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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Representative Mautino in the chair.

Prayer by Lee A. Crawford, the Pastor of the Cathedral of Praise Christian Center in Springfield, IL. Representative Biss led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows: 113 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Golar and Mulligan were excused from attendance.

#### LETTERS OF TRANSMITTAL

February 15, 2011

Mr. Mark Mahoney Chief Clerk of the House 420 State House Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Please be advised that I am making the following committee changes:

#### Veterans' Affairs

**Remove** Representative JoAnn Osmond and **replace** with Representative Richard Morthland.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions.

Sincerely, s/Tom Cross House Republican Leader

# TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative Chapa LaVia replaced Representative Golar in the Committee on Health Care Availability and Accessibility on February 15, 2011.

Representative Ford replaced Representative Burns in the Committee on Health Care Availability and Accessibility on February 15, 2011.

Representative Flowers replaced Representative Colvin in the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education on February 16, 2011.

Representative William Davis replaced Representative Osterman in the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education on February 16, 2011.

Representative Gabel replaced Representative Golar in the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education on February 16, 2011.

Representative Ford replaced Representative Flowers in the Committee on Human Services on February 16, 2011.

#### REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on February 16, 2011, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

# LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

Business & Occupational Licenses: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1125.

Counties & Townships: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 156.

Elementary & Secondary Education: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1083 and HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1240.

Environment & Energy: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 207.

Executive: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1353. Human Services: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 204. Judiciary I - Civil Law: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 309.

State Government Administration: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 94 and HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 103.

#### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES REASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

HOUSE BILL 14 was recalled from the Committee on Executive and reassigned to the Committee on Public Utilities.

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

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

Y Currie(D), Chairperson

Y Schmitz(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Lang(D)

Y Leitch(R)

Y Mautino(D)

# REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Dugan, Chairperson, from the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation to which the following were referred, action taken on February 15, 2011, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 153.

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 153 is as follows:

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

Y Dugan(D), Chairperson

Y Verschoore(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Sacia(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Barickman(R) Y Cavaletto(R)

Y Burke, Kelly(D) Y Flowers(D)

Y Cavaletto(R)

Y Flowers(D) Y Hays(R) Y Hammond(R)

Y Hays(R) Y McGuire(D) Y Mautino(D) Y Moffitt(R)

Y Phelps(D)
Y Rosenthal(R)

Y Reitz(D)

Representative Flowers, Chairperson, from the Committee on Health Care Availability and Accessibility to which the following were referred, action taken on February 15, 2011, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 105.

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 105 is as follows:

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

Y Tryon(R)

Y Flowers(D), Chairperson Y May(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Reboletti(R), Republican Spokesperson Y Arroyo(D)
Y Ford(D) (replacing Burns) Y Dugan(D)
Y Chapa LaVia(D) (replacing Golar) Y Harris, David(R)

Y Harris, Greg(D)
A Mulligan(R)
Y Hays(R)
A Sommer(R)

Representative Riley, Chairperson, from the Committee on Cities & Villages to which the following were referred, action taken on February 15, 2011, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 177.

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 177 is as follows:

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

Y Riley(D), Chairperson Y DeLuca(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Mathias(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Burke, Kelly(D)
Y Cunningham(D)
Y Jones(D)
Y Morthland(R)
Y Sosnowski(R)

Y Unes(R)

Representative Nekritz, Chairperson, from the Committee on Judiciary I - Civil Law to which the following were referred, action taken on February 16, 2011, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 19.

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 19 is as follows:

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

Y Nekritz(D), Chairperson Y Bradley(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Zalewski(D)

Representative Chapa LaVia, Chairperson, from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education to which the following were referred, action taken on February 16, 2011, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the resolution be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 4.

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILLS 189 and 288.

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 189 and House Joint Resolution 4 is as follows:

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

Y Chapa LaVia(D), Chairperson Y Crespo(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Mitchell, Jerry(R), Republican Spokesperson Y Cavaletto(R)
Y Flowers(D) (replacing Colvin) Y Davis Monique(D)

Y Flowers(D) (replacing Colvin)
Y Dugan(D)
Y Eddy(R)
Y Gabel(D) (replacing Golar)
Y Davis, Monique(D)
Y Dunkin(D)
Y Farnham(D)
Y Gordon, Jehan(D)

Y Lilly(D) Y Mayfield(D)
Y Mitchell, Bill(R) Y Moffitt(R)

Y Morrison(R) Y Davis, W.(D) (replacing Osterman)

 $\begin{array}{cccc} A & Pihos(R) & Y & Pritchard(R) \\ Y & Reis(R) & Y & Roth(R) \\ A & Senger(R) & A & Yarbrough(D) \end{array}$ 

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 288 is as follows:

14, Yeas; 7, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Chapa LaVia(D), Chairperson Y Crespo(D), Vice-Chairperson

N Mitchell, Jerry(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Flowers(D) (replacing Colvin)
Y Dugan(D)

N Cavaletto(R)
Y Davis, Monique(D)
Y Dunkin(D)

Y Dugan(D)

N Eddy(R)

Y Gabel(D) (replacing Golar)

Y Lilly(D)

Y Dunkin(D)

Y Farnham(D)

Y Gordon, Jehan(D)

Y Lilly(D)

A Mitchell, Bill(R)

Y Moffitt(R)

Y Morrison(R) Y Davis, W.(D) (replacing Osterman)

 $\begin{array}{ccc} N \ Pihos(R) & N \ Pritchard(R) \\ A \ Reis(R) & N \ Roth(R) \\ N \ Senger(R) & A \ Yarbrough(D) \end{array}$ 

Representative Greg Harris, Chairperson, from the Committee on Human Services to which the following were referred, action taken on February 16, 2011, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 106.

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILLS 91, 95 and 275.

The committee roll call vote on House Bills 106 and 275 is as follows:

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

Y Harris, Greg(D), Chairperson Y Howard(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Bellock(R), Republican Spokesperson Y Cole(R)

A Collins(D) Y Ford(D) (replacing Flowers)

Y Hammond(R) Y Jakobsson(D) Y Mell(D) Y Osmond(R)

Y Schmitz(R)

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 91 is as follows:

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

Y Harris, Greg(D), Chairperson Y Howard(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Bellock(R), Republican Spokesperson Y Cole(R)

Y Collins(D) Y Ford(D) (replacing Flowers)

Y Hammond(R) Y Jakobsson(D) Y Mell(D) Y Osmond(R)

Y Schmitz(R)

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 95 is as follows:

6, Yeas; 4, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

A Schmitz(R)

Y Harris, Greg(D), Chairperson Y Howard(D), Vice-Chairperson

N Bellock(R), Republican Spokesperson N Cole(R)

Y Collins(D) Y Ford(D) (replacing Flowers)

N Hammond(R) Y Jakobsson(D) Y Mell(D) N Osmond(R)

Representative Reitz, Chairperson, from the Committee on Health Care Licenses to which the following were referred, action taken on February 16, 2011, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILLS 274 and 308.

The committee roll call vote on House Bills 274 and 308 is as follows:

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

Y Reitz(D), Chairperson Y Zalewski(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Saviano(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Burke, Kelly(D)
Y Kosel(R)
Y McAuliffe(R)
Y Melligan(R)
Y Phelps(D)

Y Verschoore(D)

Representative Daniel Burke, Chairperson, from the Committee on Executive to which the following were referred, action taken on February 16, 2011, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: HOUSE BILLS 325, 460, 461, 462, 463, 485, 486, 487, 488 and 1030.

The committee roll call vote on House Bills 325, 460, 461, 462, 463, 485, 486, 487, 488 and 1030 is as follows:

7, Yeas; 4, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Burke, Daniel(D), Chairperson Y Lyons(D), Vice-Chairperson

N Brady(R), Republican SpokespersonY Acevedo(D)Y Arroyo(D)Y Berrios(D)N Bost(R)Y Jackson(D)Y Rita(D)N Sullivan(R)

N Tryon(R)

#### BALANCED BUDGET NOTE SUPPLIED

A Balanced Budget Note has been supplied for HOUSE BILL 1397.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Rock, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of the following joint resolution, to-wit:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 10

Concurred in the Senate, February 16, 2011.

#### CHANGE OF SPONSORSHIP

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Moffitt was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Verschoore became the new principal sponsor of HOUSE BILL 1299.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Moffitt was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Dugan became the new principal sponsor of HOUSE BILL 1364.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 71

Offered by Representative Bellock:

WHEREAS, A value-added tax (VAT) is a type of sales tax that is assessed on goods at every stage of production; and

WHEREAS, A VAT is a hidden tax that is ultimately passed along to consumers, but is embedded into the price of goods and services and therefore not transparent to the consumer; and

WHEREAS, The average tax burden levied by the federal government since 1980 has been 18.2% of gross domestic product (GDP); and

WHEREAS, Within the next 15 years, federal taxes are projected to rise to the highest level in United States history; and

WHEREAS, Adding a VAT on top of the existing federal income tax would increase the burden on United States taxpayers to unprecedented levels; and

WHEREAS, The average VAT rate in Europe has risen from 5% when the tax was first introduced in the 1960s to 20% today; and

WHEREAS, European countries that have imposed a VAT have seen their total tax burden rise to an average of over 40% of GDP; and

WHEREAS, Such high levels of taxation and spending crowd out private investment, which stifles economic growth and leads to chronically high levels of unemployment; and

WHEREAS, The Internal Revenue Service Office of the Taxpayer Advocate has calculated that United States taxpayers spend approximately \$200 billion and 7.6 billion hours a year to comply with federal tax laws; and

WHEREAS, A VAT would only add another layer of complexity and compliance costs to a fundamentally unsound tax system; and

WHEREAS, The burden of a VAT would fall most heavily on low-income and middle-class Americans; and

WHEREAS, The true solution to the United States fiscal crisis is to rein in the unsustainable growth of federal spending; and

WHEREAS, A VAT would do nothing to restore fiscal accountability in Washington, but would simply bankroll wasteful and inefficient federal government spending; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge Congress to oppose the passage of any value-added tax; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the members of the Illinois congressional delegation.

# HOUSE RESOLUTION 73

Offered by Representative Watson:

WHEREAS, The federal government, now more than ever, needs to eliminate wasteful spending programs from its budget; and

WHEREAS, The federal deficit recently hit \$13.5 trillion; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Defense will spend \$708 billion on defense spending in the 2011 fiscal year for both base defense programs and overseas contingency operations to promote the safety and welfare of our nation; and

WHEREAS, Congress has planned to appropriate \$465 million for an alternate GE F136 engine for the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter program in the Defense Appropriations Bill; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Defense has already contracted the Pratt & Whitney F135 engine, which has gone through multiple series of testing and development; and

WHEREAS, No military aircraft in the past three decades has been procured with multiple engine suppliers; and

WHEREAS, Developing the alternate engine would cost \$2.9 billion dollars over the next two to three years; and

WHEREAS, Having multiple engine suppliers will require additional spending for two sets of parts, two production and maintenance lines, and additional personnel and training, which will lead to the production of fewer Joint Strike Fighter planes; and

WHEREAS, President Barack Obama, with urging from military officials and Defense Secretary Robert Gates, vows to veto the Defense Authorization Bill if the alternate engine appropriation is included in the bill; and

WHEREAS, Defense spending can be used more efficiently for more vital military programs; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we encourage the members of the Illinois congressional delegation to vote against the F-35 alternate engine appropriations measure; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to President Barack Obama, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the President pro tempore of the United States Senate, and the members of the Illinois congressional delegation.

# AGREED RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION 68**

Offered by Representative Cross:

Honors Master Patrol Officer Brian Prochaska on the occasion of being designated the Joliet Police Department Policeman of the Year.

# **HOUSE RESOLUTION 69**

Offered by Representative Osmond:

Congratulates the patrons, owners, musicians, artisans, and thespians of the Palette, Masque and Lyre Theater in Antioch as they celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Theater.

# **HOUSE RESOLUTION 70**

Offered by Representative Barickman: Mourns the death of Samuel Gove.

# **HOUSE RESOLUTION 72**

Offered by Representative Connelly:

Celebrates Father Jude Randall's ("Father Jude") 50th Anniversary Jubilee as a Roman Catholic priest.

#### **HOUSE RESOLUTION 74**

Offered by Representative Mulligan:

Congratulates Mary Schurder on the occasion of her retirement as Executive Director of The Center of Concern.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR

Supplemental Calendar No. 1 was distributed to the Members at 11:35 o'clock a.m.

#### AGREED RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 68, 69, 70, 72 and 74 were taken up for consideration. Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions. The motion prevailed and the agreed resolutions were adopted.

#### HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING

Having been reproduced, the following bills were taken up, read by title a second time and held on the order of Second Reading: HOUSE BILLS 325, 460, 461, 462, 463, 485, 486, 487, 488 and 1030.

#### RECESS

At the hour of 11:54 o'clock a.m., Speaker of the House Madigan moved that the House do now recess for the Governor to address the Joint Session.

The motion prevailed.

## JOINT SESSION 11:54 O'CLOCK A.M.

The hour having arrived, the time heretofore fixed by Joint Resolution adopted by the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Joint Session convened for the purpose of receiving the Governor to deliver his Budget Message in person to the Ninety-Seventh General Assembly.

The Senate, preceded by the Honorable President Cullerton, and Members of the Senate, appeared in the Hall of the House of Representative and, by direction of the Speaker, took the seats assigned to them.

The two Houses being convened in Joint Session, President Cullerton of the Senate announced that a quorum of the Senate was present.

Speaker of the House Madigan, of the House of Representatives, announced that a quorum of the House was present.

A majority of each House of the General Assembly being present, the Speaker of the House announced the Joint Session duly formed.

Representative Currie offered the following resolution and moved its adoption.

# **JOINT SESSION RESOLUTION 1**

**RESOLVED**, That a committee of ten be appointed, five from the House, by the Speaker of the House,

and five from the Senate, by the President of the Senate, to wait upon his Excellency Governor Pat Quinn and invite him to address the Joint Assembly.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

The President of the Senate announced his appointments, as Members of such Committee, on the part of the Senate: Senators Jacqueline Collins, Edward Maloney, Sam McCann, Heather Steans and Suzi Schmidt.

The Speaker of the House announced the appointments, as Members of such Committee, on part of the House: Representatives Lisa Dugan, Greg Harris, Dwight Kay, Donald Moffitt and André Thapedi.

His Excellency, Governor Pat Quinn, was admitted into the Hall of the House of Representatives, and was presented to the General Assembly, to deliver his message in person as follows:

# GOVERNOR PAT QUINN BUDGET ADDRESS

#### Welcome

Welcome honored members of the Illinois General Assembly, Senate President Cullerton, Speaker Madigan, Leader Radogno, Leader Cross, Lt. Governor Simon, Attorney General Madigan, Comptroller Topinka, Treasurer Rutherford, and guests - thank you for your presence here today.

At the outset, we must never forget the honorable men and women that wear the uniform of our country.

This year, as we remember the 10th anniversary of September 11, 2001, we owe a profound debt to those who volunteer for our military and protect our democracy.

In particular, we send a special salute the 440 Illinois national guardsmen who are in the Sinai Desert of Egypt as we speak.

In the same vein, we should not forget that just 2 weeks ago we had a severe weather crisis in Illinois.

We had to deploy the workers of our state government to protect the lives of 13 million people.

Many state departments including IEMA, IDOT, ISP, Illinois National Guard, IDNR, Illinois State Toll Highway Authority, Illinois State Fire Marshal, worked as a team to plow 16,800 of miles of roads, working around the clock, in whiteout conditions, to keep our people safe.

We should give a round of applause to those heroic state workers that got the job done.

This is your state government at its best.

# Stability/Financial House in Order – A Call to Action

When I spoke to you a year ago, we stood on the brink of economic disaster.

We had just come through the worst financial crisis since the Great Depression, thousands of Illinois families were still suffering the effects of unemployment, and, after three decades of fiscal mismanagement, our state's financial house was on fire.

In the past year Illinois has begun an impressive recovery.

And we have taken important steps to rescue our state's finances.

We must have financial stability in Illinois.

## Our Plan for Stability

Budget stability is crucial for the success of businesses, families and the state of Illinois. It is a critical factor in attracting business investment and creating jobs.

It is how we will lead Illinois citizens to economic prosperity and maintain our role as a global economic powerhouse.

We have taken the first steps to stabilize our budget – with a comprehensive plan to restrain spending and reform state government.

#### Restraint

The first part of this plan is budget restraint – finding new ways to reduce unnecessary state spending. Since taking office, I have reduced our spending every year.

No area is above review.

Last year, we enacted a landmark pension reform law – the most far-reaching public pension reform in our nation's history.

Over the next generation, we will save the people of Illinois \$220 billion.

Just last month, I signed into law historic caps on state spending.

Our commitment to taxpayers is simple: we will only use tax dollars to provide necessary state services.

All unnecessary state spending will be eliminated.

#### Reform

We are looking at programs in a new way - saving taxpayer dollars while improving the services we deliver.

For example: last month, we passed comprehensive Medicaid reform, which will save us millions of dollars.

But it will also improve health outcomes for Medicaid patients - decreasing ineffective reliance on emergency rooms by providing patients with a medical home, and focusing on preventive care to keep people from getting sick in the first place.

We need to keep investing in essential, necessary services while cutting programs that don't work.

This means continued support for cost-effective programs that do work, such as: homecare for those with disabilities, childcare for working families, and community care for our seniors.

This new approach is called 'budgeting for results'.

The spending reductions and program reforms I am talking about today are the result of our budgeting for results process. And I want to thank Senator Dan Kotowski for his leadership on this issue.

# **FY2012 Spending Reductions**

While we have taken strong action to stabilize our budget, we are still in a tough fiscal situation. As a result, the spending reductions I am presenting today are tough, as well.

The difficult choices we make today will ensure that we are able to provide essential services to families and businesses across the state.

This year we have looked for savings in a number of areas – here are a few examples of a long list of cuts: We are reducing the Medicaid reimbursement rate for hospitals, nursing homes, saving taxpayers \$550 million dollars this year alone.

Illinois currently has 868 school districts, and our fiscal reality demands consolidation.

I am proposing the formation of a commission that will review the number of school districts in our state.

Consolidation lowers administrative overhead, improves efficiency and will save taxpayers \$100 million.

I am also proposing eliminating state funding for the salaries and office costs for regional school superintendents.

The \$13 million annual savings will be spent in the classroom, rather than on administration.

And I have heard an excellent suggestion from Rep. Anthony Delucca for a special commission to examine additional cuts to unnecessary government spending, a suggestion I look forward to working with you on.

# Revenue/Debt Restructuring

This year, we began facing up to our obligations. We enacted a new revenue law to help eliminate our long-standing structural deficit.

But that is only half the solution. We have \$8.7 billion in overdue bills.

We need to restructure our debt, a plan that will allow us to pay our outstanding bills to vendors and return to a prompt payment cycle.

Currently, Illinois pays its bills six to eight months behind schedule. We force our universities, our service agencies and our companies doing business with the state to bear the burden of slow pay.

For example, Illinois' backlog of payments to the state's transit systems is now more than \$280 million.

Millions of people living and working in Illinois rely on our mass transit systems, including 2 million trips per day in Northeastern Illinois alone.

Delayed payments to the Regional Transportation Authority for CTA, for Metra, and for PACE harms the ability of our people to get to work.

In addition, the state has been forced to pay more for procurement contracts, simply because we do not pay on time.

Vendors are not bidding competitively – our bids are 6 to 10 percent higher than they should be – because those contracting with the state expect long delays in payment.

This is not insignificant; we pay 700 million to a billion dollars extra per year as a result.

Even with our new revenues, if we do not restructure our debt it will take decades for us to return to the prompt payment cycle of a fiscally responsible government.

Legislation currently pending in the General Assembly would allow us to pay off our bills **today** – though a debt restructuring plan.

This is not 'new' borrowing. Billions of dollars of existing bills will not go away by magic.

With debt restructuring legislation, we have the opportunity to jumpstart our economy by paying our vendors today – an immediate injection of billions into our economy.

We will also see lower interest costs to the state and vendors willing to bid competitively.

If you don't agree with our debt restructuring plan, tell us which programs you would eliminate to pay \$8.7 billion in overdue bills today.

Put it out there for all to see. Saying no is not enough unless you are willing to offer real alternatives.

# **Economic Growth and Jobs**

Rebuilding our fiscal house and paying our bills will have a positive effect on our economy and jobs across Illinois.

# **Job Statistics**

In 2010, Illinois added more jobs than any other state in the Midwest – and we were fourth in the nation in job growth.

Don't forget Illinois is the 18th largest economy in the world with a state domestic product of 2/3 of a trillion dollars.

We've had nine straight months of declining unemployment.

In fact, the unemployment rate fell in every county of Illinois for the first time since 1974.

#### **Incentives for Business**

One of best ways to create jobs is to help the private sector grow and develop.

Thanks to the public/private investments we have made, companies like Ford, Fiat/Chrysler, Navistar, Mitsubishi, Boeing and dozens of others have chosen to relocate and grow their operations in Illinois.

Our EDGE tax credits helped Ford add 1200 jobs at its Torrance Ave plant in Chicago. And we saved 1,950 jobs at Chrysler in Belvidere.

Ten days ago, Mitsubishi announced—thanks to our investment – that they will be saving 1,200 jobs at the company's Normal facility.

We are also investing in green technologies and manufacturing that are driving the jobs of today and tomorrow.

Last year, we helped develop the Rockford Solar Project, the largest solar power generator in the Midwest and one of the largest in the United States.

We're also working with manufacturing companies, like A. Lucas and Sons in Peoria and Brad Foote Gear Works in Cicero, helping them retool their operations and produce parts for wind turbines, an expanding Illinois industry.

We are helping Ingersoll Machine Tools shift their manufacturing business from aviation to wind, creating 87 jobs and saving another 69.

# Modern Tech/Technology Boom

Because of our efforts Illinois is a national leader in technology businesses.

Last year, I signed legislation to encourage more broadband and wireless investment across Illinois.

These investments are creating a tech boom across our state. Companies like Threadless, Peapod, Careerbuilder, Grubhub, and Orbitz are using these investments to grow and become the next generation of household names.

In addition, our efforts to bring cutting-edge companies and jobs to Illinois are bearing fruit.

Last year, we invested in a company called Groupon.

Forbes magazine has called them "the fastest growing company- EVER." Groupon started with 6 employees in 2008 and now employs 1500 people in Illinois – in just three years.

And, thanks to our partnership, they're going to keep growing right here in Illinois.

#### Innovation

For more than 150 years, our state has been a world leader in entrepreneurship, technology and innovation. Illinois built the first silo, changing the way farmers store their crops.

We built the first skyscraper – Chicago's Home Insurance Building– allowing our cities to climb into the sky.

We created the first commercial cell phone, we invented LED energy-efficient lighting, and we are home to the world's fastest super computer.

But as any entrepreneur will tell you, a great idea is not enough.

Entrepreneurs need access to capital to carry out their vision.

We must support a vibrant entrepreneurial culture that capitalizes on Illinois' strengths: our strong work ethic, our history of innovation, and our world-class universities and research institutions – including Argonne and Fermi Lab.

Today, I am announcing the formation of the Illinois Innovation Council.

Convening the best minds in business, academia, and research and development, this group will identify strategies our state should pursue to foster innovation and economic growth.

The Council will be led by Brad Keywell, a business leader with a record of spotting good ideas and attracting the investment to make them work.

He is a co-founder of Groupon, and will bring innovative business sense.

By harnessing our resources and coordinating our efforts, by putting scientists and inventors in touch with businesses and investors, we will create the jobs of today and tomorrow right here in Illinois.

# **Foreign Investment**

Illinois is a major player on the global stage.

Our current exports support more than a half a million Illinois jobs.

In 2010, our state's exports went up by nearly 20% to just under 50 billion dollars.

We are 6th in the nation in exports, and first in the Midwest.

As Governor, I pledge double our exports over the next five years.

To meet this goal, we will be reorganizing our foreign trade offices —working with representatives from international markets to develop new trading relationships and enhance the ones already in place.

For example: we recently hosted the president of China and his delegation of trade officials. These meetings resulted in \$1.8 billion in agreements that will sell 25 percent of Illinois' soybean crop to China. In 2010, exports from Illinois to China increased by nearly 30 percent.

And more than 30 Chinese companies have already invested in Illinois, employing thousands of Illinois workers.

# **Engaging Business**

Creating a good environment for business, economic growth and jobs requires connecting with the private sector.

My administration continues to meet and engage with leaders of large and small businesses throughout the state.

I will be hosting a Business Roundtable this Friday, February 18th. I will sit down with business leaders to hear their thoughts.

One thing we've already heard is the need for workers' compensation reform.

We are taking the lead on that issue.

We need to build a system that understands the needs of business while protecting the rights and safety of workers.

# **Employer Training Investment Program**

In tackling the challenges of competing in a global marketplace, we should never lose sight of the fact that our greatest asset is our human capital.

Illinois' workers are smart, resourceful, and hardworking.

But we can't become complacent.

We must invest in our state's workforce to meet the changing needs of business, so that Illinois workers always have the education, training and skills necessary to compete with anyone around the world.

That's why I am proposing to increase support for the Employer Training Investment Program.

We are also continuing to invest in the infrastructure that has made Illinois the inland port of America.

# **Public Works**

Shortly after I became Governor, we enacted our job recovery initiative - *Illinois Jobs Now!* – a \$31 billion job recovery program to rebuild our roads, bridges, water systems, railroads, airports, and schools.

We are in the middle of the largest road-building program in the history of the State of Illinois. So far, we have repaired 4,800 miles of roads and 500 bridges - with a lot more to come.

We are creating jobs. Capital projects to date have created 142,000 short-term and permanent jobs.

Altogether we will create and retain more than 400,000 jobs over the course of the program.

We are also leading the nation in building a robust and efficient high-speed rail network. Demand for passenger rail is at an all-time high in Illinois, reaching a record 2 million riders on Amtrak last year.

The promise of high-speed rail has already brought new manufacturers to Illinois and new private investment to our communities. And we are working to get more federal funding for high-speed rail.

And today, I am reaffirming my commitment to build third airport at Peotone in Chicago's south suburbs as fast as humanly possible.

We must expand our investment in a 3rd airport to help companies move products and people in and out of our state.

Airport investment, rail investment, and road investment will pay substantial dividends today and over the next generation. We are the only state in the nation that is making this kind of investment in jobs and transportation infrastructure.

# Education

We must also keep improving our education infrastructure – the system that develops the minds of our children and prepares them for a productive life.

We don't want any state to out-educate Illinois.

Just over a year ago, I appointed the members of the first P-20 Council in Illinois including business leaders, teachers and parents from across the state.

We must ensure that everyone acquires the skills demanded by the 21st century workplace.

In today's world, that means that our high school students must be prepared for post-secondary education.

Children born this year will be in high school in 2025. We must begin at birth to provide the foundation that is needed to prepare our children for high school and success in college and careers.

We also need to revamp our higher education system to increase access for all students.

Therefore, we will increase funding for the monetary assistance program, which provides scholarships for qualified needy students, with a particular focus on community college students.

We should abolish the legislative scholarship program.

College scholarships -paid for by Illinois taxpayers - should only go to those that have true financial need for them.

# Tax Relief and Reform

We must be a state that has a dynamic, growing economy. We must provide a first-class education for our people and training that helps our workers succeed at all levels.

But we must also be a state with a tax system that is fair and responsible.

For too long Illinois has had a tax code that is not fair. It is regressive and is not based on ability to pay. We can do better.

For this reason, I will appoint an Illinois Revenue Reform Commission—and charge the members with recommending a plan to write a 21st century tax code for Illinois that focuses on fairness and promotes economic growth.

My vision for Illinois is a state that looks to the future by making reforms and sacrifices in the present.

In my Illinois – our children go to safe, top-notch schools that prepare them for the rigors of the global economy. The parents of Illinois earn a decent wage, and their employers give them the opportunity to have a good, middle-class standard of living.

Our homes are energy-efficient, technology-connected and are easy to maintain thanks to Illinois innovations.

Everybody in, nobody left out when it comes to building a better Illinois.

Working together, in good faith, we can overcome any challenge, and make the will of the people the law of the land.

Thank you.

At the hour of 12:36 o'clock p.m., President Cullerton moved that the Joint Assembly do now arise. The motion prevailed.

The Senate having withdrawn, the House resumed its session.

Speaker of the House Madigan in the Chair.

At the hour of 12:45 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn until Thursday, February 17, 2011, at 12:00 o'clock noon, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.

The motion prevailed.

And the House stood adjourned.

# STATE OF ILLINOIS NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY HOUSE ROLL CALL QUORUM ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE

February 16, 2011

0 YEAS	0 NAYS	113 PRESENT	
P Acevedo	P DeLuca	P Lilly	P Reitz
P Arroyo	P Dugan	P Lyons	P Riley
P Barickman	P Dunkin	P Mathias	P Rita
P Beaubien	P Durkin	P Mautino	P Rose
P Beiser	P Eddy	P May	P Rosenthal
P Bellock	P Farnham	P Mayfield	P Roth
P Berrios	P Feigenholtz	P McAsey	P Sacia
P Biss	P Flowers	P McAuliffe	P Saviano
P Bost	P Ford	P McCarthy P McGuire	P Schmitz
P Bradley	P Fortner		P Senger
P Brady	P Franks	P Mell	P Sente
P Brauer	P Gabel	A Mendoza	P Sommer
P Brown	E Golar	P Mitchell, Bill P Mitchell, Jerry	P Sosnowski
P Burke, Daniel	P Gordon, Jeha		P Soto
P Burke, Kelly A Burns	P Hammond P Harris, David	P Moffitt	P Stephens P Sullivan
P Cavaletto P Chapa LaVia	P Harris, Greg P Hatcher	P Morthland E Mulligan	P Thapedi P Tracy
P Coladipietro P Cole	P Hays P Hernandez	P Mussman P Nekritz	P Tryon P Turner
P Collins	P Holbrook	P Nybo	P Unes
P Colvin	P Howard	P Osmond	P Verschoore
P Connelly	P Jackson	A Osterman	P Watson
P Crespo	P Jakobsson	P Phelps	P Williams
P Cross	P Jefferson	P Pihos	P Winters
P Cunningham P Currie	P Jones	P Poe	P Yarbrough
	P Kay	P Pritchard	P Zalewski
P D'Amico	P Kosel	P Ramey	P Mr. Speaker
P Davis, Monique	P Lang	P Reboletti	
P Davis, William	P Leitch	P Reis	

E - Denotes Excused Absence

#### 15TH LEGISLATIVE DAY

#### **Perfunctory Session**

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2011

At the hour of 2:23 o'clock p.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

#### REPORT FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Daniel Burke, Chairperson, from the Committee on Executive to which the following were referred, action taken on February 16, 2011, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1 is as follows:

10, Yeas; 1, Nay; 0, Answering Present.

Y Burke, Daniel(D), Chairperson Y Lyons(D), Vice-Chairperson

Y Brady(R), Republican Spokesperson Y Acevedo(D)
Y Arroyo(D) Y Berrios(D)
Y Bost(R) Y Jackson(D)
Y Rita(D) Y Sullivan(R)

N Tryon(R)

#### 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 1668. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1669. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning insurance.

HOUSE BILL 1670. Introduced by Representative Burke, Kelly, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 1671. Introduced by Representative Reitz, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 1672. Introduced by Representative Burns, AN ACT concerning employment.

HOUSE BILL 1673. Introduced by Representative Winters, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 1674. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning conservation.

HOUSE BILL 1675. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 1676. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1677. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 1678. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 1679. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1680. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1681. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 1682. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1683. Introduced by Representative Dugan, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 1684. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning health facilities.

HOUSE BILL 1685. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 1686. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning liquor.

HOUSE BILL 1687. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 1688. Introduced by Representative Mathias, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 1689. Introduced by Representative McAsey, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 1690. Introduced by Representative Jakobsson, AN ACT concerning employment.

HOUSE BILL 1691. Introduced by Representative Saviano, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1692. Introduced by Representative Saviano, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1693. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning liens.

HOUSE BILL 1694. Introduced by Representative Flowers, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1695. Introduced by Representative Flowers, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1696. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning wildlife.

HOUSE BILL 1697. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning animals.

HOUSE BILL 1698. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 1699. Introduced by Representative Feigenholtz, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 1700. Introduced by Representative Cross, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1701. Introduced by Representative Turner, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1702. Introduced by Representative Reitz, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 1703. Introduced by Representative Reitz, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1704. Introduced by Representative Bradley, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 1705. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1706. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1707. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1708. Introduced by Representatives Unes - Zalewski - Rose - Gordon, Jehan, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 1709. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1710. Introduced by Representative Pritchard, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1711. Introduced by Representative Soto, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 1712. Introduced by Representative Beaubien, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 1713. Introduced by Representative Harris, Greg, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 1714. Introduced by Representative Durkin, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1715. Introduced by Representative Durkin, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 1716. Introduced by Representative Durkin, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 1717. Introduced by Representative Durkin, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 1718. Introduced by Representative Sacia, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1719. Introduced by Representative McCarthy, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1720. Introduced by Representative Crespo, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1721. Introduced by Representative Davis, William, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1722. Introduced by Representative Sacia, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1723. Introduced by Representative Sacia, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1724. Introduced by Representative Verschoore, AN ACT concerning wildlife.

HOUSE BILL 1725. Introduced by Representative Mulligan, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 1726. Introduced by Representative Farnham, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1727. Introduced by Representative Mulligan, AN ACT concerning insurance.

HOUSE BILL 1728. Introduced by Representative Mulligan, AN ACT concerning business.

HOUSE BILL 1729. Introduced by Representative Mulligan, AN ACT concerning environmental safety.

HOUSE BILL 1730. Introduced by Representative Riley, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1731. Introduced by Representative Yarbrough, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 1732. Introduced by Representative Phelps, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1733. Introduced by Representative Phelps, AN ACT concerning agriculture.

- HOUSE BILL 1734. Introduced by Representative Phelps, AN ACT concerning agriculture.
- HOUSE BILL 1735. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1736. Introduced by Representative Crespo, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1737. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1738. Introduced by Representative Reboletti, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1739. Introduced by Representative Reboletti, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1740. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1741. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1742. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning education.
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- HOUSE BILL 1745. Introduced by Representative Chapa LaVia, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1746. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning elections.
- HOUSE BILL 1747. Introduced by Representative Stephens, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1748. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1749. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1750. Introduced by Representative Soto, AN ACT concerning housing.
- HOUSE BILL 1751. Introduced by Representative Soto, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1752. Introduced by Representative Soto, AN ACT concerning education.
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- HOUSE BILL 1755. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1756. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1757. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning employment.
- HOUSE BILL 1758. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 1759. Introduced by Representative Lyons, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1760. Introduced by Representative Lyons, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1761. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1762. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1763. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1764. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1765. Introduced by Representative Zalewski, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1766. Introduced by Representative Lyons, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1767. Introduced by Representative Lyons, AN ACT concerning business.

HOUSE BILL 1768. Introduced by Representative Lyons, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1769. Introduced by Representative Lyons, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1770. Introduced by Representative Lyons, AN ACT concerning business.

HOUSE BILL 1771. Introduced by Representative Lyons, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1772. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning employment.

HOUSE BILL 1773. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning business.

HOUSE BILL 1774. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning business.

HOUSE BILL 1775. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning corrections.

HOUSE BILL 1776. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning corrections.

HOUSE BILL 1777. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 1778. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 1779. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 1780. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 1781. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 1782. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 1783. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning veterans.

HOUSE BILL 1784. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning veterans.

HOUSE BILL 1785. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning aging.

HOUSE BILL 1786. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning aging.

HOUSE BILL 1787. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning housing.

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- HOUSE BILL 1789. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1790. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1791. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1792. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 1793. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1794. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1795. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 1796. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1797. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1798. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1799. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1800. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning elections.
- HOUSE BILL 1801. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1802. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning elections.
- HOUSE BILL 1803. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning agriculture.
- HOUSE BILL 1804. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning agriculture.
- HOUSE BILL 1805. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning health.
- HOUSE BILL 1806. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning health.
- HOUSE BILL 1807. Introduced by Representative Yarbrough, AN ACT concerning health.
- HOUSE BILL 1808. Introduced by Representative Yarbrough, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1809. Introduced by Representative Yarbrough, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 1810. Introduced by Representative Yarbrough, AN ACT concerning housing.
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- HOUSE BILL 1813. Introduced by Representative Yarbrough, AN ACT concerning housing.
- HOUSE BILL 1814. Introduced by Representative Yarbrough, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1815. Introduced by Representative Yarbrough, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1816. Introduced by Representative Yarbrough, AN ACT concerning health.

- HOUSE BILL 1817. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1818. Introduced by Representative Mayfield, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1819. Introduced by Representative Mell, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 1820. Introduced by Representative Dugan, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 1821. Introduced by Representative Dugan, AN ACT concerning wildlife.
- HOUSE BILL 1822. Introduced by Representative Dugan, AN ACT concerning animals.
- HOUSE BILL 1823. Introduced by Representative Jakobsson, AN ACT concerning safety.
- HOUSE BILL 1824. Introduced by Representative May, AN ACT concerning conservation.
- HOUSE BILL 1825. Introduced by Representative Williams, AN ACT concerning insurance.
- HOUSE BILL 1826. Introduced by Representative May, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1827. Introduced by Representative May, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1828. Introduced by Representative May, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1829. Introduced by Representative May, AN ACT concerning safety.
- HOUSE BILL 1830. Introduced by Representative May, AN ACT concerning safety.
- HOUSE BILL 1831. Introduced by Representative Hernandez, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1832. Introduced by Representative May, AN ACT concerning safety.
- HOUSE BILL 1833. Introduced by Representative May, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1834. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT concerning military airport development.
- HOUSE BILL 1835. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1836. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1837. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT concerning elections.
- HOUSE BILL 1838. Introduced by Representative Berrios, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1839. Introduced by Representative Berrios, AN ACT concerning equal access.
- HOUSE BILL 1840. Introduced by Representative Berrios, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1841. Introduced by Representative Berrios, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1842. Introduced by Representative Berrios, AN ACT concerning elections.
- HOUSE BILL 1843. Introduced by Representative Berrios, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1844. Introduced by Representative McCarthy, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1845. Introduced by Representative McCarthy, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 1846. Introduced by Representative McCarthy, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1847. Introduced by Representative McCarthy, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 1848. Introduced by Representative McCarthy, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1849. Introduced by Representative Winters, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 1850. Introduced by Representative Colvin, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1851. Introduced by Representative Colvin, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1852. Introduced by Representative Brady, AN ACT concerning liquor.

HOUSE BILL 1853. Introduced by Representative Brady, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 1854. Introduced by Representative Brady, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 1855. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 1856. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1857. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1858. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1859. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 1860. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 1861. Introduced by Representative Bradley, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1862. Introduced by Representative Bradley, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1863. Introduced by Representative Bradley, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1864. Introduced by Representative Bradley, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 1865. Introduced by Representative Verschoore, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1866. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 1867. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 1868. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning wind energy facilities.

HOUSE BILL 1869. Introduced by Representative Mautino, AN ACT concerning notices.

HOUSE BILL 1870. Introduced by Representative Osmond, AN ACT concerning insurance.

HOUSE BILL 1871. Introduced by Representative Sente, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 1872. Introduced by Representative Kosel, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 1873. Introduced by Representative Saviano, AN ACT concerning education.

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS FIRST READING

Representative Durkin introduced the following:

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 15

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH 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 add Section 8.1 to Article IV of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

# ARTICLE IV THE LEGISLATURE

# SECTION 8.1. PASSAGE OF BILLS WITH A FISCAL IMPACT.

A bill may become law only with the concurrence of three-fifths of the members elected to each house of the General Assembly if the bill directly: (i) requires the expenditure of any State funds, (ii) decreases the revenues of the State, (iii) requires that units of local government or school districts expend their own funds, (iv) decreases the revenues of units of local government or school districts, or (v) revises the distribution of State funds among units of local government or school districts. However, if the Governor vetoes a bill so passed by returning it with his or her objections to the house in which it originated, then that bill shall not become law unless, upon its return, it it passed by a record vote of three-fifths of the members elected to each house of the General Assembly. Likewise, if the Governor returns a bill so passed with specific recommendations for change to the house in which it originated, then those recommendations may be accepted only by a record vote of three-fifths of the members elected to each house of the General Assembly.

#### **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 Pritchard introduced the following:

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 16

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH 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 Sections 2 and 5 of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

## ARTICLE IV THE LEGISLATURE

#### SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE COMPOSITION

(a) One Senator shall be elected from each Legislative District. Immediately following each decennial redistricting, the General Assembly by law shall divide the Legislative Districts as equally as possible into

three groups. Senators from one group shall be elected for terms of four years, four years and two years; Senators from the second group, for terms of four years, two years and four years; and Senators from the third group, for terms of two years, four years and four years. The Legislative Districts in each group shall be distributed substantially equally over the State.

- (b) Each Legislative District shall be divided into two Representative Districts. In 1982 and every two years thereafter One Representative shall be elected from each Representative District for a term of two years. During each ten-year period, beginning with the general election in 2012, Representatives shall first be elected for terms of four years, then for terms of two years, and then for terms of four years.
- (c) To be eligible to serve as a member of the General Assembly, a person must be a United States citizen, at least 21 years old, and for the two years preceding his election or appointment a resident of the district which he is to represent. In the general election following a redistricting, a candidate for the General Assembly may be elected from any district which contains a part of the district in which he resided at the time of the redistricting and reelected if a resident of the new district he represents for 18 months prior to reelection.
- (d) Within thirty days after a vacancy occurs, it shall be filled by appointment as provided by law. If the vacancy is in a Senatorial or Representative office with more than twenty-eight months remaining in the term, the appointed Senator or Representative shall serve until the next general election, at which time a Senator or Representative shall be elected to serve for the remainder of the term. If the vacancy is in any other Senatorial or a Representative office or in any other Senatorial office, the appointment shall be for the remainder of the term. An appointee to fill a vacancy shall be a member of the same political party as the person he succeeds.
- (e) No member of the General Assembly shall receive compensation as a public officer or employee from any other governmental entity for time during which he is in attendance as a member of the General Assembly.

No member of the General Assembly during the term for which he was elected or appointed shall be appointed to a public office which shall have been created or the compensation for which shall have been increased by the General Assembly during that term.

(Source: Amendment adopted at general election November 4, 1980.)

**SECTION 5. SESSIONS** 

- (a) The General Assembly shall convene each year on the second Wednesday of January. The General Assembly shall be a continuous body <u>for a period beginning and ending at noon on the second Wednesday of January of consecutive odd-numbered years.</u> during the term for which members of the House of Representatives are elected.
- (b) The Governor may convene the General Assembly or the Senate alone in special session by a proclamation stating the purpose of the session; and only business encompassed by such purpose, together with any impeachments or confirmation of appointments shall be transacted. Special sessions of the General Assembly may also be convened by joint proclamation of the presiding officers of both houses, issued as provided by law.
- (c) Sessions of each house of the General Assembly and meetings of committees, joint committees and legislative commissions shall be open to the public. Sessions and committee meetings of a house may be closed to the public if two-thirds of the members elected to that house determine that the public interest so requires; and meetings of joint committees and legislative commissions may be so closed if two-thirds of the members elected to each house so determine.

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

#### **SCHEDULE**

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act and applies to the terms of Representatives elected in 2012 and thereafter.

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.

#### SENATE BILLS ON SECOND READING

Having been reproduced, the following bill was taken up, read by title a second time and held on the order of Second Reading: SENATE BILL 1.

At the hour of 2:46 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session recessed.

At the hour of 4:29 o'clock p.m., the House reconvened perfunctory session.

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS FIRST READING

Representative Kay introduced the following:

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 17

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH 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 the Illinois Constitution in Article IV by adding Section 2.5 as follows:

## ARTICLE IV THE LEGISLATURE

#### **SECTION 2.5. TERM LIMITS**

- (a) A person may not serve more than 5 terms of office as a Representative.
- (b) A person may not serve more than 3 terms of office as a Senator.
- (c) A person is considered to serve a term of office for the purpose of this Section if the person is elected or appointed to serve any portion of the term.

# **SCHEDULE**

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act and applies to the election of members of the General Assembly in 2012 and thereafter.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 17 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 1874. Introduced by Representative Cross, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1875. Introduced by Representative Cross, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1876. Introduced by Representative Cross, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1877. Introduced by Representative Barickman, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1878. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1879. Introduced by Representatives Mitchell, Bill Brown, AN ACT concerning employment.
- HOUSE BILL 1880. Introduced by Representative Mitchell, Bill, AN ACT concerning insurance.

- HOUSE BILL 1881. Introduced by Representative Moffitt, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 1882. Introduced by Representative Moffitt, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1883. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1884. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 1885. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning elections.
- HOUSE BILL 1886. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1887. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1888. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 1889. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 1890. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1891. Introduced by Representative Biss, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1892. Introduced by Representative Biss, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1893. Introduced by Representative Biss, AN ACT concerning regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 1894. Introduced by Representative Biss, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 1895. Introduced by Representative Biss, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 1896. Introduced by Representative Biss, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1897. Introduced by Representative Senger, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1898. Introduced by Representative Kay, AN ACT concerning revenue.
- HOUSE BILL 1899. Introduced by Representative Kay, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 1900. Introduced by Representative Kay, AN ACT concerning employment.
- HOUSE BILL 1901. Introduced by Representative Hatcher, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 1902. Introduced by Representative Kay, AN ACT concerning civil law.
- HOUSE BILL 1903. Introduced by Representative Leitch, AN ACT concerning public aid.
- HOUSE BILL 1904. Introduced by Representative Leitch, AN ACT concerning State government.
- HOUSE BILL 1905. Introduced by Representative Cunningham, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 1906. Introduced by Representative Cunningham, AN ACT concerning handgun regulation.

At the hour of 4:33 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.