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11:38 O'CLOCK A.M.

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The House of Representatives met in Perfunctory Session pursuant to notice from the Speaker.

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

February 13, 2007

Mark Mahoney
Chief Clerk of the House
402 State House
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Clerk Mahoney:

Please be advised that in conjunction with the House Session Calendar there will be no Session on Wednesday, February 14, 2007, Thursday, February 15, 2007 and Friday, February 16, 2007.

If you have questions, please contact my Chief of Staff, Tim Mapes, at 782-6360.

With kindest personal regards, I remain.

Sincerely yours,
s/Michael J. Madigan
Speaker of the House

February 15, 2007

Mark Mahoney
Chief Clerk of the House
402 State House
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Clerk Mahoney:

Pursuant to House Rule 9(a), by this letter I am establishing that the House of Representatives will have **Perfunctory time on Thursday, February 15, 2007.**

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,
s/Michael J. Madigan
Speaker of the House

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative Lyons will replace Representative Hannig in the Committee on Rules on February 15, 2007.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Currie, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, action taken on February 15, 2007, reported the following legislative measures and/or joint action motions have been assigned as follows.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES APPROVED FOR FLOOR CONSIDERATION:

- Aging: HOUSE BILLS 734, 806, 880, 948, 966 and 979.
- Agriculture & Conservation: HOUSE BILLS 822, 1018, 1019, 1020 and 1112.
- Approp-Elementary & Secondary Education: HOUSE BILLS 750 and 1140.
- Appropriations-General Services: HOUSE BILLS 919 and 1039.
- Appropriations-Human Services: HOUSE BILLS 760, 762, 763, 764, 795, 807, 878, 942 and 964.
- Appropriations-Public Safety: HOUSE BILL 761.
- Computer Technology: HOUSE BILLS 754 and 842.
- Consumer Protection: HOUSE BILLS 872, 986, 1033, 1070 and 1075.
- DCFS Oversight: HOUSE BILL 1118.
- Disability Services: HOUSE BILLS 785, 909 and 982.
- Elections & Campaign Reform: HOUSE BILLS 777, 787, 803, 858, 901, 962, 1014, 1025, 1027, 1038, 1120, 1121, 1122 and 1123.
- Electric Utility Oversight: HOUSE BILLS 814, 818, 891, 894 and 1119.
- Elementary & Secondary Education: HOUSE BILLS 791, 816, 817, 877, 1030, 1141, 1142, 1143 and 1226.
- Environment & Energy: HOUSE BILLS 819, 868 and 937; HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 13.
- Environmental Health: HOUSE BILLS 895 and 943.
- Executive: HOUSE BILLS 725, 726, 727, 731, 733, 735, 738, 739, 740, 741, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 751, 752, 753, 758, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 776, 781, 782, 783, 786, 788, 794, 797, 798, 799, 801, 809, 811, 812, 815, 821, 823, 829, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 844, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 856, 857, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 873, 874, 875, 876, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 896, 902, 904, 907, 911, 912, 918, 921, 925, 926, 927, 934, 935, 939, 940, 941, 947, 951, 952, 955, 956, 958, 959, 960, 967, 992, 993, 994, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000, 1001, 1002, 1003, 1005, 1016, 1021, 1023, 1028, 1029, 1032, 1034, 1036, 1037, 1041, 1042, 1043, 1044, 1045, 1046, 1047, 1048, 1049, 1052, 1053, 1054, 1055, 1056, 1057, 1058, 1059, 1060, 1061, 1062, 1063, 1064, 1068, 1073, 1078, 1079, 1084, 1085, 1086, 1089, 1091, 1092, 1093, 1094, 1095, 1096, 1097, 1098, 1099, 1100, 1106, 1107, 1108, 1109, 1111, 1113, 1125, 1126, 1128, 1129, 1130, 1131, 1133, 1135, 1136, 1137, 1144, 1148, 1149, 1150, 1151, 1152, 1153, 1154, 1155, 1156, 1157, 1158, 1159, 1160, 1161, 1162, 1163, 1164, 1165, 1166, 1167, 1168, 1169, 1170, 1171, 1172, 1173, 1174, 1175, 1176, 1177, 1178, 1179, 1180, 1181, 1182, 1183, 1184, 1185, 1186, 1187, 1188, 1189, 1190, 1191, 1192, 1193, 1194, 1195, 1196, 1197, 1198, 1199, 1200, 1201, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1206, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1211, 1212, 1213, 1214, 1215, 1216, 1217, 1218, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223, 1224 and 1225; HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS 11, 12 and 13; HOUSE RESOLUTION 72.
- Financial Institutions: HOUSE BILL 744.
- Health Care Availability and Access: HOUSE BILL 813.
- Higher Education: HOUSE BILL 724.
- Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness: HOUSE BILL 1031.
- Human Services: HOUSE BILLS 732, 755, 775, 796, 826, 879, 892, 899, 916, 945, 949, 980, 981, 984, 1009, 1066, 1072, 1077, 1082, 1088, 1102 and 1103; HOUSE RESOLUTION 76.
- Insurance: HOUSE BILLS 917, 938, 953, 1004 and 1006.
- Judiciary I - Civil Law: HOUSE BILLS 730, 743, 759, 780, 830, 867, 913, 922, 1069, 1087, 1114 and 1146.
- Judiciary II - Criminal Law: HOUSE BILLS 808, 845, 855, 893, 900, 963, 965, 975, 977, 1022, 1080, 1115, 1132 and 1145.
- Labor: HOUSE BILLS 757, 773, 820, 985, 1017, 1065, 1083, 1105 and 1147.
- Least Cost Power Procurement: HOUSE BILL 736.
- Local Government: HOUSE BILLS 742, 898, 924, 928, 961, 976, 987, 988, 991, 1026, 1035, 1081 and 1104.
- Personnel and Pensions: HOUSE BILLS 804, 859, 860, 869, 870, 871, 930, 931, 932, 933, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 1117, 1227, 1228, 1229, 1230 and 1231.

Public Utilities: HOUSE BILL 1011.
 Registration and Regulation: HOUSE BILLS 778, 805, 944, 957, 1007 and 1071.
 Revenue: HOUSE BILLS 728, 737, 779, 793, 800, 843, 897, 905, 906, 908, 910, 914, 915, 920, 929, 950, 983, 990, 995, 1008, 1010, 1012, 1015, 1040, 1067, 1090, 1110 and 1139.
 Rural Economic Development: HOUSE BILL 989.
 Smart Growth & Regional Planning: HOUSE BILL 1134.
 State Government Administration: HOUSE BILLS 729, 756, 784, 789, 824, 903, 923, 936, 946, 978, 1013, 1024, 1074, 1101, 1116, 1127 and 1138; HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 71 and 78; HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 14; HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 14.
 Telecommunications: HOUSE BILLS 827 and 828.
 Veterans Affairs: HOUSE BILL 954.
 Gaming: HOUSE BILLS 810 and 1124.
 Fire Protection: HOUSE BILLS 774 and 802.
 Juvenile Justice Reform: HOUSE BILLS 790, 1050 and 1076.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES REASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

HOUSE BILL 317 was recalled from the Committee on Judiciary I - Civil Law and reassigned to the Committee on Human Services.

HOUSE BILL 677 was recalled from the Committee on Executive and reassigned to the Committee on Insurance.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:

3, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie (D), Chairperson
 Y Lyons (D) (replacing Hannig)
 Y Turner (D)

A Black (R), Republican Spokesperson
 A Hassert (R)

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS
 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
 FIRST READING**

Representative Lindner introduced the following:

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 15**

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Article IV of the Illinois Constitution by changing Section 6 as follows:

**ARTICLE IV
 THE LEGISLATURE**

SECTION 6. ORGANIZATION

(a) A majority of the members elected to each house constitutes a quorum.

(b) On the first day of the January session of the General Assembly in odd-numbered years, the Secretary of State shall convene the House of Representatives to elect from its membership a Speaker of the House of Representatives as presiding officer, and the Governor shall convene the Senate to elect from its membership a President of the Senate as presiding officer. A person may not serve more than a total of 10 years in either or both of the offices of Speaker of the House of Representatives and President of the Senate; provided that service before the second Wednesday in January of 2010 shall not be considered in the calculation of a person's service.

(c) For purposes of powers of appointment conferred by this Constitution, the Minority Leader of either house is a member of the numerically strongest political party other than the party to which the Speaker or

the President belongs, as the case may be.

(d) Each house shall determine the rules of its proceedings, judge the elections, returns and qualifications of its members and choose its officers. No member shall be expelled by either house, except by a vote of two-thirds of the members elected to that house. A member may be expelled only once for the same offense. Each house may punish by imprisonment any person, not a member, guilty of disrespect to the house by disorderly or contemptuous behavior in its presence. Imprisonment shall not extend beyond twenty-four hours at one time unless the person persists in disorderly or contemptuous behavior.

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 15 was taken up, read in full a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules.

Representative Lang introduced the following:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 16

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Section 1 of Article X of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

ARTICLE X EDUCATION

SECTION 1. GOAL - FREE SCHOOLS

A fundamental goal of the People of the State is the educational development of all persons to the limits of their capacities.

The State shall provide for an efficient system of high quality public educational institutions and services. Education in public schools through the secondary level shall be free. There may be such other free education as the General Assembly provides by law.

The State has the primary responsibility for financing the system of public education, except that beginning on the January 1 next occurring 3 years after this Constitutional Amendment takes effect, the State is solely responsible for financing the system of public education and property tax revenue may not be used to finance the system of public education except as otherwise provided in this paragraph. After this Constitutional Amendment takes effect, the General Assembly shall pass and the Governor shall approve a bill that implements a new funding plan for the system of public education, which plan shall take effect on the January 1 next occurring 3 years after this Constitutional Amendment takes effect. Under the plan, no school district may ever receive less from the State in any given school year than the school district received from all local, State, and federal sources for the school year during which this Constitutional Amendment takes effect. Under the plan, on the January 1 next occurring 3 years after this Constitutional Amendment takes effect, the property tax rate for a school district shall be 0%, which rate may be increased to raise additional funds for the school district if the rate increase is approved by referendum.

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 16 was taken up, read in full a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read by title a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules:

HOUSE BILL 1232. Introduced by Representatives Watson - Tracy - Meyer - Schock - Munson, Hassert, McAuliffe, Kosel, Cole, Bost, Stephens, Myers, Fortner, Wait and Osmond, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 1233. Introduced by Representatives Reboletti - Watson - Mitchell, Jerry - Stephens - Myers, Bost, McAuliffe, Mitchell, Bill, Meyer and Osmond, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1234. Introduced by Representatives Wait - Sacia - Osmond, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 1235. Introduced by Representatives Munson - Mulligan - Coulson - Fortner - Meyer and Osmond, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1236. Introduced by Representatives Tracy - Munson - Froehlich - Hassert, Myers, Meyer, Osmond and Cole, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 1237. Introduced by Representative Krause, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 1238. Introduced by Representative Watson, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 1239. Introduced by Representatives Cole - Sullivan - Munson, AN ACT concerning public health.

HOUSE BILL 1240. Introduced by Representatives Cole - Coulson - Coladipietro - Hassert - Cross, AN ACT making appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 1241. Introduced by Representatives Poe - Schock, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 1242. Introduced by Representatives Cole - Coladipietro - Reboletti - Munson - Durkin, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 1243. Introduced by Representatives Fortner - Pihos - Coladipietro - Watson - Wait, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 1244. Introduced by Representative Meyer, AN ACT concerning domestic violence.

HOUSE BILL 1245. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1246. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning fire safety.

HOUSE BILL 1247. Introduced by Representative Coulson, AN ACT concerning insurance.

HOUSE BILL 1248. Introduced by Representative Coulson, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1249. Introduced by Representatives Sullivan - Meyer - Osmond - Cole, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 1250. Introduced by Representative Lindner, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 1251. Introduced by Representative Lindner, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1252. Introduced by Representative Lindner, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1253. Introduced by Representative Watson, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1254. Introduced by Representative Hamos, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1255. Introduced by Representative Pritchard, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1256. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 1257. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning aging.

HOUSE BILL 1258. Introduced by Representative Hamos, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1259. Introduced by Representative Younge, AN ACT concerning community revitalization.

HOUSE BILL 1260. Introduced by Representative Watson, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 1261. Introduced by Representative Hannig, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 1262. Introduced by Representative Hannig, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1263. Introduced by Representative Hannig, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 1264. Introduced by Representative Washington, AN ACT concerning public health.

HOUSE BILL 1265. Introduced by Representative Durkin, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1266. Introduced by Representative Gordon, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 1267. Introduced by Representative Bellock, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 1268. Introduced by Representative Bellock, AN ACT concerning human rights.

HOUSE BILL 1269. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1270. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1271. Introduced by Representative Tryon, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1272. Introduced by Representative Tryon, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 1273. Introduced by Representative Tryon, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1274. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning business.

HOUSE BILL 1275. Introduced by Representative Saviano, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1276. Introduced by Representative Granberg, AN ACT concerning education.

At the hour of 11:47 o'clock a.m. the House adjourned until Wednesday, February 21, 2007, at 1:00 o'clock p.m.