for the 26th  
District -- 26th Legislative District, as a result of the  
resignation of Senator Dan Duffy, effective January 20 -- excuse  
me, April 20 {sic} (3), 2016. Also enclosed is a copy of the  
Legislative Committee's Certificate of Appointment of Daniel  
McConchie, who was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Office of  
State Senator in the 26th Legislative District.

Very {sic} truly yours, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Committee on Agriculture reports -- Senator Cunningham, the  
Chairperson of the Committee on Agriculture, reports Senate



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Senator Holmes, Chairperson of the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2531 and Senate Amendment 2 Senate Bill 2600 Recommended Do Adopt.

Senator Trotter, Chairperson of the Committee on Appropriations II, reports Senate Bill 3412 Do Pass.

Senator Collins, Chairperson of the Committee on Financial Institutions, reports Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2677 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Forby, Chairperson of the Committee on Labor, reports Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2613 and Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 3104 Recommended Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4445, offered by Senator Harris.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5771, offered by Senator Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Purpose of announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please make your announcement, Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

The Senate Republicans would like to caucus immediately for

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about twenty minutes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Senator Althoff moves that the Senate recess for the purpose of Senate -- for a Senate Republican Caucus lasting approximately twenty minutes. There being no objection, the motion is granted. Ladies and Gentlemen, just as a road map, just for your information, after the Republican Caucus, we will come back to the Floor. Of course, this is the week for deadline for 3rd bills {sic}. We're going to be going to that order as soon -- when we come back from caucus, and Constitutional Amendments as well. Senate stands in recess.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

...come to order. Ladies and Gentlemen -- all Members within the sound of my voice, please come to the Senate Floor immediately. All Members within the sound of my voice to the Senate Floor. We're going to be going to the Order of Constitutional Amendments very shortly. Leader Radogno, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Mr. President. As the first order of business today, I would like to introduce the newest Senator in our Chamber, Senator Don McConchie -- Dan McConchie, sorry. He won the primary in retired Senator Dan Duffy's district and he hits the Floor running. He has some experience in other states with the legislative process. So I hope that you will all take the opportunity to come over and say hello to him and wish him luck on this new endeavor. So, thank you.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator, welcome to the Illinois Senate. Great to have you here today. Thank you for joining us. Ladies and Gentlemen, on page 2 of the printed Calendar -- oh, excuse me, on page 22, on page 22 of the printed Calendar is Constitutional Amendments 3rd Reading. So, on the bottom of page 22, on the Order of Constitutional Amendments 3rd Reading, at the bottom of the page, we have Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 30. Senator Raoul. Do you wish to proceed? Mr. -- Mr. Secretary, read the resolution in full for the third time.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 30, offered by Senator Raoul.

(Secretary reads SJRCA No. 30)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Mr. President. I think the Secretary of the Senate did such a fine job reading it and I -- I know everybody was paying attention - I almost feel like I don't have to explain it, but I'll do it anyway. Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 30 is almost identical to a -- a resolution that we passed five years ago, except that it adds Congressional Districts to the -- the mandate of -- of the resolution. Mr. President, if -- Mr. President -- Mr. President, if you could..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies -- Ladies and Gentlemen, shh. Could we have quiet in

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the Chamber, please? We're talking about an amendment to the Constitution. Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate -- Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 30 proposes to change the way we participate in the redistricting process in the State of Illinois. It seeks to enhance citizen participation by allowing for greater public input by way of both the appointment of commissions and having hearings throughout the State, having multiple hearings in distinct areas of the State. It -- it -- it enshrines the protections of the federal and the Illinois Voting Rights Act into our State Constitution. It -- it creates greater certainty by abolishing the tiebreaker provision of picking a name out of a hat. The resolution allows for a -- sort of a hybrid between proposals that have suggested that an independent commission should be doing the redistricting and our history of it just being strictly run by the Legislature. The Legislature would still have an opportunity to create a map by -- by law with input from an independent commission, a commission that would be made up of mostly members not of the General Assembly. The proposal seeks to allow for denesting of Representative Districts from Legislative Districts so as to allow for greater flexibility to keep communities of interest together and abide by the Voting Rights Act. The proposal would suggest that the Legislature can pass a map by law. If they are unable to do so by June 20th, then it would shift to a process by which each Chamber of the Legislature would have an opportunity to pass a resolution creating a map for that Chamber with a supermajority of three-fifths -- of three-fifths of the Members. If the Legislature were unsuccessful at

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creating a map by way of resolution by July 20th, then the commission would have an opportunity to -- to create a map and come to an agreement on a map, with a majority of the commission agreeing to the map. If, by August 20th, that commission were unable to come up with a map, then the senior most member of the Supreme Court of each party shall jointly appoint a Special Master who would redistrict and conduct statewide hearings. If, for some reason, the Special Master were unable to come up with a map, it would revert back to the Legislature. I want to just highlight the redistricting criteria that is put into the resolution in -- by way -- in priority. First, the proposal would require that the plan be substantially equal -- that districts would be substantially equal in population; that -- secondly, that racial and language minorities with an equal opportunity to participate in the political process and elect candidates of their own choice; thirdly, that racial and language minorities who constitute less than a voting-age minority {sic} of a district have an opportunity to influence the outcome of an election; that the districts be compact; that to the extent -- possible, that communities of interest be respected; and that, to the extent practical, municipal boundaries be respected; and that the districts be contiguous. Ladies and Gentlemen, there -- there have been -- there's been a lot of discussion with regards to the redistricting process here in the State of Illinois. What this proposal seeks to do is come to a -- a -- sort of a middle ground and create a hybrid between how we've done things historically and the notion that independent commissions should be doing the redistricting. I -- I'll entertain -- Mr. President, I'll entertain any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR M. MURPHY:

To the amendment, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the amendment, Senator Murphy.

SENATOR M. MURPHY:

As my colleagues know, I have the upmost respect for the sponsor of this amendment. However, this amendment really is an attempt at the appearance of reasonableness while continuing to effectively perpetuate the status quo. If all of that stuff works -- it doesn't work out, at the end of the process, the same people who decide the map now, decide the map then. There is another process going on right now from outside of this building and it's really a thing of beauty; it's part of the genius that is in the Constitution, is that the people get to decide things like this and go around the Legislature, and they're doing it right now getting -- signatures for Independent Maps to put a far more independent process in place, one that is more respectful of the voters than what we have now and I would daresay the proposal we're debating here as well, one that moves Illinois forward and is a far better process either than the status quo or this bill, which effectively in -- in practice perpetuates the status quo. I say we let Independent Maps and the people's initiative be the one that gets considered. Common Cause, one of the groups that's behind Independent Maps, has said this bill {sic} isn't up to snuff and isn't good enough. I think we need to let the Independent Maps {sic} (Map) Amendment go forward and not dilute, not confuse, but let's focus and put the best product possible to reform this

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broken system before the voters this fall. That product is the Independent Maps product, not this one. I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Raoul, do you wish to close? Had a late light come on, Senator Raoul. Did you want to respond or should we take another question? Senator Oberweis, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

To the sponsor. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question, Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Senator Raoul, you and I, yesterday, had a very brief conversation regarding this bill and, at that time, I suggested the idea of perhaps drawing Congressional Districts and then dividing those Congressional Districts into three Senatorial Districts. The rationale behind that was that it would be a positive step; that it would reduce the ability of politicians, or even an independent commission, to draw maps in strange ways that they felt were conducive to their -- their end purposes. I suggested that that nesting idea within the Congressional District would reduce the flexibility that they would have and I believe that you felt that was not a good idea. Would you mind discussing that for just a moment?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Yes -- yes, there's -- I -- and -- and, Senator Oberweis, I appreciate the conversation we had and I appreciate you giving

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thought to this redistricting process. There are two problems with the notion of having Senator -- Legislative Districts be three within Congressional Districts. We currently have eighteen Congressional Districts in the State of Illinois. That's an even number, and any time you multiply an even number by -- whether it's a odd or even number, you end up with an even number, and so there -- there -- there would be an even number of -- of Representatives in the General Assembly, allowing for a lot of deadlock on -- on votes. I -- I know of no General Assembly -- I may be wrong, but I know of no General Assembly chamber that has an even number of -- of Representatives or State Senators within it. With regards to denesting, it is my belief, and that's why we have denesting within this proposal, that allowing for denesting creates a flexibility to respect communities of interest. We've had a history in this State of fracturing communities of interest, such that they cannot hold the elective -- elected Representatives accountable to their community. We pointed out -- pointed this out with regards to the Chinatown community last time around. Since then, since we passed the Illinois Voting Rights Act, just this past primary, the Chinatown community was able to nominate a Representative to the House of Representatives of their community, who will likely be elected and they will, for the first time, have a Representative of their community of interest down here in the General Assembly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Before we go back to Senator Oberweis, Ladies and Gentlemen, shh. Please, please hold the visiting down. Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

To the amendment, and -- and thank you, Senator, for your...



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the amendment.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

...for your discussion on the issue. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Illinois Senate, I truly believe that to the degree we can take the flexibility out of the process and make it a more institutional-based, a more math-based allocation system, the better off we will be as a State. Unfortunately, this current constitutional amendment proposal does the exact opposite; it tries to give more flexibility, which, in my opinion, is a step backwards from where we're at today. I believe that most of us here in the Illinois Senate believe that it's an advantage to our constituents for them to be able to know their State Rep and their State Senator on a more easily {sic} basis. Once you know who your State Rep is, you know who your State Senator is automatically. Denesting would -- would certainly take that simplicity away. But the bigger issue is -- in my mind, is clearly to reduce flexibility for those drawing maps rather than to increase it, because when you increase that flexibility, politics inevitably creeps in. I urge a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, Senator Raoul, to close.

SENATOR RAOUL:

You know, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I -- I'd like to remind folks that we here in the State of...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Raoul, excuse me just one second. Ladies and Gentlemen, shh. Please, please keep the visiting down. Senator

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Raoul, please continue.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. Just yesterday, there was a bill where I spoke to the bill, where I talked about the value of diversity. Here in the State of Illinois, we are fortunate to have a State with a diverse population. Those who advocate for redistricting in squares, such as the State of Iowa may do -- and -- and -- and -- and I will remind folks that when I presented this resolution the -- five years ago, I informed the -- the -- the Members of the Senate that we consulted with Iowa about their redistricting process, and we asked them, "How do you vote? How do you deal with the Voting Rights Act?" And they said, "Well, we don't really have to because we don't have the diversity that you have in the State of Illinois." The problem with the independent proposal that's being floated around is that it does not observe what we've embraced as a Legislature that we have to respect the diversity that we have and we have to allow those communities of interest, like the Chinatown community, a right to hold their elected Representatives accountable to their community and a right to have a decent chance to elect somebody from their community. And I think that's -- of all of the proposals for redistricting reform, this one embraces that most of all. And I urge an Aye vote to respect the diversity that we have in the State of Illinois.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall -- shall Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 30 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

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all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 39 voting Aye, 19 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 30, having received the required three fifths constitutional majority, is adopted and -- and is declared ratified. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're still on the -- page 22 of the regular Calendar on the -- Order of House Bills -- excuse me, Constitutional Amendments 3rd Reading. We have Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 29. President Cullerton. Mr. -- Senator Cullerton, excuse me. Senator Tom Cullerton, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the amendment.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, excuse me. Mr. Secretary, excuse me. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution in full for a third time.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 29, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton.

(Secretary reads SJRCA No. 29)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Tom Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 29 is a movement to put on the ballot to allow the voters to vote on whether or not to abolish the Office of Lieutenant Governor. Presently, the Lieutenant

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Governor's Office accounts for 1.6 million dollars out of our budget. Obviously, in DuPage County, Meals on Wheels is not funded right now. We are going down two to five -- from two days -- from five days a week to two days a week. That revenue could be put towards other services. This has been a initiative handled multiple times throughout the Illinois Senate. I have used exact language that Republican legislators have put forward for this constitutional amendment. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield. Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. First, Senator Cullerton, I want to thank you. We have had two or three conversations about this. You were kind enough to approach me and solicit my support on this. And I have been thinking it over, talking to my colleagues, both on your side and here on the Republican side. I guess, for me, the first question that I would have is, what is your goal here? Is it to save the 1.6 million dollars to help fund the Meals on Wheels wherever it might be? So, is it about a fiscal issue or is it about the transition that -- the new transition that would occur if you eliminate the Lieutenant Governor's Office?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

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So, I would say it's a -- it's a dual aspect. One aspect is a -- is a fiscal option. The other aspect is more based on efficiencies, more based on consolidation. We say this all the time and we give a top-down approach, top-down theory, and tell municipalities, tell townships. There's twenty two bills right now that are going to tell smaller groups of government how to be more efficient, yet we have not shown any of that level here with -- with us. And truthfully, as I go around my district and as I have heard talking points, both Republican and Democrat groups that I talk to, everybody consistently tells {sic} me, "Why do we still have a Lieutenant Governor?" So, when Darin -- when -- now Congressman LaHood came forward a year and a half ago and asked me to cosponsor removing the Lieutenant Governor, I incredibly joined on rather quickly, and I would say that is why I used Congressman LaHood's exact language to run it this year.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Okay, so if I understood your -- I'm going to boil down your -- your response there - is that your purpose is twofold. One, is to save the 1.6 million dollars, and the second is to change the -- the order of succession in the Constitution. Did I understand -- is that what you said to me in your answer? Because, I -- I'm sorry, I was just trying to think through everything that you said.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

So, my second point was to streamline government. I did not

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say anything that you just said. I said to make government more efficient and to streamline efficiencies.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Aside from saving the -- the 1.6 million, I mean, what -- what are you streamlining? I mean, what -- what is it that the Lieutenant Governor's Office does right now that you think is an added layer of bureaucracy that getting rid of it would make us more efficient at? What does -- give me an example of what the Lieutenant Governor's Office does that you think is just more bureaucracy.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Well, I -- I think you hit the nail on the head. If you heard as the phrases were coming out, it outlined the Lieutenant Governor's duties and nothing was reported. So when you talk about an extra layer of bureaucracy, a layer of bureaucracy that has no duties is inefficient and is unnecessary.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Could you not accomplish the same purpose by simply -- I mean you're in the Majority over there, Senator Cullerton - you're a pretty powerful Member of the Majority. Couldn't you achieve the same goal by simply zeroing out the funding for the Lieutenant Governor's Office?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Senator Righter, I -- I truly appreciate the -- the thought that I'm a powerful Senator. I -- I don't believe a word of that. I -- I think your tenure here is far longer than mine and your realm of -- and depth of how you speak to people and are able to talk to people and convince people is probably more powerful than mine. The Lieutenant Governor would still have a salary though of a hundred and twenty-some-odd thousand and the thought of zeroing out the budget has never been approached, never been brought up by anyone before, whether on your side or our side.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the resolution, Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. Thank you, Mr. President. And, Senator Cullerton, thank you for those thoughtful responses. Ladies and Gentlemen, I appreciate what Senator Cullerton is pushing for here, but there is a much broader issue at stake here than the dollar figure that Senator Cullerton quoted, and that is, in any one Governor's election, the voters make a choice. They make a choice between Democrat or Republican. They make a choice between a direction in which the State would go. They make a choice about differing ideologies. By -- and since the Lieutenant Governor and the Governor run on a ticket together, once you remove the Lieutenant

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Governor's Office, the succession now can go to someone of a different party and a wildly different governing philosophy. That's a betrayal of what the voters said they wanted when they voted for the Governor. I don't think that's a line that we should cross. I would urge a No vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you, Senator Righter. Further discussion? Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RAOUL:

To -- to the resolution..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the resolution, Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Mr. President, I'm getting a little nervous. I'm -- I'm beginning to agree with Senator Righter all too -- too -- too often here. This is a couple of days in a row. I did tell the sponsor that I do respect -- I do respect what he's trying to do by way of fiscal savings, but I agree with the -- the previous speaker that -- we moved in a direction of allowing gubernatorial candidates to select their running mates, and by doing that, we avoided the problem of, even within party, the choice of voters being -- the direction of -- of the administration, of the Executive Branch in our State, going in a different direction if something were to happen to the Governor. What this resolution would do was go back -- go backward on that philosophy. Currently, we have a Republican Governor and Democrat Attorney General. But I would like to suggest that it's not solely about party; it's also about philosophy. You can have two individuals within the same party, one who would be the Attorney General and one who's the Governor,



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who have a different philosophy and -- and you wouldn't be respecting the -- the -- the wish of the voters. I think Leader Radogno had a great suggestion in committee, which was echoed by the previous speaker, of folding the staff -- getting rid of the staff of the Lieutenant Governor's Office and folding the Office of Lieutenant Governor into the Governor's Office, allowing the Governor to treat the Lieutenant Governor just like a Deputy Governor and giving them true responsibilities of leadership within the Governor's Office. And I think that would achieve the goal that -- the noble goal that Senator Cullerton has of -- of fiscal savings, yet preserve the -- the wish of the voters. And so, with that, I regretfully encourage all my colleagues to vote No on this resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Further discussion? Senator Murphy, Matt Murphy, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR M. MURPHY:

Question of the sponsor, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator Murphy.

SENATOR M. MURPHY:

Senator, I appreciated your -- your interest and willingness to talk about succession amendments, but I guess what -- you know, I -- I was not a sponsor of then-Senator LaHood's measure and the reason I wasn't is because I didn't like the succession in that -- in it then, and I don't like it now. I appreciate the willingness to do -- to talk about reforming or changing the succession in this -- succession in this, excuse me, but I mean it's -- it's got to be -- it's got to be through both Chambers by May 9th and this

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-- the -- the concern about that has been around since long before you filed this. Why weren't there any conversations about fixing succession before the eleventh hour?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Well, I would say, Senator Murphy, when I was the sponsor a year and a half ago, I never heard that brought up.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR M. MURPHY:

So, is it your understanding that, as you stand here right now, this is the first you've heard of or contemplated that somebody might have an issue with the succession plan for Governor in your amendment?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

No. When you brought it to committee is when we started that conversation, but nobody seemed to bring it up prior and I have been -- again - I revert back - I have used exact same language that your former colleague used. I have not changed a word. Your colleague came to me with this language a year and a half ago. This idea has been bantered around this Chamber and this Capitol for years, and everybody campaigns on saying this needs to happen, yet now I'm hearing more and more reasons for another thing that should change, not to change.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

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SENATOR M. MURPHY:

To the amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the amendment, Senator Murphy.

SENATOR M. MURPHY:

You know, I -- I ran for this job once, and while I was running for this job, I said we should get rid of it. I had some people tell me that's why I lost. I don't really think that's why I lost. There's any number of reasons why I lost that election probably. But I said then we should get rid of the office; I'm saying now we should get rid of the office. But how you do things of this magnitude matters. This has been an issue -- the -- the succession of Governor has been an issue to a lot of people in both parties down here for years. You could very easily get rid of the Lieutenant Governor's Office without concern if you could address succession. When the people elect somebody of one party, they expect that those general principles and governing philosophy is what's going to govern the State for the four years. It's not that difficult to say that the successor, if that Governor leaves during that term, is going to be somebody of -- the next highest-ranking official of that party. That's not that hard to do. And in the year and a half since Darin LaHood first put this out - and everybody in the building who's spent two seconds looking at this knew the biggest problem with it was succession - it could have been fixed by then. What this tells me is, it isn't so much about getting rid of the Lieutenant Governor's Office as it is about being able to say I tried to get rid of the Lieutenant Governor's Office, but we didn't actually do it because I left what I knew was a poison pill, fatal flaw in there, and so now I have the --

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I have the headlines, I got to try and do it and other people said, oh, no, they found an excuse. It's not an excuse. It's a perfectly legitimate concern shared by Members of both sides of the aisle. We could get rid of this office. I haven't heard one person have a spirited defense of keeping the Lieutenant Governor's Office out here yet. But I have heard pretty cogent thoughts about why there's a problem with succession. Those have been known to people for a year and a half. If we really want to get rid of it, change succession. You take succession out, I'll vote for this thing in two seconds. You fix that problem, I'll vote for it in two seconds and they will in the House too, assuming the Speaker lets them. But we got to do it and we got to do it now - we're going home today. You can't -- you can't say, "Well, we'll talk about an amendment. Send it over, we'll talk about an amendment." That doesn't cut it. The idea of getting rid of the Lieutenant Governor is a good one; in this form, this is pure politics. We should do the right thing and get rid of the Lieutenant Governor, but, when we do, let's do it the right way, not this way. I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Senator Cullerton, let -- let me start off and, first of all, say thank you very, very much for working on this. I think it's a good goal. I think it's the right idea. When -- when you and

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Senator LaHood sponsored this a couple of years ago, I thought it was a good idea. I still think the idea is good, but, as Senator Murphy has just pointed out, there are some real problems with succession. Do you know, are there any other states where the succession would go from the Governor to the Attorney General?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Yes, there are. There are actually different states that have different succession, Senator Oberweis. Arizona actually goes to the Secretary of State. I want to say - hold on - New Jersey goes to the President of the Senate. West Virginia does President of the Senate. So there's variations on order of succession.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

But my question was, is there any other state that it goes to the Attorney General.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Yes, I'd have to get you which one though, Senator, but I have seen it. And I will say, on all of those other states, party is not part of the succession.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Well -- well, Senator, let me read to you from a letter that

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I received, and I assume others received, from the National Lieutenant Governors Association. The relevant sentence is "No state uses the Attorney General as successor." Perhaps you have some information that the National Lieutenant Governors Association doesn't have, but -- that's why I was asking which state that might be. I -- my suspicion is, they probably would know if that were the case. So, maybe you could check and let us know what -- what state does have that when you have an opportunity. To the amendment. Once again, in...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To -- to the resolution, yes, Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Once again, in -- in conclusion, I -- I believe that Senator Cullerton has a -- has a great idea, a -- a noble idea we need to approach, but perhaps it's not quite ready yet. I would hope that he might be willing to withdraw it and fix it so that we could all support it, and I would love to be one of the sponsors along with you if we could solve that succession problem. But as is, I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Further discussion? Senator Link, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LINK:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the resolution, Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Or to the resolution, I apologize. The same year the distinguished Senator from Palatine ran for Lieutenant Governor,

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I did too and the wisdom of the people in the State of Illinois was good - that's why we're both in the Senate. But I want to clarify something that hasn't been discussed, and I know the Senator from Palatine probably was in third grade when this happened, but a Governor -- a Lieutenant Governor under Jim Thompson quit, walked away. Another Lieutenant Governor decided he was going to leave two different times and eventually did leave. After the impeached Governor left, we had a two-year lapse there with no Lieutenant Governor. Not once did I hear anyone on that side of the aisle ask the question, who's going to succeed the Governor if something happens? It never was mentioned. So we have thirty-some years of precedents on this type of legislation and yet, now, on the twelfth hour, we're asking the question about succession. Why wasn't it asked under Jim Thompson? Why wasn't it under Jim Edgar? Why wasn't it under Governor Quinn? All these Governors had that situation with no Lieutenant Governor, no one questioned about succession. I think this is hypocritical on your part. I think we should pass this amendment. If we're all in favor of getting rid of the Lieutenant Governor, it should be 59 to nothing. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, Senator Cullerton, to close.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. And I -- I truly thank everybody who asked questions, everybody who has voiced support, all of my colleagues who have taken the time to talk to me about this and whether you've questioned me at -- at Senate committee or not. The fact is, is people, everybody in this Chamber has said it,

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whether you said it today, whether you said it yesterday, whether you said it a month ago, whether you said it when you campaigned twenty years ago - "Lieutenant Governor needs to go". You have all said it. You have all riled your constituents up about it. Today is the day that it can get done. When this gets done, it will get sent over to the House, the House will pass it, and it will be up to the voters to decide. The voters will decide whether or not we keep the Lieutenant Governor. At this point, we are removing their right to do that. Your constituents have told you they want this to occur. They have not said don't do it; they have said do this, make this happen, make this occur. It's time to stop using it as a campaign trick. It's time to stop using it as a campaign ploy and it's time to actually get the job done. So I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall -- shall Senate Joint Resolution 29 Constitutional Amendment 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 21 voting Aye, 28 voting Nay, 4 voting Present. Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 29, having failed to receive the required three-fifths constitutional majority, is declared failed. Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, if you'll turn to page 10 of the regular Calendar on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. We're going to start with Senate Bill 2403. Senator Rose, on 2403. Ladies and Gentlemen, again, this is final action, Senate Bills 3rd Reading, page 10 of the regular Calendar. Next up, we have Senate Bill 2404. Senator Rose. Mr. Secretary, let's



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go to 2417. Leader Althoff, on 2417. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2417.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Sorry. Thank you very much, Mr. President. I apologize. Senate Bill 2417 is an -- becomes the bill. It amends the Electronic Products Recycling and Reuse Act. Collectors may -- you know what, I apologize, take this out of the record. We didn't do it in committee. I apologize.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you, Senator Althoff. Mr. Secretary, take 2417 out of the record. Ladies and Gentlemen, with leave of the Body, let's go back to Senate Bill 2403. Mr. Secretary, 2403. Senator Rose, you wish to proceed? Please read the bill.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. And I...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Just one second. We're going to read the bill first. Just one second, Senator Rose. Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 2403.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Rose.

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SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President, particularly for your indulgence just now. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is a very -- very important bill that may end up saving someone's life and you won't -- you won't know it, but this bill will save someone's life. Sepsis is the seventh-leading killer of people in the United States of America. Septic shock is largely undetected and this bill, Ladies and Gentlemen, will save people's lives. What you're going to do here today will save somebody's life. This bill provides for a protocol for early detection and treatment of sepsis. It -- the early detection component is -- this is when you get a blood infection, you get a bedsore, whatever it is, you end up in the hospital, we're going to create a new statewide protocol for our hospitals, whether it's in Cairo or Chicago, to make sure when you come in in that early stage of septic shock that it's caught and treated, extremely important. I'd ask for favorable consideration. I'd certainly be -- be happy to answer any questions. But, Ladies and Gentlemen, think about this: Every year sepsis kills more than two hundred and fifty-eight (thousand) Americans. It kills more people annually than AIDS, prostate cancer, and breast cancer combined, and yet, probably before today, no one's ever heard of sepsis. You're going to save somebody's life today. I'd ask for favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Senator Delgado, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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To the bill, Senator Delgado.

SENATOR DELGADO:

I rise in strong support of Senator Rose's legislation on sepsis. Folks, if you're not familiar with sepsis, I know over two hundred and fifty-eight {sic} (258,000) people who died. One was very, very dear to my soul, from Bureau County, that came here to us when I chaired Public Health and she lost a beautiful daughter who had sepsis. And thank you to many of you, you assisted us with a coroner bill, and that's when I got really educated to the need of understanding that if we don't put concentration on - on chronic management disease control to make sure that sepsis is recognized and know that this is an urgent matter, because without the proper diagnosis and screenings and all of the social things that have to be done -- and I pray that the family endure -- and Bureau County is even hearing this debate, because it will bring a smile to a wonderful mother that only now has a reflection of her beautiful daughter, but knows that if we can do anything. So I commend the sponsor, and shame on me for not being the chief sponsor of this bill, but I join you in all I can to make sure that both sides of this aisle give you a green light. And thank you, Senator Rose, because I know how important these issues are to you too, sir. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR HUNTER:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Hunter.

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SENATOR HUNTER:

I commend Senator Rose for bringing this bill to our attention. Protocols are definitely needed. Sepsis is what actually killed my dad in 2010 and -- I mean, it was out of control. He had had -- caught a blood infection, and before they knew exactly what was going on, it was too late. They tried every medicine they could to stop the spread of the infection, but it was actually too late. If one person dies, it's -- there's always too many people dying. So let's -- let's put some green lights up there. And I just filled out a sheet for chief co-sponsor and I'd like to join you in supporting this effort. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Senator Rose, to close.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'm -- I'm humbled by the testimonials that were just given. Senator Delgado and I have been friends for a long time. Senator Hunter, thank you so much. I'd like to ask for favorable consideration, and then after that, I have something else I might wish to say.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2403 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. Senate Bill 2403, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Rose, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ROSE:

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Thank you, Mr. President. If I may have the Body's attention. That bill we just passed...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, excuse me just a second, Senator Rose. Ladies and Gentlemen, shh. Just a moment here, please. Senator Rose, continue.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. I'm humbled by the -- the testimonials as I said, but that bill that -- that just passed shall be known as Gabby's Law. Gabby was a -- a young vibrant gal from Monticello who unfortunately passed away just a couple years ago from sepsis. It was undetected and unfortunately untreated until far, far too late. Her parents, Tony and Liz Galbo - if you'd please stand, Tony and Liz - are in the gallery, my constituents. On behalf of Tony, Liz, Gabby's siblings - Sophie, Nina, Filippo and Jada, we certainly appreciate everyone in this room, and more importantly, we hope that as everybody leaves today and -- and goes home that as you talk to healthcare providers, as you talk to your hospitals, as you talk about Medicaid funding and all the other things that we talk about related to healthcare with folks back home, that maybe you just ask 'em, "Hey, what are you doing to -- to treat, catch, detect and early intervene in sepsis?" And so, in honor of Gabby, thank you and thank you on behalf of the Galbo family.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you to the Galbo family. Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, still on page 10. Mr. Secretary, let's go to Senate Bill 2432. Leader Althoff. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Bill 2432.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2432 is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Finance and Professional Regulations {sic} (Financial and Professional Regulation). It's just an overall cleanup for the banking industry. Be 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 Senate Bill 2432 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2432, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, Senate Bill 2433. Senator Althoff. Senator Althoff seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2433 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2433. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Althoff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff, to present Floor Amendment 4.

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SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. If it's all right, I'll roll it into when I explain the bill fully.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 2433. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2433.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2433 is also an initiative of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. The Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act is statutorily set to be repealed on January 1st, 2017. 2433 extends the repeal of the licensing Act from January 1st, 2017, to January 1st, 2027. It extends the sunset of the Illinois Clinical Psychologist (Licensing) Act. Enables the Act to be updated to effect technical cleanup and promote uniformity in licensing requirements. And with permission of the President, I'd like to

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read a paragraph that shows legislative intent.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please proceed.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, sir. In Section 3 of the Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act, there is some technical cleanup language in paragraph (b) that clarifies that any person who renders clinical psychological services on behalf of a business organization must hold a currently valid license under the Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act. I want to be clear that this language does not in any way contravene paragraph (d) of that same Section, which remains unaltered and which provides that business organizations that provide clinical psychological services through licensed clinical psychologists may also employ other persons not licensed as clinical psychologists under the provisions of this Act to perform services in various capacities as needed, provided that such persons are not in any manner held out to the public as rendering clinical psychological services as defined in the Act. So, in other words, such a business entity can have employees who are not licensed clinical psychologists so long as they are not rendering clinical psychological services. And the licensed clinical psychologist in the practice may continue to render clinical psychological services. Thank you. Be 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 Senate Bill 2433 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who



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wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2433, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up is 2437. Senator Sandoval. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2437.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Sandoval.

SENATOR SANDOVAL:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2437 came out of committee in a bipartisan fashion. It amends the Pension bill {sic} (Code). It cleans up some of the reporting language for charter schools. I'd ask a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2437 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. Senate Bill 2437, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Emil Jones, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR JONES:

Thank you, Mr. President. I want to be recorded as a Yes on Senate Bill 2433.

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The record will so indicate that was your intent. Senate Bill 2439. Senator Sandoval. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2439.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Sandoval.

SENATOR SANDOVAL:

Mr. President, Members of the Senate, Senate Bill 2439 is a similar bill that passed out of the Senate and passed out of the House. It's a good bill. It helps firemen. I'd ask a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2439 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 47 voting Aye, 7 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2439, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2469. Leader Lightford. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2469.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Lightford.

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SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Committee {sic}. Senate Bill 2469 establishes the State Global Scholars {sic} (Scholar) Certification Program to recognize high school graduates who have attained global competence. The achievement criteria to become a global scholar shall be determined by the State Board of Ed. School districts' participation in the certification program is optional. We had a wonderful discussion by the "Teacher of the Year" in committee. We just want to make sure that we recognize our global students with a special honor as certification when they receive their diplomas and transcripts. I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2469 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2469, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, next up is Senate Bill 2504. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2504.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans.

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SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill amends the Specialized Mental Health Rehab, or SMHRE, Act. We had given these facilities three years to get their new license accredited. We're just giving them an extension until when DPH issued the final rules. It took them a while to issue the rules, so we're just extending that three-year time period to start from when DPH issued their rules. I would urge an Aye vote and thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

And thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2504 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. Senate Bill 2504, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up is Senate Bill 2505. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2505.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, thank you, Members of the Senate. This bill is similar to one we passed unanimously out of the Chamber last year. It just didn't end up getting sent to the Governor. This is having

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auto-assignments into the managed care companies for the Medicaid enrollees to be based on quality -- indicators. I also want to just note, in working with folks who have been concerned about making sure that we don't undermine existing doctor relationships - just for the record, I want to say quality is an important consideration when auto-assigning Medicaid patients to MCOs, but not at the expense of severing existing provider-patient relationships. HFS's intent is to assign Medicaid patients to the MCO with the highest quality and operational metrics in which the beneficiary's current provider is enrolled. This will prevent patients from losing their providers and medical homes, but will ensure that they are enrolled in the highest quality MCO possible. I'd urge an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2505 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2505, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up is 2506. Senator Righter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2506.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

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SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2506 is a bill that would no longer require employers in our districts to defend in multiple venues claims of human rights violations. This bill is the product of hours of negotiations and including the employer community, the Illinois Attorney General's Office, the Illinois State Bar Association, the Illinois Department of Human Rights, the Illinois Human Rights Commission, and many, many others. We have arrived at a compromise that balances the rights of individuals, who are seeking claims, and employers so as to not have to defend a claim in one venue that has already been dismissed in another venue. I'll be happy to answer any questions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2506 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2506, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. At the bottom of page 10, 2519. Senator Link. Mr. Secretary, let's turn the page. Go to the top of page 11. We have Senate Bill 2527. Senator Rezin. Mr. Secretary, next up is 2531. Leader Lightford. Next up is Senate Bill 2539. Senator McGuire. Next up is Senate Bill 2562. Senator Koehler. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2562.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Some years ago, municipalities were granted the authority to enter into agreements with the Illinois Department of Revenue for the purposes of obtaining specific information and data on sales tax. The bill last night that went to -- to Revenue took out the controversial parts of that. It just simply added counties to this. So it's, I think, a pretty simple bill and happy to answer any questions and appreciate support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2562 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. Senate Bill 2562, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, 2563. Senator Tom Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, let's go to 2567. Senator Sandoval. Next up is 2584. Senator Hutchinson. Senator Hutchinson, did you... Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2584.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you. Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Assembly. Senate Bill 2584 amends the Chicago Teacher Article of the Pension Code and provides that a member's retirement pension cannot begin more than one year prior to the date the member applies for the benefit. Senate Bill 2584 only applies to members who first become a member after the effective date. This was on an Agreed Bill List when we passed it. I have not heard very much since then, so I'd appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2584 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2584, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, 2585. Senator Laura Murphy. Mr. Secretary.. We have -- next up is Senate Bill -- with leave of the Body, let's go to Senate Bill 2596. Senator Link. Mr. Secretary, let's go to 2600. Senator Delgado. Senator -- Senator Delgado seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2600 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2600. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:



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Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Delgado.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Delgado, to explain Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to explain it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 2600. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2600.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Delgado.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. With an agreement -- and I want to thank Chairperson Holmes. I want to thank Senator Weaver, on the other side, and as -- we are trying to work out with Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 - we were in committee this morning - is a page-and-line amendment that corrects - and this is with the Chamber of Commerces {sic}, IRMA, and the AFL-

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CIO, who actually brought this bill to me - that corrects a problem with the bill as originally drafted. Senate Bill 2600 previously did not prohibit membership fees, while its companion bill, Senate Bill...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator, hold on just one second.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Give me one second.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Yes. Hold on just one second, please. Check on some paperwork here. Senator Delgado.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you. Somebody got their peanut butter mixed up in my jelly. So at the end of the day, we are -- we're going to bring this back a little later, because -- yes, we are. But we are going to be -- we have good intentions with this legislation and now we're connected back with staff and -- never mind. We'd like to have it pulled right now from the record.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Just for the record, you'd like to take it out of the record. Is that correct, Senator?

SENATOR DELGADO:

That is correct, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, take 2600 out of the record, please. Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, next up is 2604. Leader Trotter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2604.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

...President and Members of the Senate, thank you very much. Senate Bill 2604 is a bill that we heard last year. It is an initiative of the Cook County Clerk's Office. It would require persons conducting businesses under an assumed name to renew their assumed business name certificates every five year {sic} and pay a renewal fee of twenty dollars. We did pass this bill out of this Chamber and out of the House; it went to the Governor's desk. The -- the Governor did veto the bill with the reasoning of that he thought it was a duplicitous bill, that it in fact was something that was redundant with work that was done with the Secretary of State's Office and -- with the admissions of names and businesses with the Secretary base -- Secretary of State's business office. That is not true. At least the response is, Cook County had compared their names with the Secretary of State's Office with assumed business list and found that there were only four hundred and forty-seven overlapping records out of five hundred thousand. And of that, four hundred and thirty professional corporations are required to file with both the State and county, making less than one-half percent in duplicates. This fee that we're asking them to do for twenty dollars is -- is five dollars more than it was, which will allow the Cook County to go to a paperless system. Their system has not been changed since 1941 and this would allow them to do so. It is only pertaining to the County of Cook.

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

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Bivins.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Just to alert the -- the Body and -- and this side of the aisle that this is a fee increase and there were some No votes in committee. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, Senator Trotter, do you wish to close? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2604 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 34 voting Aye, 20 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2604, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, 2610. Senator Mulroe. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2610.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. This bill provides for a continuum of care license for agencies working

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with people with development -- developmental disabilities, like Misericordia, that provide cradle to grave services organized around a campus setting. Currently, Misericordia operates under a minimum of five licenses, which are separately issued and administered by DHS, DHFS, and DPH. This creates an administrative headache for Misericordia when a resident wants or needs to transfer from one residence setting to another - for example, if a resident gains skills and abilities and wants to move from a larger setting to a group home, otherwise known as CILA, or when a resident ages and needs to be moved back into a skilled nursing facility for medical care. The bill would not change reimbursement rates, affect federal match payments, affect any other type of care facilities. I -- it would allow Misericordia, which serves six hundred developmentally disabled children and adults and has another three hundred to four hundred waiting at any given time, to modernize its licensure and recognizes the excellent care that -- that they offer. Sister Rosemary Connelly appeared in committee and told us how important this bill and license change would be to Misericordia and to her. I'd ask that you all give me your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2610 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2610, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up is 2619. Senator McConnaughay. Next up, we have Senate

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Bill 2626. Senator McConnaughay. Next up is 2635. Senator Righter. Mr. Secretary, let's go to 2649. Senator McCann. At the bottom of page 11, Ladies and Gentlemen, 2674. Senator Rezin. Let's turn the page to the top of page 12, and we have Senate Bill 2677. Senator Althoff. Senator Althoff seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2677 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2677. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Althoff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff, Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Floor Amendment 1 becomes the 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. Are there any further amendments approved for consideration, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 2677. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2677.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2677 is another initiative of the Illinois Department of Finance and Professional Regulations {sic} (Financial and Professional Regulation). It requires that all lis pendens filings - and I learned that lis pendens means pending litigation - within the predatory lending database program be filed in the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulations {sic} via an electronic system. It's a very simple matter. Be happy to answer any questions; otherwise, I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2677 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2677, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, with leave of the Body, we're going to jump down to Senate Bill 2701. Leader Althoff. Do you wish to proceed? Senator Althoff seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2701 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2701. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Althoff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff, to present Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Again, Floor Amendment 1 becomes the bill. 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. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 2701. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2701.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2701 is a bill that arose out of a situation that was brought to light in McHenry County. Every elected county board that participates in IMRF must pass a resolution indicating that those positions require either six hundred or one thousand hours of work time. Over the years, what has happened - and IMRF is in the midst of conducting



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significant audits to correct this problem - but what has happened, over time, is that need was lost from the Human Resources Divisions, so what this bill does is provides in statute that all government officials participating in IMRF must keep records of the hours they spend working at their position, as well as pass a resolution following each general election, stating that the normal hours of the elected officeholder would spend working annually is either the six hundred or the one thousand hours. Again, be happy to answer any questions. This is really good public policy and I'd 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 Senate Bill 2701 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. Senate Bill 2701, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2717. Leader Radogno. Senate Bill 2746. Senator Bush. Senator Bush seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2746 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2746. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Bush.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Bush, on Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR BUSH:

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Thank you, Mr. President. I would recommend we adopt the Floor amendment and the amendment becomes the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 2746. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2746.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. So there's sometimes you just want to be impromptu when talking about a bill and other times maybe when you'd like to read a statement. So if you'll just bear with me, I'm really excited to be passing this today. Look forward to your votes. So this bill specifically repeals the taxes on three items: tampons, menstrual pads, and menstrual cups. Currently, these items are taxed in the same category as a hygienic product like shampoo. And while they certainly are important to a woman's hygiene, I don't think any -- any lady in this Chamber would think of them as luxury items, like scented soap or

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volumizing shampoo. For young women, a period is anything but a luxury. And while a budget-conscious lady can cut back on the number of miles she drives and be selective about the price of the food in her fridge, there really is no escaping this monthly biological function. The Illinois Supreme Court, by the way, already agreed with this argument in 1989, when it ruled products should be regarded as necessities, rather than luxuries. Just twenty years later, with the stroke of a pen, that decision was reversed through a rule change. This is an unfair tax and we're not only debating this issue in this State, California, Michigan, and New York are recent examples where they have either passed or are working on passing this exemption. The so-called "pink tax" is a very real factor in women's finances. Similar items like razorblades or deodorant aimed at women are priced higher. Simply put, women pay about seven percent over our lifetimes for products that are pink or marketed to just women. Over the years, it adds up and we wonder why women are still falling short of economic parity with men. We still make seventy-nine cents on a dollar. I'm happy to see us join the national conversation about the effect of these policies and practices on women and I'm happy to answer any questions. And thank you for wearing the pink period dot today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Senator Oberweis, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates she will yield for a question. Senator Oberweis.

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SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Senator Bush, as -- as you can imagine, it is incredibly difficult to question anything about this bill, but let me express my concern. My concern comes from a -- a retail point of view. Operating some ice cream stores, I know how difficult it is to have this tax on this item, this tax on that item, and this tax on that item. It's very, very difficult. And I'm concerned that a retailer, like a Walgreens or CVS or what have you, who has that as one of a thousand products in their store, the difficulty that might bring to have the cash register identify that as a specific covered item.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you so much for that question. First of all, most retailers use technology and software today and can easily change a tax. So, this is being exempt as other items are. It's a very simple change. We have -- the absolute support of the Illinois Retail Merchants Association, the Governor of this great State, and the Revenue Department. So I'd be happy to answer any other questions about ice cream and taxes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Further discussion? Senator Hutchinson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

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I just wanted to say thank you to Senator Bush for bringing up such a wonderfully timely topic of conversation. And because I know this isn't going to get too much more discussion on this, I just want to make sure that everyone -- right. And everyone's saying we hope this doesn't get that much more discussion. But I just want to make sure that we all take a little moment of levity to understand how fun it's been to be talking about this topic - hands down, one of the best topics in the building this year. Period.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Further discussion? Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RAOUL:

I -- I have -- I -- I -- I don't know how to follow. But -- but in all seriousness, you -- you -- you -- you did amend the bill to remove certain products that I -- I think are along the same lines of the products that remain in the bill. And I'm not talking about ice cream. Can you speak to that? I'm -- I'm going to vote in favor of this tax cut, but can you speak to that issue?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

I so appreciate that question. So this is a move across the country, across the continent. We're really talking about how women pay more for products. It's not just about tampons. So one thing, when I decided to do this bill, that I included originally were incontinence products, because I absolutely believe that people that use incontinence products do it because - mainly men - it's a medical necessity. They've had prostate cancer, frankly,

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and have no choice but to use these products. And imagine that they're paying 10.25 percent on those products in Chicago and paying 6.25 percent across the State. It's discriminatory, absolutely. So -- but in order to -- and -- and women also, I want to be clear, women use more incontinence products because when they have children, there is just biological things that happen that make it, frankly, harder to hold your urine as you get older. So, I believe that we should be talking about that issue. I hope to move something forward maybe next year, because I think it's a wrong tax and it should be at 1 -- 1.25 as far as I'm concerned. So I promise you that I'll continue to work on that, but we wanted to get to an agreed bill and we were able to get it excluded this way. And I promise you I'm going to work and continue to work with JCAR, because I don't believe that people that have to use those products should be paying 10.25 percent on them when they're paying probably fifteen to thirty dollars a week for them. So I really thank you for that question and appreciate your vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, Senator Bush, you wish to close? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2746 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, 1 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 2746, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 2767. Senator Emil Jones. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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Senate Bill 2767.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2767 amends the County {sic} (Counties) Code. It provides that Section concerning enforcement in judgements also applies to any tax or fee, or part of any tax or fee, unpaid on an administration hearing, also debt due -- owing to the county. Currently, only fines or sanctions or costs that are imposed in an administration hearing. I know of no opposition and look for a favorable vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2767 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. Senate Bill 2767, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, 2770. Senator Koehler. Mr. Secretary, let's go to Senate Bill 2777. Senator Raoul. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2777.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2777 provides that only minors found guilty of felony offenses may be committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice. The bill also prohibits persons under the age of eighteen from being committed to the Department for the following Class 4 offenses: criminal trespass, criminal damage to property, defacement of property, disorderly conduct, and obstruction of justice. The bill clarifies that seventeen-year-olds, in addition to minors under seventeen, must be first committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice after sentencing. And finally, the bill provides that the DJJ with the decision-making authority over -- provides DJJ with the decision-making authority over youth release decisions, conditions of release and early releases. Those powers -- are currently with Prison Review -- Prisoner Review Board.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2777 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2777, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 2781. Senator Raoul. Mr. Secretary, let's go to 2785. Senator Link. Next up, we have Senate Bill 2787. Senator Rose.



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Let's go to Senate Bill 2799. Senator McConnaughay. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2799.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McConnaughay.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2799 codifies an existing nurse agency licensing intergovernmental agreement between IDOL and IDES that was signed in 2004. There's a second change that deals with outdated language and brings the Nurse Agency Licensing Act up to date with the current practice of the Department of Public Health. I know of no opposition. Appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2799 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2799, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. 2805 is next on the Calendar. Senator Barickman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2805.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thanks. Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen, Senate Bill 2805 amends the Uniform Real Property Electronic Recording Act to add two members to the Illinois Electronic Recording Commission, as appointed by the Secretary of State. I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2805 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. Senate Bill 2805, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. 2806 is next on the Calendar. Senator McConnaughay. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2806.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McConnaughay.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2806 increases the penalty for vehicle driver offenses by doubling the fine from two fifty to five hundred for a first offense and five hundred to a

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thousand for a second or subsequent offense for drivers of any vehicle through, around, or under a crossing gate or barrier at a railroad crossing while such gate or barrier is closed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2806 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, 1 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2806, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2808. Senator Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2808.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The bill provides that if the cost of repairing the damage to self-insured company vehicle would be greater than seventy percent, rather than fifty, of its fair market value, the vehicle shall be considered salvage. I'll attempt to...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR CONNELLY:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Leader, is there anything in this bill that has to do with drones?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Senator, no more drones, nothing to do with drones.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

That's music to my ears, Leader. I urge a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2808 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, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 2808, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, Senate Bill 2810. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, let's go to Senate Bill 2812. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, let's read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2812.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Yes, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, this is an initiative of the Property Casualty Insurers and it's supported strongly by law enforcement. It creates a Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund and removes it from the Criminal Justice Information Authority to a statewide association. It would -- including law enforcement and insurers, where the money comes from. It also expands the scope slightly to include not only vehicle-related theft, but vehicle-related fraud. There's no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 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 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Present, 0 -- excuse me, 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2812, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. The bottom of the page, Senate Bill 2815. Mr. Secretary, let's go to the top of page 13 to 2816. Next up is 2817. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2817.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Just a question of the -- Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Yes.

SENATOR MULROE:

Is the -- has the Floor amendment been adopted?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

We'll check on that for you. One second. Senator Mulroe, Floor Amendment 1 has been adopted. Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill makes five technical changes to the Cook County Pension Code. I'd be happy to explain those changes if anyone needs any further explanation. I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2817 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 53 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 2817, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, 2819. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2819.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, again, Members of the Senate. This bill allows Cook County to make contributions to the Pension Fund in addition to its pension tax -- levy to cover administrative expenses, disability benefits, group health benefits, and other annuity costs.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2819 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 51 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 2819, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2820. Senator Mulroe. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2820.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, again, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2820 allows the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago to engage in financial transactions that involve

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securities lending.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2820 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 53 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 2820, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. You were going so fast that I did not hit my green button, so might the -- the record reflect, Senate Bill 2819, I would have voted Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

The record will so indicate that would have been your intention. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are up to Senate Bill 2822 on the "Order of Mulroe". Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2822.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members -- Members of the Senate. This is my last one before I sit down. Thank you. Senate Bill 2822 authorizes the Board of Trustees of the Firemen's Annuity and



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Benefit Fund of Chicago to have any records kept by the Board to be photographed, microfilmed, or digitally or electronically reproduced in accordance with the Local Records Act and deemed as original records and documents for all purposes. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 2822 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, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 2822, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2824. Senator McGuire. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2824.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McGuire.

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2824 does three things. It creates an exemption allowing alcohol to be served or sold at public events held in buildings under the control of the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University. It requires the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University to establish a comprehensive policy within six months of the effective date which outlines the type of events that would qualify for the alcohol service or sales exemption. And the bill allows students -- enrolled in SIU's fermentation science programs to

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temporarily possess, as well as sip and spit, alcohol as part of that program.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate 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, 52 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2824, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2827. Senator Tom Cullerton. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2827.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Tom Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Senate Bill 2827 reduces the fee collected by the Secretary of State for establishment of LLC from five hundred to thirty-nine. This passed out of our Chamber last year and was never called by the House. This is an initiative by the Small Business Administrative {sic} (Administration) Council. 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 Senate Bill 2827 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay.

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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, 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2827, having received the required constitutional -- two-thirds -- three-thirds -- having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill -- next up, Senate Bill 2833. Senator Emil Jones. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2833.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2833 amends the County {sic} (Counties) Code. Provides a judgement relating to the county code violation is a debt due to the -- owing to a county and the findings, decision, and order of the hearing officer may be enforced in the same manner as a judgement entered by a court. Know of no opposition. Looking for a favorable vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Any questions? Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2833 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, 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay,

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0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2833, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2835. Senator Manar. Senator Manar seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2835 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2835. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar, to present Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. This amendment represents the language that was included in an amendatory veto by the Governor on a bill previously passed by our Chamber. Be happy to debate the bill on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on the amendment? Seeing none, all those in favor, 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 SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 2835. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2835.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill simply clarifies that a -- a car cannot pass a stopped school bus on school property. There seems to be some confusion how the current Vehicle Code is being interpreted, so this simply clarifies it. As I stated earlier, it incorporates amendatory veto language that the Governor enacted on a previous bill passed by our Chamber. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2835 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2835, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2837. Senator Silverstein. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2837.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a shell bill. There's

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been a couple committee amendments that have been presented before committee; unfortunately, they did not get out of committee. It's just a shell bill. We're hoping to send it to the House to see if they can work out an agreement. It'll come back for concurrence if there's an agreement. I'd ask for consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield. Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator Silverstein, I -- I was a little -- honestly, I was a little bit surprised by what I just heard you say. It was my understanding that the bill was a smoke detector mandate. You've now put an amendment on to shell it to send it over to the House with hopes that we will arrive at a bill that does... And now fill in the rest of that blank for me.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

With the hope that -- that -- that the bill would say that there's going to be a ten-year smoke detector to be put in place in homes with certain batteries. It's still a work in progress. We've had two different committee hearings. There's a lot of questions regarding this bill. It's -- it's -- it's -- it's going to take a lot of work to get it out of the House, but we're just asking to pass the shell.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, I caught about every third or fourth word there. Can you -- can you repeat what you said about what you hoped the -- the bill will turn out to be in the House?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

That there'd be certain new types of smoke detectors installed in homes and -- and businesses that have a -- battery that's longer than ten or twenty years, I believe. I don't have the analysis in front of me. So it's -- it's a work in progress. It's going to take some time, but we're just seeing if we can get it over in the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

This is kind of an annual conversation that we have here in -- in the Chamber, Mr. President and Senator Silverstein, about the wisdom of sending a blank slate over to the House of Representatives so that they can just create whatever they want and then we wind up, you know, just taking whatever they've offered, as opposed to getting an extension on the deadline and you, like Senator Cullerton, who's another powerful member of the Senate Democrat Caucus, certainly can get a deadline and then let's put your language on it and let's debate it here and send it over to the House as a finished product. What do you say?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you for that suggestion, but I will tell you that the opponents have -- opponents have been working very vigorously to work out an agreement. I understand your strategy. I give you my word that if -- whatever comes from the House would have to be agreed upon, so there'd be no confusion in this Chamber or the other Chamber. So I -- I understand your analysis. I understand your strategy, but I just would like to take the strategy and send this to the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Okay. I want to be clear. You're telling me here that if the bill is not agreed to by all parties, you will not call it for a vote back over here?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

There are numerous opponents to this bill. They're all on record - the Realtors, a whole bunch of people. They're all talking. I don't want this -- I don't want this bill to go down, neither do the proponents. I think we're working very vigorously to get an agreement. I'm hoping that we'll get an agreement, but I don't think the House is going to pass it unless there's agreement and there's some language that all -- proponents -- opponents can agree upon. So I give you my word.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)



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Further discussion? Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Just a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield. Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, you talk about having an agreement worked out, but my understanding is that the manufacturers of the batteries said there is no such thing as a ten-year guarantee that they will -- willing to give. And if so, if there is no such product, what -- what could be worked out in the House anyways that's going to come back that's going to guarantee a -- a life of a product that's -- the manufacturers have said isn't possible?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

That's news to me, but let's get the parties in a room and see if they can work it out. You might be right. But I'm just telling you I will not call this bill unless there's an agreement with the parties.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2837 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, 30 -- there are 30 voting Aye, 18 voting Nay, 2 voting Present. Senate Bill 2837, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared

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passed. Next up is Senate Bill 2839. Senator Silverstein. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2839.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This clarifies that sanctions for a student who violates the comprehensive sexual violence policy of an institute of -- institute of higher education may include suspension, expulsion, or removal of the student after a complaint resolution procedure. I -- there were no opponents or proponents.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2839 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2839, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2840. Senator Silverstein seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2840 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2840. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Silverstein, to present Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

I will explain it on 3rd, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 2840. Please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2840.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. The bill requires that fees for obtaining a high school equivalency certificate be waived for homeless individuals under the age of twenty-five. There was an amendment that was put on by the ICCB that says that the applicant has completed a high school equivalency protection {sic} course through a Illinois community college and that the applicant is taking the test at a test {sic} operated by a regional superintendent or Cook County High School Equivalency Office.

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There is no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2840 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. Senate Bill 2840, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up is Senate Bill 2842. Senator Silverstein. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2842.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you -- thank you very much. This just says that when a person transfers a property into a trust, it has to be recorded with the Recorder of Deeds Office. It seems simple, but there was an Appellate Court decision from Lake County that says that you just have to write it down on the back of a trust agreement without having it recorded, and I think most attorneys will agree that it has to be recorded. So we're just clarifying that point.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2842 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open.

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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, 1 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2842, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2845. Senator Silverstein. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2845.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. This just clarifies and cleans up some language regarding collection work in Illinois regarding petitions for revival judgment and orders of attachment. I'll take any questions if you have any.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2845 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2845, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2869. Senator Bivins. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2869.

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(Secretary reads incorrect bill title)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Bivins.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2869 is an initiative of the Department of Natural Resources with an agreement with IDOT. And it amends the Illinois Highway Code. Provides that money received by the State from the federal government under the Recreational Trails Program shall not be considered for use as aid in construction of highways and shall not be placed in the Road Fund in the State treasury. Happy to..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Mr. Secretary, would you please reread the bill?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2869.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no discussion, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2869 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. Senate Bill 2869, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. At the bottom of page 13, Ladies and Gentlemen, Senate Bill 2870. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2870.

(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. The bill expands the definition of approved electronic monitoring device to include devices which record and transmit information as to the defendant's consumption of alcohol, drugs, location as determined through GPS, cellular triangulation, Wi-Fi, or other electronic means. I'd ask for your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2870 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. Senate Bill 2870, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. If you'll turn the Calendar to the next page at the top, page 14, Senate Bills 3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2875. Senator Nybo. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2875.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a bill with no opposition that makes two amendments to the Freedom From Location Surveillance Act. One amendment is at the request of the DuPage County State's Attorney and -- and it will essentially allow Skype warrants, warrants to be obtained by electronic transmission. The second set of changes is at the request of the Illinois State Police and that is to clarify one of the exceptions for obtaining an emergency warrant and then adding an additional exception. Again, no opposition. I'm happy to answer any questions and I would appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2875 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2875, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2878. Senator Nybo. Senate Bill 2882. Senator Bush. Mr. Secretary, please read the lady's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2882.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:



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Thank you, Mr. President. So, SB 2882 authorizes the Department of Natural Resources to issue decals for the Universals -- Universal special license plate. An applicant for the special decal will be charged an additional twenty-five dollars for the original issuance in addition to the appropriate registration fee. Of this fee, ten dollars will be placed in a Roadside Monarch Habitat Fund and fifteen dollars shall be placed in the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund. For each registration renewal period, a twenty-five dollar fee will be charged. Of that fee, twenty-three shall be deposited into the Roadside Monarch Habitat Fund and two dollars deposited into the Secretary of State Special License (Plate) Fund. So this is going to create a roadside habitat for monarchs, which, of course, is our State insect and a pollinator. I know of no opposition and it would be the first sticker on our Universal plates. I would be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2882 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. Senate Bill 2882, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2883. Senator Anderson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2883.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2883 changes the name of the fee from "Public Hunting Grounds for Pheasants" to "Public Hunting Grounds for Game Birds". This is an initiative of DNR. This will allow hunters to take bobwhite quail, chukar partridge, gray partridge that have -- have been released on public lands. The season will be set by DNR administration -- administrative rule between the dates of September 1st and March 31st. I know of no opposition and ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2883 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. Senate Bill 2883, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2884. Leader Althoff. I believe she seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2884 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2884. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Althoff.

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Senator Althoff, on Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Floor Amendment 3 becomes the bill and I'll explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Althoff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Floor Amendment No. 4, Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Floor Amendment 4 actually removes the repeal of the Legislative Research Unit's Advisory Committee on Block Grants, as per Senate President Cullerton's request.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 2884. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Bill 2884.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you again, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2884 is, again, the requirement established in statute for the Budgeting for Results Commission. This is the agreed language for mandate reform in the annual Budgeting for Results, as well as the Governor's Office of Management and Budget fund cleanup. These are inactive funds with zero balances. There is no substantive language affiliated with any of these cleanup mandates.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2884 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. Senate Bill 2884, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2885. Senator Silverstein. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2885.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Silverstein.

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SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is an initiative of the Illinois Association of Clerk -- Court Clerks. Provides that the clerk of the court shall refund costs or fees to a defendant whose conviction was reversed, depending upon the funds available in the account for payment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2885 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2885, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2893. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2893.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen. This is a bill -- an initiative of the Realtors of Illinois. It just removes two words. It's the nature of a trailer bill, which allows a Realtor to earn more than six hours. It's a -- a mistake in the original continuing education bill.

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Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2893 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2893, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2896. Senator Althoff. Senate Bill 2899. Senator Althoff. Senate Bill 2900. Senator Martinez. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2900.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. As amended, Senate Bill 2900 expands the role of physician's assistants and advanced practice nurse -- nurses throughout various Acts by allowing them to perform many duties or hold positions normally reserved only for physicians or those similar situations {sic}. In addition, the bill clarifies many State health rules and regulations to ensure that the duties and responsibilities of PAs and APNs are clearly defined, and the rules that -- that apply to PAs are consistent with the Illinois Physician's {sic} (Physician) Assistant Practice Act. Furthermore, the bill makes confirmatory changes to various Acts to reflect the -- the expanded roles of PSAs {sic} (PAs) and APNs. And I'll be happy to answer any

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questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2900 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2900, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2901. Senator Martinez. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2901.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. As amended, it extends the locking closure package pilot program from January 1st, 2017, to January 1st, 2018. I'll be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2901 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. Senate Bill

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2901, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2902. Senator Brady. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2902.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This simply cleans up the - let's see - the Illinois Conservation Foundation by providing expiration dates for Board members.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2902 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2902, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2903. Senator Brady. Senate Bill 2905. Senator Stadelman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2905.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Stadelman.



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SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. 2905 amends the Illinois Municipal Code by clarifying that when a municipality annexes an unincorporated area, that city must provide a notice of any potential costs - we're talking about fees and tax rates - to residents that are incoming because of the annexation. It's actually an initiative of a -- a constituent to -- who was forcibly annexed by a city in my district. He was concerned that the city had not -- had no requirement to notify other residents of the costs that may be involved in the annexation. So the premise is that more information is better when it comes to residents that are involved in this annexation process. I'm not aware of any opposition. 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 Senate Bill 2905 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. Senate Bill 2905, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Rachel Taylor and Matt Porter with WCIA request permission to film. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are still on page 14 of the Calendar. Senate Bill 2906. Senator Stadelman. How about 2908, Senator Stadelman? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2908.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Stadelman.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2908 states that a retired teacher does not need to pay a registration fee to return to work as a substitute teacher for less than fifty percent of full-time equivalency for any particular school year. Many school districts throughout the State are facing a severe shortage of substitute teachers. This legislation simply, I believe, removes any disincentives for retired teachers to fill in the role as a substitute teacher. I'm not aware of any opposition. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2908 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2908, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. The bottom of page 14. Senate Bill 2910. Senator Luechtefeld seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2910 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2910. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Luechtefeld.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Luechtefeld, on Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will explain that amendment in the -- in the final discussion on the bill. Thank you.

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 Floor -- further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 2910. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2910.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Luechtefeld.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2910 is -- it amends the Illinois Noxious Weed Law. The governing body of each county "may", rather than "shall", carry out the duties and responsibilities of a coordinated program for control and eradication of noxious weeds within the county. I know of no opposition.

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Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2910 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2910, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Let's turn to the top of page 15, still on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. We have Senate Bill 2912. Senator Luechtefeld. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2912.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Luechtefeld.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2912 is an initiative of the State Board of Education. It basically tries to solve a problem of shortage of -- of substitute teachers. There's three -- three issues involved here. It is intended to make it easier for educators coming into Illinois from other states to obtain licensure. It makes changes in substitute teacher fees and penalties to make it easier for qualifying individuals to substitute teach. And it aligns additional licensure requirements with other states. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

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Bill 2912 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2912, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2917. Senator Cunningham. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2917.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2917 is an initiative of the Department of Agriculture. It stipulates that a person has sixty days after the issuance of a notice from the Department of Agriculture to pay a penalty that results from a violation of the Weights and Measurement {sic} (Measures) Act. Failure to comply may result in the Department prohibiting that person from using a commercial weighing and measuring device. I know of no opposition. Would appreciate your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? There any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2917 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. Senate Bill

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2917, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2918. Senator Cunningham. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2918.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2918 is also an initiative of the Department of Agriculture. It amends the Pesticide Act. It's an effort to streamline the licensing process for commercial applicators of certain pesticides. It will essentially change the standard license term from a one-year term to a three-year term. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2918 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2918, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2921. Senator Hutchinson. Senator Hutchinson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2921 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, Senate Bill 2921. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration, Mr. Secretary.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

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Senator Hutchinson, on Floor Amendment No. 2.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Those are technical changes. I'd be happy to explain 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. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 2921. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2921.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen. This is really what we would call an honest mistake bill. If someone is ninety-five percent compliant with their taxes, we want to make sure that we're not bogging them down in a whole bunch of unnecessary fees and things on -- and fines on top of that. This

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is agreed language. The technical parts were negotiated between the Chamber and the Department of Revenue. I know of no objection and I'd appreciate an Aye vote, but happy to take any questions if any arise.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 21 -- 2921 - 2-9-2-1 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2921, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2926. Senator Hutchinson. Mr. Secretary, let's go to 2929. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2929.

(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 bill actually covers three areas. The first is that it amends the Public Aid Code and requires HFS to pay obligations incurred by nursing homes that have cared for the patient prior to the death of the resident patient even if their Medicaid eligibility is pending. It also amends the Illinois Act on the -- on the Aging and requires case coordinating {sic} (coordination) units, CCUs,



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to assist nursing home residents in obtaining financial information necessary to apply for Medicaid and reimburses the CCUs on a per client basis with federal Civil Monetary Funds. And finally, it amends the Hospital Licensing Act and requires the Department on Aging and HFS to create rules to address situations of patients being discharged from hospitals to nursing homes without prescreening and exempts nursing homes from penalties for accepting those patients. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

First, thank you, Senator, for your work on this, and we have spent hours dealing with this. The legislation that he has -- he has brought forward has identified a legitimate problem that our long term care facilities are facing, and so I appreciate the fact that he's brought that forward. The issue comes down to, how do we solve those three areas of -- of concerns that he has raised. And there have been ongoing discussions with the different agencies, and this gets complicated because we have -- we have Aging involved, we have Human Services involved, we have MCOs involved, we have non-MCOs involved, long-term care involved. So it is a complicated issue. And so the fact that there is ongoing discussions, Senator, is it your intention that the -- the bill will move over and we will -- that will give us time to continue

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to work on coming up with a -- a solution to fix these issues? Because I think there is a solution that -- but it may not be as it's -- the bill is drafted right now.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Senator Syverson, for the question and thank you for helping me through this. This is -- is one those areas where it's a learning -- I've learned a lot from it, something I didn't know in the past. And we've identified a problem that we're attempting to fix and bring a solution to. And I absolutely will work and agree to continue working on the bill when it's in the House and it will likely come back due to those efforts.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

I appreciate that and -- and appreciate the fact that you've been willing to take the time too to meet, as we've met -- met with these different players. I know there's some concerns for the Members on our side that there is a -- that there is a price added to -- there are costs to implement this piece of legislation as it is drafted right now. But as the Senator had committed to, there will be some changes on this. If you feel more comfortable in -- in voting Present, I -- I -- that would be okay as well, but I agree with what the -- with -- with the Senator's commitment that we'll get this thing worked out. And I believe we'll come back with a -- a -- a -- a good solution that is going to be beneficial for families and for long-term care, as well as for the State of Illinois, when this gets done. So, thank you again for

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bringing it forward. Look forward to working with you on this as it moves over to the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Further discussion? Senator McGuire, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

Questions of the sponsor, please, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield, Senator McGuire.

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

Thank you. Senator Mulroe, two questions to establish legislative intent. Is it the intent of Senate Amendment No. 2 to authorize DHFS or DOA to request financial information or documentation from financial institutions?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Senator McGuire, for the questions. The answer is no. None of the provisions in Senate Amendment No. 2 are intended to impose any particular or specific duty or responsibility on a financial institution, such as a bank, savings bank, or credit union, to produce financial records or documentation. DHFS and DOA have no direct supervisory authority over the financial institutions. Financial institutions operate under their own set of rigorous federal and state confidentiality standards and right to financial privacy mandates. Any request for documentation directed to a financial institution must be evaluated for compliance with those statutory and regulatory criteria, as reviewed and examined by the financial institution's own

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prudential regulatory agencies.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McGuire.

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

And, Senator Mulroe, is it the intent of Senate Amendment No. 2 to enable DHFS or DOA to promulgate rules requiring financial institutions to produce missing documentation that would be utilized in the prescreening process?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Mulroe -- Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you again for the question. The answer is that the grant of joint rulemaking authority to DHFS and DOA in Senate Amendment 2 relates to the circumstances in which a patient is moving from a hospital to a nursing home and the case coordination unit is unable to complete its prescreening assessment. That inability could relate to missing documentation. However, it is not the intent of Senate Amendment No. 2 to address that contingency by authorizing the adoption of rules mandating financial institution document production. The scope of authority delegated to those agencies to promulgate rules under Senate Amendment No. 2 is not intended to authorize them to adopt rules directed to banks, savings banks, or credit unions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, Senator Mulroe, do you wish to close? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2929 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the

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record. On that question, there are 36 voting Aye, 13 voting Nay, 7 voting Present. Senate Bill 2929, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 2931. Senator Hastings. Senate Bill 2934. Senator Koehler. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2934.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill provides that a taxpayer will not lose a homestead exemption if the taxpayer moves into a supported -- supportive living facility, provided that the home remains vacant or occupied by a qualified spouse. Currently, most homestead exemptions have exemptions for other types of congregate care facilities but not supportive living facilities. This is an initiative of the County Assessment Officers Association. And I know of no opposition and appreciate support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2934 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2934, having received the required constitutional majority, is

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declared passed. Senate Bill 2944. Senator Matt Murphy. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2944.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR M. MURPHY:

To satisfy the health organization element of the accreditation standard, the definitions {sic} of "Company Action Level Event", all caps, and specifically the trend test that is applicable to property and casualty insurers, needs to be made applicable to health organizations. This is to bring us in compliance with the national NAIC health organization's risk-based capital standard. This is an initiative of the Department of Insurance. I'm aware of no opposition and would appreciate no questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Are there any questions? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2944 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. Senate Bill 2944, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2947. Senator Connelly. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

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Senate Bill 2947.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2947 amends the Criminal Code by changing various references from "emergency medical technician" to "emergency medical services personnel" in the Bodily Harm and Deadly Weapons Article of the Code. It creates a uniform sentence for minimum and maximums for crimes committed against emergency medical services personnel, regardless of whether they are implied -- or employed privately or publicly. I'm unaware of any opposition and respectfully ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2947 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2947, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. 2948. Senator Connelly. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2948.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2948 amends the Alternative {sic} (Alternate) Fuels Act. It repeals a provision requiring DCEO to administer, subject to appropriation, the Clean Fuel Education Program. I'm unaware of any opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2948 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2948, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2950. Senator Steans. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2950.

(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. This bill is a Pollution Control Board request. It's basically doing some cleanup to make their operationals more -- operations more smooth, reducing quorum requirement from seven to five because they have a hard time sometimes achieving quorum -- excuse me, it's reducing it from four to three because they had reduced -- reduced the



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number of their Board members. Making some -- few changes to be consistent with the Open Meetings Act and such. There's no opposition. 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 Senate Bill 2950 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2950, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2952. Senator Steans. Senate Bill 2954. Senator Barickman. Senate Bill 2955. Senator Barickman. The bottom of page 15, Ladies and Gentlemen, Senate Bill 2956. Senator Holmes. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2956.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2956 amends the Environmental Barriers Act passed in 1985 to incorporate 2010 changes to federal law, clear up confusion in existing statutes, and create one Code that architects can use to comply with requirements for accessibility under federal and State law. Specifically, it simplifies the alterations requirement to mirror federal law, updates certain definitions to incorporate changes to

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existing ADA definitions and new terms, clarifies which version of the Code applies, and modernizes the enforcement provisions to encourage amicable resolution without litigation, and changes penalties from criminal to civil. The technical requirements for accessibility are contained in the State regulations known as the Illinois Accessibility Code. State law requires these regulations to be updated by January 1st of 2017 and the statute must be updated first to allow for corresponding updates in the Code. We worked closely with the Capital Development Board on the legislation. There are no opponents. I have some language I would like read into for legislative intent that I believe Senator Haine was going to ask.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Senator Haine, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HAINE:

Will the distinguished lady yield for some questions concerning legislative intent, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates she will, Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Senator, will the revisions to the Environmental Barriers Act apply to existing buildings?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

The updated version of the Environmental Barriers Act and the Illinois Accessibility Code will only apply to new construction and alterations that begin after the enactment of the updates to

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the law and Code. Since the EBA was enacted in 1985, the law has required buildings to comply with the Code in place at time of construction. Buildings built prior to 1988, or between May 1st of 1988 and May 1st of 1989 - when the first version of the IAC was released - must comply with the prior version of the Illinois accessibility law, the Facilities for the Handicap Act, and its implementing regulations, the Illinois Accessibility Standards Illustrated. They must also comply with their obligations under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act. If construction commences within 12 months of the enactment of a new code, buildings can comply with either the prior version or the new version.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Senator. Will existing buildings have to make alterations to comply with new -- the new standards in the Illinois Accessibility Code?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Existing buildings will only have to comply with the new standards of the Illinois Accessibility Code if they make an alteration affecting the accessibility of a primary function area. In that case, the alteration may not diminish accessibility and must comply with the alteration provisions in the Illinois Accessibility Code, which will now be aligned with the federal standards.

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Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

How do -- revisions to the Environmental Barriers Act affect buildings that were constructed between May 1, 1988, and May 1, 1989, specifically regarding the exemption if the planning for the building was contracted for prior to May 1, 1988, and the construction was begun by May 1, 1989, since in the current Act, these buildings would be exempt from compliance with the Illinois Accessibility Code? Mr. President, I think Senator Silverstein wrote these questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

I'm just glad that, in this case, my response is actually shorter than the question. The intent is that these buildings would still be exempt unless alterations to those buildings were made after the original construction. Then those alterations would be required to be compliant with the Illinois Accessibility Code.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. There is language prohibiting waivers in the Illinois Accessibility Code. And what is a waiver?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

A waiver is an exemption from a provision of the Illinois Accessibility Code that applies to a particular building. In other words, a waiver is a statement from a code official or other

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governing body that a building owner or architect does not have to meet certain requirements even though the Code says it does.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine, do you have more Silverstein questions?  
Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Does that include interpretations or determinations about applicability of certain exemptions within the Code?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

No, it does not. If a government official reviews architectural plans and makes a determination that the plans meet a certain exemption spelled out in the Code, they're not providing a waiver. They are instead providing guidance about how the Code applies to a particular property. For example, a determination by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency and -- an alteration would impact a historic property and therefore is not required under the Code is not a waiver, but rather an application of an existing provision of the Code.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Is this a change from existing law?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

It is not a change from existing law. Currently, no party has the authority to issue a waiver. Existing authority to provide

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interpretations, to review plans under the permitting process, or to provide guidance about applicability remain unchanged. We believe it was important to include this provision so the architects and building owners understand that the guidance they receive from local code officials and State agencies does not excuse them from complying with the law for new construction and alterations.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Yet -- the definition of owner includes a tenant. How is it determined who is responsible for compliance with the Code?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Wow! I missed that. I thought we were done. Okay. Responsibility will be determined by looking at any leases or contracts that designate authority to make structural changes to a facility.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator -- Senator Holmes -- is there any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Holmes, do you wish to close?

SENATOR HOLMES:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Yes, Mr. President, I would like to make a lengthy close. I -- I do want to say, this was an initiative of the Attorney General,

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and I want to thank everybody for their patience and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2956 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2956, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have 2957. Oh! Ladies and Gentlemen, we're at the top of page 16. 2957. Senator Muñoz. Leader Muñoz. Next up, Senate Bill 2960. Senator Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2960.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is an effort to ensure every higher education institution in the State that receives State funds has a policy in place for awarding credit for prior military training and service and to provide clarity and transparency as to the credits being awarded. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2960 pass. All those in

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favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2960, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared -- declared passed. Senate Bill 2964. Leader Harmon. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2964.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2964 amends the Prevailing Wage Act. It is in response to unilateral changes made by the Department of Labor in the prevailing wage determination protocol. It provides instead a -- a statutory framework which codifies much of the practice that has been used by the Department for many, many years. It also provides some financial relief for -- relief of work burden on the contractors and labor unions that provide the information to the Department in a way similar to what I understand New York's prevailing wage protocols are. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none -- Senator Oberweis, what purpose do you seek recognition?



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SENATOR OBERWEIS:

A question of the sponsor, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield. Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Senator Harmon, can you give us an idea why there are so many people opposed to this, starting with the Chamber of Commerce, the Illinois Municipal League, and so on down the whole list?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

No, I cannot.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Senator, do you think that possibly it might be because this would tend to increase costs for local governments?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

No, I do not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Senator, are you being nonresponsive to the questions going on? To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

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Ladies and Gentlemen, Illinois has been so antibusiness, so anticompetitive, businesses are leaving the State and they're taking jobs with them, and when they take those jobs, they take tax revenue. We're all concerned about where we're going to get enough revenue to pay for the programs that we want to have. Let's don't continue to make this an antibusiness climate. This is just one more example of things that we can do to make things uncompetitive with other states, to raise our costs for local government, which is going to take some of those tax dollars that we do have and spend them in areas that we might not have to spend them. I strongly urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Further discussion? Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, if you can just help us understand the -- the current process now for determining the prevailing wage schedule versus the way it would be if this bill would pass. Can you kind of identify the difference in those, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you for your question, Senator. Traditionally, the Department has fulfilled its duty to investigate and ascertain prevailing wages by reviewing and

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adopting the wage and fringe benefit rates established by collective bargaining agreements. And they use information submitted to them by the labor organizations and attested to by the contractors, and then this can be ratified by additional information submitted by municipalities and others. So what -- the new proposal would -- would simply be to base it on the -- the same collective bargaining agreements using a threshold of thirty percent of the -- the laborers, workers, or mechanics in a particular trade or occupation received by the collective bargaining rate of wage. So it -- it allows you to reach the same determination based on a streamlined collection of information from the same sources.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

All right, so I -- I suppose my concern is those smaller counties and how this will change for them at that thirty percent threshold. Okay? And so, if a small county can't show that, what do they do and what's the new process for them?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. And as I understand it, Senator, if they don't find that thirty percent threshold, they use an average wage paid over the last twelve months.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

I -- I believe that's the way it's currently, right? But I

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-- I think now, under this, I think now that you can actually go to -- the Department of Labor would go to a neighboring county or a larger county and actually use those -- that schedule. Could they not?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

I -- I -- I want to make sure we're asking and answering - are you -- are you saying that's the current practice?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

No, I'm saying now that we've added that thirty percent, which is the change -- so now that we've added the thirty percent, okay, it -- it appears to me that smaller counties would have -- they would have to go to another county to actually obtain that schedule, which could be a larger county and not really a fair portrayal of what it would be in that county.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon. Hold on just one second. Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. And thank you for your question. This is obviously very complicated material. I want to make sure I'm giving you an accurate answer from the bill. So what the -- what the bill provides is if the prevailing rate of wages and fringe benefits cannot reasonably and fairly be applied in any locality because no such agreements or understandings exist, the Department shall determine the rates and fringe benefits for the same or most similar work in the nearest and most similar

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neighboring locality in which such agreements or understandings exist. The Department shall keep a record of its findings available for inspection by any interested party. So if -- if, in a particular locality or county, there aren't any collective bargaining agreements to use, you would go to the closest county and the most similar county. And I would hope that, recognizing that there are counties that are dissimilar side by side, they would turn to a more similar county.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Ladies and Gentlemen, that's -- that's -- that is correct, but the neighboring county many times is going to be another smaller county and it's going to have the same issue, which that's going to move it from a Montgomery County to a Sangamon County, which is a totally different set of -- set of wages and may be affordable within Sangamon but may not be -- the rural county neighboring it. Therefore, that is going to raise the cost of doing business for local governments in those counties. One of my other concerns with this bill is there's -- on -- on page 7, line 13, says that a -- and -- "and a public body may not opt out of any provisions herein". I have -- I have always been a fan and a proponent of allowing local governments to opt out of all mandates including prevailing wage. I have school districts that have passed resolutions asking for that ability. There are local

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vendors that get cut out of potential jobs that could produce the same quality work for a lot less, passing benefits and savings on to the taxpayers. And these are actual situations that have taken place to where local contractors were - they were - the business was taken away from them, given to someone that would perform it at prevailing wage. This concerns me. If you want to give local governments the ability to manage their costs during tough times when we're -- we're going to give them less, this is one of those -- this is one of those freedoms that you have to give them. And so, for that reason, I would encourage a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon, to close.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just a quick point. On the issue of local control, I want folks to be assured, we are not changing existing law; that simply codifies case law on the ability or the -- actually, the inability of local governments to opt out of this. So, codifying case law, nothing -- nothing novel there. And then finally, in response to an earlier speaker, I would remind you that perhaps the most direct answer to a question asked is Yes or No, and I would ask you to answer Yes when asked whether this bill should pass.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2964 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 38 voting Aye, 17 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2964, having received the required constitutional

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majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 2970.  
Leader Lightford. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2970.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is the Untapped Potential Act. I'm so pleased to present to you, Senate Bill 2970 that amends the changes to the current identification section for gifted education. We're hoping to replace that with four requirements so that we can not only improve our gifted education but how children are considered gifted. It requires the use of assessment instruments, such as nonverbal ability tests and tests in students' native languages, and a selection process that is equitable to and inclusive of underrepresented groups, including low-income students, minority students, students with disabilities, twice exceptional students, and English learners. It requires the use of assessments that assesses universally test -- students for giftedness using an achievement and cognitive ability test. It requires the use -- score range that are appropriate for the school district. And it also maintains the current priority emphasis on language arts and math. I'll be happy to answer any questions that you may have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2970 pass. All

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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. Senate Bill 2970, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, Senate Bill 2972. Leader Harmon. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2972.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Under current law today, a participant in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund can take a lump sum refund of all contributions if their monthly pension benefit would be less than thirty dollars. This would simply raise that threshold to a hundred dollars and allow someone who would otherwise receive a very small pension to take a lump sum refund of their contributions. I'm not aware of any opposition. I ask you for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2972 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill



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2972, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Biss, for what purpose do rise?

SENATOR BISS:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your point, Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thanks, Mr. President. We had a bit of a problem with a -- a button that wasn't working here. I'd like the record to reflect my intent to vote Aye on both Senate Bills 2964 and 2970.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

The record will so indicate that was your intent. Senator Hutchinson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

For the exact same thing, Mr. President. I would like the record to reflect that I intended to vote Yes on Senate Bill 2964.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

The record will so indicate that was your intent. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are up to Senate Bill 2974. Senator Cunningham. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2974.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2974 amends the Vehicle Code in two separate spots.

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First, it enables the Secretary of State to provide municipal plates to school districts and publicly owned hospitals for certain vehicles, and it also clarifies that vehicle surcharges will not be applied to individuals who qualify under the Benefit Access Program. I know of no opposition. Would appreciate the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2974 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. Voting -- voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2974, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2975. Senator Cunningham. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2975.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2975 is an initiative of the Association of Vocational Agriculture Teachers. It's an effort to promote ag education in Illinois. It does that in two ways. First, it creates a grant program to help school districts defray some of the personnel costs of administering ag education programs. That portion of the bill is subject to appropriation.

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Second, it amends the Higher Ed Student Assistant {sic} (Assistance) Act to establish ag education as an area that has been identified to have staff shortages, which would qualify ag education majors for scholarships that are set aside right now for aspiring teachers who choose fields where there are also teacher shortages. There is a shortage of ag educators in the State and throughout the nation and we hope to address that with this bill. I know of no opposition. Would be 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 Senate Bill 2975 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2975, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2980. Senator Haine. Senate Bill 2987 -- excuse me, 2982. 2982. Senator Noland. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2982.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, Senate Bill 2982 is a bill without any opposition that simply requires the definition of roofing repairs comply with the International Building Code.

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Ultimately, it allows employees to conduct or perform roofing repairs, as defined under the Code, or roofing maintenance, as defined under the Code, while still requiring those performing major roofing construction to retain a license. I know of no opposition. 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 Senate Bill 2982 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 44 voting Aye, 9 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 2982, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2989. Leader Clayborne. Senate Bill 2992. Senator Anderson. Senator Anderson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2992 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2992. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Anderson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Anderson, on Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment has minor additions and language. I would like to have it adopted. Discuss it on 3rd, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on the amendment? Seeing

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 2992. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2992.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2992 would allow for a ten percent gross vehicle weight and ten percent axle weight limit increase to be applied to registered vehicles hauling agricultural commodities during an emergency harvest situation declared by the Governor. The emergency harvest can only be declared by the Governor between September 31st {sic} (1st) and December 31st. The amendment that was added was a concern that IDOT had and how we remedied that situation is now the language will read that, during the declaration of an emergency, farmers can go onto IDOT's website and go to ITAP and be able to print out a -- a printable non-fee permit and it also designates the route that they are taking their commodities to, to where they're going. With this amendment, I know of no opposition anymore, and I would ask for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2992 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2992, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2994. Senator Tom Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2994.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2994 requires the county board or board of county commissioners of each county to prepare and submit a report to the General Assembly by January 1, 2017, concerning any local public entity that the boundary -- the county board, board of commissioners, or county board executive appoints members to. It shall also report whether or not the entity levies a property tax, how the entity is funding {sic} (funded), and the description of services the entity provides. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2994 pass. All

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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. Senate Bill 2994, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?  
SENATOR McCARTER:

I'd like to be recognized on Senate Bill 2982 as a No and -- and Senate Bill 2746 as a Yes. My wife said I was wrong.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

The record will so indicate -- the record will so indicate that was your intent. And we thank your wife. Senate Bill 3005. Senator Jacqueline Collins. Mr. - I can't see her - Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3005.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. But, first, I -- I want to commend you, President. You -- your endurance or perseverance up there is commendable. So... Senate Bill 3005 will increase job opportunities for people with criminal records and it does that by three things: It removes the lifetime ban on working in park districts for people with drug convictions; number two, it removes a handful of misdemeanors from the list of offenses that have a lifetime bar under the Park

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District Code. And I want to say that nothing in this bill requires a park district to hire an individual with a criminal record. And before I open it up for questions, I just want to say that Illinois is emerging as a leader in criminal justice reform and part of that is to the leadership of the Governor, Governor Rauner, and the members that serve on the Illinois State Commission on Criminal Justice and Sentencing Reform, many whom sit in this Chamber. This bill, as you can see as well, is supported. The proponents -- when you have the Illinois Policy Institute and ACLU agreeing on a bill, I think that's commendable, as well as the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice. And so with that, I'll be welcoming any questions that might be forthcoming.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Just a very quick comment on the bill. I -- I would like to thank the sponsor for proposing a courageous bill and I urge everybody vote in favor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, Senator Collins, do you wish to close? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3005 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 34 voting Aye, 14 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3005, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3007. Senator Collins. Senator Collins seeks leave of the Body to return



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Senate Bill 3007 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3007. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Collins.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Collins, to present Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR COLLINS:

I move for the adoption and will discuss it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 3007. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3007.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 3007 amends the Public Aid Code and requires

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HFS to provide Medicaid assistance and DHS to provide Temporary Assistance for Needy Families services and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits to foreign-born victims of trafficking or torture while that person is preparing their visa, asylum application or continued presence status if the person qualifies for those benefits. The implementation date for this program is January 1st, 2018, and the program sunsets June 30th, 2019. I want to thank all the parties that came together to work on this legislation, especially the Department of Human Services and HFS. I know of no opposition and would look forward to an affirmative vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR MORRISON:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Human trafficking is -- it's a modern form of slavery. It's everywhere. It's in every community, whether we are in a large community or a small one. Until we put the resources forward, victims will continue to be re-victimized. I join Senator Collins and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Collins, do you wish to close? Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

I just want to thank everyone for helping those individuals

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who are the most vulnerable in society and -- and are in need of our assistance, and I think we show our leadership here in this State when we can join across the aisle to support this legislation. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3007 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all -- all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 49 voting Aye, 1 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3007, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3010. Senator Weaver. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3010.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver, to present your first bill. Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

You didn't need to point that out, but thank you, Mr. President. This is Senate Bill 3010. It changes the name of the Illinois Workforce Investment Board to the Illinois Workforce Innovation Board. It also states how the appointments will be handled consistent with the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. And finally, it amends other Acts to make conforming changes. There are no oppositions and, considering how busy we are, I request your support and no comments. Thank you very much.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion on Senator Weaver's first bill in the Illinois Senate? Senator Koehler, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR KOEHLER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

I've been confused by this bill and I -- I'd like to have you straighten this out for me. Is it WIOA or WIA or WIGI or what is it we're talking about?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

It's now WIOA. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Sorry, Senator Weaver, repeat yourself once more. You have to -- you have to wait till your light comes on before you respond. Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you for the direction, sir. It was WIA. It is now WIOA. Thank you for clarifying that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

And how many changes are we going to have to go through that we have to learn all these new names that we call this thing? I mean, I used to call it the Workforce Board, but -- so is it going

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to go from WIOA to WIOVIA? I mean, when is this going to stop?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you for asking. President Obama passed this and I don't see any changes for a lot of years.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Well, Senator, I just want to welcome you to the Senate and thank you for supporting President Obama.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any further discussion? Is there any further discussion? Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Sure, question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Has there been a fiscal note added to this legislation? Do you know?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

...to a fiscal note, but I don't believe there's anything in place. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Syverson.

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SENATOR SYVERSON:

And what is the projected cost of implementing this change?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver, you have to wait until the light comes on before you begin speaking. Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

We're -- we're a little slow in Peoria. Thank you for pointing that out. There's no anticipated cost.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

So you're saying that there's no cost to this program at all, even though there's going to be the cost of changing letterhead, the cost of changing envelopes. There's going to be costs involved to doing these name changes. Will there not be?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

So you're expecting me to know what I'm talking about when I'm up here. Thank you. There will be those costs. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

You just said there was going to be no cost to this and now you've come back and said that there will be a cost, which -- I guess you can -- which one of those -- I know you're learning to be a politician. That's pretty quick how you're going back and forth. That sounds like a Murphy line. But is there -- is there a cost or is there not a cost to this legislation?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

I think you're correct in pointing out those costs. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Okay. So just to make it clear, your first bill in the Legislature is one that's going to cost the taxpayers money. Is that what you're saying?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

I was reluctant in bringing this bill forward, but it was required by federal law, and since I'm the new guy... If Mr. -- Senator McConchie would have been here, he could have handled this bill, but he just got here today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

I just want to make sure this is right here. You told the Senator you're doing this because you support Senator Obama. Now you're saying you support these federal programs and there's a cost to this program. And you're standing up here proudly calling this your first bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

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I'm less proud than I was this morning. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Further discussion? Senator Haine, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HAINE:

Mr. President, thirty-two billion in revenue, thirty-six billion in costs, and this is more spending. I have another question, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question now that he's got his light figured out. Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

So, the Illinois Workforce Innovation Board - how are we going to innovate, Senator Weaver?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

I'd like to address his previous comment first, if you don't mind, and you folks say no to everything. It starts with Senator Trotter and, from there, it's no to everything. How is this going to work, is that your question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver, when you're asked a question, you have to listen so that you can answer that question. We don't like to repeat ourselves in this Chamber. But, Senator Haine, he's new, so would you please repeat the question to the -- Senator Weaver, please? Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

I want to remind Senator Weaver, I have seven children. I



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can't say no. I want to know how we are going to innovate the workforce.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

What this bill does -- of course all I'm doing today is changing the name, but the underlying bill works to really get all parties working together across the board and get alignment in a lot of different areas.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Could you repeat that, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver, there's a lot of noise in the Chamber. Senator Haine couldn't hear you. Would you please repeat that answer?

SENATOR WEAVER:

Senator Rezin told me to be short, so I tried to give a really short answer to that. What I -- what I stated was, what this really does is only changes the name of the bill. It doesn't really affect the underlying bill. But the underlying bill's purpose was to cause alignment -- a lot of -- across a lot of different agencies with regard to workforce development. And do you really want me to say more?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

So your bill is going to cause an alignment. Can you flesh

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that out for me? Alignment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

The -- the focus is across three areas - touching youth, touching low-income adults, and touching dislocated workers. Of course there's a lot of different agencies that deal with all those and the real focus is with regard to how we are filling demand -- high-demand jobs, such as health care, IT, and there's also a number of agencies that work in those areas.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Let me read this from the background, which I presume, Senator Weaver, you helped write. It says, "The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act strategically coordinates the foundational workforce programs across State agencies, listed below, so that industry partnerships are aligned with employer-based learning solutions, resulting in a skilled workforce matched with real business needs." Senator Weaver, what in the Sam Hill does that mean, in one sentence?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

I believe, in our community, we had a great example of that. We have the business community working and WIOA was commonly discussed and provided -- we're working to provide about a thousand internships to low-income kids in District 150.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Would Senator Harmon's prevailing wage bill be an innovative solution to low wages?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

That -- that really isn't the content of the bill that I'm bringing forward, but I look forward to that dialogue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR WEAVER:

A long dialogue.

SENATOR HAINE:

Senator Weaver, thank you very much and welcome to the Illinois Senate. I presume you've had coaching from the -- your -- your answers have been remarkably similar in tone and style to Senator Silverstein, so we welcome another one to the Senate. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Further discussion? Senator Morrison, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MORRISON:

A question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he will yield for a question. Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Senator Weaver, I will be brief and to the point. Do you believe that it's important for us, as Members of the General

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Assembly, to show political sensitivity to minority groups when we use their name?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Of course.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

And did you receive written or oral permission from the Wioba {sic} Tribe to use their name?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

I -- I have not and I'm embarrassed to demonstrate my insensitivity to have done that first. Thank you for pointing that out.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Would you be willing to do that so that we can vote Yes on this bill? Can I get your guarantee that you will reach out to the tribal leaders?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

You have my guarantee. Thank you. Nice.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, seeing no further discussion, the

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question is, shall Senate Bill 3010 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 3010, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're at the bottom of page 16. We have Senate Bill 3011. Senator Mulroe. Let's turn to the top of page 17 to Senate Bill 3017. Senator Anderson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3017.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3017 requires the Illinois Department of Transportation vehicles that have exhausted their useful life, they shall be approved for purchase by the public, including local units of government, through an auction..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Excuse me, Senator Anderson, I'm having a hard time hearing you. There seems to be a lot of background noise there. Would you -- maybe you should start over. Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Yeah, thank you, Mr. President. So, Senate Bill 3017, this is an initiative of IDOT. What -- what this bill does is it will put IDOT vehicles that have exhausted their life up on public

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auction and not just through CMS. I will have the Body know that we were working on an amendment. I did hold it on 2nd. CMS kind of drug their feet and we passed the deadline. I took this bill back to committee with the understanding of -- of that committee that we would pass this through as is and have it adopted, the amendment, in the House and it would come back here for concurrence. So I ask for a favorable vote. The -- the language to the amendment that will happen in the House is -- is miniscule. It will change the bill very little. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3017 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3017, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3018. Senator Righter. Senate Bill 3021. Senator Sandoval. Senate Bill 3022. Senator Rose. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3022.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill simply extends the repeal date of the Capital Development Board Revolving Fund to July 1st,

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3022 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3022, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3023. Senator McGuire. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3023.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McGuire.

SENATOR McGUIRE:

...President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 3023 amends HECA, the Higher Education Cooperation Act, to -- to provide grants to Illinois higher education institutions and agencies to promote cooperation and public-private partnerships to provide workforce-valuable postsecondary education. This is an initiative of the Illinois Board of Higher Education. I know of no opposition and ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3023 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

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all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3023, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen and Mr. Secretary, with leave of the Body, we're going to return to Senate Bill 3018. Let it come up on the board. Senator Righter. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3018.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you for returning back to the -- to the legislation. Senate Bill 3018 is an agreed piece of legislation that deals with the burgeoning industry of glider kits, which is manufacturers in the State are retrofitting previously used vehicles. The bill creates a -- puts the glider kit vehicles into the second division of the Secretary of State's Office. Be 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 Senate Bill 3018 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3018, having received the required constitutional



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majority, is declared passed. Now we're back where we left off, Senate Bill 3024. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, Senator Haine seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3024 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3024. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Haine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine, to present Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is an agreed amendment between the Independent Insurers and the Community Bankers and the Credit Unions clarifying that nothing in the limited lines producer licenses Section of the Illinois Insurance Code shall be construed to require a financial institution, or their employees, to become licensed as a limited lines producer if they're selling credit insurance.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3024 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye -- excuse me, it is the amendment. All those in favor will say Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill

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3024. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3024.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

I would ask an Aye vote, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3024 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. 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. Senate Bill 3024, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up is Senate Bill 3025. Senator Haine. Senate Bill 3032. Senator Morrison. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary. Senator Morrison seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3032 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3032. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Morrison.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison, on Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR MORRISON:

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I'd like to adopt the amendment, please, and discuss 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. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 3032. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3032.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3032 creates the Child Death Review Team Transfer Task Force to develop an implementation plan to transfer the administration of all child death review teams from the Department of Children and Family Services to the Department of Public Health. It also allows the Department of Children and Family Services to establish a special Child Death Investigation Task Force.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR SYVERSON:

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Thank you. A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates she will yield for questions. Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

I'll pass on this one. Never mind. This is fine. Thank you. My mistake.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Further discussion? Senator Biss, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BISS:

A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates she will yield for a question. Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, so this bill is obviously doing an important service. There was kind of late-breaking information from a group of people who are currently involved in the child death review process who have some concerns and I'm -- my understanding is that you were good enough to meet with them and to agree to advocate for some changes to be made in the House. Would you mind just letting us know what we may anticipate resulting as an outcome of that process?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

...question, Senator Biss. The task force, as it stands now, is appointments from both Dr. Shah and Dr. Sheldon, the respective agency directors of Public Health and DCFS. I will be asking the House sponsor, who has indicated agreement, to add three members

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of the Executive -- Council to also bring their input. Director Sheldon has indicated he's fine with that and I believe the House sponsor will live up to her word.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you. I think that's a good idea. I would just urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, Senator Morrison, do you wish to close? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3032 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3032, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3034. Senator Morrison. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3034.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

...you, Mr. President. This sets up a pilot program in Lake County, Illinois, that would allow prospective jurors and jurors to donate their jury fees to the Lake County Children's Advocacy Center.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 3034 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. Senate Bill 3034, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3035. Senator Morrison. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3035.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you again, Mr. President. This bill will require that the State Registrar of Vital Records, a local registrar, or county clerk will inform individuals who request a copy of a birth, death, or fetal death record that they may make an optional one-dollar donation to the Department of Children and Family Services. It would be deposited into the Department's Special Purpose Trust Fund, which already exists. And this has the purpose of enabling and encouraging child welfare and protection services.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR SYVERSON:

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Thank you, Mr. President. This was the bill I just had a couple questions on for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates she will yield. Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

We talked a little about this in committee, Senator, about the -- just the logistics of putting this forward. As -- as people are going to come in, they're going to be being asked to give a dollar - I don't know if it's going to be in cash or if they're going to add a dollar to the bill that they -- that they pay. It's just the collection of the -- the cost and the ability to collect this cash and how it's going to be done and what safeguards are going to be put in place with this kind of cash transactions taking place and then how it's transferred to the State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you for your question, Senator Syverson. This bill is intentionally flexible so that the -- the information can be presented to the person requesting a record, either verbally, a sign, a Post-it that's left on the desk. It can be done however that particular office wants it to be done. In terms of the collection and eventual distribution into the Special Purpose Trust Fund, I believe that each county or each office would also be able to deal with that. Any other questions?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you. Was there a -- or what thought was given to when

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we look at the three areas - births, deaths and fetal deaths - that we chose those three for asking for a donation? I guess I just can't think of something more insensitive; that a family is coming to get a death certificate for their child and they say, "Do you want to donate a dollar to help children?" That I -- I -- just it seems that's a -- like it's something that would be awful insensitive to be asking a family that's coming in to get a -- a death record for their child, to ask 'em if they want to do that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you. Senator, at the same time, a family coming in celebrating the birth of a new baby, putting to rest an elderly parent, who has given them a full -- and they've had a full and long life, even a tragedy. I think people should be given the opportunity - this is completely optional - to make a donation to help children in our State and I know that you share the same concern I do to help children who have been abused and neglected. We are woefully short in the resources to do that and this gives people an opportunity to make a very small, but meaningful contribution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you. Last question, and forgive me if -- if we didn't -- if maybe you covered this in the committee. Is this been -- optional for every office to determine if they want to participate in this program at all or are they required to do one of those, either ask or put a -- a poster or other?



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you. Senator Syverson, the way they ask is at their discretion, but it would be required that they do bring that information forward.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Sorry, then just one more. When you say bring it forward, then that -- that could mean either verbally or you could -- they could just have a sign someplace in the facility. They would not have to ask individuals that question. They'd just have a sign posted, and is there a size requirement or where the sign has to be done? But otherwise, if it's just a sign being posted, then it's -- then it wouldn't be -- I think it'd be less objectionable than having to have them actually ask that question.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Senator, I completely agree with you. It's at the discretion of each local office to handle it in the manner they think best.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Morrison, do you wish to close? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3035 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, 1 voting

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Present. Senate Bill 3035, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3036. Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3036.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill is the recommendation of DCEO. 3036 amends the Illinois Solid Waste Management Act to repeal the Section of the Act which requires the Department and the IEPA to maintain a central clearinghouse of information on data regarding solid waste research and planning, solid waste management practices, markets for recyclable materials and intergovernmental cooperation. I know of no opposition. This is an initiative of DCEO.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3036 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3036, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3042. Senator Link. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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Senate Bill 3042.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. This extends the disabled veterans' standard homestead exemption for all surviving spouses of qualifying disabled veterans or veterans killed in the line of duty. Currently, the exemption is available for a surviving spouse of, one, a veteran who obtained an exemption prior to death or, two, a veteran killed in the line of duty during tax years {sic} of 2015. 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, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3042 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. Senate Bill 3042, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3047. Senator Nybo. Senator Nybo seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3047 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave -- leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3047. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No, 1, offered by Senator Nybo.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Nybo, to present Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ask for the adoption of the amendment, we can 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. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 3047. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3047.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Mr. President. This, again, is a bill with no opposition. It's going to amend various tax statutes to provide that products or therapies classified as Class III medical devices and used for cancer treatment are to be taxed at the one percent rate that's typically taxed for medicine and medical devices. Basically, this is going to clean up confusion with the Department of Revenue as to how a particular form of cancer therapy treatment

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should be taxed. We're going to do an amendment on the House side that's going to clean up a technical issue, but at this point, I'd ask for the Body's indulgence to -- to pass it out of the Chamber, send it over to the House. Happy to answer any questions. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3047 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3047, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3049. Senator Weaver. Senator Weaver seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3049 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, Senate Bill 3049. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Weaver.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver, to present Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Yeah, I'd request I could just go ahead and move it to 3rd and we'll discuss it there. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Weaver asks for its adoption. 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.

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Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 3049. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3049.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Nybo -- or, excuse me, Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Yeah, thank you, Mr. President. This is a bill that allows local municipalities to abate property taxes when they so decide with regard to remodels. It just adds the term "for remodels" {sic} to what's already been existing with regard to new construction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3049 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3049, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3050. Senator Rezin. Leave of the Body, let's go down to 3058. Senate -- Senate Bill 3058. It's at the bottom of page 17, Ladies and Gentlemen. Senator Rezin.

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Let's turn to the top of page 18. Senate Bill 3062. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Steans seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3062 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3062. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Steans.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans, to present Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, I would move for its adoption and I will speak to it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 3062. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3062.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Steans.

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SENATOR STEANS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Illinois has a hundred and twenty-six federally designated mental health professional shortage areas. We're -- what we're trying to do here is an initiative of the IHA to help try to recruit behavioral health professionals. It renames the Family Practice Residency Act to the Family Practice and Behavioral Health Promotion Act and, under this new Act, gives DPH the authority to distribute funds to behavioral health care programs and include in the scholarship programs the award of behavioral health care professionals and -- and its educational loan repayment program. It's been an agreed-to bill. I don't know of any opponents and would urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3062 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting -- Present. Senate Bill 3062, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3067. Leader Harmon. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3067.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Harmon.



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SENATOR HARMON:

...you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 3067 does create the Illinois Law Enforcement Information Task Force to analyze the criminal discovery process and information sharing among law enforcement agencies. I'm not aware of any opposition and I'd ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3067 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3067, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3072. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3072.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a initiative of the Department of Insurance. It just changes the law and rectifies an oversight in a previous statute that we passed that takes care of the purchase of insurance by insurance companies, so they can buy from a qualified out-of-state or in-state carrier. It received an honorable mention in the

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"society to prevent insomnia" list of good bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you, Senator Haine. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3072 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3072, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3076. Senator Muñoz. Senate Bill 3079. Senator Trotter. Leader Trotter, on 3079. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3079.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This is one of those bills that essentially just brings us into compliance with the federal government. It adopts minimum installation and inspection standards for new mobile homes, pursuant to the new federal laws. There is no opposition. It is supported by the Illinois Manufacturing {sic} (Manufactured) Housing Association. And I would like a lot of Yes votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3079 pass.

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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, 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3079, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3080. Leader Trotter. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3080.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you, sir. I thought I had the bill right in front of me. If I can go to the next bill, I'd -- I'd appreciate it. I'm going to go over it, then come back to it, if I may.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. We can do that. Mr. Secretary, take 3080 out of the record. Let's go to Senate Bill 3082. Senator Trotter. Do you wish to proceed on it? Did you indicate yes on 3082? Yes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3082.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. This bill is an agreed

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bill between the Illinois Podiatric Medical Association and the Illinois Medical Society. It is a result of a year-long negotiation and it just defines solely when it relates to surgery dealing with the amputation of a foot.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? The question is, Ladies and Gentlemen, shall Senate Bill 3082 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 -- Senator Trotter? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3082, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3084. Senator Manar. Senate Bill 3093. Senator McConnaughay. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3093.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McConnaughay.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. SB 3093 is a repeat of last year's SB 1539 that passed Financial Institutions and the Floor unanimously. What it does is it clarifies the State Treasurer is not require -- does not have to require a bank, savings bank, or credit union to offer a product or services that they would not otherwise offer in order to be eligible for bids on requests for proposals. I know of no opposition. I appreciate an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? The question is, Ladies and Gentlemen, shall Senate Bill 3093 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3093, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill -- 3095. Senator Hastings. Senator Hastings seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3095 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, Senate Bill 3095. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration? Mr. Secretary, hold on one second. Mr. Secretary, let's take 3095 out of the record, please. Senate Bill 3096. Senator Bennett. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3096.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. 3096 is an initiative of the Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan's Office, as well as the result of a year and a half work -- worth of work from the Joint Sexual Assault Working Group. Essentially, what they're trying to address is the statistic where only thirty-five percent of the sexual assault victims - and we're talking about over ten thousand

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a year in Illinois - only thirty-five percent actually report those assaults to law enforcement. This is trying to address that. And due to the length of time we've been here, I will -- I will be brief in the five main areas that it covers. But essentially what it does is it tries to increase the number of reports in that it requires law enforcement officers to complete written reports for every single sexual assault complaint they receive. It increases the policies and the training every -- on every step of that investigation, from when the call comes into the 9-1-1 center, to the investigator, to the prosecutor, and that training would be evidence-based trauma-informed, and victim-centered. It would also extend the time for victims to release their forensic evidence kit, often referred to as a rape kit. Right now, it's only fourteen days that's held at the hospital for them to make up their mind. This would extend it to five years. And -- and, finally, it would increase transparency and allow victims to be more involved and get updates and statuses of where their rape kit testing is in the process. This is, as I said, the result of a lot of work from a lot of different parties. The stakeholders were all at the table, everyone from the State Police to the Attorney General's Office, to the prosecutors, to the Hospital Association. We certainly do anticipate that as this gets implemented, there will be further meetings with a lot of these stakeholders, but I know of no opposition and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3096 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

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all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3096, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Leave of the Body, we're going to go back to Senate Bill 3095. Is that correct, Senator Hastings? And it's already on 2nd, so are there any Floor amendments, Mr. Secretary, approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hastings, to present Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

The amendment becomes the bill, Mr. President. I'll explain it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 3095. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3095.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3095 amends the Liquor Control Act to combine importing distributor license into the distributor license, allowing all licensed distributors to be able to import alcohol and purchase alcohol by bulk from approved dealers and importers. I'll 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 Senate Bill 3095 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3095, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3099. Senator Barickman. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3099.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3099 is an initiative of the Illinois Community College Board. It makes technical changes to the Area Planning Council to update the language and ensure non-duplication of services with the federal Workforce



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Innovation and Opportunities {sic} (Opportunity) Act. I'd -- I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 3099 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3099, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3102. Senator Righter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3102.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 3102 is an initiative of the Illinois State's Attorneys Association. Oftentimes in drug investigations there is what's called advance money used by law enforcement officials to make a buy from someone they believe to be a drug dealer. Sometimes, in those investigations, that advance money is stolen by the individual for whom they -- from whom they were making the buy. This simply would allow in those instances for the amount of that advance money that was stolen to be added to the restitution list that -- could be collected from the offender, if he is convicted.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? The question is, Ladies and Gentlemen, shall Senate Bill 3102 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3102, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3104. Leader Althoff. Mr. Secretary, Leader Althoff seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3104 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, Senate Bill 3104. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Althoff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Floor Amendment 1 changes the civil penalty system from the underlying bill. The new penalty system includes a warning for the first-time violation and then civil penalties for subsequent violations between the amounts of one hundred and five hundred dollars. And it also gives the Director of the Illinois Department of Labor the authority to consider the appropriateness of the penalty.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 3104. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3104.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Senate Bill 3104, as you may have guessed from the previous discussion, amends the State Construction Minority and Female Building Trades Act. It establishes a civil penalty system in order to compel labor and merit shop organizations to provide accurate information on their apprenticeship reports to the Department of Labor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 3104 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, 0 voting

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Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3104, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3106. Senator Morrison. Please read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3106.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3106 extends the application of the hearsay exception to cases where the victim of a physical or sexual act has an intellectual disability, cognitive impairment, or developmental disability. This is an initiative of the special victims unit of the Lake County State's Attorney's Office. It is supported by the council -- oh, excuse me, the Coalition Against Sexual Assault and the Illinois State's Attorneys Association.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3106 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3106, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3119. Leader Harmon. Senate Bill 3129. Senator Tom Cullerton. Please read the bill.

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Senate Bill 3129.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3129 creates the Police Dog Retirement Act. It requires a retiring police dog to be offered to the primary handler of the dog. If the officer does not wish to keep the dog, it may be offered to another officer or employee, a nonprofit organization, or a no-kill animal shelter. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3129 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3129, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. At the top of page 19, Ladies and Gentlemen, Senate Bill 3130. Senator McCann. Please read the bill. Senator McCann seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3130 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3130. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator McCann.

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Senator McCann, to present Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment No. 2 speaks to the -- to some optional labeling and recordkeeping standards that seed libraries might want to use should they participate in this program.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Okay, we are on the amendment.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Oh, amendment?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Yep.

SENATOR McCARTER:

I'll pass.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Okay, we'll come back to you in just a second.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Okay.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

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...further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 3130. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3130.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator McCann.

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the -- of the Chamber. Senate Bill 3130 is a bill that seeks to clarify where -- our seed law. The seed law that we have right now is essentially a commercial seed law. We have the advent of seed libraries. Seed sharing has been going on for thousands of years, since the beginning of our agrarian times. And this bill essentially seeks to be proactive and get ahead of -- of the curve so that libraries and seed sharing groups around the State will -- will feel free to -- to move freely. And I would answer any questions if there are any and I would ask for your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Discussion? Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

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We had a long discussion about this in the -- in the committee. And I think some -- some people may be taken aback by the Farm Bureau being against this, but their suggestion was to actually add regulations to a -- a process that has no problems right now, and to try to fix something where there's nothing really wrong. And there was some -- there's some talk about people having malicious intent to -- to spread noxious weeds. They're not going to do this through these seed libraries. If they had malicious intent, they're going to be thrown out the window driving down the road. And so this is a good bill. It -- it -- it really codifies the way it should be, and I encourage everyone to vote Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Further discussion? Senator Koehler, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

As the previous speaker just said, we had a lot of discussion on this in committee and I was kind of surprised that it was as controversial as it was. But I want to -- just want to thank the sponsor, Senator McCann, for not overregulating this, not making me a criminal, because I exchange seeds, and this is a good bill and we need to pass it. Thank you, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Further discussion? Senator Holmes, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HOLMES:



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To the bill, please, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

We did have a pretty long discussion on this and I think what it really came down to is the Farm Bureau and the Department of Agriculture had a very simple request and that was just that these seeds be labeled so that you knew what the source was. Very simple requirement, because if there was a problem, if there were noxious weeds, something happened, at least the recipient of those would have the recourse to know where they came from. I think it was a very simple request and I'm a little discouraged that the sponsor didn't -- wasn't -- wasn't willing to honor that request. And I -- and I would actually urge you to make sure, if this bill passes out of this Chamber, to have the House sponsor really look at that and I see no reason why they can't accommodate the Department of Ag and the Farm Bureau's request on this. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Further discussion? Senator Biss, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BISS:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you. I just want to share in the gentleman from Peoria's thanks to the sponsor. This is a bill that will be helpful to people in my community who are interest in -- interested in kind of local gardening, communal projects. It's a sensible,

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appropriate touch on a regulatory question and I would respectfully urge Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I think this is one of those bills where we get to bring a lot of folks together. We haven't accomplished a whole lot in the 99th General Assembly, at least as far as a budget goes, and so I think if you look at the -- at some of the proponents, we have the -- Illinois Environmental Council, Illinois Stewardship Alliance, the Sierra Club. So to some of the folks who really -- who really are concerned about how those organizations feel, here's an opportunity. You know, and to my side of the aisle, I remember when I was running - I think it was the first time - I think the senior U.S. Senator from Illinois was working on some federal legislation where certain very, very ultraconservative groups that I went and spoke to and that I'm sure many of you went and spoke to and hear from quite frequently - you know, the kind of groups who really don't like government regulations, especially overregulation - they really were disappointed in some of the actions that -- that some -- some liberal politicians were taking when it came to seed distribution and seed sharing. So I want to be clear: This bill does not -- it -- it allows for the interpersonal noncommercial sharing of seeds - interpersonal noncommercial. It does not allow sharing of patented or treated seeds or seeds of noxious or exotic weeds and it does not remove the Illinois Department of Agriculture's authority to issue stop-sale orders or otherwise enforce the

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prohibitions on distributing those seeds. So that being said -- here's what we have, is we have a seed bill -- we have a seed bill that -- or we have a seed law -- we have a seed law that essentially really only speaks to the commercial side and what we're doing is saying that we already feel that we're exempt from that on the interpersonal side. We're essentially seeking to clarify that. So I think this -- here is one of those opportunities where we have to figure out whether we really want to listen to the lobbyists from the Farm Bureau or do you want to listen to your members of the farm bureaus back home? I have nine agricultural counties. I'll go back to those nine agricultural counties and I'll look those guys in the eye - those -- those guys and gals - and here's what I think's going to happen. If you vote for this bill, the Farm Bureau lobbyists are not going to like it, but when you go and speak to your farm bureaus or if you want to come down and speak to mine, or you want to go speak to any neighboring farm bureaus, I think you're going to get the opportunity to look those board of directors in the eye, and I think there's probably going to be at least one of those members who remembers when he stuck - - stuck his hands in the dirt and he planted and he waited for -- for it to -- to come forth and he harvested and he knows what that's all about, he's going to look at you knowingly. He's going to give you a wink and he's going to say, job well done. So I stand here humbly requesting your Aye vote on this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 3130 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 43 voting Aye, 5

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voting Nay, 2 voting Present. Senate Bill 3130, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, with leave of the Body, if you'll turn to page -- back to page 11 of the regular Calendar on the Order -- still on the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. At the top of the page, we have Senate Bill 2531. Leader Lightford, do you wish to proceed? Leader Lightford seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2531 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2531. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Lightford.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Lightford, on Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Committee {sic}. Senate Bill 2531 would amend the General Not For Profit Corporation Act of 1986. It would require that the board of any economic development council that receive public money must include at least two persons from two separate minority groups, as well as at least two members of a labor council that represents employees in the construction trades and employees in the public and private sector. Currently, there are no statutory requirements for boards of economic development councils. So what our goal here to do is to identify with the existing economic development boards. They charge an expensive membership fee - some range up to a hundred thousand dollars. They have different levels at fifty thousand, twenty-five thousand, et cetera, and we would like to

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ensure that when public dollars are being addressed, that they're included - two labor members and two minorities. I would like to say for the record, before I take questions of course, that it's definitely a process that's evolving. There is much more work that needs to be done on this bill. We're hoping to advance it to the House to keep the conversations going. We are in negotiations with the Chamber of Commerce and I will continue to negotiate the bill with the House sponsor. I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 2531. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2531.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

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SENATOR CONNELLY:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates she will yield. Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Leader Lightford, I -- quick question. First of all, what is the purpose of an economic development corporation to your understanding?

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Senator -- Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

So they're the local body that deals with all type of economic development and it means that -- a organization that receives public money that promotes the development, establishment, or expansion of industries. So I know some TIF -- TIF districts are a part of this effort as well.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

So, how do these work, as far as how does -- who -- who typically joins these economic development corporations? How do they join? Are there different levels of voting rights to your understanding?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Yes, to my understanding, so right now there is the City of Rockford, Decatur and Macon County, Greater Peoria, Ottawa, Champaign, Macomb, McHenry County, DeKalb County, Berwyn, South

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Suburban, Sugar Grove, Montgomery and Jefferson County. Those are the current established economic development boards. The highest range that I've recognized is Peoria - a hundred thousand. And the lowest amount that is noted is in the Village of Berwyn - a hundred and twenty-five dollars -- well, no, Sugar Grove is one hundred dollars. So you can have some ranges. Sugar Grove, for an executive level, two thousand; general level, four hundred; associate level, one hundred. But you can look at Peoria and you see one hundred thousand for leadership; fifty thousand, platinum; twenty-five thousand, gold; ten thousand, silver; five thousand, bronze; and two thousand, friend. So all of the economic development commissions are setting their own rates. Businesses are a part. It's public and private sector and it's pretty much what you can afford to pay. If you have the money, you can buy your way onto the economic development board. If you don't have the funds to buy in, then you're -- you're left out.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Leader. And that's exactly the point I want to get at, and I know it's late, the hour's late, people want to get through the Calendar and get home, but in -- in my county, in DuPage County, we have a thing called "Choose DuPage" and many corporations in our -- in our county have joined it and those corporations represent a whole slew of employees who live in my district, whether it's Northwestern Hospital, Edward Hospital, BP Amoco. So the question I have is, if these corporations and the individuals that work there can pay the membership fee, why can't a union pay a membership fee? Because they can join, can't they?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Actually, there is union participation at the Peoria level of fifty thousand dollars, so I don't know that it's that they cannot pay, because they have paid memberships. I think that their goal here is to ensure that minority representation is there, labor representation is there, and that no one pays, that there shouldn't be a fee for anyone. No one should have to pay into being a part of an economic development commission that utilizes public dollars to do whatever economic development that they like to do in that community.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

So nobody will pay. Who will pay for the employees who work at the economic development corporation, who try to retain the businesses in those areas, whether it's Peoria, Decatur, Naperville, or other parts of the State? Who's going to do the work to actually try to encourage businesses to stay?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

So the only read that I have is that there's a report that indicates that corporations typically receive public money from school districts or municipalities, so there is money that comes in from public entities that are able to continue the relationship going without charging the -- I guess you would say general public to be a part of the economic development board.



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the bill, Senator Connelly.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Leader Lightford, I -- I -- you know how much I like you and you're my Proviso -- my favorite Proviso East cheerleader ever. I just find that these economic development corporations allow anybody to join and, yes, it costs money, but the money is essentially there to staff these -- these entities. These entities are there to encourage people and businesses to stay in Decatur, to stay in Rock Island, to stay in Naperville, to stay in other parts of the State of Illinois. That's why they -- that's why they have these requirements to pay, 'cause they -- they've got people there staffing it every day, calling businesses trying to encourage growth to create the revenue to pay our bills. I appreciate the -- the -- what's going on here. I think -- personally, I think everybody should be part of the economic development discussion in Illinois. But to require it in this way, I think is -- is just not appropriate, and with all due respect, I -- I encourage a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Further discussion? Senator Righter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please, Mr. President?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates he {sic} will yield. Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Lightford, I have an economic development not-for-profit corporation in my home county of Coles County, which is called "Coles Together". They receive a fifty-thousand-dollar-per-year subsidy from the Coles County Board that comes out of the general fund. Will they be subject to the mandates in Senate Bill 2531?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you. All economic development corporations.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

What -- what problem exists in Coles County that you are trying to fix in this legislation? I don't -- I -- I -- I honestly don't know that. I don't understand and I've got thirteen other counties and a number of economic development corporations throughout all of those. I have never received one complaint, one concern about any of the issues that have been talked here or discussed between you and Senator Connelly. Why is it that you want to require the economic development boards in Coles County and my other thirteen boards to -- to change their composition? What -- what is it they're not doing that you think this will help them do?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Lightford, before you respond, Senator Link in the

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Chair.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

So my goal is to create some consistency. Every board does something entirely different. Their rates are different. Depending on what level you pay, you may have a vote, you may not have a vote. If you pay forty-five thousand to this particular group, you definitely have a vote. If you do not pay forty-five thousand and you're at the five hundred level, then perhaps you don't have a vote. And so I think it's best that we create economic development opportunities in communities where you can have participation from the community at large, making sure that there's minority participation involved from community members, and making sure that labor is represented as well. So it's more inclusion, I believe. If you didn't charge a hundred thousand dollars, if you didn't charge fifty thousand dollars, perhaps you'll have a better diverse group to pull from.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, this bill is an opportunity for us to tell the locals back in our districts that they are already bearing enough of a burden in terms of trying to achieve economic development because of some of the State's economic policies. Let's not slap 'em around with another mandate. I mean, I appreciate that there is -- there are differences in the way the

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boards are composed and the fees, but that's because Coles County isn't the same as White County, isn't the same as Cook County, isn't the same as Kane County or DuPage County. I mean, they all have their own needs. They all have their own interests. I -- it is almost unimaginable the arrogance that must come out of Springfield to tell all of these different economic development boards that we know best what's for you in putting your board together so that you can try to attract or retain employers. This is one area where we can all stand up and just say, you know what, we all recognize together we don't belong in this mess. Let's do that. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Senator, for your efforts on this and I've talked to both members of the -- the Chamber and the AFL-CIO and I know that they are continuing to work on this. I -- I support your idea of -- of inclusion. I do have some concerns and -- and I think those will be worked out, but just want to share a little history. I was elected to the Peoria County Board in 1982 and one of - some of you weren't even born then - so one of our first votes was to consider funding for our newly formed economic development council. I voted against that, because it was a board that was constituted of old white men. Now, I have nothing against old white men, because I'd be one of them, but it was -- it was

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not representative of -- of our community. It was not reflective. And shortly after, all of a sudden, we started seeing more inclusion because we made a statement about this is what we want, this is what we expect in our community. You've mentioned several times, there is a sliding rate in Peoria. I -- I do have to say that on behalf - 'cause the -- the EDC called me and I talked to the head of the -- the -- the Building Trades Council. They were concerned that maybe people thought this was coming from Peoria or somehow Peoria was initiating this. They're not. I think the -- there has been good inclusion in Peoria. It could be better, obviously. In any organization, it could be better. So I think there's a way to get this agreed to so that we can achieve and accomplish the goals that you want to accomplish, Senator. I'm going to support this because I had commitments today from both the Chamber and the AFL-CIO that they're going to continue to work on this and I think the goal is -- is laudable and we need to support this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lightford, to close.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. I want to thank that nice-looking basketball player from St. Joe's that spoke earlier and acknowledged what a great cheerleader I was. But I just want to leave you guys with just noting that there will be continuous work on this initiative in the House. As Senator Koehler indicated, both parties are willing to continue negotiating and I look forward to being a part of those negotiations. I think the goal at the end of the day is to stop the influence of wealthy corporations at the expense of those who cannot afford to buy their way onto the

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board and to also make sure that there's a level playing field if you -- every member should be entitled to every vote and every member should be entitled to every meeting. Right now there's only certain meetings you can attend at certain levels of your funding ability. So I encourage an Aye vote just to help us keep this conversation going in the House. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 2531 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 35 Ayes, 18 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 2531, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2600. Senator Delgado. Senator Delgado seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2600 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Are there any amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Delgado.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Delgado, on your amendment.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I come with the companion bill. Senate Bill 2600 will require the board of directors of an economic development project area commission receiving public money to include at least two members of a labor council and two members representing minority groups. Currently, there are no statutory rules specifying who local government should appoint to an economic development project area commission board of directors. And I, too, this morning, served on the committee

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so that we could -- and I had a great conversation with the Chamber in -- in addition to our -- my great friends at the AFL-CIO so that we can make together with the Leader Lightford's legislation. Representative Welch will be handling it and we would ask for your Aye vote. We will be part of the negotiations. I'm very happy to know that we can bring this to the middle and then, then of course, we will make sure that we're addressing all of the concerns of our Members. I would ask for your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion on the amendment? 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 Senate Bill 2600. Senator Delgado. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2600.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Delgado, on your bill.

SENATOR DELGADO:

I've made my -- I've given my presentation on the amendment on 2nd. I would just say ditto on that on 3rd and I would ask for your Aye vote, as we have some work to do on this still.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2600 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 33 Ayes, 18 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 2600, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll go back to page 18, Senate Bill 3119. Leader Harmon. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3119.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Harmon, on your bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I did not know before introducing this bill that the Department of Juvenile Justice maintains a school district. This bill is an initiative of the Department to exempt that school district from mandates that apply to other school districts but logically wouldn't apply to a school district located within the Department of Juvenile Justice. It also provides, going forward, that unless the Legislature expressly says that a new mandate applies to that school district, it would be exempt from those sorts of mandates going forward. I'm not aware of any opposition and I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing



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none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3119 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3119, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3131. Senator McCann. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3131.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCann, on your bill.

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3131 is very straightforward. It amends the Nursing Home Care Act. It provides that at the discretion of the Director of Department of Public Health, they may -- may or may not grant or renew a waiver of the RN staffing requirements in the Act. I know -- I believe your analysis says that the Alzheimer's Association was at one time an opponent. To my knowledge, that has been worked out. I don't believe there's any opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3131 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. Senate Bill 3131, having received the

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required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3140. Senator McCann. Senate Bill 3153. Senator McCann. Senate Bill 3162. Leader Harmon. Mr. Secretary -- Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3162 to the Order of 2nd Reading. With -- 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3162. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, on your amendment.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Floor Amendment No. 2 removes a provision that was found objectionable by the clerks of the court in the counties as expressed in committee. I'd move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion on the amendment? 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 Senate Bill 3162. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3162.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Harmon, on your bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 3162 is an initiative of the Illinois Supreme Court acting through the Administrative Offices {sic} (Office) of the Illinois Courts. It creates a new filing fee that would be used to fund the electronic filing initiatives in courts across the State. With the amendment having been adopted, I'm not aware of any opposition and I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3162 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 45 Ayes, 6 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3162, having received the required constitutional majority, is passed. Senator McConchie, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

I just wanted to say, you know, last night I was appointed to become State Senator in this district and got up at 4:30 this morning to drive down here and this has been drinking from a fire

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hose today. It's been -- but everyone has been very great -- gracious. People from both sides of the aisle came up and congratulated me and welcomed me. So I just wanted to thank you very much. Look forward to working with many of you over the next months and years. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Senator Luechtefeld, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Mr. -- Mr. President. I -- I would like to be recorded on 3130 as a Yes vote, if you could, please - 3130.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The record shall reflect your intention. Senator -- Leader Lightford, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Purpose of an announcement, please, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your announcement.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

I'm delighted to notify all of you that Cameron Sweatman - he's been an awesome staff member for myself and Senator Koehler - he's accepted a management consulting job with Kerber, Eck & Braeckel, here in Springfield. And he will begin his new job on May 1st. He's very talented and we're sad to lose him, but we're happy that he's going on to great endeavors. So please send Cameron off with a big, warm round of applause.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Congratulations. Senator McCann, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

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SENATOR McCANN:

On -- on a point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, sir. I have here with me as my Page for today, Noah Brooks. Noah will be sixteen next month and he's from Bluffs, over in Scott County, just about an hour away from here. He's a sophomore. He enjoys science and he loves to ride dirt bikes. That makes he and I blood brothers, although he has more of a build for it than I do, but -- but I -- nonetheless, we both enjoy that. He says he'd like to attend trade school and perhaps pursue a career in welding or mechanics. Now I asked him that question about six hours ago and that was his answer. At about 2:30, he informed me that he was kind of liking this chair here and he liked what we're doing in the Senate and he maybe was rethinking his career path. After five hours of 3rd Readings, he's gone back to mechanics or welding, and I think he's made an excellent choice. He's joined today by his grandmother, Kathy Brooks, and his mother, Leslie Brooks, here on the Republican side of the gallery. Please join me in welcoming them to Springfield today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Senate Bill -- Senator Jones, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR JONES:

Thank you, Mr. President. Purpose -- personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your personal privilege.

SENATOR JONES:

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Today, as you all know, Larry Luster has been on Senate staff on Dem's side for about five and a half -- about five and a half years. I first met Larry my freshman year when I was here down in -- back in 2009. He came to my office as a intern for AFSCME trying to lobby me on some legislation. Needless to say, me and Larry became good friends. He stated he wanted to come to the Illinois Senate and work. I told him he needed to finish school and come back and see me. Larry disappeared for about year, came back, and I was happy President Cullerton brought him on staff. He has been a true asset on the Dem side to the whole caucus, and really to the Black Caucus, he's been a -- a great inspiration in helping us push our causes. Larry's moving on. He will be our new Executive Director for the Illinois Joint {sic} (Legislative) Black Caucus (Foundation). He's leaving us probably within another week and since today is our last Session day and we won't be here next week, I wanted all of us to wish Larry a -- a -- a -- a very goodbye, but he will still be around the Capitol. So please join me in congratulating Larry on his new endeavors.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Congratulations, Larry. Now you'll really have to keep Senator Jones intact. Senate Bill 3164. Senator Connelly. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3164.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Connelly, on your bill.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

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Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 3164 amends the Unified Code of Corrections. It strengthens the presumption of probation for a nonviolent offender who has no prior sentence of probation or prior conviction for a violent crime, unless the court considers a presentence report and then determines certain findings and aggravation apply and that prison is an appropriate sentence. This emanates from the Criminal Justice Reform Commission, which Senator Raoul and I serve on. We've probably had fifteen-plus meetings around the State. I'm not aware of any opposition and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3164 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 52 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3164, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3166. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3166.

(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 and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 3166 provides a new statutory notice property owners must provide to property occupants when seeking to extend the time to

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evict if the property owner is a mortgagee or similar entity. I know of no opposition. I'd ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3166 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. Senate Bill 3166, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3177. Senator McGuire. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3177.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McGuire, on your bill.

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 3177 mandates that when approaching any disabled vehicle with its hazard lights on stopped along a four-lane highway, the driver must proceed with due caution and change lanes if possible or, if a lane change is impossible, reduce speed, maintaining a safe speed for road conditions. This is an initiative of the truckers' associations, who tell me their members have been asking for the protections that are afforded in Scott's Law. And I know of..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3177 pass. All those in



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favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3177, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3178. Senator Weaver. Senator Weaver. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3178.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Now, Senator Weaver, on your bill.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank -- thank you very much. This -- 3178 provides that an individual or employer's IDS {sic} (IDES) account number can be transmitted through unencrypted email by ED -- IDS {sic} and that individual or employer. That's the extent of the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3178 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. Senate Bill 3178, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3180. Senator Nybo. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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Senate Bill 3180.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Nybo, on your bill.

SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Mr. President. It's a good day not to be Senator Weaver. So, poor guy's having a tough day today. Mr. President, at the request of the DuPage County State's Attorney, this is a request to make several changes to the offense of financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability. Basically, there's a -- a provision to expand the venue, to extend the statute of limitations and do various other changes. Happy to answer any questions and would appreciate the Body's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3180 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. Senate Bill 3180, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3274. Senator Althoff. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3274.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, on your bill.

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SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. 3274 is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. It implements a sunset date on the Illinois Athlete Agents Act and it repeals the Detection of Deception Examiners Act. The Department currently license and regulates over one million professional in firms in Illinois and the small population and very low complaint number for the detection of deception examiners allows them to go ahead and repeal and then the sunset is typical to what we do for all regulatory licensing, so we can reevaluate them periodically to see if they need to be updated. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3274 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 53 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3274, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3275. Senator Connelly. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3275.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Connelly, on your bill.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

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

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3275 is -- is an initiative of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. It simply provides cleanup and modernization language to the Community Association Manager Licensing and Disciplinary Act and the Real Estate License Act of 2000. There's no known opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3275 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. Senate Bill 3275, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Stadelman, on Senate Bill 3289. Senator Stadelman seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3289 to 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3289. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Stadelman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Stadelman, on your amendment.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Mr. President, the amendment itself makes clarifying and technical changes. I'll explain the rest of the bill on 3rd. I move that the amendment be adopted.

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

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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 Senate Bill 3289. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3289.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Stadelman, on your bill.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 3289 addresses an issue with timber theft on conservation properties. Apparently, it's a growing problem. Current law right now limits recovery to three times the value of the tree that has been cut and, unfortunately, this amount often does not cover the cost of cleanup of the property after timber theft occurs. This bill would allow conservation areas to recover solely the cost of damage to that property and the cleanup cost that would be incurred. Furthermore, you know, by recovering damages, the hope is this will deter bad actors from wrongful tree cutting. There's no opposition to this bill. This bill has been negotiated by the environmental organizations with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, the Illinois Forestry Association, which, by the way, represents many loggers in the State of Illinois. And I'm willing to answer any questions.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR RIGHTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. I just want to stand in support of this fine piece of legislation and I want to congratulate the sponsor for his pursuit of getting through the legal intricacies that some people were worried about so that we could get to this point. So, Senator, thank you for your work. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR McCARTER:

I'm -- I'm just taken back by my colleague's agreeability here. I'm not sure we got as far as we should have with this bill. I mean, you're -- you're talking about a very different standard when it includes remediation. In one case, it went from what would -- current law would be fifty-five thousand dollars to four hundred and thirty-eight thousand dollars when you include the list of ten items that have to be paid back. And, you know, if -- if we were speaking about a logger in the middle of the night that came onto one of our parks and took trees, we'd all feel good about that,

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but the problem is, this does not make it clear that if someone comes on -- near that area, doesn't know where the boundary is, believes it's -- in their heart, believes it's their property and it's their tree and takes that tree, there's no protection for that individual. And so that's what this bill does not clarify. And so if you -- you live, you know, in the -- southern Illinois when -- where the -- the -- the forest areas and the parks are quite vast and if you've ever been in the middle of four hundred acres, you know these aren't demarcated clearly as to whose property it is all the time. There's -- there's not a fence around these areas, and -- and even fences aren't always correct. And so if -- if you want to have to explain this to one of the people in your district that accidentally cuts down a tree that's not -- that's not in -- not really his, but he didn't know it, and when you want to go to ten times the cost, that's going to be a hard thing to explain to 'em. This bill doesn't make that clear. I -- I would still encourage a -- a -- a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR STADELMAN:

First of all, I appreciate Senator Righter's kind words, and to address Senator McCarter's initial concerns: Again, the intent of this legislation is to focus on those loggers who intentionally and willfully cut down trees, and that's what this legislation is focused on. However, if a tree is cut that they did not have a legal right to cut, they would still -- this law would still be applied to them. The issue is, if you just simply exempt someone because of a potential intent or someone claims they made a

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mistake, that's very difficult to deal with that legislatively. Anyone that cuts a tree would be able to simply say, I was ignorant of property lines as the reason for the theft and the trespass that occurred. It should be emphasized that it's the responsibility of the logger here to check that the trees that they intend to cut are on property they have a legal right to access. This is their responsibility. So, if it's -- someone claims that they mistakenly crossed the property lines and took down these trees, it should be up to the judge or the court to make that determination and figure out the remedy. Again, this legislation simply asks that replacement cost for the trees be allowed and the cleanup cost. These are not excessive or exorbitant costs - simply for the cleanup costs and the stumpage value of these trees. And, again, it will be up to the judge to determine intent or whether there's a claim that it was -- they were taken mistakenly. Again, that's where the resolutions of mistakes or possible concerns that they didn't know what they were doing can be addressed. And, again, the judge can simply require that someone that -- who made this mistake, fix that mistake and deal with the cleanup cost. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 3289 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 44 Ayes, 5 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3289, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3292. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 92 -- Senate Bill 3294. Senator Raoul. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.



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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill -- 3294.

(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, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a -- a initiative of the bipartisan, bicameral criminal justice reform package from Governor's {sic} Rauner's Illinois State Commission on Criminal Justice and Sentencing Reform. Senate Bill 13 -- 3294 implement -- implements two of its recommendations, two of the fourteen recommendations - initial fourteen recommendations. The bill grants the Department of Corrections the ability to use electronic monitoring, in conjunction with the Prisoner Review Board. The bill also expands the eligibility of -- for incarcerated individuals to receive sentencing credit for participation in programing, such as drug treatment and re-entry programs. I'd like to thank Rodger Heaton for his work on the Criminal Justice Reform Commission and Governor Rauner for appointing the Commission.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3294 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 48 Ayes, no -- 3 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3294, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill

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3301. Senator Rose. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3301.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose, on your bill.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill is an initiative of the Illinois Community College Board. It's now an agreed bill with language between the ICCB and the universities, creating the Illinois Articulation Initiative to allow our students to transfer credits between the community colleges and the universities in a better, more efficient and expeditious fashion. I would ask for its favorable passage. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3301 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. Senate Bill 3301, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3312. Senator Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3312.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Leader Muñoz, on your bill.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 3312. This bill was passed in 2012 and the Governor signed it into law - the Illinois State Police Merit Board Public Safety Fund that added fifteen additional -- fifteen dollars in addition to a fine to certain crimes and motor vehicle violation. The intention at the time was to create a revenue stream for the continuous replenishment of our police ranks and training for the Illinois State Police personnel. When it initially passed, the language was not inserted into the proper Sections of the circuit clerks' Act. As a result, only thirty-two {sic} of a hundred and two counties are collecting and remitting this fee. This bill with a technical change -- P.A. 97-1051 that was enacted into law in 2012, the Police Merit Board worked with the Circuit Clerk Association, the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts so that proper language and placement have been identified. This Act is generating approximately three million a year. With these changes, it will generate thirteen million annually for the Illinois State Police cadet classes. So many of -- of State troopers in the last two years have retired. There's a major shortage right now for the State Police and we haven't been able to have additional classes like they normally should do when a number of troopers retire at the end of a year. I will...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3312 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?

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Take the record. On that question, there are 38 Ayes, 14 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3312, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3313. Senator Mulroe. Senate Bill 3314. Senator Bennett. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3314.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bennett, on your bill.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. 3314 is an initiative of the Champaign County State's Attorney's Office. It makes changes to the Natural Disaster Homestead Exemption and affects Champaign County as well as Tazewell County. In November 2013, some tornadoes came through those two counties and -- and did extensive damage. There was a technicality in a -- in the -- in a bill for the Natural Disaster Homestead, which when -- when people came back to those communities and rebuilt their homes and they built it larger than a hundred and ten percent of the original size, they actually lost their exemption. This would go back and just try to clean that up as it was originally intended. I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR ROSE:

Just a brief question, please.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

He indicates he will yield.

SENATOR ROSE:

Senator, you said this was the initiative of the Champaign County State's Attorney's Office. This says Champaign Board of Review. What's the State's Attorney's position? How are they involved in this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Sorry, I'm falling into Senator Weaver's trap here, speaking too early. Well, Senator Rose, as -- as a fellow alum of the Champaign County State's Attorney's Office, you -- you well know that there's a -- a extensive Civil Division. The Civil Division was trying to advise the Board of Review and when they learned that some of these Gifford homeowners were going to be punished for this -- this technicality, they asked us to intervene and to fix it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose. Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3314 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3314, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Weaver, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR WEAVER:

I'd like to have the record show I'm a No vote on 3312,

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please. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Your intentions will be reflected. Senate Bill 3315. Senator Bennett. Senator Bennett seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3315 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, permission granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Bennett.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bennett, on your amendment.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would ask that we move it to 3rd and I'll discuss it then.

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 Senate Bill 3315. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3315.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Bennett, on your bill.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. 3315 would create an advisory committee or a task force, if you will, to address workforce shortages, which are prevalent in many areas of the State, but particularly the downstate areas. This would create a -- a task force that would study that and then make recommendations to the appropriate parties to try to address those shortfalls -- shortfalls.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Senator Barickman, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Just want to, I guess, for the -- for the sake of the rest of the Body, we had a discussion of this bill in committee and I think many of the opponents or the opposition that was raised in committee simply thought this was a duplicative effort that was unnecessary under existing law. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Bennett, do you want to close?

SENATOR BENNETT:

Just briefly, Mr. President, I -- I thank Senator Barickman for his comments in committee and -- and I -- and as I've said during committee, our goal of this is not to be duplicative, but

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to build on some of the research that's been done to address these economic shortfalls. Thank you and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 3315 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 42 Ayes, 12 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3315, having received the required -- required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3319. Leader Lightford. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3319.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Lightford, on your bill.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, there is a shortage of high school teachers qualified to teach dual credit in high schools. A teacher needs a master's in their academic field in order to do so. The Illinois Student Assistance Commission has an initiative here that would expand the eligible applicant pool for the Minority Teachers of Illinois scholarship program to include licensed teachers pursuing additional teaching endorsements or a master's degree in an academic field related to the subject area that they're currently teaching or plan to teach. By expanding this program, it would allow those master teachers to put dual credit programs in reach of more Illinois students so



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that they can achieve college credit at low or no cost before they graduate from high school. There is no fiscal impact. This does actually -- it only expands the program. I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3319 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 50 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3319, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill... Senator Rose, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ROSE:

I'd like the record to reflect my intent to vote Aye on the previous bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Your intentions will be recorded. Senator Van Pelt, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR VAN PELT:

Yes, Mr. President, I would like the record to reflect that I too wanted to vote Aye on that particular bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The record shall reflect your intentions. Senate Bill 3323. Senator Althoff. Senate Bill 3324. Senator Althoff. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3324.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, on your bill.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. This bill actually provides, if a taxpayer overpays on his or her return, the taxpayer may credit the excess payment for the following years or transfer the credit to a similar taxpayer under the Act. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3324 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. Senate Bill 3324, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Welcome to the Senate. Senator...

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

May the record reflect...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McConchie, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

May the record reflect that my last vote, I intended to vote Yes?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The record shall reflect. Senate Bill 3325. Leader Sullivan. Leader Sullivan seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3325 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Are there any

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Sullivan.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Sullivan, on your amendment.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. Secretary. It's just a technical amendment and I ask 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?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3325. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3325.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Sullivan, on your bill.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill -- 3325 provides a new licensing schedule for dealers of manufactured homes and community-based manufactured homes. They are currently licensed as a -- same as a used car dealer -- as a car dealer in the State.

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So we've -- we're dividing them, making a new application. That application must be filed with the Secretary of State. It also sets some schedules and rates for those dealers. I know of no opposition to the legislation. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3325 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 Aye, no Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3325, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3333. Senator Cunningham. Senate Bill 3335. Senator Rose. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3335.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Rose, on your bill.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill came to me from the Broadlands Fire Protection District. EpiPens are very, very expensive compared to vials of epinephrine when using to save someone's life from anaphylactic shock, and the hope is that we could use vials of epinephrine, instead of the EpiPen, and save our constituents some money. And this would be great for anyone who has a fire protection district in their area, which is virtually everyone in this room. So I would hope we could pass

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it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3335 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3335, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3336. Senator Righter. Senate Bill 3337. Leader Harmon. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3337.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Harmon, on your bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 3337 is very similar to a bill the Senate approved in years past. It didn't find its way through the remainder of the legislative process. It's an initiative of my Township Assessor. As you all know, there's a very popular program, the senior freeze for property taxes, that protects senior citizens living in their homes from increasing property values. We learned the hard way in the recent housing bubble that when the market reverses and homes lose value, the seniors not only lose the protection from the senior freeze, but if the values fall far enough, they can actually receive a double whammy in being exposed to the -- the very taxes

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from which the property freeze had shielded them. This would simply provide a minimum value of two thousand dollars' reduction in their assessed value as a floor to ensure that the program works even in times of declining value. Most of you have voted for this in the past. I'd ask your -- to vote for it again.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3337 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 53 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3337, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3340. Senator Harris. Senator Harris. Senate Bill 3343. Senator McGuire. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3343.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McGuire, on your bill.

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 3343, as amended, is an initiative of both the Board of Higher Education and the Community College Board. The bill provides local community colleges with data collection relief by reducing data redundancy. It also removes Sections of the (Public) Community College Act that are outdated. Furthermore, it clarifies coordination of specific responsibilities between the Board of

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Higher Ed and the Community College Board. I know of no opposition and ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3343 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. Senate Bill 3343, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3354. Leader Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3354.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Muñoz, on your bill.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill requires that any person ordered to register as an arsonist, sex offender, or violent offender against the youth, in the City of Chicago, register at a fixed location chosen by the Superintendent of Chicago Police. Currently, by statute, registration is taking place at the CPD headquarters. The reason for this bill is, there's so many registered sex offenders at that location and there are two high schools. One of 'em is immediately across and that's why we're requesting. I'll attempt to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3354 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. Senate Bill 3354, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3367. Senator Barickman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3367.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Barickman, on your bill.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3367 allows Paxton-Buckley-Loda School District, which I represent, to exceed its statutory debt limit and issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed twenty-eight and a half millions dollars if certain conditions are met in order to replace a nearly one-hundred-year-old high school building. I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3367 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 53 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3367, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill



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3368. Senator McConnaughay. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.  
SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3368.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McConnaughay, on your bill.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. SB 3368. At the beginning of 2015, Illinois prisons housed over forty-eight thousand inmates, most of whom were sentenced for nonviolent offenses. Almost all of these prisoners will eventually return to their communities and all -- nearly half will once again be incarcerated within the following three years. It's time that we take the necessary steps to address this growing problem in our State. Senate Bill 3368 is a bipartisan reform, spearheaded by Governor Bruce Rauner, that seeks to reduce the number of prison admissions, the length of prison stays, and reduce -- reduces the recidivism by increasing the chances of successful re-entry. This legislation requires the Department of Corrections and the Secretary of State work together to issue a State ID card to eligible inmates who previously have had an Illinois driver's license or ID card and whose identities have been verified upon release from the Department of Corrections or the Department of Juvenile Justice. It is crucial that past offenders have some form of identification following their release, as it will be -- it will assist them in their transition. Things like job applications, leases, phone service, and credit applications are all part of the reintegration process and all require a proof of identity and address. Senate Bill 3368 is a

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proactive measure that will give past offenders the opportunity to reclaim their lives and become productive members of society. There are no current opponents. I want to thank the Governor and also Rodger Heaton for all the work that went into this bill. I'd appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3368 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. Senate Bill 3368, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 33 -- 3401. Senator Bush seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3401 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now -- are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Bush.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your amendment.

SENATOR BUSH:

I would recommend do adopt and then I will address it on the bill.

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?

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No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3401. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3401.

(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. Senate Bill 3401, as amended, formally adds veterans assistance commissions as a tool to use in Veterans and Servicemembers Court treatment. I know of no opposition and I would be happy to answer any questions. And I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3401 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. Senate Bill 3401, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll go back to page 11 for Senate Bill 2587. Leader Sullivan. Leader Sullivan seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill -- 2587 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave -- seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Sullivan.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Sullivan, on your amendment.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I ask for its adoption. The amendment becomes the bill. Be happy to discuss it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Now -- 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 Senate Bill 2587. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2587.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Sullivan, on your bill.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This is a -- a joint process, I guess, a joint agreement with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and the Illinois Forestry Association that allows the DNR to -- to sell plants and plant materials upon approval of a written management (plan) to certain

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entities, such as individual landowners, State agencies, local governments, and related entities, for conservation plantings. It's also a way to relieve the Department of Natural Resources. Hope to -- gonna generate some revenue, that they wouldn't have to rely so much on GRF funding. I know of no opposition. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2587 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. Senate Bill 2587, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We will be going back to the top -- Senator McGuire, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I ask that the record reflect my intention to vote Yes on Senate Bill 3-3-6-8.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Record shall reflect your intention. With leave of the Body, we're going to go back to page 4, Senate Bill 179. Leader Sullivan. Leader Sullivan seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 179 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Sullivan.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Sullivan, on your amendment.

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SENATOR SULLIVAN:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 1-7-9. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 179.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Sullivan, on your bill.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you very much, Members of -- of the Senate, Mr. President. This is an agreement again, similar to the last bill with regard to the Department of Natural Resources and the Illinois Forestry Association. Clarifies that plants and plant materials secured or produced must be used exclusively for conservation purposes unless agreed through a memo of understanding. Also makes it clear that products such as Christmas trees may be used, sold, or removed, except with -- except under a memo of understanding

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with the Forestry Association. I know of no objections to the bill. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 179 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1-7-9, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 194. Senator Van Pelt. Senate Bill 203. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 210. Senator Manar. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Manar seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 210 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing -- leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Manar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar, on your amendment.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. This amendment is the crux of the bill. I'll be happy to debate it on 3rd Reading. Ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Manar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar, on Floor Amendment 3.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a technical amendment. I would move for its adoption. Be happy to debate it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion on the amendment? 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 Senate Bill 210. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 210.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar, on your bill.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 210 creates the Bath Salts Prohibition Act. This came to me from Christian County State's Attorney Mike Havera and the Macoupin County State's Attorney Jennifer Watson. This simply gives them a few more tools to battle what is a growing problem in rural areas of the State,



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the use of bath salts to produce synthetic drugs. I appreciate Senator Righter's suggestion, which was technical but important in nature, in the committee. I know of no opposition to the bill and I would ask for the Body's approval.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 210 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 53 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 210, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 212. Senator Bertino-Tarrant. Senator Bertino-Tarrant seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 212 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is -- are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant, on your amendment.

SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. I ask for -- to move for its adoption and I'll explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

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No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 212. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 212.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant, on your bill.

SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you again, Mr. President. Senate Bill 212, as amended, allows funds from forfeited drugs to be used for public education in the community or schools in the prevention or detection of abuse of drugs or alcohol. And I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 212 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, 1 Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 212, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Laura Murphy, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR L. MURPHY:

I would like to be recorded as an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Your intentions will be recorded.

SENATOR L. MURPHY:

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Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senate Bill 229. Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please -  
- Senator Hastings seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill  
229 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave  
granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, are there any Floor  
amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, on your amendment.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move for the adoption of the  
amendment and I'll explain it on 3rd Reading.

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 Senate Bill  
229. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 229.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 229 takes an important step in mandating the safety and security of data generated by students in the classroom. It takes a stance on regulating providers and protecting students as they use educational technology products. It prohibits targeted advertising to children in the classroom. It prohibits the sale and lease of student data and information, and it prohibits providers from amassing a profile of information about students. We worked long and hard with a lot of parties in regards to this bill and we feel that it'll provide maximum protection to the information about students that they use in -- in schools. And I'll -- I'll take any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 229 pass. All those in favor will say -- 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. Senate Bill 229, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 230. Senator Manar. Senate Bill 231. Senator Manar. Senate Bill 232. Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Morrison seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 232 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Morrison.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison, on your amendment.

SENATOR MORRISON:

I would ask the Body to please adopt this and we'll discuss on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. Mr. Secretary, 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 Senate Bill 232. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 232.

(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. Senate Bill 232 meets the needs of DCFS wards who are attempting to attend community colleges by classifying students as residents within a community college district without meeting the thirty-day residency requirement. Often there was a change in placement, which necessitates this. I would ask for a favorable vote. This is agreed upon by DCFS and the Community College Board.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 232 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 232, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 235. Senator Bertino-Tarrant. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Bertino-Tarrant seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 235 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant, on your amendment.

SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. I ask to move for its adoption and I'll explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. 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 Senate Bill

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235. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 235.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant, on your bill.

SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Chamber. Senate Bill 235, as amended, allows retired teachers to accept employment as a teacher without impairing retirement status if the term of employment does not exceed a hundred and twenty paid days or six hundred paid hours in each school year. I'm happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 235 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. Senate Bill 235, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 238. Leader Lightford. Leader Lightford seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 238 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Lightford.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Leader Lightford, on your amendment.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 238 is the Early Childhood (Education) Block Grant. It's simply cleanup language. It's the bill drafted by the State Board of Ed that modifies the birth to three set-aside language in the Early Childhood Block Grant. The proposed change affords needed flexibility to the agency while ensuring the State continues to prioritize funding for programs serving at-risk infants and toddlers. This is an effort to avoid cutting existing early childhood dollars by two percent and, going forward, an additional twenty percent as funds arrive. So, we made a commitment some years ago; we do not have the funds available, so we would like to meet that goal ongoing, move it forward. Just don't have the available funds right now. I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 238. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 238.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Lightford, on your bill.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 238 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. Senate Bill 238, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 240. Leader Lightford. Leader Lightford seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 240 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Lightford.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Lightford, on your amendment.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

I'd be happy to answer questions on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 240. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 240.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Lightford, on your bill.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. I was just a little intimidated to speak on that amendment, so... And I'd be happy to share with you that PEAC was established as a part of the Performance Evaluation Reform Act, which requires student growth to be a significant factor in teacher and principal evaluation. PERA authorized ISBE to adopt rules relating to methods of measuring student growth, defining the term "significant factor", and developing a model evaluation plan for use by districts. What this bill would do, would amend the Council until June 30th of 2021 -- or to extend them. Right now, it's required to meet quarterly until June of - - 30th of 2017. I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 240 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 240, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Haine, for

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what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HAINE:

The next bill, Mr. President. Oh, I'm sorry. I'm trying to hurry to dinner.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine seeks -- Senate Bill 241. Senator Haine seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 241 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave -- is there any discussion? 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? Senator Haine on your amendment, I'm sorry.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is -- becomes the bill. It amends the guaranteed energy savings contract provisions of the School Code, which were adopted some years ago and then a decade ago greatly expanded. And this provides that regional superintendents shall inspect the guaranteed energy savings measures. It tightens the definition of energy conservation measures. It requires the engagement -- if these are major projects, the -- the businesses may not engage in the practice of architecture, engineering, structural engineering unless that person is licensed under the various applicable Acts, and various other matters. I understand fully the angst of the School Management Alliance. They're caught in the middle here. They have -- I -- so -- people on both sides they do business with. I would like to move this to the House and be a part of the discussions with the School Management Alliance. I assure this Chamber that we will be back with a concurrence and there will -- this will make every effort to address the School Management

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Alliance concerns consistent with the concerns of the proponents of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 241. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 241.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine, on your bill.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. And that is the bill and I hereby -- re-allege what I indicated a few moments ago.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 241 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 50 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 241, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 242.

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Senator Noland seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 242 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection -- it is approved. On 2nd Reading is Floor amendment -- Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Noland.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland, on your amendment.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment becomes the bill. Happy to read it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 242. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 242.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland, on your bill.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a bill that's been largely

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-- completely negotiated by all the stakeholders. Meets with approval of the School Management Alliance and others, just for those who are concerned. What this does is it allows a large school district - and I believe that my School District U-46 is the only one that is affected by this bill - it allows a CEO to serve in place of a superintendent, but the CEO shall have management experience, a master's degree, and have been employed by the district in an administrative capacity for at least five years as well. The CEO, after a five-year exemption period, the CEO must have made substantial progress toward a standard or alternative administrative license if that program is available. I know of no opposition. Ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 242 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. Senate Bill 242, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 280. Leader Muñoz. Leader Muñoz seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 280 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, are -- Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Muñoz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Muñoz, on your amendment.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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Mr. President, I would ask for its adoption and explain it on 3rd Reading.

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 Senate Bill 280. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 280.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Muñoz, on your bill.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill provides that contracts entered into by the State Police Merit Board for disciplinary hearing officers are not subject to the Procurement Code. The effective date is January 1, 2017. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 280 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?

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Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 280, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll go back to Senate Bill 279. Senator Van Pelt. Senator Van Pelt seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill... Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 279.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Van Pelt, on your bill.

SENATOR VAN PELT:

Yes, Mr. President, Senate Bill 279 prohibits schools and State entities from entering into contracts to purchase food in which the contract terms prohibit the school or entity from donating the food to the food banks, such as homeless shelters, food pantries, and soup kitchens. I urge -- urge your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 279 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, 1 Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 279, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. President Cullerton, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Purposes of an announcement.



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your announcement.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

I'd like to ask for a Democratic Caucus to be held in my office immediately. Hopefully, it won't take too long, perhaps fifteen minutes. Like to do it right now.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senate Democrats seek leave of the Body to have a Democratic Caucus immediately. Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

The Senate Republicans would also like to caucus immediately.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

All in order.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

For fifteen minutes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

President Cullerton and Senator Althoff move that the Senate recess for the purposes of a Senate Republican and Democratic Caucus lasting about fifteen minutes. Seeing no objection, motion is granted. The Senate now stands in recess to the call of the Chair.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The Senate will come back to order. We now are on page 5 of the printed Calendar. Senate Bill 303. Senator Bush. Senator Bush seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 303 to the Order

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of 2nd Reading. Permission granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Bush.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your amendment.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you. So Amendment 1 is a gut-and-replace amendment that creates a new specialty Illinois scratch-off.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 303. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 303.

(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. This is a bill we passed last year. It was never called in the House. This is a scratch-off lottery

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ticket to benefit Alzheimer's. As you know, Alzheimer's is growing in the United States - between last year and this year another ten thousand people in the State of Illinois. I would urge an Aye vote. And I'm happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 303 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, 1 Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 303, having the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 322. Senator Raoul. Senator Raoul. Senate Bill 384. Leader Muñoz. Leader Muñoz. Leader Muñoz seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 384 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 384. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Muñoz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Muñoz, on your amendment.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

I just ask for its adoption. The Amendment 2 deletes all and becomes the bill. And I will explain it all on 3rd Reading.

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?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 384. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 384.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Muñoz, on your bill.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill amends the Open Meetings Act to provide that a public body may hold closed meetings to consider, among other subjects, the discussion of matters protected under the federal Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005 or for the discussion of matters protected under the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, and any promulgated regulations, by a hospital or other institution providing medical care that is operated by the public body. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 384 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 384, having received the required

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constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 388. Senator Bush. Senator Bush seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 388 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 388. Are there any -- Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Bush.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your amendment.

SENATOR BUSH:

I'd ask that we adopt the amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Bush.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your amendment.

SENATOR BUSH:

Again, I ask that we adopt the amendment and I'll explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 388. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 388.

(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 Assembly. So this bill basically -- let me just -- excuse me. Limited ways in which township -- there have been limited ways in which townships can consolidate. So, past General Assemblies have limited the way townships are allowed to merge or disband. SB 388 gives townships new tools and the discretion to consolidate. The savings - as townships enlarge the corporate tax rate, they're able to charge -- charge decreases. The corporate tax is a general purpose tax, which finances the salaries of township offices -- officers, excuse me - it's late. In the case of merging townships, for the first year, any savings realized by consolidation will be returned as a rebate to the taxpayers in the form of a rebate. It will remove duplication of services in buildings and administrative costs, reduce the number of salaries paid with taxpayer dollars. And collaboration - because SB 38 {sic} requires the action of multiple boards, collaboration will include and eliminate all overlapping services. The township will still be subject to the Property Tax

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Extension Limitation Law. And I would urge an Aye vote and I'm happy to answer any questions about the legislation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Mr. President, first, I know that we're all affected by the adrenaline and the caffeine-fueled excitement over the chaos in the other Chamber, but I wonder if you could tamp it down in the Chamber just a little bit so that I can hear Senator Bush's answers to the questions I might have for her? Please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Anything for you, Senator.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Could we keep it down, the noise, please? Everybody. The quieter we are, the faster we'll get done. Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. I appreciate that. Senator Bush, you and I had a conversation -- or a couple of conversations before and I appreciate you talking to me about the bill. It's my understanding that this legislation does not have a mechanism by which the voters, through a -- a petition drive, and -- can then place something on the ballot to abolish a township. Am I correct in -- in that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

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So, Senator Righter, thank you for the question. So you are correct in the majority of cases. The one time where it does involve a voter petition and then referendum is if a county chooses to take over the -- the townships.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Just, can you -- can you elaborate for myself and the rest of the Chamber your thinking into not including a direct -- a direct path for voters to approve a referendum to abolish a township?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Absolutely, and thank you for the question. You know, I believe that good policy happens when we can come to a compromise and when we're able to look at something that actually can get done. So, we all know how this works here. When you file a bill, you know, you try to get to consensus from people that might object to the bill. I want you to be clear that we have -- TOI is neutral on this bill. And the reason that they're neutral on this bill is we are giving local control. We are saying -- and I could go through each piece of the legislation for anyone who wants to hear it, but what we're saying is this, if you want to -- if you are two townships, you are next to each other, and your town boards believe that your -- it will benefit the taxpayers, that you're going to continue to give them good services and reduce the costs to them, your boards, by a simple majority, can vote to do that and then it goes to voter referendum, and after it goes to voter referendum, you elect a new town board. So there is a voter



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referendum there and it does go to the -- directly to the taxpayers. But we're saying that we believe by giving local control -- because one size doesn't fit all. That's the other issue. We know in southern parts of the State and central parts of the State and even some northern parts of the State, townships, as they exist right now, might make absolute sense - and do in some areas - and maybe they are the best -- best form of government there. So we're saying, let's take this slowly, let's put it into the control of those boards that are elected, and then let's put it to a voter referendum. And again, I believe this is a first step. It's a good step. It's good policy, Senator, and I truly do believe that. And I don't believe -- I believe it would be very difficult to pass a bill the way that you're talking about it. I believe there would be so much opposition to it that it would go nowhere and we would, again, get nothing done on consolidation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

How would this change current law with regards to consolidation or abolishment of a -- of a township?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

So, the way that it changes current law is, if you want to - two -- let's use two examples. Currently, there -- there really isn't a way to do this under current law. So -- the change in current law is that there is a step process that goes on. First of all, two -- the two boards vote. Again, that's new. Then it

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goes to a voter referendum. Then the law says they create a new town board. A new town board is elected. The tax rate stays until June, I believe, when the new board creates the new tax rate for the new township. You can also take three townships, which I know there are some townships that are interested in doing this, and take a township that's in the center of that, divide it in half, and it consolidates into the townships on either side. So that's a law change. The other piece that's a change is if -- currently, if a county board form of government decided that they wanted to, by voter referendum, take townships into the county, they would have to become a commission style of government. This also allows for them to maintain their current form of government. And -- I'm sorry, and I also didn't include coterminous. So this also includes coterminous. There are sometimes two boards that oversee coterminous, sometimes one. And there's a law change there also, where those voter -- excuse me, those boards vote to take that action before going for a referendum. And I'm sorry..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McConchie, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

Will the -- question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Sponsor indicates she will yield.

SENATOR McCONCHIE:

Senator Bush, can you explain a little bit, because I -- again, this is my first day, so I'm just trying to understand. What would be the effect on the tax rates for property, you know, these people who own property in the township? I understood that there was at least -- there were some proposals in the past, or

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maybe perhaps it's current law, that when two townships merge, they would take the higher rate. In -- in one of the counties in my district, that actually stymied any sort of consolidation. So would you be able to explain what this would do?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you for the question. That is one other piece that has changed. So that did exist -- does exist in law and the change would be that the elected board sets the new rate going forward and then anything -- there's a rebate of the rate -- the higher rate between the -- the election and June. So, that no longer would exist in law. You don't have to take the higher rate. There's a new rate set by the new board - that hopefully their intention would be to save the taxpayers dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Yes.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Senator Bush, I apologize, because I think I'm asking you to repeat yourself. So, my understanding is, the difference between what -- what you're proposing and what exists now is that instead of the voters having the ability to seek a referendum question, they have to wait until the township board takes some kind of an action. Do I understand that correctly?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

That is correct. Be -- it would be initiated by the boards.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

I mean, slightly with tongue in cheek, I -- I look at you and say, I -- I understand exactly what you are trying to do is to work with those units of government so that there was some comfort level here. But, again, it's the same situation: How often do you really believe that people who are serving the public and think they're doing a good job - and they most likely are doing a great job - how often do you think that they'll take advantage of the opportunity to pass a resolution stating that they wanted to be either consolidated or dissolved?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Yeah. So I had a Senator who just came up to me - the same amount of time that people think that they should get rid of the Lieutenant Governor's seat and don't. So, anyway -- but I'm going to answer the question. I believe this is the way it starts, because this will allow public pressure. Because we all know that out there a lot of people believe that there should be less government and that townships are the place to start. And I absolutely believe we will have people run for township boards that will say, I'm running for township board because I want to combine these two neighboring districts because it doesn't make sense. Excuse me, and thank you. This is important legislation.

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This is something that your Governor over there is very interested in. So I really would appreciate, if you're going to ask me all these questions, that you pay attention to the answers. So -- so if I can just say, that I really do believe it's going to be public pressure that's going to come from the voters and, truly, I believe we're going to see consolidation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

I just want to welcome all the Representatives to the Senate Floor, but this is the Senate, so if you could keep the noise level down, we would greatly appreciate it or we may ask all the Reps to leave the room. So please keep the noise down. Senator Althoff. Senator Bush, to close.

SENATOR BUSH:

So I -- I want to thank you for listening and what I want to say is this: If you haven't met me yet, my name's Melinda Bush. I like good policy. I've voted for things. I've voted against things. I've voted with people on the other side of the aisle when I thought my party was wrong. So, you know what, this is good policy; this is the way we start real consolidation efforts. We don't pretend we're going to do it and try to pass bills that lobbyists are against and it's going nowhere. Because I've tried to pass legislation like that and I don't get the support of the people in this Chamber. So this is good policy. I'm going to urge you to vote Yes, and this should be bipartisan. We should all be willing to start a real process for government consolidation in the State of Illinois.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 388 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 53 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 388, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 389. Senator Morrison. Senator Morrison seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 389 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave -- leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 389. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Morrison.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison, on your amendment.

SENATOR MORRISON:

I would ask for the adoption of the amendment and I'll discuss on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. 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 Senate Bill 389. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 389.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison, on your bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 389 addresses some of the concerns that the Lieutenant Governor's task force brought up in terms of consolidation of local government. This bill does three things: It removes the size cap of townships; it enables a township to dissolve its road district if it has less than fifteen miles of road; and it allows a county to absorb drainage districts in three collar counties. I am happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

And to the sponsor. I appreciate the work and the efforts that was done on this particular legislation, as it really did address many of the concerns the County of McHenry encountered when they did try and consolidate their townships, which was exactly what their taxpayers were looking for, and obviously had difficulty doing it because there was too many roadblocks. This bill actually eliminates those road -- roadblocks and provides also the opportunity to consolidate other units of government. So, I'm very appreciative and I would urge an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Sullivan, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, I reluctantly rise in opposition to Senator Morrison's bill. Obviously, with eleven counties in my Senate district and representing a large portion of downstate -- and I know that this bill doesn't affect them in -- at least initially in some regards, but in many other regards it does. Township Officials of Illinois is opposed to this legislation. They had tried to work with - and did work with - the sponsor on trying to get the -- the -- the miles of road from twenty-five to fifteen and down to ten miles. This is at fifteen, which they are -- is not acceptable to them. In my own home county, it would dissolve two road districts, two township road districts that those folks are doing a very good job and probably the most economical job of anybody else that could do that job with that road -- with those two road districts, in my own county, and that's -- that's not to -- that's not to talk about the other ten counties that I represent. Also, the Drainage Districts are opposed to this bill. Once again, it takes the -- it takes the responsibilities away from a drainage district and gives them to a county, which, quite frankly, doesn't have any -- doesn't have any knowledge of how to run a drainage district. The drainage district -- the folks that are running the drainage districts are the people that are -- that are representing those districts,



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they're the people that are affected by the drainage laws and rules and levies and what have you within those districts, so they are also opposed. And, you know, I -- I have great respect for the sponsor, but this is a -- this is not the bill, this is not the time, this is not the answer, and I rise in strong opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Manar, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

She indicates she will yield.

SENATOR MANAR:

Senator Morrison, could you take me through how -- how a road district would be dissolved, specifically starting from an act of a township?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Senator Manar. A road district that has less than fifteen miles of road - I should tell you that, in the State of Illinois, there are only fifty-six of those right now - the board of -- the -- the township board would have to determine that they wanted to dissolve that road district. It would then be -- if they voted yes, it would then be a referendum of the entire township. The responsibilities and all the rights of taxing authority, motor fuel tax, all of that, accompanies those miles of road to the township. That's how it happens.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

So, would -- I presume it would go to a county government.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

No, it would not. Under this legislation, it would revert back to the township itself, for the road district is a separate body. The district itself would dissolve. The roads and those responsibilities would fall back onto the township board of trustees and the supervisor to manage. It would be -- they would have the ability to then contract that work out or to hire employees or even to maintain the road district employees they have now to do that work.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Could you -- could you explain for us -- I -- 'cause I think it's important for background on this, the -- the difference between a road district and a township, and specifically what efficiency would be achieved if the legislation were passed?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

A road district has its own budget. It has its own taxing authority and it has a road commissioner. That is the person who is in charge of and has the responsibility of the roads and all the equipment and all the assets of a road district. If it would be dissolved, that road commissioner would no longer be an elected

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official. So, there -- there is a savings there. And a lot of times -- since we are now looking at road districts with less than fifteen miles of roads, a lot of times these roads have been annexed into municipalities, and it's just the economy of scale to be able to contract this work out and -- and a great savings. This is not mandatory. The nice thing about this legislation is, is that it's entirely permissive. This is only if it fits what the township and what the board wants. It's a tool.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Okay. Thank you for that answer. Why -- so -- so, if it's -- if it's a great tool, why limit it to just townships with less than fifteen miles?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Senator, we originally started at twenty-five miles, and in deliberations with the Township Officials of Illinois, they asked us to drop it, to make it a less number of road districts that'd be affected. So this was -- this was an -- in deference to them.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you for the responses. I appreciate the work that the sponsor has done on the bill. I, too, have incredible respect for her, but I rise in opposition to the bill. I would echo the sentiments of the previous speaker, that in the parts of State that I represent, these things are working -- are working very

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well. And I do urge the Body to either vote No or Present on the legislation. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Noland, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR NOLAND:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Mr. President, I rise in strong support of this bill. I have one of those suburban districts that has approximately -- well, it has four townships located in my Senate district. I believe only two of these are actually going to qualify for consolidation. I can assure you that as I walk door-to-door that the vast majority of my constituents would most favor this, at least to have an opportunity to reduce the cost of what is essentially a boondoggle road district and to allow the township the opportunity to contract with either the surrounding municipality or -- or the county. I -- I can -- I can't tell you how many times I've had constituents complain that they see these road plows travel up and down these roads on a cold winter's day, where they -- one or the other could drop the plow and do the job. This is something that has been long overdue and -- and sorely needed at this point. And I will tell you that every suburban -- Senator and every -- anybody here who represents a suburban district, certainly -- now I grew up downstate and I understand some of the concerns of the downstate townships, and that's why this Senator worked with -- with the township organization here in Illinois, in order to protect those town -- downstate townships, which are sometimes the only -- only

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game in town when it comes to maintaining these roadways. So she did a darn good job and this -- this bill -- this -- the -- the sponsor deserves every vote on this bill. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BUSH:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR BUSH:

Would the -- I'm sorry, would the speaker yield for a question? Would the speaker yield for a question? I apologize.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Yes, she indicates she will.

SENATOR BUSH:

So, Senator -- I almost called you Senator Bush. It's really late for me. I go to bed early. So, anyway, Senator Morrison, I know you've done a lot of work on this bill. You know, we've both worked very hard on -- on -- on the township bills. So I know that it's permissive for the section -- the road section, and my question is this: So the storm -- storm water management -- the -- I'm sorry, the drainage districts, that only - I am really sorry - that only applies to the collar counties. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Senator Bush, to be even more specific, because of the populations that are limited in the legislation, it only applies to Will County, Lake County, and Kane County. And to be even more

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narrow, only those drainage districts that have commissioners who have been appointed by the county, and not elected, are eligible to be absorbed by the county. And as I know all of you local government people know that have drainage districts, there are two ways for commissioners to be on a district - they're appointed or they're elected. Those county boards already have their hands in drainage districts. They already have some control over them. This is not -- this is not a huge step.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

So, just -- just to follow up. And I also know -- I just want to point out that I know that Lake County has slipped in favor of your bill and they are one of the counties where they would be doing this with drainage districts. And I just want to say, I support the bill. I thank you so much for bringing it forward. And I think, again, it's good policy and thank you so much for doing it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison, to close.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Township government has been alive and well in Illinois since the 1850s. There's a reason that it has continued to exist -- excuse me. There's a reason it's continued to exist and that's because it has -- it is a government that evolves with the needs and is responsive to the voters in its communities. Let's keep township government relevant. If you believe in township government, if you believe that the voters in the community have the right to say how your township should

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evolve, then you'll vote Yes on this bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 389 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's 36 Ayes, 9 Nay, 3 voting Present. Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 389, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 392. Senator Raoul. Senator Raoul seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 392 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 392. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Raoul.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul, on your amendment.

SENATOR RAOUL:

The Floor Amendment 1 becomes the bill. I'll explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of the 3rd Reading is Senate

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Bill 389. Mr. Secretary -- or... Senate Bill 392. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 392.

(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, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 392 expands the reach of the Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission beyond just claims under the command of Jon Burge to claims throughout -- claims of torture throughout Cook County and expands the time for an additional five years for such claims to be filed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 392 pass. All those in favor will -- 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. Senate Bill 392, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 440 has been -- Senator Mulroe. Senator Mulroe seeks the leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 440 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 440. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:



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Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Mulroe.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on your amendment.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment becomes the bill. I move for its adoption. I'd be happy to explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 440. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 440.

(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. This bill amends the Chicago Firefighter Article of the Pension Code to clearly differentiate the eligibility requirements and annuity computation for a surviving spouse, surviving child, and surviving parent of a Tier 2 Chicago firefighter. I know of no opponents. I'd ask for your Aye votes.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 440 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 52 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 440, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Will the Committee on Assignments please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately? Will the Committee on Assignments please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately? Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Sullivan in the Chair.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1775 and 1776, offered by Senator McGuire and all Members.

Senate Resolution 1777, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

Senate Resolution 1778, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

Senate Resolution 1779, offered by Senator Clayborne and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 1780, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senate Resolutions Calendar.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate -- Senate Joint Resolution 53, offered by Senator Harmon.

It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, Clerk.

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

House Bill 696.

We have received like Messages on House Bills 3239, 4351, 4477, 5010, 5576, 5711, 5785, 5907, 5973, 6041, 6044, 6093, 6125, and 6328. Passed the House, April 21st, 2016. 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 bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 1052.

We have received like Messages on House Bills 3408, 4362, 5530, 5602, and 5912. Passed the House, April 21st, 2016. 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,

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in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 4432.

Passed the House, April 21st, 2016. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Link in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Harmon, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 579, Senate Bill 2047, Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 2527, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2585. Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-8 (b-1), the following amendments will remain in the Committee on Assignments: Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 580, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3025, and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3336. Signed, Senator Don Harmon, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senate Bill 461. Senator Morrison. Senator Morrison seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 461 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Motion approved -- leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 461. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Morrison.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison, on your amendment. She indicates she does

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not want to call the amendment. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Haine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine, on Floor Amendment No. 2.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. -- Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a replace amendment. This is a replace amendment. The amendment includes language from Amendment 1 of Senator Morrison concerning the City of Deerfield and adds Madison County, Illinois, which the -- the language states merely that if a 9-1-1 System has the Next Generation technology, it is exempt from the consolidation requirements in the bill we passed last year.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 461. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 461.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Morrison, on your bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to defer to my chief -- my chief cosponsor to discuss the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine, on the bill.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The bill is what I just described - that is Floor Amendment No. 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR McCARTER:

A question -- question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, I'm sure this is greatly needed and I'm sure it's greatly needed for Madison County as well. Representing part of Madison County, I'd love nothing more than to do anything to help them. Here's my -- here's my concern: I've got six other counties who have got other challenges. They -- very rural areas. It's taken 'em a long time to implement this and they just needed two or three months more to finish, to where they weren't going to be penalized. My -- my problem with this is, we've taken care of a couple, but now I've got a lot more that are left out of the -- the deal. And it's not because they were just not working hard at it; it's because identifying in rural areas those actual addresses is very difficult and it's very costly, especially with -- you

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have very little manpower. So, I guess I -- I'd feel better if I knew that we were going to be able to come back and let the rest of these folks have an opportunity to have some grace as well. Is -- is -- is that possible?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Yes, Senator. Thank you for the question. There is a waiver process imbedded in the law - that's number one. Number two, I'd be open to working with you on any other change.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

So, did -- did Madison County go through the waiver process, and what was the verdict there?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Senator. They don't want to be -- have the PSAPs reduced - that's the key. The -- the waiver would just delay and give them time to reduce. They'd be ordered to reduce. They don't want to reduce because it ain't broke. They -- they have already moved and invested into the Next Generation, as Deerfield, and so, in -- in -- in their mind, it doesn't make much sense. The -- the small villages and cities - Highland is one that's worked out an agreement with an adjoining city; I think it's Troy - they are strongly opposed to this and they already have -- the purpose of the bill was to move everyone in the State to the second generation, and I accept that. They -- Madison County's already

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done it and so they don't want to be forced into a -- a consolidation, which to them is arbitrary, because they've already done it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

But, Senator, is -- is the consolidation really arbitrary? 'Cause when you -- you compare Madison County to, say, DuPage, I think they will end up with three versus Madison with maybe eight.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Yes. That is up to DuPage. I don't know whether DuPage has the -- the Next Generation of technology. I do know, by anyone's estimation, that Madison County does, and St. Clair County does too - they have the Next Generation. They're already there. So whether DuPage does or not -- maybe they don't.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Here's -- you know, here -- here's the problem, this is not quite fair. I remember when we debated this bill, and it was a tough bill to vote on when we did, because there was -- there was different fees wrapped up into this. It was a real -- it -- there was an exchange, a -- a reorganizing of money, and there were some



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winner and there were some losers in it. I remember 'em when debated that here. But it was the decision that we were going to consolidate according to those -- those rules, and now we're kind of changing the rules for a few and we leave others out. That's my concern. I mean, it's hard for me to represent just one of the seven counties. But I would encourage us to give every county a chance to -- to adjust to this big change. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MORRISON:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Before this Body passed the 9-1-1 consolidation, three communities in my district - Deerfield, Bannockburn, and Riverwoods - had already consolidated. They had seen the merit in doing this. They had already consolidated into one unit. They had already purchased Next Generation equipment. Besides the twenty-four thousand plus - and they missed the twenty-five thousand population mark by just a few hundred - they also take care of twenty-seven thousand employees who come in and work at Fortune 500 companies on the Lake Cook Corridor as well as the university. I -- I think this merits an opportunity for them to have a three-year extension, which is all they're asking for. They understand there will be further consolidation. You just heard me speak that I am -- that I am a proponent of local government consolidation. I'm not asking for a complete dismissal; I'm asking for an opportunity for them to have three more years since they've

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already met the intent of the law.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Mr. President, I'm going to ask if the sponsor will yield, but I'm not sure to whom I should be directing my questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

You could talk to me if you want.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Yeah, well, who should I talk to out here, Mr. President? But I appreciate the offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

I may come to you. I may come to you. Thank you. Senator Haine, I -- I've been listening carefully to what both you and Senator Morrison have said and -- and I am confused. It -- it's my understanding that last year we passed the 9-1-1 consolidation legislation, and so all of us got to go back to our 9-1-1 centers, who were reluctant to consolidate, and said, you know what, this is the way it's going to be. Now this bill is a carve-out from that exemption requirement -- I mean that -- that consolidation requirement for the fifteen or so calling stations or calling -- in Madison County. Is that right? There are fifteen and they're all being exempted. Is that right?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

That is correct, but you're -- the preface that we all got to

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go back and explain how we consolidate isn't correct. We voted for the bill and I didn't hear anything about how it would impact Madison County until recently, when they were told by some statewide 9-1-1 officials they were going to have to consolidate every year until they get down to a small number. Again, they have already spent the money. They have moved to the Next Generation of technology. These cities and villages have worked out arraignments between one another that are working very well and would not work if they were cut to eight, or seven, or six. So, in their mind, it isn't broke now; it looks like Big Brother is just having them consolidate for the sake of the symmetry seen somewhere in Springfield or Chicago. They would like to have their efficient system the way it has been recently. That's all it is. So you can call it a carve-out, but in their -- their mind, they didn't want to be carved in.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Well, I appreciate that Senator, but I -- I assume that there were others who didn't want to be carved in. I mean, DuPage County, here represented by my friend Senator Connelly, has a million people in it and they're consolidating down to three, whereas in Madison County that has two hundred and some thousand, you're going to have fifteen of those. And I think that most people would look at that and say, there's something not right about that. Now it's my understanding that if -- if you want to be exempted out of the consolidation process, there is a waiver process by which you can go -- you have to make application to the State Police. Is that -- you're indicating that's not

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accurate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Yes, there's a waiver process, but it doesn't change anything. And again, Senator, I have no idea what DuPage County's status is as far as moving to the Next Generation. Perhaps they should consolidate to three - maybe it's better for their people that they are three. It's better for our people to remain as they were. I -- I -- I'm just reflecting all the fire chiefs and the police chiefs, who have worked out these arrangements over the -- recent years. If it works for them, I don't know why we don't respect that. If it -- if -- if three works for DuPage County, that's terrific - I'm all for it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Well, there is a waiver process. Why didn't Madison County go through the wavier process that was already in law and ask the State Police to exempt them from the consolidation requirements?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Madison County has asked for a waiver, but it -- they were told, informally, that it won't mean anything except for a year delay; that they're going to be told to consolidate, consistent with a -- somebody, somewhere up north. And I don't think that's the way we ought to be doing it.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To the bill, please, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. I think that what was the last statement there made by the sponsor is key, and that is, is that we put in place, Mr. President, a consolidation policy last year. And I'm not -- I haven't seen the roll call, but I'm assuming that everybody or almost everybody in this room voted for it. There is a waiver process with which you can apply to the State Police if you need more time to accomplish the consolidation. Rather than go through that process, we are now facing a piece of legislation that says this one county is going to be exempted from the consolidation process that everyone else agreed to. Now I don't -- I don't criticize Senator Haine at all for being here and advocating for the county in his Senate district, but what I am suggesting is, this is a deal we all signed on to last year, including the waiver process that allows for more time. They didn't even go through the waiver process. They didn't even finish that because they didn't want a delay; they just wanted to be carved out altogether. That's not what we're supposed to be doing here. I would urge a No vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Connelly, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill, very briefly.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Senator Haine, you -- you mentioned whether DuPage County had the -- the newest equipment, and in a prior life, I actually served as the Chairman of the 9-1-1 Board in DuPage County when we did buy the finest equipment you can from Motorola. I know Naperville, too, has a 9-1-1. They're separate and distinct from DuPage County and they, too, have the best equipment you can buy. And to the credit of Aurora and Naperville, they too are working to consolidate. It's -- it's a big deal amongst our -- you know, the -- the fire districts and the -- and the fire chiefs in DuPage County. And I, too, would regrettably urge a No vote here.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, help me. And again, I'm not quite sure how the financing of this works. Does this change -- with the formula that was in place, that was part of this, does this change the funding at all and have any effect on the funding formula that was passed?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

I don't think so. I -- I'm not aware of that at all.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

How does the financing work then if it's divided up with -- if we're adding fifteen more units, how does that effect everyone else?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Senator, we're not asking for fifteen more units. We're just asking to keep the units -- the PSAPs that -- that they have. And they wouldn't be causing an expense to the statewide system because they wouldn't be asking for a consolidation grant. They just want to remain as is.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

So the new funding that was worked out as part of this legislation that was predicated on a certain number of units throughout the State, you're saying that Madison is not asking for any of those dollars from those -- from that at all. So that formula, they're not part of that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

As far as I know, no. They have their own. They've had it for years, but they -- and they purchased the equipment, as Senator Connelly referred to, and they're not asking for a -- a consolidation grant. And Senator Righter's closing remarks had to do with the waiver process. All the waiver process does is delay

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the consolidation. They don't want to be consolidated. And if I'd have known this when we voted on the bill, I guarantee I wouldn't have voted on the bill. I guarantee you. This is a -- this is a symmetry imposed upon them. We've heard rhetoric here about imposing mandates and grants on local areas. The purpose of this bill, as I thought - I voted for it - was to raise up the entire State to a standard. And Madison County's already in -- achieved that standard, through their own work and organization. And now they're being told, you're obsolete - not the equipment, not what they're doing in answering the emergency calls. They're just -- you're obsolete. You should do what DuPage is doing. They don't want to do what DuPage is doing. They're happy and they -- they're -- they've worked out their own agreements. As I say, Highland and Troy worked out an agreement. The Mayor of Troy was up here, Al Adomite, saying this just kills 'em - kills 'em. And they're two examples.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Last question. How does the -- this -- part of this has that new statewide surcharge. Where does that -- how is that surcharge money being divided up or who gets that and what or what's the purpose of that? And why would this not affect that if there is a -- that surcharge -- that money? How is that being divided up?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

I -- I believe the -- the surcharge money was to hold the 9-1-1 systems to their previous level and to improve the performance.



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As I say, Madison County, arguably, and St. Clair County have already moved to that level, some time ago. They were already there. And they are being told, well, we don't care if you're there or not; you should have a smaller number of PSAPs. And they're saying, why is that? Well, because DuPage has three, you should have one or two. And they're saying, why would that be? And I don't get it either.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you. Last question. What's going to happen two or three years from now when the new latest technology comes out and Madison County says we have fifteen places. So when it comes to dividing up this statewide money, we have fifteen units, so we get fifteen -- we get fifteen times that. And DuPage gets three. We have more units, so when this new technology comes out we want a bigger share of that -- that money that's going to be having to be generated to pay for the next new generation that comes out.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

As far as I know, it's based on population. I -- I guarantee you, based upon the competence shown by Madison County up to now, whatever is required in the future will be accomplished. They are far ahead of most areas of the State, and that's the reason for the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Sullivan, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

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Thank you, Mr. President. Want to speak to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

You know, Ladies and Gentlemen, it's getting late. We've had a long day. I -- but I think this is an issue that we need to have -- just spend a few minutes on, because -- and I rise in opposition to my good friend -- my good friends' bills {sic}. And I think some of the previous speakers have really done an outstanding job of laying out why this is not the way to go, but let me just give you just a little bit more background. The 9-1-1 service -- Services Advisory Board met for over two years on trying to come up with more efficient ways to provide 9-1-1 services to the State of Illinois. All the stakeholders, including, Senator Haine, your county, Senator Morrison, your folks, they were involved in these meetings and the discussions. They knew very well what was going on. Large counties, small counties, rural counties, urban counties, they were all at the table. They all had a voice, and in the end, we all agreed, unanimous, to the legislation that we put together that passed this Chamber, passed the House, and is now law. I think unanimous in both Chambers. I believe everybody in here that was in here at the time voted for it. The -- the legislation that's up on the board right now is simply, as it's been described, an attempt to chisel away at that legislation. As has been said, there is a waiver process available to all the 9-1-1 systems to allow them to go in to the Advisory Board and make a case as to why they should not be required to consolidate. If you can make a valid case as to why you should not consolidate, then the board will make that

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determination. Senator Morrison, you're -- you're -- you have -- you're in a rising population. Right? You're -- you're growing. You could very well be, in a matter of -- you go into the -- and make a waiver request, you may very well get -- your folks may very well get that waiver request. Senator Haine, your folks, as has been mentioned how many 9-1-1 systems you have in your county, when other counties are doing a much more and much -- a much more efficient and better job with the resources that they have. It basically comes down to individuals saying, let's just introduce legislation, then we don't have to go through the process, we don't have to play by the same rules as everybody else. I simply ask that you allow the legislation that was passed last year to work, give it time to work, let the counties that and the 9-1-1 systems that think they have a legitimate case not to consolidate, allow them the time to go through that process, make that request, and let the -- the folks -- the experts make that decision. I ask for a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine, to close.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Do -- am I limited to forty-five minutes for my closing?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

It'll be awful dark in here if you're finishing at forty-five...

SENATOR HAINE:

I would ask the indulgence of the -- the Chamber. My fire chiefs and police chiefs tell me they were actually not at the table. The -- the representatives that were there did not fully

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explain to them how they were going to be forced into a consolidation scheme. And the purpose of this bill, as I thought, was to move everyone into the Next Generation, just as Senator Sullivan said, of efficiency so that the people are served. We want -- some counties have very poor 9-1-1 service. That is not adequate. We have an excellent service, and the -- the mayors, the fire chiefs, the police chiefs have worked out this arrangement over the years and it is maximum efficiency, and to be told by some board that they have to consolidate PSAPs, when they're already doing what the intent of the bill is, seems to me to be arbitrary. So I would ask for an Aye vote on behalf of these men and women that are actually out there doing the job. And thank so much for the colloquy. It was enjoyable. I wish I could stay later. Thank you so much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 461 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? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 20 Ayes, 26 Nays, 2 voting Present. Senate Bill 461, having not received the constitutional required amount, is declared defeated. Senate Bill 464. Senator Koehler. Out of the record. Senate Bill 466. Senator Mulroe. Senator Mulroe seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 466 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is -- Senate Bill 466. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Mulroe.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on your amendment.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I would ask for its adoption. I'd be happy to explain it on 3rd. It's the substantive part of the bill.

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:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Mulroe.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on Floor Amendment No. 2.

SENATOR MULROE:

Floor Amendment 2 is technical in nature. I'd ask for its adoption. I'd explain the whole bill on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 466. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Bill 466.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on your bill.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Last year, we passed Senate Bill 54, which was signed into law. It provided insurance coverage for 3D mammography, otherwise known as tomosynthesis. It passed unanimously out of this Chamber. It had a conditional effective date. This improved technology is now in eighty-six hospitals in Illinois. It's up from fifty a year ago. Blue Cross Blue Shield, Health Alliance, Medicare, and about eight other insurance cover -- companies currently cover 3D. I said last year on the Floor that if all insurance companies did not cover 3D by the -- this time that I'd be back - well, I'm back. Senate Bill 466 requires insurance that -- for 3D exams, effective July 1, '16. Thank you. I'd ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 466 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Aye -- 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. Senate Bill 466, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Weaver, for what -- what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Record show a Yes for me on 3324.

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I'd like a Yes on 3324. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The record shall reflect your intention. With leave of the Body, we will go to page 7, Senate Bill 579. Senator Martinez. Senator Martinez seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 579 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 579. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Martinez.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Martinez, on your amendment.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

The -- the amendment becomes the bill and I'll be happy to discuss it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 579. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 579.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Martinez, on your bill.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 579 allows -- explicitly allows student trustees at all public universities in Illinois to vote on measures involving the employment or compensation of the President or Chancellor, as well as the election of officers. And I'll be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 579 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 50 Ayes, no Nays, 2 voting Present. Senate Bill 579, receiving the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We will now go to Supplemental Calendar No. 1. Senate Bill 312. Senator Barickman. 3412, I apologize. Senator Barickman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3412.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 54, offered by Senator Bush.



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It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on the 22nd day of April 2016. The Senate stands adjourned.