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Speaker Redmond: "The House will come to order. Members please be in their seats to be lead in prayer by the Reverend Krueger, the House Chaplain."

Reverend Krueger: "In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Amen. O Lord, bless this House to Thy service this day. Amen. Eric Hoffer said: The basic test of freedom is perhaps less in what we are free to do than in what we are free not to do. Let us pray. Almighty God, our Eternal Father, we praise Thee for this day and all the other blessings of our lives. We thank Thee for calling us to serve the people of the State of Illinois in this House of Representatives. Grant, O Father, that all that we may here do, will strenghten our freedom and ensure our safety in a society of peace and well-being; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Speaker Redmond: "Pledge of Allegiance by Chalkie."

Chalkie: "I Pledge Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Speaker Redmond: "Introduction and First Readings."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2985, Richmond-Harris, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act creating the Illinois Department of Veteran's Affairs, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2986, Chapman, a Bill for an Act making an appropriation of the State Comptroller, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2987, Oblinger, a Bill for an Act in relation to reverse mortgage loans, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2988, VonBoeckman, a Bill for an Act in relation to merit employment of technical employees of the Illinois Department of Transportation, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2989, Wikoff-Richmond-Bluthardt-McPike-McMaster-Sharp, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act of the Public Protection Act, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2990, Katz, A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the



Illinois Vehicle Code, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2991, Meyer, a Bill for an Act making an appropriation to the Illinois Parent and Educational Assistance Authority, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2992, Meyer, a Bill for an Act to provide financial educational assistance to parents with children in schools of the state, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2993, Katz, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to revise the law in relation to clerks of courts, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2294, Rea, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to license and regulate grain dealers engaged in the business of purchasing grain, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2995, E.G. Steele, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Revenue Act, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2996, Wilson, a Bill for an Act in relation to the exemption of railroad...railroad fuel from the state use and occupation taxes, First Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "The House will stand adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock."



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