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Speaker Greiman: "The hour of 10:00 having arrived, the House will be in Session. Members will be at their chair. The Chaplain for today will be Father Frank O'Hara, Pastor of St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church of Springfield. Father O'Hara is a guest of Representative Michael Curran. Will the guests in the gallery please join us and rise for the invocation? Father O'Hara."

Father O'Hara: "In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. May the Holy Spirit inspire them. May their God watch over them. May their Savior guide them. May the saints protect them. May their ears be opened to hear His voice. May their eyes be opened to see His ways. May their lips be opened to be His voice. May their hands be ready to do His work, and may their feet be free to walk His way. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

Speaker Greiman: "Representative Ropp, Gentleman from McLean, will lead us in the pledge to the flag."

Ropp - et al: "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 Greiman: "Roll Call for Attendance. Mr. Clerk, take the record. 113 Members having answered to the Call of the Quorum, a quorum is present. Mr. Piel, for what purpose are you seeking recognition?"

Piel: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, would the record show that Representative Oblinger is excused today?"

Speaker Greiman: "Let the record show that Representative Oblinger is excused. Mr. Matijevich, do we have any excused absences on the Democratic side?"

Matijevich: "Speaker, let the record show that Representative Ray

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Christensen is excused on personal business."

Speaker Greiman: "Yes."

Matijevich: "John Cullerton also is excused."

Speaker Greiman: "On legislative business. Is that correct?"

Matijevich: "Legislative business."

Speaker Greiman: "Alright, let the record so reflect that Representatives Hicks and Cullerton and Christensen are excused today. Thank you. The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Lake, Representative Matijevich. Ladies and Gentlemen, may we have your attention, please? Mr. Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would ask leave and the use of the Attendance Roll Call to waive the posting notices on Senate Bill 134 and Senate Bill 537 and also waive the rule which prohibits a Committee meeting while the House is in Session for the purpose of the Rules Committee to meet immediately in the Speaker's Conference Room to hear Senate Bill 134 and Senate Bill 537."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Lake, Mr. Matijevich, asks leave to use the Attendance Roll Call to suspend Rule... so that the posting rules for Senate Bills 134 and Senate Bill 537 and that the rule which restricts the hearing of Committees during the time we are in Session be waived as well. Does the Gentleman have leave to use the Attendance Roll Call? Leave is granted and the Attendance Roll Call will be used. Now, Mr. Matijevich, did you wish to have that meeting right now? Alright, Members of the Rules Committee are directed to retire to the Speaker's Conference Room immediately. On page two of the Calendar, on the Order of Consideration Postponed, Special Subject Matter Call - Consumer Protection, appears Senate Bill 1449. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

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Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1449, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act in relation to the sale of tickets to certain places of entertainment or amusement. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Will, Mr. Van Duyne."

Van Duyne: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I've explained this Bill before. It has to do with the ticket scalping Bill. It is regimented and confined to people who work for the entity which is putting on the... on whatever kind of a party whether it be ball game or football or whatever. I think everybody's aware of what is embodied in this Bill. And I would just ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Will has moved for the passage of Senate Bill 1449. And on that, the Gentleman from DeWitt, Mr. Vinson."

Vinson: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, insofar as Mr. Van Duyne is a barber, isn't it a conflict of interest for him to be handling a scalping Bill?"

Speaker Greiman: "I didn't think you'd start cutting up this early. Alright. Is there any discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 87 voting 'aye', 19 voting 'no', 3 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Committee Report."

Clerk O'Brien: "The Committee on Rules has met and pursuant to Rule 29(c)-3, the following Bills have been ruled exempt on November 14, 1985: Senate Bills 134 and 537. John Matijevich, Chairman."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Vinson, for what purpose do you seek

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recognition?"

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, I don't know if I heard all of the Bill numbers the Clerk reported. I wonder if he could repeat the Bill numbers."

Speaker Greiman: "134 and 537. 134 and 537. Senate Bills."

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, I wonder if you could hold that for just a second, please."

Speaker Greiman: "Is this... this is a Committee Report and the Clerk has already made the Committee Report."

Vinson: "I wonder if you could hold that for just a second."

Speaker Greiman: "The Report's been done. There's nothing to hold. On page two of the Calendar, on the Order of House Bills... I'm sorry, Senate Bills Third Reading, Special Order of Call - Education, appears Senate Bill 1468. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill. That Bill is on Second Reading. On the Order of Second Reading. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1468, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code and an Act in relation to state finance. Second Reading of the Bill. This Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted previously."

Speaker Greiman: "Are there any further Amendments? Any Motions with respect to Amendment #1?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No Motions filed."

Speaker Greiman: "Are any further Amendments? Yes, Mr. Daniels, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Daniels: "This is my Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "Well, it is, indeed, your Bill, but we're on the Order of Second Reading."

Daniels: "Oh, okay."

Speaker Greiman: "So..."

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #2 was withdrawn. Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative Daniels - Vinson and Tuerk."

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Speaker Greiman: "Now, Mr. Daniels. The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Daniels, on Amendment #3."

Daniels: "Can I have my name in lights instead of Carol Braun who... No, no. Up, up, up. I want to withdraw Amendment #2... 3."

Speaker Greiman: "Amendment #3 is withdrawn. Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #4, offered by Representative Daniels -- Vinson -- Ewing -- Davis and McCracken."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Daniels, on Amendment #4. ...#3, Mr. Clerk, or 4? On Amendment #4, Mr. Daniels."

Daniels: "We want to withdraw that one, too."

Speaker Greiman: "Amendment #4 is withdrawn. Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Greiman: "Third Reading. Mr. Daniels."

Daniels: "...I'd like to go to immediate consideration of Senate Bill 1468 on the Order of Third."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1468, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code and an Act in relation to state finance. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Daniels."

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Senate Bill 1468 is commonly known as the school aid speed up Bill, but contains several other provisions providing school districts may contract with not-for-profit organizations to conduct summer staff development activities. It provides also that if a student lives within one and a half miles of the school he attends and if he is not bussed to and from that school at public expense, that student may apply for reimbursement of his

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transportation expenses; provides that if a school district's equalized assessed valuation per weighted students in an average daily attendance used in computing the district state aid decrease... decreases by 15% or more in one year, then the district may file a supplemental state aid claim; corrects typographical errors; changes the definitions in certain sections and provides that the regional superintendents have the authority to postpone life safety work on the school board... school building until July 1, 1988. This Bill was heard previously by the Assembly, and we brought it back to the Order of Third Reading just for further consideration. And I would ask for your favorable vote and passage of this Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from DuPage moves for the passage of Senate Bill 1468. And on that, is there any discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 75 voting 'aye', 38 voting 'no', none voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Alright, we are on Supplemental Calendar #1 on the Order of Motions, Special Order of Call - State Ad... Government Administrative... Administration, appears Motion on Senate Bill 1036. The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Keane."

Keane: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to take from the table and place on the Calendar on the Order of Second Reading Second Day, Senate Bill 1036."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Keane, has moved to take Senate Bill 1036 from the table and place it on the Order of Second Reading Second Day. Does the Gentleman

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have leave to use the Attendance Roll Call? Leave is granted, and the Motion is adopted by use of the Attendance Roll Call. And now... Alright. Mr. Clerk, on Supplemental Calendar #1, on the Order of Senate Bills Second Reading, appears Senate Bill 1036, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1036, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections and to add Sections to the Chicago World's Fair 1992 Authority Act. This Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendments 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 were adopted previously. Floor Amendment #6, offered by Representative Mautino."

Speaker Greiman: "Alright, I'm advised that... I'm advised that this... the Amendments have not been printed, and Mr. Keane would respectfully request that we take this Bill out of the record. And the Chair will adhere to his request. So the Bill is out of the record. Alright. On... On page two of the Calendar, Senate Bills Second... Second Reading, Special Order of Call - Public Utilities, appears Senate Bill 994. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 994, a Bill for an Act in relation to public utilities and amending certain Acts therein named. Second Reading of the Bill. This Bill has been read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Greiman: "Are there any Floor Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Panayotovich."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Panayotovich."

Panayotovich: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I leave to withdraw Amendment #1."

Speaker Greiman: "Amendment #1 is withdrawn. Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Panayotovich."

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Speaker Greiman: "Excuse me. Excuse me. Mr. Hastert, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Hastert: "Yeah, I'm the Chief Sponsor of this Bill, I believe. Is that correct?"

Speaker Greiman: "That's correct."

Hastert: "Could I take the Bill out of the record for a minute, please?"

Speaker Greiman: "Within your rights, yes, of course. Bill is out of the record. Yes, alright. We'll hold this Bill on Second Reading, Mr. Hastert. On page four of the Calendar, Conference Committee Reports, on that Order of Business appears House Bill 1109. The Gentleman from Madison, Mr. Wolf. Mr. Wolf."

Wolf: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. Conference Committee Report #1 to House Bill 1109 deletes everything after the enacting clause with regard to the original provisions of House Bill 1109 and sets up three changes to the Election Code. Number one, the Report addresses and clarifies one of the requirements under the Code which pertains to circulators circulating petitions for nomination for candidates for state office. Under this Report, the change would provide that the dates used on the petition could... you could use any one of three alternatives. Number one, you could state the actual date that the petition was signed by the individual or you could use the first and last date that that petition was signed or you could certify on the petition that all signatures on that petition were obtained not more than 90 days to the last date of filing. Number two, the Report also removed a restriction imposed on the State Board of Elections which prohibited the employment of most technical consultants for more than a two month period. As most of you know, we passed House Bill 882 during this past Session which

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required county clerks to provide updated voter registration twice a year, during January and during July. This provision would allow the State Board of Elections to hire technical consultants for more than a period of 60 days in order to implement that provision. Number three, the Report also changes the requirements for the filling of a vacancy in nomination for established political parties in all general elections when the vacancy occurred because the party did not have a candidate on the ballot at the primary election. The Report would require that all parties fill a vacancy so created within a period of 60 days following the primary. This would not affect the filling of vacancies for any other reasons. I'd be glad to answer any questions."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Madison, Mr. Wolf, has moved that the House adopt Conference Committee... First Conference Committee Report, which has been corrected, to House Bill 1109. And on that, the Gentleman from Lee, Mr. Olson."

Olson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I join with Representative Wolf to urge the adoption of the Corrected Conference Committee Report on 1109. This Bill... this Conference Committee Report has been given much scrutiny. It has been explained, I'm sure, at both of our Conferences. It meets the elements and the test that the State Board has set forth for our petition passing for this upcoming election. I would urge its adoption."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Mulcahey."

Mulcahey: "Would the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates he will."

Mulcahey: "Representative Wolf, how would this, if this Amendment should go on right now, how would this affect those people

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that have petitions in circulation already? Currently, what affect would that have..."

Wolf: "Under the provisions of the Bill there are three alternatives. The alternatives offered here are meant to address that very problem, Dick. And the petitions that you've got out now, you're probably specifying the actual... Can you hear me? They're probably specifying the actual dates. The reason for these changes are because, theoretically, there are twenty names on a petition. You can have as many as twenty dates on that petition if you follow the letter of the law. You can put a certification on your present petitions stating that these signatures have been obtained not more than 90 days prior to the last date of filing which would cover any case."

Mulcahey: "So, Representative Wolf, you... Representative Wolf, you mean that you can do that. That's permissible then, as far as the petitions are concerned."

Wolf: "That's correct."

Mulcahey: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Greiman: "Further discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall the House adopt Conference... the Corrected Conference Committee #1 to House Bill 1109?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 109 voting 'aye', 1 voting 'no', none voting 'present'. Mr. Brunsvold votes 'aye'. Mr. Harris votes 'aye'. Ms. Stern votes 'aye'. Alright. Any more? Alright. On this question there are 112 voting 'aye', 1 voting 'no', none voting 'present', and the House does adopt Conference Committee... Corrected First Conference Committee Report to House Bill 1109. This

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Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Supplemental Calendar #1, on the Order of Conference Committee Reports, Special... Special Subject - Local Government, appears Senate Bill 212. And on that, the Gentleman from Macoupin, Mr. Hannig."

Hannig: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. This Bill originally started out to deal with the occupation tax on liquid propane gas. This Conference Committee Report changes that. It basically does two things and it's agreed to. Number one, it would allow the City of Rockford to impose a one cent per gallon gas tax by front door referendum. The other thing that it does, it clarifies and cleans up some of the problems that were found when we passed the new utility Act last year. It's agreed to by AT&T and MCI, the Department of Revenue. It's a cleanup Act, and I'd ask for your vote."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Macoupin moves that the House adopt Conference Committee... Yes, Mr. Hannig, that's the Corrected First Conference Committee Report. Is that correct?"

Hannig: "That is correct, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Greiman: "Alright. So, the Gentleman from Macoupin has moved that the House adopt Corrected Conference Committee Report #1 to Senate Bill 212. And on that, is there any discussion? The Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Klemm."

Klemm: "Will the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates he'll yield for questions."

Klemm: "One point of clarification, perhaps, is a gasoline tax increase. Is that now by a referendum of the voters?"

Hannig: "That's correct. That would actually only apply to Rockford, and it's by front door referendum."

Klemm: "Well, there was some concern that it was not, and I think that would help a number of people vote, perhaps, for the

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Bill if it was by referendum. Thank you."

Klemm: "Certainly."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi."

Giorgi: "I was prepared to answer Klemm's questions, but Mr. Hannig did it."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Levin."

Levin: "Would the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates he'll yield for questions."

Levin: "Okay. Could you... Gary, could you explain in just a little bit more detail what the corrections are with respect to the telecommunications tax?"

Hannig: "Yes. Basically, there are several provisions, and the... it clarifies the existing exemption regarding specialized or enhanced services. It clarifies the existing exemption from the tax regarding customer owned equipment that's separately identified from other charges - excludes value added services when charges for such services were separately stated. It adds new tax which clarifies that the federal and state government and state universities are exempt from the tax - private calls from the premises of those entities such as by students, are not exempt. And additionally, the taxes... the tax provides that where the tax has already been assessed or paid by a corporation or its fully owned subsidiary, the telecommunications between them cannot be doubly taxed. The Bill clarified that telecommunications that do not originate or terminate in Illinois, are not taxable. The Bill clarifies that current statutory tax cannot be interpreted to mean that the tax on coin operated telecommunications is part of the price of that service, and it affirms the intent of the statute that the tax is a tax on consumers and a constituted debt of the retailer to the state, meaning that the retailer shall have statutory

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right of recovery for taxable services."

Levin: "And it is my understanding that this has been agreed to, not only by the Department of Revenue, but by AT&T, MCI and, you know, various..."

Hannig: "That is correct. It's agreed to by all the major parties. It has no affect on our tax base, and the Department of Revenue does support it."

Levin: "It's a good Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "Further discussion? There being... Before taking up the final question to vote, it appears that this Bill was originally considered and passed prior to June 30th. Accordingly, the Chair asks leave of the House to use the Attendance Roll Call to waive Rule 79(e) so that this may be considered at this time. Leave is granted, using the Attendance Roll Call. The question is, 'Shall the House adopt Corrected Conference Committee Report #1 to Senate Bill 212?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 111 voting 'aye', none... 1 voting 'no', none voting 'present', and the House does adopt Corrected First Conference Committee Report. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On the... On the Order... On Supplemental Calendar #1, on the Order of Conference Committee Reports, Special Subject Matter - State and Local Government, appears Senate Bill 537. And on that, appears a Motion. The Chair recognizes Mr. O'Connell for a Motion on Senate Bill 537."

O'Connell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I move to take from the table and suspend Rule 79(e) and place on the Order of Conference Committee

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Reports."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. O'Connell, moves that we take from the table House Bill 537 and suspend Rule 79(e). Does the Gentleman have leave to use the Attendance Roll Call? Gentleman has leave. Leave is granted. And on Senate Bill 537, on Conference Committee Report #1, Mr. O'Connell, the Gentleman from Cook."

O'Connell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Conference Committee #1 does two things... Mr. Speaker, I would move to nonconcur with Conference Committee Report #1."

Speaker Greiman: "Yes. Alright. The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. O'Connell, moves that we refuse to adopt Conference Committee Report #1. And on that, is there any discussion? The Gentleman from DeWitt, Mr. Vinson."

Vinson: "I support the Gentleman's Motion. It'll lead to a preferable Conference Committee Report #2."

Speaker Greiman: "The question is, 'Shall the House refuse to accept Conference Committee Report #1 to Senate Bill 537 and request that a Second Conference Committee be appointed?' All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', those opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Motion carries. Supplemental Calendar #1, on the Order of Conference Committee Reports, appears House Bill 1962. And on that, Mr. Mays, for the purpose of a Motion."

Mays: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to suspend the appropriate rule to have this Conference Committee Report placed on the Order of Conference Committee Reports for immediate consideration."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman..."

Mays: "That would be 79(e)."

Speaker Greiman: "Yes. The Gentleman from Adams, Mr. Mays, moves that the House take this Bill... House Bill 1962 from the

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table and that we suspend Rule 79(e) and place the Bill on the Order of Conference Committee Reports. Does the Gentleman have leave to use the Attendance Roll Call? Leave is granted. And now, Mr. Mays, on House Bill... on the Conference Committee Reports, House Bill 1962, the Gentleman from Adams, Mr. Mays."

Mays: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 1962 is represented in this Conference Committee Report - makes the Abandoned Mine Lands Reclamation Council, an autonomous body, taking it out from under the Department of Mines and Minerals. I know of no controversy regarding this. Indeed, I think it's a good move - clean up some red tape and some bureaucratic morass. And so, I would ask for its adoption by this chamber."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Adams, Mr. Mays, moves that the House adopt First Conference Committee Report to House Bill 1962. And on that, the Gentleman from Franklin, Mr. Rea."

Rea: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates he'll yield for question."

Rea: "Representative Mays, in regards to the movement here, I think that in the past that the Reclamation Council... there has been... the Department of Mines and Minerals have done primarily paperwork for the Council."

Mays: "Exactly."

Rea: "And I believe that at one time there was a Governor's Task Force that recommended that a Council be administratively directly under the Department of Mines and Minerals. And could you tell me why we have chosen to go this direction rather than for it to be administratively under the Department of Mines and Minerals?"

Mays: "First of all, Representative, I don't know anything about

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that second point you made. The first point you made about it simply being a paper-moving, paper-shuffling administrative thing, is absolutely correct from what I understand from the Lieutenant Governor's Office. As far as the report that you noted, I have no idea of what that report had to say."

Rea: "Is it possible that if the administrative responsibilities were shifted to the Department of Mines and Minerals that there might be a more coordinated, integrated program because of the resources that you have?"

Mays: "I think you'd have to do a major change to the Act to do something along those lines. Currently, the Abandoned Mine Lands Reclamation Council has... you know, they decide what projects to do, how much money to spend, where to spend it, when to spend it and everything like that right now under the statute. What we're talking about, as I understand it, is these things simply have to be... once they're approved by the Council, then have to go through this red tape within the Department of Mines and Minerals. What we're trying to do is simply recognize the beast as it is and try to make it as efficient as possible."

Rea: "Under the membership of the various councils... the various agencies that are involved, is it true that the Council would work the most with the Department of Mines and Minerals? I know there are several agencies that compose the Council."

Mays: "The Council will function exactly as it functions right now. Whether we change this law or not, they still determine what the projects are, where they are, when they'll be, how much will be spent and so on, as they will under this law. The only difference will be that they will not come under the jurisdiction of Mines and Minerals for the paper shuffling aspect of it."

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Rea: "I understand that portion of it, but in terms of the everyday workings of the Council, would not the Council have a much closer working relationship with the Department of Mines and Minerals than the other agencies that serves on there like DCCA and Conservation and EPA and so on?"

Mays: "I don't see how this would change it one way or the other. You're thinking that we might be able to enhance the relationship with the Department if we don't do this when, in fact, that will not occur."

Speaker Greiman: "Further discussion? There being none, the Gentleman from Adams, Mr. Mays, to close."

Mays: "I appreciate Representative Rea's questions on this. I think he's very knowledgeable in the area, probably more so than myself, on this particular topic. It is my understanding, however, that as we have the Council set up right now, they determine what the priorities are and how much and when they'll be spent. Simply they've coming under the auspices of Mines and Minerals for the, you know, administrative paperwork, cross-check, things like that, which is unnecessary according to the way they operate. The Senate approved this measure by 57 to nothing, and I would hope that the House will follow suit."

Speaker Greiman: "The question is, 'Shall the House adopt First Conference Committee Report to House 1962?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk. Yes, the Gentleman from Lee, Mr. Olson. Mr. Olson's light is on. Alright. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 111 voting 'aye', none voting 'no', 1 voting 'present', and the House does adopt First Conference Committee Report to House Bill 1962. And this Bill, having

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received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page four of the Calendar, on the Order of Conference Committee Reports, appears Senate Bill 1452. The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Bowman."

Bowman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. First of all, I would like to call everyone's attention to the fact that we're dealing with the Corrected Second Conference Committee Report on this Bill. And for the record, let me read the appropriate LRB number. LRB8405318JSWCCR11. This Corrected Second Conference Committee Report rewrites the Bill. The primary modification to the Public Utility Act is to... or to the statutes is to implement House Bill 18 which caps the public utility tax by providing, for example, definition of utility gross receipts which was omitted from House Bill 18; it makes specific that a utility may recover the amount of his tax liability passed through to the state, whether the tax is computed on gross receipts are units, such as therms or kilowatts; and the utilities may make any reasonable method to determine reportable methods of tax determination based upon a system of units or gross receipts to the State Department of Revenue. In addition, we have some cleanup language regarding the Citizens' Utility Board Act, regarding whether ballots may be placed and who may circulate petitions for board candidates and so forth; includes provisions of Public Act 83-1540 regarding desulfurization of fluid gas into this Bill... inadvertently omitted from Senate Bill 1021, which is now Public Act 84-617, and lastly, the provision which amends the Environmental Protection Act to stay for one year, January 1, 1987, the effective date of Senate Bill 224 was removed. That is why this is the corrected version. The original version had that language in there. This version

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takes that language out, and it is not in the Conference Committee Report. I move for its adoption."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Bowman, moves for the adoption of the Corrected Second Conference Committee Report to Senate Bill 1452. And on that, the Gentleman from Kendall, Mr. Hastert."

Hastert: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates he'll yield for questions."

Hastert: "Representative Bowman, I understand this Bill was originally for hearing impaired. That has no provisions in that of..."

Bowman: "Yes, thank you, Representative Hastert. That is true. Those provisions were incorporated into House Bill 1814, the Telecommunications Act rewrite."

Hastert: "And right now the way the Bill stands is really a cleanup Bill for 1814 and other public utility Bills that went through there. Is this correct? And 18, which was the utility tax Bill?"

Bowman: "It is a cleanup Bill for about three or four different pieces of legislation, yes, Sir."

Hastert: "Thank you, Representative. Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. I just want to say I support this piece of legislation. It is a needed cleanup with some of the omissions and changes in the Bill that we needed to make, and I ask for your positive support of this piece of legislation."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Levin."

Levin: "Would the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates he'll yield for a question."

Levin: "Okay. The provision that was in the original Conference Committee Report #2 that, I believe, was requested by Senator Keats relating to garbage, that is no longer in here. Is that correct?"

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Bowman: "That is correct."

Levin: "And as far as the provisions on desulfurization that was requested by Senator Philip?"

Bowman: "That provision is in the Bill."

Levin: "And that is basically something that was previously passed, but just was not in Senate Bill 1021. So, we're just codifying it in 1021?"

Bowman: "That is correct."

Levin: "And the same is true in terms of the enterprise zone language? That, again, was something that was passed in the spring, but it was not included in the new Public Utility Act?"

Bowman: "That is correct also."

Levin: "Okay. Okay, I urge support for this Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Vins... from DeWitt, Mr. Vinson."

Vinson: "Yes, I wonder if the Sponsor would yield for a question."

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates he will."

Vinson: "Representative, in the various tax language, there is nothing in here that would have the effect of repealing the Illinois investment tax credit."

Bowman: "That is also correct."

Vinson: "Thank you."

Speaker Greiman: "Further discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall the House adopt Second... Corrected Conference Committee Report to Senate Bill 1452?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those oppose vote 'no'. Voting is open and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 113 voting 'aye', none voting 'no', none voting 'present', and the House does adopt Second Corrected Conference Committee Report to

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Senate Bill 1452. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page four of the Calendar on the Order of Concurrence, Special Subject Matter of Call - State Government, appears House Bill 1263. The Gentleman from Madison, Mr. McPike."

McPike: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On the Order of Motions, is that correct? I move to take from the table House Bill 1263 and place on the Order of Concurrence."

Speaker Greiman: "Alright, Mr. McPike, it appears that the Motion is not necessary, that we can..."

McPike: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Greiman: "Yes."

McPike: "I move..."

Speaker Greiman: "We can now proceed with the concurrence Motion."

McPike: "Fine. Thank you. I move that the House concur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 1263. Senate Amendment #1 sets up the self-insurance advisory board, creates a self-insurance security fund and State Treasurer as the custodian. The fund is to be used to pay workers compensation benefits to employees of self-insured employers that the board has determined are unable to pay due to financial insolvency. It's funded by contributions made by self-insurers pursuant to assessments by the board, proceeds from the liquidation of bonds or securities of the insolvent of insurer and monies collected from the insolvent employer. Amendment #2 is a technical cleanup to Amendment #1."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Madison, Mr. McPike, moves that the House concur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 1263. And on that, is there any discussion? The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I'd like to ask Representative McPike a

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question."

Speaker Greiman: "Proceed. Mr. McPike will yield for questions."

Giorgi: "I sponsored the original Bill in 1983 which set up a fund to ensure that injured workers of self-insured employers would not be cut off from benefits in the event that an individual self-insured employer went bankrupt. That Bill, apparently, had some technical difficulties that have made it hard for the Industrial Commission to administer. And I understand that your proposal will clear up those difficulties, and I support your Bill, but I would like to ask one question. Under my original Bill..."

Speaker Greiman: "Excuse me. Mr. Vinson, were you seeking recognition?"

Vinson: "I think that if we're going to create legislative intent, everybody ought to have the chance to hear that legislative intent, and I would request that Mr. Giorgi..."

Giorgi: "I'll give him a copy..."

Vinson: "...articulate more than he does on Agreed Resolutions."

Giorgi: "I'll give him a copy when I'm done."

Speaker Greiman: "I thought we were on that order right now, Mr. Vinson. Alright, Mr. Giorgi, proceed."

Giorgi: "Under my original Bill if a self-insured employer went bankrupt and there were not assets with which to pay injured workers the workers compensation benefits to which they're entitled, other self-insured employers would be subject to an assessment based on their previous year's workers compensation payment so that there be a fund available to pay the benefits of the injured worker of the insolvent self-insured. In my original proposal, there was no limitation as to what that assessment might be. I understand that your Bill limits the assessments to 1.2% of each self-insured employer's previous year's compensation payments. My question is, what if that 1.2 assessment

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level does not generate sufficient dollars to ensure continuation of benefits to the injured workers of an insolvent self-insured employer? That is my question."

McPike: "That's your question?"

Giorgi: "Yes. You want me to repeat it?"

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. MCPike, on the question."

McPike: "Yes, you're correct. House Bill 1263 would impose an assessment limitation of 1.2% of self-insured employer's previous year's compensation payments. The current feeling is the assessment will not have to be as high as 1.2% and that a sufficient amount would definitely be generated by a 1.2% assessment. I have been assured by the self-insurance industry that if the 1.2% assessment does not prove sufficient, they will join with me to increase the assessment level so that a sufficient fund is available."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Peoria, Mr. Tuerk."

Tuerk: "Will the Sponsor yield for a question?"

McPike: "Yes."

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates he will. Proceed."

Tuerk: "As I understand this problem, it is addressing the insolvent companies that relate to workers' compensation claims. Is that correct?"

McPike: "Yes."

Tuerk: "And it deals only with that facet of the statute."

McPike: "Correct."

Tuerk: "And I further believe that everybody that has an interest in this type of legislation has signed off, which would include all segments of society that deal with the problem."

McPike: "Yes."

Tuerk: "Well, Mr. Speaker, to the Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "Proceed, Mr. Tuerk."

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Tuerk: "I think this has been a problem in the past to where bankrupt companies have been unable to pay injured employees their workers' compensation claim. I think it's... it has to be done. The industrial Commission has no way to address the problem otherwise, without the clarifying language. I stand in support of the Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Adams, Mr. Mays."

Mays: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Will the Gentleman yield just for one point of clarification?"

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates he'll yield for questions."

Mays: "In that intent statement in your response, Representative, we done the best we can to keep the entire changes in this entire Act on an agreed basis. This was totally agreed to, the intent that was read in?"

McPike: "Yes, that's correct."

Mays: "Thank you very much. I rise in support of this measure and urge its adoption."

Speaker Greiman: "Question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 1263?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there 110 voting 'aye', none voting 'no', none voting 'present', and the House does concur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 1263. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Yes, the Gentleman from Rock Island, Mr. Brunsvold, for what purpose you seek recognition?"

Brunsvold: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My button didn't work on the last Roll Call. Could the record reflect that I was..."

Speaker Greiman: "I'm sorry, Mr. Brunsvold, what was the question?"

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Brunsvold: "My button went off on the last Roll Call. It was lit and went off."

Speaker Greiman: "I see. Alright..."

Brunsvold: "Could the record reflect that I would have voted 'yes' on that?"

Speaker Greiman: "The transcript will reflect that you would have voted 'yes' on that. Yes."

Brunsvold: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Greiman: "Thank you. Representative Breslin in the Chair."

Clerk Leone: "House Supplemental Calendar #2 is now being distributed."

Speaker Breslin: "Ladies and Gentlemen, on the Order of Senate Bills Third Reading, page two on your Calendar, appears Senate Bill 1360, Representative Ronan. Representative Ronan moves to return this Bill to the Order of Second Reading for the purposes of an Amendment. Does the Gentleman have leave? The Gentleman has leave. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. Are there any Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Senate Bill 1360, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Municipal Code. This has been read a second time previously. Amendment #3 was adopted. The next Amendment is Amendment #4, Greiman."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "Thank you, Speaker. Amendment #4 creates a right-of-action where against a building which has been in dangerous, unsafe, abandoned condition within a municipality and allows a... it's crafted so that one can give notice... a homeowner within 1200 feet can give notice to the municipality. If the municipality does not move to demolition within a 90 day period, then they can go forward and file a right-of-action. That right-of-action pends... they must prove that the building is unsafe and dangerous,

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then an order is entered in favor of the owner and against the person who is the owner of the unsafe dilapidated building and there is then period of 90 days for that owner to demolish his building. If he doesn't, then the municipality can be impleaded in the action and the municipality would, then, proceed as it would in normal situation - normal circumstances where it has been the original initiator of the action and; at that point, the building can be ordered demolished. However, it gives the municipalities an opportunity to, first, develop a plan of rehabilitation; and secondly, to look at its own resources to determine whether it has the resources at that time to complete demolition. And accordingly, it is balanced in both the interest of the municipality, the interest of the surrounding homeowner and; of course, provides due process to the people who own the demolished buildings. I would ask for adoption of Amendment #4."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved for the adoption of Amendment #4 to Senate Bill 1360. And on that question..."

Speaker Greiman: "Wait. Excuse me. Excuse me. Excuse me. Madam Speaker, I noticed that the Amendment that I was addressing, I think, has been modified slightly by Amendment #5. So, if we could take... I'd like to withdraw Amendment 4 and go..."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman withdraws Amendment #4. Mr... Amendment #5."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #5, Madigan."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Madigan - Greiman."

Clerk Leone: "Greiman."

Speaker Breslin: "Proceed. Excuse me. Representative Vinson, for what reason do you rise?"

Vinson: "We have a problem in that we can't sign the Amendment, and I wonder if we could take this out of the record for a

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few minutes."

Speaker Breslin: "Surely. The Gentleman agrees. The Bill is out of the record. Ladies and Gentlemen, going to the Order of Supplemental #2, under the Order of Conference Committee Reports, appears Senate Bill 537, Representative O'Connell. Representative O'Connell."

O'Connell: "Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I move that Conference Committee Report #2 be adopted."

Speaker Breslin: "Can you explain to us what the Conference Committee Report does?"

O'Connell: "The Conference Committee Report does two things. First, it restores the constitutionality to the aggravated arson statute which was ruled unconstitutional in July of 1985, in the case of People versus Wicke. Specifically, the court ruled that the statute had the potential to be applied against a person who lacked the necessary culpable mental state for the commission of a felony. The Conference Committee Report #2 remedies that by providing that a person commits aggravated arson when, in the course of committing arson, he knowingly damages partially or totally any building or structure, including any adjacent building or structure, and the statute proceeds as it is presently, but it adds the necessary mental state to remedy the problem cited in People versus Wicke. Secondly, the Administrative Office of Illinois Courts is addressed in this Conference Committee Report as well. Presently, the current eavesdropping law requires the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts to summarize data received by it in an annual report to the General Assembly regarding the use of court ordered eavesdropping devices. Such data includes the time period recovered by the eavesdropping order, the specific felony which is the subject of the conversation monitored and the number of motions to

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suppress made regarding the use of the court ordered eavesdropping device. Conference Committee Report #2 provides that... it eliminates the requirement that the Administrative Office provide a detailed report to the General Assembly regarding the use of eavesdropping devices. However, the office would still be required to report to the General Assembly regarding three items: (a) the number of requests made to the courts for authorization for eavesdropping; (b) the number of such orders granted or denied and; (c) the convictions arising out of the use of eavesdropping devices. I would also point out that the Judges are still required to submit the information to the Office of Illinois courts, and the only thing that has changed is the office's requirements to the General Assembly reporting."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved for the adoption of the Second Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 537. And on that question, the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Young."

Young: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "He will."

Young: "In regard to the eavesdropping reports currently submitted to the General Assembly, do we now receive a report that consists of the county in which the request was made?"

O'Connell: "Yes."

Young: "And of the period and time for which the eavesdrop request was made?"

O'Connell: "Yes."

Young: "And the offense that is suspected, the felony offense, what that offense that they're eavesdropping for?"

O'Connell: "Correct."

Young: "And the nature and frequency of the conversations

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overheard is also listed in that report, isn't it?"

O'Connell: "Yes."

Young: "Okay. Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. To the Amendment. I think this is a bad Amendment. Currently, the General Assembly receives a report that delineates very specifically what eavesdropping is authorized in this state. This report is for our benefit so we can report to our constituency that the eavesdropping laws are, in fact, being properly used. Under this Amendment, the report that we presently receive, which I have a copy of in my hand right now, itemizes, approximately... about ten different categories of information are received by this Body. Under this Amendment, those categories will be eliminated to a total number - a total number granted and a total number of convictions. No information broken down by county. No information broken down by the felony offense. No information on the nature and frequency of the eavesdropping that is used. I think this is a bad Amendment. I think this Body needs this type of information, and I would urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from DeWitt, Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Assembly, I rise in support of the Second Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 537. And I rise in support of it, because it will provide the tools necessary to effectively enforce law in this state. It is improper, in my judgment, for the General Assembly to insert itself into the law enforcement process. This Bill corrects that. It is a good concept. It is a law and order Bill, and I would urge an 'aye' vote on the Second Conference Committee Report."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Levin."

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Levin: "Would the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "He will."

Levin: "Representative, can you explain what the justification is, why we need to narrow what goes into the disclosure report on eavesdropping? You know, I can understand we had a court decision in terms of the aggravated arson, and we are responding to a specific need there, but what is the ill - what is the problem that is necessitating, relaxing the amount of information that is going to be provided in terms of eavesdropping? You know, there is an old saying, 'If something is not broke, don't fix it.' Are we letting information that should not be disclosed get into the hands of Members of the General Assembly? You know, what is the reason? What's the justification for this provision in the Conference Committee Report?"

Speaker Breslin: "Representative O'Connell."

O'Connell: "Representative, the ill that is addressed by this particular Amendment or Conference Committee Report is the burden, administrative burden, that is placed on the Administrative Office in making this report to the General Assembly. The Conference Committee Report is... is a compromise, if you will, by eliminating the administrative work involved and still requiring that the information be available upon request. The approach has been used in other areas where the additional paperwork does not justify the cost. The information is still available from anybody for anybody who wishes to use it. So, in the case of a constituent who makes a request, you would simply contact the Illinois Administrative Office of Courts and you'd get that information."

Levin: "If I may... may proceed to the Bill."

Speaker Breslin "Speaker to the Bill, Sir."

Levin: "Yeah. We've heard, you know... from every bureaucracy,

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we hear the argument that, you know, something is a great burden. We have a very fine tuned law with respect to eavesdropping. It's balanced. It's fair. It protects individuals' rights. At the same time, it provides proper procedures where law enforcement can get information it needs, and part of that fine-tuned balance is keeping the General Assembly informed on what's going on and making it possible for us to know on a regular basis how this law is being implemented. This is going to make it more difficult for us to do our job as Members of the General Assembly. You have to figure out where to go, and what we're hearing is the same kind of a complaint that other bureaucracies come forth with. It's a burden. Well, everything is a burden. I think that this very particular provision makes this Bill offensive and urge defeat of this particular Conference Committee."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from Macon, Representative Dunn."

Dunn: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I, too, rise in opposition to the Second Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 537 for the same type of reasons articulated by the most recent speaker. We have an eavesdropping law on the books in the State of Illinois addressing a very sensitive aspect of our criminal justice system. The eavesdropping law, as the previous speaker indicated, is an attempt to balance the competing interests which arise when the question of eavesdropping comes up. That law has worked, to the best of our knowledge, reasonably well. One aspect of the entire package, however, is the reporting of what goes on about eavesdropping to the Administrator of the Illinois Courts who, then, is required to compile and to summarize that information in sufficient detail and fashion for the Members of the General Assembly to receive it and use it if

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they need to to scrutinize the operation of eavesdropping. I see, as one of the earlier speakers said, 'If it ain't broke, don't fix it.' I don't know why we need to back away from that provision at this particular time and move to a provision which would only summarize the number of eavesdropping requests made, the number of orders granted and the number of convictions which follow. That doesn't tell us very much. That doesn't tell us how long the eavesdropping order may be in effect, or are we issuing eavesdropping orders that can run for six months at a time or are they only issued for 48 hours. We have that kind of information available to us now disseminated to the General Assembly, and we should disseminate that information. We have had Bills in this General Assembly which would restrict the need for local governments to publish their annual reports in the print media, the theory being that the village clerk is an adequate repository for the information about local government. Those Bills, for the most part, have been defeated because we all know that nobody takes the time to go down to the village hall and read the annual report. However, when they're sitting around their own home and the report is in the newspaper between 'Dynasty' and whatever else is on, they are likely to pick up the report and scrutinize it. Those who prepare the report know that it's out there to be scrutinized, and that keeps everybody on their toes. I think that's what we need to do here. We're sending these reports to the General Assembly as Representatives and the members of the public. We should continue to do that. And if you'll check the Conference Committee, you will know that I am a Conference Committee Member and I have refused to sign the Report because I feel pretty strongly about this provision. I would also like to indicate for the record that I have no

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problem with the aggravated arson provision, which is an attempt to address a court decision and correct a deficiency in our statutes. I think the two should be separated. We should take care of the arson problem, and we should sit down and take another look at this eavesdropping matter, continue the reports that we now are receiving until we are certain that any change is needed. I don't see the need for any change. I would urge a 'no' vote on the Second Conference Committee Report to Senate Bill 537 at this time."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from Madison, Representative Wolf."

Wolf: "Madam Speaker, I move the previous question."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman moves the previous question. The question is, 'Shall the main question be put?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The main question is put. Representative Parke, would you like to close as a hyphenated Sponsor? Representative Parke. Is that okay, Representative O'Connell? Yes. Representative Parke."

Parke: "Thank you. I'm rising in support of this legislation. We've gone over this with our staff, and we think that it's a good piece of legislation. And I ask for your support in passing this."

Speaker Breslin: "The question is, 'Shall the House adopt the Second Conference Committee Report to Senate Bill 537?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative O'Connell, one minute to explain his vote."

O'Connell: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would simply point out that first of all the monitoring of the eavesdropping devices are... remain in tact. The Administrative Office

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of the Illinois Courts still must monitor and report to us on its monitoring. The details of the monitoring are still available to anyone upon request. The Administrative Office must still report the number of requests made to the courts for authorization, the number of the orders that were granted or denied by the courts and the convictions that arose out of the use of eavesdropping devices. The monitoring, it still remains. And secondly, everyone agrees that the aggravated arson statute needed to be remedied in order to maintain its constitutionality. I submit and remind the 21 people who haven't voted as of yet that that is in the Bill. And so, I would encourage everyone to get on this very important Conference Committee Report."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative McCracken, one minute to explain your vote."

McCracken: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I also rise in support of this Bill, and I want to reiterate that the monitoring function is not affected. The reports of the details of Subsections A and B now must be gotten at the Court Administrator's Office rather than being transmitted to us. A summary report which includes the most critical information will be transmitted to us. And if it's that important to have this information, then I suggest the opponents can take a walk over to Edwards Street and pick that information up. So, I don't think we're abandoning our role of supervision and the Court Administrator's Office certainly isn't either. And remember most importantly, if this Bill doesn't pass, we are going to have a year or two of an inability to prosecute aggravated arson, a particular problem in the City of Chicago - a year or two of inability to prosecute for aggravated arson. That's the option you offer. We need 71 votes for this. I

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respectfully submit they're warranted."

Speaker Breslin: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? 71 votes are required for the adoption of this Second Conference Committee Report. The Clerk will take the record. Representative O'Connell requests a Poll of the Absentees."

Clerk Leone: "Poll of the Absentees. Berrios. Capparelli. Kirkland. Krska and Terzich."

Speaker Breslin: "The Speaker requests to change his vote from 'present' to 'aye'. Representative Leverenz, for what reason do you rise?"

Leverenz: "I want to stay with my Leader, record me as 'aye'."

Speaker Breslin: "Record Representative Leverenz as voting 'aye'. Representative Pangle would like to change his vote from 'no' to 'aye'. Representative Terzich would like to vote 'aye'. On this question there are 73 voting 'aye', 34 voting 'no'. Excuse me. Representative Capparelli would like to vote 'aye'. On this question there are 74 voting 'aye', 34 voting 'no' and 2 voting 'present', and the House does adopt the Second Conference Committee Report to Senate Bill 537. Representative Greiman, are you ready on your Bill, 1360? I guess the answer is no. The next Bill then will be on the Order of House Bills Third Reading, appearing on page two on your Regular Calendar, that appears House Bill 1954, Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 1954 is a cleanup Bill for Registration and Education relating to the various professions."

Speaker Breslin: "Excuse me, Representative Vinson. Mr. Clerk, would you read the Bill, please?"

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 1954, a Bill for an Act relating to certain professions and occupations. Third Reading of the Bill."

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Speaker Breslin: "Proceed, Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "It relates to various... a cleanup Act for various professions that are licensed professions by the Department of Registration and Education. The... I'm not aware of any controversy in regard to the... the Bill. It has been amended by Amendments 2, 4, 7, 8 and 9, and it does not have on it, I repeat, it does not have on it anything in regard to dental hygienists. I would move for the passage of Senate Bill 1954."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved for the passage of House Bill 1954. And on that question, the Gentleman from Cook, Representative O'Connell."

O'Connell: "Has this Bill been passed around?"

Speaker Breslin: "Mr. Clerk, has this Bill been... It's a regular Bill on Third Reading, I think, Representative."

O'Connell: "Well, the... Okay. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Breslin: "Okay. There being no further discussion, the question is, 'Shall the House pass House Bill 1954?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 96 voting 'aye', 1 voting 'no', and 13 voting 'no'... 13 voting 'present', and the House does pass House Bill 1954, the Constitutional Majority having been received. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are now going to go to Supplemental #1. Under the Order of Motions appears House Resolution 831, Representative Madigan and Representative Greiman, on House Resolution 831. Mr. Clerk, would you read the Motion, please?"

Clerk Leone: "House Resolution 831. 'Pursuant to Rule 34(a), I move to bypass Committee and place on the Speaker's Table for immediate consideration, the Resolution that has been reproduced and distributed on the Members desks.'"

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Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman, on the Motion."

Greiman: "Yes, it is a Motion to bypass Committee, and I think it's clear that this is a matter that requires our immediate attention. It's for the creation of a bipartisan Committee to tackle the problem of escalating insurance costs. We cannot wait... we cannot wait really one day more before we address this issue. And accordingly, I would ask for a favorable vote on the Motion."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved to bypass Committee on House Resolution 831. And on that question... on the Motion, the Gentleman from DeWitt, Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Yes, Madam Speaker, I would join in support of the Gentleman's Motion. I think it is totally appropriate that we move as expeditiously as possible to deal with the state insurance crisis, and I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Breslin: "The question is, 'Shall the House bypass Committee on House Resolution 831 and have immediate consideration of that Resolution?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Attendance Roll Call will be used for the purpose of suspending the appropriate rule so that House Resolution 831 may be heard immediately. Representative Greiman on the Resolution."

Greiman: "Yes, there is an Amendment to the Resolution. So, I would move for the adoption of Amendment #1 to the Resolution. Amendment 1 provides that the Task Force shall be composed of 20 Representatives. It narrows the field to just Members of the House, and it says that... it provides that there shall be parity between the House and the... between the Republican and Democrats and provides that the House Speaker appoint ten and the Minority Leader, ten Members as well. It also provides for the solicitation of testimony, the conducting of hearings, the administration

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of oaths and the... and such matters that normally come before Committees or... that we have here in this House."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved for the adoption of Amendment #1 to House Resolution 831. And on that question, the Gentleman from DeWitt, Represent... The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Parke."

Parke: "Yes. Thank you, Madam Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, there seems to be some question that the Department of Insurance is expressing on this, and we would like clarification on it. And I'd like to know if Representative Greiman will take this out of the record until we could meet and clarify some of the language in here."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "Well, the... I'll tell you. The Amendment says that there should be ten Members appointed by the Speaker and ten Members appointed by the Minority Leader. Now, if the Department of Insurance can't figure out what ten and ten means - and that's all it says. It's a two paragraph 'jobby' on the Amendment. I don't know what clarification you'd need, Mr. Parke. You... Ten and ten. We'll do it together. Ten plus ten is twenty. Now, if the Department of Insurance needs clarification about that, we'll..."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "... fortunately, except for Zeke Giorgi, that covers everybody's hands and feet."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman, while you're discussing this matter with the Department of Insurance, the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Piel, on the Amendment."

Piel: "Has this Amendment been printed and distributed, Madam Speaker?"

Speaker Breslin: "Mr. Clerk? Yes, it was, quite some time ago, Mr. Piel. Representative Greiman, will you take the Bill

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out of the record or proceed? Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "... record while we're talking."

Speaker Breslin: "Out of the record. House Resolution 8...
Representative Parke, for what reason do you rise?"

Parke: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Obviously, ten and ten does
not equal twenty, and that's why he's taking it out of the
record. I appreciate that. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Bowman, on House Resolution 846.
This appears under the Order of Motions, Ladies and
Gentlemen, under Supplemental #1."

Bowman: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I am sponsoring this
Resolution with Representative Kubik from the other side of
the aisle, and we filed this Resolution in response to the
Commerce Commission's awarding of a rate increase to
Commonwealth Edison recently. The reason I'm asking for
immediate consideration is because this is likely the last
day we will be in Session, and we must, since the
Resolution calls upon them to reconsider their actions, I
believe that this must be acted on at this time. That is
why I am presently moving that we proceed with immediate
consideration"

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman moves to bypass Committee and
have immediate consideration of House Resolution 846. And
on that question, is there any discussion? Hearing none,
the question is, 'Shall the House suspend Rule 43(a),
bypass Committee and place this Bill on the Speaker's Table
for immediate consideration?' And this applies to House
Resolution 846. All those in favor say 'aye', all those
opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes'
have it, and the Gentleman does have leave to suspend those
rules by use the Attendance Roll Call. Representative
Bowman, on the Resolution."

Bowman: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the

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House. On October 24th, the Commerce Commission approved the 494.8 million dollar rate hike by a vote of 4 to 3, and this increase will add 75 to 100 dollars a year on the average residential customer's bill. The... Additionally, the ICC structured the rate hikes so residential consumers are hardest hit. In particular, low volume users of electricity, those who have been trying to cut bills by conserving energy have been hit with an increase as much as 50 percent as a result of the rate hike allowed in the ICC docket. This particular Resolution calls upon the Commerce Commission to reconsider its actions and calls upon the Commerce Commission to use its authority to exclude from the rates the costs associated with power plants which provide more generating capacity than is needed. And it also calls upon the Commerce Commission to lessen the burden of the rate increase on the average residential customer by lowering the basic access fee or customer charge of 11 dollars a month for residential customers back to its previous 194 dollars a month level."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved for the adoption of House Resolution 846. And on that question, is there any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall the House adopt House Resolution 846?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Resolution is adopted. Ladies and Gentlemen, on Supplemental #1 appears Senate Bill 1036. Representative Keane. Excuse me, there is first a Motion to take from the table on Senate Bill... Let's go to the Motion first on... under Motions, Senate Bill 1036. Representative Keane."

Keane: "Madam Speaker, we've already done that. The Bill is on..."

Speaker Breslin: "Okay. Then..."

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Keane: "Second Reading Second Day, or whatever the Motion reads."

Speaker Breslin: "The Bill then is on the Order of Second Reading Second Legislative Day. Are there any Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #6, Mautino, amends Senate Bill 1036 as amended."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Mautino, to present Amendment #6 to Senate Bill 1036."

Mautino: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Amendment #6 was the responsibility Amendment presented last spring, I remem... if I'm correct, which mandated the cost overruns to be borne by those making the decisions. Since that is not the case with the World Fair, because it was drafted that way, I will withdraw Amendment #6."

Speaker Breslin: "Withdraw Amendment #6. Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #7, Bullock."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Bullock. Representative Bullock is not on the floor. Representative Keane then moves to table Amendment #7. On that question, is there any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall Amendment #7 be tabled?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Amendment is tabled. Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #8, Shaw."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Shaw."

Shaw: "I withdraw Amendment #..."

Speaker Breslin: "Withdraw Amendment #9. Are there... Amendment #8. Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #9, Leverenz."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Leverenz. The Gentleman withdraws Amendment #9. Are there any further Amendments?"

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Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #10, Leverenz - Hastert."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Leverenz withdraws Amendment #10."

Leverenz: "Withdraw."

Speaker Breslin: "Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #11, Leverenz - Hastert."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Leverenz withdraws Amendment #11. Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #12, Leverenz - Hastert."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Leverenz withdraws Amendment #12."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #13, Currie - Leverenz."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Currie withdraws Amendment #13. Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #14, Currie - Leverenz."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Currie withdraws Amendment #... No. Amendment #14, Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Members of the House. Amendment 14 does two things. It provides for an appropriate list of people who have priority planes on the state aircraft. And, secondly, it provides for an orderly wind down of the Chicago 1992 World's Fair Authority. I'm happy to answer questions, and I would urge adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Breslin: "The Lady moves for the adoption of Amendment #14 to Senate Bill 1036. And on that question, the Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "We just received this Amendment. We're going to need some time to look at it before we can agree to it."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Leverenz, on the question."

Leverenz: "The Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "She indicates she will."

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Leverenz: "What is the..."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Daniels, for what reason do you rise?"

Daniels: "Can the Lady take it out of the record for a moment?"

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Currie, what is your pleasure? She indicates she will. Out of the record. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're going to Supplemental #2. Under the Order of Motions appears House Resolution 849, Representative Braun."

Braun: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I move that... for immediate consideration of House Resolution 849."

Speaker Breslin: "Can you tell us what the Bill does and what the reason is?"

Braun: "The... Well, the Motion, first the Motion. The Resolution relates to something that we talked about when the banking Bill was up and that is that poor people have their public aid checks, by and large, in the City of Chicago, sent directly to currency exchanges. Previously, the fee for handling..."

Speaker Breslin: "Excuse me, Representative Braun. Representative Vinson, for what reason do you rise?"

Vinson: "Madam Speaker, she's speaking to the substance of the Resolution and not to the Motion."

Braun: "That's what I thought."

Speaker Breslin: "She was... She was asked to by the Chair, Representative."

Vinson: "Well, Madam Speaker, that's totally inappropriate for the Chair to ask a Member to address something other than the question under consideration. You should know that."

Speaker Breslin: "The Members have... The Members have asked to know what the Motions are for."

Vinson: "Madam Speaker, that is inappropriate for discussion on

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this question. The Chair should observe the rules."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any further discussion on the Motion? Represe... The Gentleman from Lake, Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "No, I was only going to defend the Chair, because the Chair is being helpful to the Members, and the Chair has that authority to ask a Member in that Motion to go to the substance if it helps us to understand the Motion. That's all I was going..."

Speaker Breslin: "I think we all know what the Reso... what the Motion does now. Is there any further discussion? Representative Braun, to close on the Motion. Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "I object to the Motion. I believe that it requires unanimous consent, and I would urge a... I would ask that it be withdrawn."

Speaker Breslin: "Out of the record. Yes, we have. Representative Keane, we're going to go back to your Bill, Senate Bill 1036. It's on the Order of Second Reading, I believe. And there is an Amendment. What is the Amendment number, Mr. Clerk, on Senate Bill 1036."

Clerk Leone: "Senate Bill 1036. The next Amendment is Amendment #14."

Speaker Breslin: "And who has the Amendment? Representative..."

Clerk Leone: "Currie - Leverenz."

Speaker Breslin: "... Currie. Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Members of the House. As I said earlier, the Amendment does two things. It provides for priority planes on state aircraft. And, secondly, it provides for the wind down of the Chicago 1992 World's Fair Authority, providing for an orderly end to outstanding obligations of the Authority and a return to the State Treasury of approximately two and a half million dollars.

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I'll be happy to answer questions about the Amendment, and I would urge its adoption to Senate Bill 1036."

Speaker Breslin: "The Lady has moved for the adoption of Amendment #14 to Senate Bill 1036. And on the question, the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Leverenz."

Leverenz: "Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "She will."

Leverenz: "What is the difference between Amendment #14 and Amendment #13? What was added or deleted in 13?"

Currie: "There is a deletion from Amendment 13 that... language that does not appear in Amendment 14 that had to do with private sector efforts to stage a Chicago 1992 World's Fair. That language does not appear in Amendment 14, although it did in Amendment 13."

Leverenz: "Then, on page 11, where the... someone laid a piece of paper over the Amendment 14, we took out the language that said the General Assembly commends and encourages the efforts of the private sector."

Currie: "That's right. Amendment 14 is silent on that issue."

Leverenz: "Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Daniels, on the... on the Amendment."

Daniels: "Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, page 11 of the Amendment has a numbering problem. And with leave of the Body, I would ask that the numbers be corrected to be consecutive and that there be a correction made on its face."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman asks leave to ... of the Body so that the numbers of the Amendments be consecutive and that they be amended on their face. Does the Gentleman have... Is that the request?"

Daniels: "If you look at page 11, you'll notice that the number goes from 25 to 32. I'd like you just to renumber that 25,

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then go to 26, 27, 28, then you're going to have to flip over to page 12 and on the right side renumber that so it's consecutive in order."

Speaker Breslin: "Okay. The Gentleman has asked for the renumbering so that they are consecutive in order on pages 11 and 12 of the Amendment. Is there any objection? Is there any objection? Hearing none, that Motion is adopted for leave to make the Amendment on its face. Is there any further discussion of the Amendment? The Gentleman from McHenry, Representative Klemm."

Klemm: "Yes, will the Sponsor yield for a question, please? Thank you. A question, Representative Currie, on page 11 of your Amendment, line 17, in particular, says no later than the termination date the final audit commissioned by the Authority shall be filed with the appointing authorities, etcetera. Is... How would a final audit that is commissioned be filed, which I assumed is completed, in order to file a final audit when on line six, we say, on page 11, 'No later than the termination date all monies remaining shall be paid to the Treasurer?' How would our auditor be able to pick all those up on the very same day he has to file to the General Assembly? I find there's not enough time to do what you're asking to do on line 17 and yet asking them to do what they're supposed to do on line six."

Currie: "My understanding is that the audit is already underway, the audit that is authorized by the World's Fair Authority. So, it's only the final remaining items that would still be out there that would have to be included and I don't think there would be any difficulty making the... the... the final audit appropriate at that time. I think it's all... it's all done at the same time."

Klemm: "One... one question. The final audit has already been

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completed, you're suggesting, and, yet, we're saying and giving authority and telling them what to do on a winding up under Article 1(a) on page 10 which is new language?"

Currie: "They have already..."

Klemm: "They haven't even done that yet."

Currie: "The World's Fair Authority has basically begun the shutdown. The offices are closed. They have a contract with an auditing firm to meet the... they would have, whether we had the statute in place or not, they're intention was to make sure there was a final audit. They have already signed the contract to do that audit, and the audit has already been completed with respect to the payments that have so far been made and so forth and so on."

Klemm: "Well, in the audit, I would assume that all the assets would be accounted for in an audit..."

Currie: "Yes."

Klemm: "And I would think that we're now telling them what to do with some of those assets. How would the auditor know that if it's already been completed until we act on this?"

Currie: "I didn't mean to suggest that the audit is completed until the final payments to... on outstanding obligations are made and so forth and so on."

Klemm: "Well, my only..."

Currie: "What I did mean to suggest is that the audit is already going on. What this Amendment says is that materials in the possession of the World's Fair Authority go to the Chicago Historical Society or they come back to us, the state, as the public agency who paid for those materials. What this Amendment also says is that any monies left over be returned to the Build Illinois Fund and then ultimately to the General Revenue Fund."

Klemm: "I understand all that, and I have no problem with it. I

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was just wanting to be sure we had enough time..."

Currie: "Yes."

Klemm: "... to conduct a full and complete audit on this sensitive question about the closing of it, winding down, and yet to follow what you're asking to do. That's all I'm asking. If you think there's enough..."

Currie: "My understanding..."

Klemm: "... time and you've been assured of that, I have no further questions."

Currie: "I have been. And of course, this is the auditing that will be done by a private firm on contract..."

Speaker Breslin: "Excuse me, Representative Currie, he has no further questions. The Gentleman from Peoria, Representative Tuerk."

Tuerk: "Question of the Sponsor, please."

Speaker Breslin: "She will answer a question."

Tuerk: "This, in effect, is the orderly burial of the World's Fair as far as the General Assembly and the State of Illinois is concerned."

Currie: "It is indeed that, Representative Tuerk. And with Representative Daniel's help, it's not only orderly, but it's also neat."

Tuerk: "Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from Marion, Representative Friedrich."

Friedrich: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "She indicates she will."

Friedrich: "Since this money came out of GRF, why doesn't it go back to GRF?"

Currie: "Ultimately, Representative Friedrich, it will. The money is returned to the Build Illinois Fund and that money, anything left over in the Build Illinois Fund, will ultimately go to the General Revenue Fund."

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Friedrich: "Using Leverenz's language, why not now?"

Currie: "Well, I think that that was just a question of the way this was drafted. It could have been drafted either way. The money will be returned to the General Revenue Fund."

Friedrich: "Thank you."

Currie: "There being no further discussion, the question is, 'Shall the House adopt Amendment #14 to Senate Bill 1036?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Amendment's adopted. Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "There are no further Amendments."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Keane now moves for immediate consideration of Senate Bill 1036 as amended. Is there any objection? Hearing no objection, the Gentleman has leave. Read the Bill on Third, Mr. Clerk, if it has not already... Has it already been moved? Mr. Clerk, has it already been read once?"

Clerk Leone: "No."

Speaker Breslin: "Okay. Proceed."

Clerk Leone: "Senate Bill 1036, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Chicago World's Fair 1992 Authority Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Keane."

Keane: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I move for a favorable Roll Call. I think the Bill as amended has been discussed, and everyone understands the provisions."

Speaker Breslin: "The question is, 'Shall the House pass Senate Bill 1036?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. This is final passage. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 112 voting 'aye', none voting 'no' and 1 voting 'present', and this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is

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hereby declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, on the Order of Senate Bills... On the Supplemental #1 appears House Resolution 831. Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "Yes, thank you, Speaker. We were discussing Amendment #1..."

Speaker Breslin: "Excuse me, Representative Greiman. Representative Daniels, for what reason do you rise?"

Daniels: "We have substantial problems with this Resolution, and the Department of Insurance just has advised us of their extreme problems and concerns, their total inability to meet the terms contained in the Resolution, and so I'd ask if the Gentleman can take it out of the record."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "Well, Speaker, I will... I appreciate the problems that they may have, but that's a question of what we believe that the Department should be responsible for doing in this critical issue. I think there are moments when we just have to say, look, this Department works for us. And that's the way it is. So, I would proceed, Mr. Daniels. Not a matter of wanting to affect in an adverse way..."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "I just move for the adoption of Amendment #1 which gives the Minority Leader the right to proceed and appoint half the people and gives the Speaker of the House the opportunity to appoint half of the people who will be on this Task Force. I move for the adoption of Amendment #1."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved for the adoption of Amendment #1 to House Resolution 831. And on that question, the Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "First of all, is this on the Calendar?"

Speaker Breslin: "It is on the Calendar on the... on Supplemental #1."

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Daniels: "Now, how many Amendments have been filed?"

Speaker Breslin: "Just one."

Daniels: "Just one Amendment?"

Speaker Breslin: "Correct."

Daniels: "I'm just suggesting to the Gentleman that we take it out for a few minutes so we could talk to the Department. They thought there was another Amendment filed, and we may be able to go right back to it. We just want get the... Here he is right here, as a matter of fact. Raise your hand. Show who you are. Here he is. This is the Department of Insurance."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman."

Daniels: "Former Senate staff person."

Greiman: "Mr. Daniels, I took this out of the record a while ago at the request of your side of the aisle. The representative of the Department of Insurance came here. He showed me what he wanted to do. I believe that what he wants to do is not appropriate for a scope of inquiry that we need to find out, for example, what people in other states are doing in this issue, to find out what the analysis of cancellations are, to find out what the poor performance of insurance carriers within our state. That's what they want removed. Now I... We don't want to make them give us anything, anything that they don't have. I mean, obviously, if they don't have it, they don't have it. This is not a vendetta against them. We stand on common ground with the small businesses, with the large businesses in Illinois, with the municipalities that are in deep trouble. You got me going, Lee. And so... and so, consequently, we just disagree on that, and that's what this Body is about, is about disagreement sometimes."

Speaker Breslin: "Okay. Representative Daniels, you have already spoken on the Motion once. Representative Daniels, again."

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Daniels: "That is not true. I asked the Gentleman if he'd take it out of the record. And I'm going to persist once again in telling the Gentleman, we have been a major mover in this Resolution. As a matter of fact, we called for this even prior to its introduction. We want to pass this Resolution, but there is some problem with the language that I'm asking the Gentleman the courtesy of giving us five minutes. We'll get back to the issue. The Gentleman well knows that this Body is in a... in a lot of work right now. We're trying to get that work done orderly. And why upset that orderly progress right now? Why get to a problem on one Bill before we get to other issues of McCormick Place and issues that he's concerned about? That's a reasonable question."

Speaker Breslin: "Excuse me. Representative Greiman. Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "Yes."

Speaker Breslin: "Will you take this Bill.."

Greiman: "Mr. Daniels..."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman, will you take this Bill out of the record?"

Greiman: "Yes."

Speaker Breslin: "The Bill is out of the record. Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "I did want to make a comment."

Speaker Breslin: "Proceed."

Greiman: "Yes, I will take this out of the record. I do not expect Mr. Daniels to file all kinds of a bevy of Amendments on this so we have Amendment 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 to go. I'll be more than happy to continue a dialogue with the Department of Insurance so that they feel relaxed and feel we will not put upon them. And on that basis, I will take the Bill out of the record. And for five minutes."

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Speaker Breslin: "On the Order of Supplemental #2, under Conference Committee Reports, appears Senate Bill 134. Representative Leverenz."

Leverenz: "On the Motion? I move to..."

Speaker Breslin: "It's a Conference Committee Report. To adopt the Conference Committee Report."

Leverenz: "Well, then did we already do the Motion to consider it and suspend Rule 79(e)?"

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Leverenz has moved to suspend Rule 79(e) so that this Bill can be heard. And on that Motion, is there any discussion? Hearing no discussion, the question is, 'Shall the Rule be suspended?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Rule is suspended. Therefore, we'll go to the Bill on the Order of Conference Committee Reports. Senate Bill 134, Representative Leverenz."

Leverenz: "Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would move to adopt Conference Committee Report #2. I have a long laundry list of supplemental appropriations to the many Departments. We will go through them. The Department of Aging, 609,000. Department of Agriculture, 243,000. Department of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse, two million, one hundred-sixty two thousand point two. And Central Management Services, 330,000. Children and Family Services, 159,000. Department of Commerce and Community Affairs, 48 million, 273, of which much of that is federal money. Energy and Natural Resources and Department of Conservation is 40,000 for E & R, 62,000 for DOC. Department of Corrections is a transfer among line items. The Department of Employment Security, five million, 909. Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, 150,000. The Department of Nuclear Safety, one million,

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five hundred and sixty two thousand point eight. Department of Public Aid, 1,175,000 dollars. Department of Public Health, 11 million, 642. Department of Registration and Education, 453 thousand point three. Rehabilitation Services, 3,767,000. Department of Revenue, 15 million for corporation tax returns or unitary tax returns. State Police, three million, 857 point nine. And the Department of Transportation and the Department of Labor... The Department of Transportation is eight million, six hundred one thousand point three. Department of Labor is a transfer among line items. The Capital Development Board, 200 million in Section 20. The Illinois Commerce Commission, 899 thousand point four. Criminal Justice Information Authority, 30,000. To EPA, 210... 211 thousand, five. Prisoner Review Board, 106,000. The Racing Board, 28 thousand point seven. Secretary of State, 227 thousand point nine. The State Board of Education, 108 thousand point nine. Emergency Services, 78 thousand point six. The... State and Local Labor Relations Board, 183 thousand point nine. University of Illinois, 10 million, 350. Capital Development Board, 65,501,000. Court of Claims, 1,812,000. Department of Conservation, 120,000. E & R again for 86,000. EPA for 300,000. Department of Transportation for 850,000. The Illinois Arts Council, 95 thousand point eight. The Auditor General, 300,000. Compensation Review Board, 30,000. A technical change for the Capital Development Board is embodied in Section 82. The General Assembly is 100,000. Court of Claims, 1,350,000. Department of Conservation, 1,500,000. Community College Board, 110,000. Community College Board an addition 239 point five. State Board of Elections, 174,700. To the Comptroller, 27,000. State Board of Education, 2,010,000. Central Management Services..."

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Speaker Breslin: "Excuse me, Representative Leverenz.

Representative Daniels, for what reason do you rise?"

Daniels: "I'd like the Gentleman just to speak up so we can hear him or turn up the volume."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Leverenz, proceed."

Leverenz: "Be happy to accommodate you. The Illinois Development Finance Authority, 2,000,000. The State Holiday Council, 25,000. Energy and Natural Resources an additional 50,000. State Board of Elections an additional 150,000. The EPA an additional 250,000. The Department of Transportation, 1,000,000. The Department of Conservation, 150,000. The Department of Public Aid, 500,000. The Department of Commerce and Community Affairs, 5,000. Historic Preservation Agency, 44,100. The Supreme Court, 500,000. Department of Commerce and Community Affairs, 2,000,000. The Lieutenant Governor, 100,000. Department of Central Management Services, 3,000,000. Capital Development Board, again, for 14,000,000 for a marina. Historic Preservation, 900,000. Department of Conservation, 5,000. Department of Commerce and Community Affairs, 250,000. Department of Public Aid, 6,400,000. The Department of Transportation, 50,000. The Department of Agriculture, 750,000. The Department of Agriculture, again, 603,000. The University of Illinois, 200,000. The total amount in the Conference Committee Report, 224,331... 224 million, 331 thousand point two and included would be either option one or two on the farm aid option. One is 30,000. Option two is 32... I'm sorry. Option one, 30 million. Option two, 32 million five hundred contained in the supplemental. I would ask for your 'aye' vote to adopt Conference Committee Report #2 on the Supplemental. If you have any questions, I'd be very happy to try to answer them."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved for the passage... or

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the adoption of Senate Bill... Conference Committee Report #2 on Senate Bill 134. And on that question, the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Huff."

Huff: "Yes, Madam Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "He will."

Huff: "Representative Leverenz, I don't think I need to remind you with reference to the appropriations for the Department of Employment Security that the last time we moved this agency ten years ago, you may recall it delayed unemployment checks for over a year for some recipients. What assurance has the Director of that agency given you that that won't be the case this time?"

Leverenz: "Representative Huff, you asked a very good question in that if you'll recall also the first move ten years ago, the Department of Employment Security was one that was very hurried. It was also done, instead of having a moving company move it from one place to another in the City of Chicago, it was actually done... the state employees were ordered to actually move furniture and the like. This is being done in a very orderly fashion. The computers, if necessary, will be up and operating simultaneously so that there will be no break, no delay in the delivery of unemployment checks. Further, the appropriation parcels out the money for construction and rehabilitation of the building. It also contains a portion of money to hire intermittants, and the agreement is that intermittants that were laid off as intermittants will be the first ones recalled."

Huff: "Thank you, Representative. I just thought it was important that we make this little conversation for the record."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from McLean, Representative Ropp."

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Ropp: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "He will."

Ropp: "Representative Leverenz, can you give me an estimated projected end of fiscal year cash balance for the State of Illinois with this Amendment being placed on and assuming that we have a tobacco tax? What are we going to end up when July 1?"

Leverenz: "Give or take from what we need to have an appropriate amount on hand to pay our bills in a timely fashion, roughly 160, 150 million up to 200 million. Somewhere between those two numbers."

Ropp: "Okay. In other words, it's close to or just below the 200 million that we say is the figure we hope to stay above."

Leverenz: "That is correct. That's why I fought or asked questions on the Amendment 14 on a previous Bill, 1036, that the money was going to Build Illinois Program instead of General Revenue, trying to enhance General Revenue's picture."

Ropp: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from Macon, Representative Dunn."

Dunn: "Will the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Breslin: "He will."

Dunn: "Is the DuQuoin State Fair in this Bill now?"

Leverenz: "I'm sorry. The Gentleman repeat the question?"

Dunn: "Is the purchase price of the DuQuoin State Fair in this Bill now?"

Leverenz: "Yes, it is three million. It's probably Section... something close to 107... Section 106 for three million dollars. It contains no operational money, and the request was some 2.6 or 2.4 million."

Dunn: "And does this Bill now contain funds for the Dana House, the Frank Lloyd Wright House here in Springfield?"

Leverenz: "Yes, that's the correct... you are correct. It was in

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a request for a million and a half. The conferees authorized 900,000."

Dunn: "And the State of Illinois already purchased that property for over a million dollars just a few years ago, isn't that correct?"

Leverenz: "That is correct. We put in an appropriation of a million dollars to purchase the property. This is for the renovation and the humidity controlling system, basically, to handle that."

Dunn: "And does this Bill now contain funds to purchase the Herndon Law Offices and the surrounding facilities?"

Leverenz: "That is correct. That is correct. I believe it's 200..."

Dunn: "What is the... two million?"

Leverenz: "Two million... two million, four."

Dunn: "Is there an appraisal on..."

Leverenz: "It is not the law offices, I'm sorry, if you asked that. It is the Herndon Building in the 500 block of Capitol, directly east of the Capitol. It is an office building used by, I believe, six different agencies."

Dunn: "Do we have an appraisal on file for..."

Leverenz: "Yes, we do. It was checked out extensively by Senator Sumner and Senator Bloom."

Dunn: "What does the appraisal show the market value to be on that facility?"

Leverenz: "If my memory serves me right, I would rather have staff provide me with that, but I believe we are a little under the appraised value."

Dunn: "Thank you."

Leverenz: "Yes, approximately what the purchase price is."

Speaker Breslin: "The Lady... The Lady from Cook, Representative Currie. Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Members of the House. Will

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the Sponsor yield for a clarification question?"

Leverenz: "Sure."

Currie: "On page 28 of the Bill where we are appropriating 100,000 dollars to the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs for purposes of implementing last Session's House Bill 1849, the local land resource management plan, the language reads 'for a grant to counties and municipalities'. I think it was the intent, I hope that you will clarify that it is our intent, to appropriate that sum for a grant program for counties and local governments."

Leverenz: "That is correct."

Currie: "Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from McHenry, Representative Klemm."

Klemm: "Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Breslin: "He will. Representative Leverenz will yield to a question."

Leverenz: "Yes."

Klemm: "Representative Leverenz, on page 145..."

Leverenz: "You said page 145?"

Klemm: "145."

Leverenz: "Please continue."

Klemm: "Section 79, an Act making appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expense of the Illinois Arts Council."

Leverenz: "Sure."

Klemm: "On line 33, that's an increase over what it was before?"

Leverenz: "That is correct."

Klemm: "And 35 is an increase?"

Leverenz: "That's correct."

Klemm: "And on the page 146, line two, that is an increase?"

Leverenz: "That's an increase of 5,000 dollars."

Klemm: "Yeah. I'm not worrying about it. My point is in line

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eight and line nine, those are increases also. I am assuming line 12 is an increase or an addition, but when I get to total on line 13 it shows a decrease. Was there an additional... was there an adding error, or am I reading this wrong? You see where I'm at in line 13 where it says, 'total, General Revenue Fund?'"

Leverenz: "Right. You'll find..."

Klemm: "I'm assuming that was changed from one million, 371, etcetera to a million and two something. And I was wondering, with all those increases, how did it go down as a total?"

Leverenz: "Well, I'd like to tell you that it was magic or mirrors, but the fact remains, so you understand it as I do, as you appropriate for a line item, if it is one dollar, the total could be ten dollars. They don't pay attention to the total. They pay attention to the line item. There is probably a typographical error. The total should be one million, 599 instead of the one million, 371."

Klemm: "Alright, but we did..."

Leverenz: "Or it should be..."

Klemm: "Well, you changed one million, 371 to be one million, 299."

Leverenz: "Right. I am now..."

Klemm: "So, you've showed a decrease and, yet, on every item, you've increased it. I was just wondering what happened."

Leverenz: "Yes, I am now advised when the original Bill passed, the total there was incorrect also. The line items were correct. This now is a correct new total."

Klemm: "Alright. Thank you very much."

Speaker Breslin: "There being no further discussion, the question is, 'Shall the House adopt the Second Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 134?' All those in favor vote 'aye',

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all those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. This is final passage. Have all voted who wish? Representative Leverenz."

Leverenz: "To explain my vote and for those Members present and the press. The original request was some 140 million dollars from the Governor and everything all added up. We have pared down that request of 140 million General Revenue dollars to the sum of 90 million, 434 thousand point three, give or take from the... with the farm issue in it. Thank you. And the farm money is in there in two different options - option one or two."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any further discussion? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 83 voting 'aye', 23 voting 'no' and 5 voting 'present', and the House does adopt the Second Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 134. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are going back now to Representative Greiman's Resolution, House Resolution 831. The Bill is on... the Resolution is on Second Reading. Amendment #1, Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "Thank you, Speaker. I have explained Amendment #1 which merely sets the structuring of 20 Members, 10 appointed by the Speaker and 10 appointed by the Minority Leader. I'd ask the adoption of Amendment #1."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved for the adoption of Amendment #1 to House Resolution 831. And on that question, is there any discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall the Amendment be adopted?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Amendment is adopted. Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Breslin: "Third Reading. Representative... Excuse me.

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Representative Greiman, would you like to..."

Greiman: "Yes, on the Motion, on the Motion."

Speaker Breslin: "On the Motion. On the Resolution."

Greiman: "On the Resolution. If the board... I'll wait till the board gets changed. On the Resolution, House Resolution 931 responds to the problem that we all have heard from our constituents dealing with the incredible difficulties in getting affordable insurance for municipalities, affordable insurance for small businesses, not even affordable insurance, but any insurance. We have all been besieged by this. We understand and we stand before our constituents without answers. They are... We must find out what we can do. We must find out what the root problem is. We must find out how we compare with other states. We must determine through some thorough investigation what must be done. Now, we have... this Resolution sets up a Task Force of House Members. It gives them broad powers. It allows them to look into the... into our own insurance industry to find out precisely, precisely why we are in a crisis of insurance affordability. The Bill... the Resolution has been taken out of the record a couple of times because of discussions with the Department of Insurance. They are concerned that they will not have the information, that somehow they will be used as an object of scorn, which is, of course, not the intent of anyone... anyone in this room. We recognize the... the concern that they have as well in finding some kind of a resolution to this problem. Accordingly, we will be asking for them... for reasonable things to make analyses of some of the insurance issues in other states to provide us with some kind of comparative basis. It's important. We have a crisis in this state. I am not one who yells chicken little and the sky is falling down, but I... on many crisis that we come and face here,

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but I believe we do have that crisis at this time. And I would ask that we adopt House Resolution 931. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "On the Resolution, Representative Levin."

Levin: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise also in support of this Resolution. Two weeks ago we passed Senate Bill 907 which dealt with the problem of mid-term cancellations. And the day after we passed it, the Governor signed that Bill. That legislation was intended to get us through to the spring. It was intended to be a first step in dealing with this extraordinarily serious crisis that we face. This Resolution is the second step in that process. It's a reasoned approach. It's a bipartisan Committee with an equal number of Democrats and Republicans, co-chaired Democrat and Republican, to take a look at the problem and to come up with some recommendations after a full set of hearings and as to what we can do this spring to help out our small businesses, our small property owners, our condominium associations, our municipalities, you can go down the line, those entities in Illinois that are facing the inability to get insurance or are seeing extraordinary increases in insurance. You know, we saw the formation of a very significant coalition of virtually every lobbying group in Springfield getting together and saying we have a problem and we need to do something about that. This represents a reasoned and proper approach to taking a look at the problem and to being able to come back with some solutions. And this also allows us to go back to our constituents and say we have begun to take action, we have begun to look at this situation and you can expect us to come back with further action in the spring. I urge the adoption of this very significant Resolution to deal with this very significant problem."

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Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "Mr... Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise in support of House Resolution 831 and, just for purpose of the record, I want to thank Mr. Greiman for his willingness to discuss this issue a little bit further. And, of course, there are certain things in there that may cause the Department some concern, and they have said that they will use every best and reasonable issue to comply with every request they make. And I have received the assurance from Mr. Greiman that we will work in that spirit and on that legislation. As to the issue itself, this is an extremely critical and important matter, and I commend those people that are supporting this Resolution for their attention and hope that we will be able to act quickly to bring to the attention of the Assembly and the people of Illinois a Resolution of this very difficult problem."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Brookins."

Brookins: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I, too, rise in support of this Resolution. Maybe we can get some answers to the red lining and the nonwriting of insurances in the cities and the minorities' communities. Maybe we will also be able to find answers to the pressures of mandatory insurance and some way that we can have that and the prices not rise and double. So, therefore, I do rise in support of this Resolution and ask for its adoption."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentle... The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Steczo."

Steczko: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Not to unduly take the time of the House, but I think that all of us recognize that since we adjourned here last July, that we've been deluged by letters and comments from local governments and small

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business persons who have indicated the nature of the crisis. We've had hearings in my area that... that have pointed out the rising costs of casualty and liability insurance and this House, a few weeks ago, took a step that corrected at least part of the problem as that problem relates to mid-term cancellations. That, I believe, was an important first step and the adoption of House Resolution 831 allows us the opportunity now to really get at the heart of the problem in hopes that a package can be put together by next April that will provide some very, very needed relief to both small businesses, local governments and taxpayers as well. And I would urge the adoption of House Resolution 831."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from Parke, Representative... The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Parke."

Parke: "Actually, we were interested in Lincoln County, but this will do. Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I, too, rise in support of House Resolution 831 and also would like to thank Representative Greiman for his cooperation in trying to solve the initial conflict that we had with it. We have also had assurances from Representative Greiman and Representative Levin not to unduly make the Department of Insurance provide information without it being requested by that group. And we are going into supporting it with the spirit of cooperation that hopefully we can end up with a positive solution to the terrible insurance crisis that's facing not only the small businesses of Illinois, but also the municipal governments and our school districts and our non-for-profit organizations that do such good deeds for the citizens of Illinois and the liability crisis is affecting them terribly also in trying to provide good programs that are covered with liability insurance. And in this spirit of

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cooperation, I rise in support of House Resolution 831."

Speaker Breslin: "Gentleman from Cook, Representative Rice."

Rice: "Madam Speaker, to the House, I'm certainly in support of 831, the efforts of Mr. Greiman and other Members of this august Body has decided to do. I trust that I will become a Member of that great team."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman, to close."

Greiman: "Thank you, Speaker. I, too, look forward to a good intergovernmental relationship in solving this problem and in addressing this problem, and I don't want to wait another moment and waste another moment with my rhetoric or anybody else's to delay the passage of this Resolution."

Speaker Breslin: "The question is, 'Shall the House adopt House Resolution 831?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it, and the Resolution is adopted. By you... We have to take a record vote? By use of the Attendance Roll Call, the Resolution is adopted. On the Or... On page three on your Regular Calendar, Ladies and Gentlemen, under the Order of Concurrences, appears House Bill 568, Representative Daniels and Madigan. Ladies and Gentlemen, it appears they're not ready on that Bill right at this moment, so we'll go back to Representative Greiman's Bill. Appearing on page two on your Calendar, under Senate Bills Third Reading, Senate Bill 1360. Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "Thank you, Speaker. I would like you to withdraw Amendment #5."

Speaker Breslin: "Withdraw Amendment #5. Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #6, offered by Speaker Madigan."

Speaker Breslin: "Mr. Clerk, correct the board and put us on the Order of Second Reading. Representative Vinson, for what reason do you rise?"

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Vinson: "Representative... or Madam Speaker, I believe that Amendment #6 will probably be alright, but I haven't seen it yet, and I'd like to have the Amendment distributed before we actually do this."

Speaker Breslin: "Has it been amended... Has it been printed and distributed, Mr. Clerk? It has. Okay. Do you have a copy of it, Representative Vinson?"

Vinson: "No, I don't. That's my problem."

Speaker Breslin: "Would the Republican Pages please get an Amendment to Representative Vinson? Amendment #6 to Senate Bill 1360. Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Madam Speaker, I believe that this Amendment demonstrates how the process can work and work effectively."

Speaker Breslin: "Excuse me. Representative Greiman has not yet presented the Amendment. We were waiting for you to get the... get the Amendment itself. Representative..."

Vinson: "I might be able to save him an awful lot of controversy."

Speaker Breslin: "Okay. Go ahead, if you want to present it."

Vinson: "And the Amendment, as drafted, does effectively embody the original intention for this legislation. The previous Amendment was defectively drafted. Under this Amendment the impact is totally restricted to the City of Chicago, and I believe that this Amendment will provide for safe and adequate housing for the City. And I would move for adoption of Amendment #6 to Senate Bill 1360."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Vinson moves for the adoption of Representative Greiman's Amendment. Representative Greiman, would you like to speak on the Amendment?"

Greiman: "If I don't have to, I won't."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentle... Is there any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, 'Shall Amendment #6 be

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adopted?' All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Breslin: "Third Reading. Representative Ronan. Representative Greiman. Repre..."

Ronan: "Madam Speaker, I move for immediate consideration of this fine piece of legislation."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved for immediate consideration of Senate Bill 1360, notwithstanding the fact that the Bill has been amended this day. Hearing no objection, the Gentleman has leave. Read the Bill on Third, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1360, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Municipal Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Ronan."

Ronan: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. This Bill is the... is the absolute fulcrum of my reelection campaign. Consequently, I urge all the Members of the House to support this fine concept that I worked so diligently on during the Session. Thank you very much."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman has moved for the passage of Senate Bill 1360. And on that question, the Gentleman from Champaign, Representative Johnson."

Johnson: "I notice on page four of the Bill, line 33 and 34, strikes out the language that this Act does not apply within the jurisdiction of any home rule unit so that this new remedy or the remedy that gives a private cause of action for neighbors and tenants to proceed against a building now applies in home rule units. Is that right?"

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman, to answer

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Representative Johnson's question."

Greiman: "This Section applies only to the City of Chicago. If you'll look at paragraph..."

Johnson: "Yeah, I understand that. I guess my question is - maybe I didn't phrase it properly - why do we want to strike the language in line 33 and 4 of page four of the Bill dealing with the application of this Act to... before this, apparently nonapplication to home rule units. My interpretation of that would be that current law, which gives an expansive private cause of action to neighbors or tenants and so forth, would now, after this, in addition to the limited language that you indicate applies to Chicago only, would give expanded powers in all home rule units, to neighbors and so forth. Is that correct? I'm just inquiring. I..."

Greiman: "No. It would not... It would not... As I read it, it would not affect the neighbors' rights. I'm looking at it, and..."

Johnson: "I guess my ultimate question is why are we striking lines 33 and 4 of the language having to do with application to home rule units?"

Greiman: "I don't think it... I see what your question is. I can't give you an answer. I believe that... that the language, at worst it merely gives home rule units the right to do this. They don't have to exercise it. And, at best, of course, it just limits... it clearly will not extend the neighbors' rights in non... outside Chicago. We understand that. I don't know the answer, Tim. I don't think that it does any more than give home rule communities the right to do something. That's all, I think."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "I think I can explain the purpose for that deletion. If you look at the original Act and particularly if you would

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look at page one of Amendment #6, you'll find that the original Act vested power for dealing with this problem in county boards. Where you have home rule units, at that time the home rule authorities were opposed to having that power vested in county boards. The new language is intended to deal with the City of Chicago. If you're going to have the power vested in the City of Chicago and the rights created in landowners in the City of Chicago that this... that the new language would vest, then you'd have to let it... the Act apply to home rule units, and that's the purpose of it."

Greiman: "I think that's right. I think that's a good explanation, Representative Vinson."

Speaker Breslin: "There being no further dis..."

Vinson: "I'll be glad to help you anytime in your legislation when you do it the right way."

Greiman: "I appreciate that. You'd be a great staffer."

Speaker Breslin: "There being no further discussion, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 1360 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 76 voting 'aye', 36 voting 'no' and none voting 'present', and this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On the Order of Senate Bills Second Reading appears Senate Bill 1249, Representative Hoffman. Representative Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1249..."

Speaker Breslin: "Are there any Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill... Senate Bill 1249, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the..."

Speaker Breslin: "Excuse me. Representative Hoffman? Out of the

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record? Representative Greiman in the Chair."

Speaker Greiman: "For what purpose does the Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Bowman, seek recognition?"

Bowman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise on a point of personal privilege to disclose a prospective conflict of interest pursuant to the procedure recommended in Chapter 127, paragraph 603-202 of the Illinois Revised Statutes. On November 30, 1985, I will be married to Doctor Michelle Thompson, who reports to and advises the President of the University of Illinois regarding decisions which may subsequently be reviewed by this Body in the course of the legislative process. As you know, I chair the House Appropriations II Committee, the Committee which is responsible for reviewing and voting upon the appropriation Bill which provides the annual budget for the University of Illinois. An obvious conflict situation arises when a Legislator votes upon a budget containing his spouse's salary. Therefore, I will refrain from voting in Committee and on the floor on legislation which provides the annual appropriation to the University of Illinois. I will also abstain from voting on Bills which I deem to affect the University of Illinois directly or indirectly, positively or negatively. There is a more subtle conflict in my personal situation which must be resolved. The Appropriation Committees of the House have the power to conduct oversight hearings to monitor and evaluate the programs of the state agency and conduct an expenditure review. In all matters involving the University of Illinois, I will remove myself both as Chair and as a Member of the House Appropriations II Committee and turn the gavel over to Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, the Committee's Vice Chairperson, who will determine if and when to conduct such hearings and who will

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set the agenda and preside. I intend to make this crystal clear that Representative Currie will have the power to order hearings on her own without prior approval from anyone else. This solution I have discussed with the Speaker of the House, with Representative Currie and with the Minority Spokesman, Representative Hastert, and is acceptable to all three. Mr. Speaker, I request that you instruct the Clerk of the House to journalize my statement. Thank you."

Speaker Greiman: "Yes, Mr. Matij... The Clerk will be so instructed to journalize Mr. Bowman's remarks. Gentleman from Lake, Mr. Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Speaker, I would advise Woody that there's a lot more conflicts just in getting married than those that he mentioned. But, seriously, I would like to congratulate him on his coming marriage."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Daniels."

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, let me offer my personal congratulations as well, but, Woody, I only have one concern. What's your position on that great Iowa football team when it beat Illinois over the weekend?"

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from DeWitt, Mr. Vinson."

Daniels: "59 to nothing."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Vinson."

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, I would suggest, first of all, that putting Representative Currie rather than Representative Bowman in charge of the Appropriations Committee is a distinction without a difference. I would... I would suggest secondly that Mr. Bowman's heart and soul are so thoroughly controlled at this stage by a variety of groups that want the state to spend money, that he's got a conflict on virtually everything he votes on. And, number three, I would like to join the few colleagues

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who saw fit to congratulate him."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Vinson, he may have a conflict with those groups, but he doesn't have any pillow talk with them. Gentleman from Kendall, Mr. Hastert."

Hastert: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Actually, Representative Bowman came over here and asked me, not just permission to do this, but permission to get married. I said it was alright. And anytime that he wanted to turn the gavel over to the Spokesman of that Committee, it would be acceptable, too. I also join in congratulating him."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Preston."

Preston: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. On November 30th Representative Bowman will also get hooked up with another special interest that will be intimately concerned in how he spends his money as well, and I'd like to add my congratulations to those of the other Members of the House in congratulating Woody and Michelle on their impending nuptials."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Bowman, you seeking continued recognition? Do you want to disclose your other conflicts?"

Bowman: "Well, I would just like to thank all Members of the House, especially those who spoke in offering their congratulations, but I want to thank Representative Levin and others, such as the Speaker pro temp who sponsored a Resolution congratulating me and Michelle, and it's okay. I don't mind if Sam Vinson didn't vote for that Resolution. It did pass. It was... the margin was substantial. Vinson, I think, was the only 'no' vote on it. But that's alright, Sam. I don't hold any grudges."

Speaker Greiman: "On the Order of Concurrence, on page three of the Calendar, appears House Bill 568. And on that, the Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Daniels, on..."

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Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would ask and I would move to reconsider the vote on Amendment #17 by which this House nonconcurred in Amendment #17, and I voted on the prevailing side."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Daniels, moves that the House reconsider the vote by which the House voted to nonconcur on Senate Amendment #17. Alright. Mr. Daniels, the Gentleman from DuPage, has moved that the... to reconsider the nonconcurrence to concurrence #... to Amendment #17. Before we are able to do that, the Chair will entertain a Motion to, because of the time limits of Mr. Daniel's Motion, to waive Rule 73(a) so that we may reconsider. Do we have leave to use the Attendance Roll Call to waive Rule 73? We have leave. Leave is granted. And now, on that... on the Motion to reconsider, is there any discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall the House reconsider the nonconcurrence of Senate Amendment #17?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open. 60 votes are required. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 70... there are 84 voting 'aye', 13 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present', and the House will reconsider the vote by which the House nonconcurred in Senate Amendment #17. And now, Mr. Daniels, on concurrence on Amendment #3."

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the House yesterday and the day before had considered Amendment #3 and, by a few votes and with some anguish, failed to concur in that matter. But for the House's recollection Amendment #3 deals with the subject of farm aid, and it creates the Illinois Farm Legal Assistance Act and Foundation, authorizes the Department of Agriculture to make grants to the Foundation, creates the Illinois

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Agriculture Loan Guarantee Fund, and establishes an interest buy-down program, and amends the Grain Dealers' Act, the Revenue Act of 1939, extends farmland redemption to three years and a few other items. And I would ask that the House now concur in Senate Amendment #3 to House Bill 568."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from DuPage has moved that the House concur in Senate Amendment #3 to House Bill 568. And on that, is there any discussion? Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Madigan."

Madigan: "I join the Gentleman in supporting this Motion."

Speaker Greiman: "Question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #3 to House Bill 568?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open. And this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 103 voting 'aye', 5 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present', and the House does concur in Senate Amendment #3 to House Bill 568. And on Senate Amendment #9, the Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Daniels."

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Amendment #9 was acted upon by the House but we failed to receive enough votes to concur in, and I'm going to renew my Motion to concur in Amendment #9. Amendment #9 increases the Illinois cigarette excise tax by eight cents. With leave of the House, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen, I'd like to include Amendment #20 which is also on the cigarette tax in the same Motion, to concur then in Amendment #9 and 20, both dealing with the cigarette tax."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman asks leave to consider Senate Amendment #9 and 20 at the same time. Does the Gentleman have leave? Leave is granted. Mr. Daniels, the Gentleman from DuPage, moves that the House concur in Senate

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Amendments #9 and 20 to House Bill 568. And on that, the Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen, I join the Gentleman in support of this Motion."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from St. Clair, Mr. Flinn."

Flinn: "Well, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I sort of feel like Johnny Cash - I hear that train a coming. But I want to tell you again, I said the other night about this cigarette tax that it's really regressive, especially in the southern part of Illinois and especially those areas that joins other states who will have a lesser tax. I also said the other night that a lot of the service stations in my particular area, the metro-east area, which is the second largest populated area of the state, sell cigarettes at their cost now in order to compete with the gas stations over in Missouri where the gas is eleven cents... on the average eleven cents a gallon cheaper. Now, the people who work in Missouri and live in Illinois already buy their gas there. Now we're asking them to buy their cigarettes there. And I'm sure they will do other shopping... not only that, we're inviting people who do not work in Missouri and makes it worthwhile to go over to Missouri and do their shopping for cigarettes, gas, and whatever while they're there. I think that we are making a mistake, and I realize the Bill has the votes to pass. But I cannot, in all honesty, support such an Amendment as these two Amendments. I think it's wrong, and I'm going to vote that way."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Mulcahey."

Mulcahey: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates he'll yield for a question."

Mulcahey: "Representative Daniels, it's my understanding that

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this cigarette tax the first year will generate some 70, 75 million dollars. Is that correct?"

Daniels: "The estimated amounts, of course, depend upon actual experience. It's estimated that in the Fiscal Year '87, which would be the first full year, it could generate up to 120 million. The estimates are between 100 million and 120 million. That's why Amendment #20 says that we will transfer to the Common School Fund from the General Revenue Fund the sum of nine million dollars each month. And of course, as you know, that does not approach the 120 million dollar mark, but does come close to the estimated amounts for the first year in annual revenues."

Mulcahey: "Okay. Then the second year, likewise, we're going to generate even more because I understand in order to put this in place it's going to take somewhere in the area of 100 million dollars the second year, is that correct?"

Daniels: "In terms of how much we would generate in terms of receipts during the second year?"

Mulcahey: "Based on... strictly on cost."

Daniels: "It's an estimated amount."

Mulcahey: "It's an estimated cost. And this... this cigarette tax now indeed is going to go strictly for... strictly to the Common School Fund, everything that's generated."

Daniels: "Let me make sure that..."

Mulcahey: "There's no diversions."

Daniels: "Let me make sure that I'm very clear on this in pointing this out to the Members of the Assembly. We have, in Amendment #20, said that we will transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund, the sum of nine million dollars per month or 108 million dollars annually for the benefit of education in Illinois. That means if we receive 120 million dollars, then of course 12 million dollars extra would stay in the General Revenue

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Fund, and all we've done here is estimated the amount of receipts so that we can avoid an accounting problem in terms of setting up a special accounting fund under the General Revenue Fund. And this is our best estimates and safest estimates as what may be met."

Mulcahey: "And I think it will do the job. I think... this will provide the funds that we do need for the reform package itself and for the whole education program."

Daniels: "Absolutely. And I think that's a good point you're making. And the reason that we're doing this now is because of the education reform package that this Assembly, with Governor Thompson, worked so hard on passing. And that education reform package had to have the additional funds from the cigarette tax, which we had hoped that Congress would have kept its promise and not extending this beyond the date line, but now that we've found that they're going to go to at least December 14, it's absolutely essential that we, as a General Assembly, act on this matter."

Mulcahey: "Thank you, Representative Daniels. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the Motion."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Panayotovich."

Panayotovich: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. As Representative Flinn said, and I said the other night, and let me clarify again, being an ex school teacher for 12 years, I'm all in favor of the education reform package that we have. And I was on the Task Force, and I believe in it. But we've got to look at what's really going to happen with the eight cents tax on cigarettes. Whether you be a Republican or a Democrat from Cook County, from Cook County, not just Chicagoland, you are going to send more people out of Cook County to buy cigarettes. You are going to send more people into Indiana to buy cigarettes. You are going to send more people into

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Kentucky to buy cigarettes. You must... into Missouri you're going to send more people. You must realize that when we raised the gas tax, we had 27 percent less consumption, which means 28 percent less tax money we took in to the cities and state. We're going to do the same thing with cigarettes. We've got to look for another alternative for the education reform package. All we're doing here is going to send more and more of our people out, hurt our mom and pop restaurants, our mom and pop taverns, our mom and pop grocery stores, our gas stations and everything on down the line. We should try to find another source of revenues for education reform, and I hope we can find them and not have to use eight cents on cigarettes."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. McCracken."

McCracken: "Thank you. I move the previous question."

Speaker Greiman: "Well, it's not necessary, Mr. McCracken. The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendments #9 and 20 to House Bill 568?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 87 voting 'aye', 26 voting 'no', none voting 'present', and the House does concur in Senate Amendments #9 and 20 to House Bill 568. The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Daniels, on Amendment #13."

Daniels: "Just a second."

Speaker Greiman: "Yes, Mr. Daniels."

Daniels: "Yes, I would ask leave of the Body to have Amendment #13 and 17 heard on one Roll Call."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman asks leave to hear Senate Amendment #13 and 17 on a single Roll Call. Does the Gentleman have leave that they be considered together? You have leave,

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Sir. Mr. Daniels, on Senate Amendments #13 and 17.
Proceed."

Daniels: "Now I would ask that we stand at ease for five minutes
so I can consult with Mr. Madigan."

Speaker Greiman: "Alright, Mr. Daniels, are you going to go to
his house, or is he going to go to your house? Yes, the
Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Daniels."

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House,
referring to House Floor Amendment... or to Floor Amendment
#13 to House Bill 568, this involves what is commonly
referred to as the McCormick Place settlement Amendment
which involves the discussion of the governance board, the
appointment of a trustee on an interim board, and the
makeup of the interim board, three appointments by the
Governor and three by the Mayor of Chicago and for a
permanent board to be established on June 30th, 1987
consisting of 12 members, six appointed by the Governor
with the advise and consent of the Senate and six appointed
by the Mayor of Chicago. The permanent board would select
its chairman itself unlike past history where the Mayor of
Chicago has appointed the chairman. A vote of the majority
of the board would be required to conduct business. In
terms of the financial aspect, it provides a means to
finance completion of the expansion project through the
sale of bonds. But perhaps and more importantly, the most
important item contains what we call the accountability
plan, making the following Acts specifically applicable to
the Metropolitan Fair and Exposition Authority. The
Freedom of Information Act, Prevailing Wage Act, Open
Meetings Act, requires annual reviews of senior management
and contractual services, requires the McCormick Place
Board to annually develop and adopt a three year financial
plan, the first time in the history of the Board that that

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would be required. Requires the Board to adopt rules and regulations to provide for sanctions under certain conditions and providing the Board contract for professional services, as well as requiring contract bidders to disclose any potential conflict of interest. The McCormick Place solution and resolution that is brought to this House is one that I wholeheartedly endorse and recommend for your adoption. I think that this resolution is one that we can be proud of accomplishing, even though in spite of the fact it has taken us some time to do that. The fact of the matter is that the time has been time well spent, time that has been spent on behalf of the people of Illinois to bring to Illinois truly a reform of a problem area. For the first time in this state we will now have control over the tax dollars that each and every one of you and each and everyone of the constituents that you serve sends to McCormick Place on behalf of the state, and I would encourage your favorable support of that Amendment. Amendment #17, which is also the subject of this Roll Call, amends the Senate Amendment by providing that Build Illinois grants or loans could be distributed to local governments for rebuilding hospitals and health care facilities and for providing supplies, equipment services and all other related expenses. It also provides that Build Illinois grants or loans could be distributed to local governments for urban development action grants and housing partnership programs. It also amends the General Obligation Bond Act to clarify that grants could be distributed through CDB to local governments for public libraries and would also have certain responsibilities to the Controller's Office contained therein. This is an essential item of the Build Illinois package that this General Assembly acted on last spring and enacted into law.

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I want to emphasize in our further review of this that there are no new programs being authorized by this Amendment, but merely the exact language needed by bond counsel in order to implement the spirit of the Build Illinois package that previously passed. Consequently, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I ask for your favorable consideration and your concurrence in Floor Amendments #13 and 17 to House Bill 568."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Daniels, moves that the House concur in Senate Amendments #13 and 17 to House Bill 568, and on that, the Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, I rise to join Mr. Daniels in supporting this Motion, and once again, Mr. Speaker, I ask that my earlier statement of disclosure relative to Amendment #13 be adopted by reference concerning this vote on Amendment #13 and on Amendment #17."

Speaker Greiman: "Yes, the statement of yesterday will be reflected in the record with respect to that, Mr. Madigan. Further discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendments #13 and 17 to House Bill 568?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Yes, Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. McCracken, one minute to explain your vote."

McCracken: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We are looking for a few more green votes. I served on the House Investigating Committee on McCormick Place and our goal from the beginning was to determine whether or not it was appropriate to bring that facility within the ambit of state conflict of interest laws, Freedom of Information Act, things of a reform nature. I would remind our friends

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on this side of the aisle that we have gotten all of that reform and that in light of that fact, we should be supporting what is a responsible position, the completion of the facility. The facility has an impact that is not confined to the City of Chicago. It has an impact that is not even confined to the metropolitan area. It is a region-wide asset that all of us share in and that makes the State of Illinois a better place to live. I think it's important that we realize that and put aside our regional or partisan differences and put a few more green votes on there."

Speaker Greiman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Friedrich, the Gentleman from Marion, one minute to explain your vote."

Friedrich: "Well, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I'm probably one of the few that was around here when the original McCormick Place was built. I voted for parimutuel betting which created McCormick Place and aid to the county fairs and so on. I voted for the expansion of it and I think all of us regret the mess it got into. I don't think that justifies us shutting it down at this point because, undoubtedly, it will be a great asset to the State of Illinois when it's completed. We do get things downstate which have helped us and I know that all of you have helped me in some of the things that have happened in my district. We have a new penal institution. We have a new diagnostic laboratory. We have a new grandstand at Salem and you have supported those things. I think this is an economic thing. I... I despise what's happened. I think that what's in this Bill will correct that and we won't have the probability it'll recur again. The Legislative Audit Commission is in the business right now of redoing the Purchasing Act which will also include the rules that

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govern the construction of public buildings..."

Speaker Greiman: "Bring your remarks to a close, Sir."

Friedrich: "So, I would hope that even though I'm reluctant to vote for this particular thing that it passes and that it never happens again."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Vinson, one minute to explain your vote."

Vinson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Assembly. I would ask Members and particularly Members from downstate Illinois to support this... these particular issues and I would ask them to support these issues because we have to recognize that this is one state. Any resolution of a problem as thorny as McCormick Place requires tradeoffs for all of Illinois. Some people in the past have thrown down the gauntlet and has suggested and have thought that they could go on their own way with a program for one part of the state. I believe that they recognize now that that can't be done, that this state either thrives together or it will sink into real economic problems if we try an approach which is regionalism and only regionalism. We have in this Bill and in the concurrences that you are now voting on an approach to reform for McCormick Place the promises to complete the facility on time, to bring it in within the dollar amount now authorized by this legislation and to substantially reform the operation of that facility. Everybody knows that that facility generates revenue for all of Illinois. To walk away from that facility, to let it be mothballed, to impose the cost that mothballing requires is to ignore the future of all of Illinois. I believe that Members ought to look into their hearts and search their minds and consider whether they really want to live with those consequences and I would suggest that Members consider whether they want to live with the consequences of ... the

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spectacle of a continuing legislative deadlock which none of our constituents approve of or appreciate. I would urge an 'aye' vote on this thing. I think we ought to put it up and I think if we don't, we are going to hear from constituents from all over the state because they recognize that this is all of Illinois."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from McLean, Mr. Ropp, one minute to explain your vote."

Ropp: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. This is always an issue that people can say it's an upstate/downstate issue and you can probably win elections at home based on that if you are a downstater. But let me say, the revenues that are produced as a result of the trade shows that go on in McCormick Place help provide dollars that help take care of senior citizens in downstate Illinois, help provide for the dollars that are going to pay for some of those interest buy-down loans for farmers, help to pay for the programs that deal with housing for people, help to pay for many of the educational programs that affect your district, help provide for police protection in downstate Illinois. All of these total programs, part of which can be funded as a result of dollars that are generated as a result of McCormick Place being in full use twelve months a year. Yes, you can talk about how you voted against McCormick Place because it dealt with Chicago..."

Speaker Greiman: "Bring your remarks to a close, Sir."

Ropp: "But it is a major portion of the State of Illinois and it affects you downstate just as much as what we do downstate affects them. I urge you to support it for the best interests of Illinois."

Speaker Greiman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the

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record. On this question there are 72 voting 'aye', 41 voting 'no', none voting 'present', and the House does concur in Senate Amendments #13 and 17 to House Bill 568. The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Madison, Mr. McPike, for the Adjournment Resolution. Clerk, would you read the Resolutions?"

Clerk O'Brien: "House Joint Resolution 125, resolved by the House of Representatives of the 84th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, the Senate concurring herein, that when both Houses adjourn on Thursday, November 14, 1985, they stand adjourned until Wednesday, January 8, 1986, at 12:00 noon."

Speaker Greiman: "Excuse me, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. We are not adjourning. This is the adoption of the Adjournment Resolution. Mr. McPike moves for the adoption of the Adjournment Resolution. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', those opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it and House Joint Resolution 129 is adopted. Alright, while we are standing at ease, we'll do Agreed Resolutions. This is not, however, a sign that we are adjourning. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 889, offered by Representative Mulcahey. 890, by Brookins. 891, Brookins - Bullock and Washington. 892, Mautino. 894, by Virginia Frederick - et al. 895, by Ewing. And House Joint Resolution 124, by Representative Mays."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi, on the Agreed Resolutions. Yes, Mr. Vinson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, I did not hear the full list of numbers. Is 849 involved in that list?"

Speaker Greiman: "The Clerk advises me that it is not involved in that."

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Vinson: "Thank you."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, 889 applauds the Galena High School football team by Mulcahey. 890, by Brookins, wishes a happy birthday. 891, by Brookins, recognizes Dr. Rawls. 892, by Mautino, commends Dick Kay. 894, by Frederick, endorses the Women in Service Memorial. 895, by Ewing, lauds Coach Formal. House Joint 124, by Mays, cheers the Quincy soccer team. And I move for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Winnebago moves the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All in favor signify by saying 'aye', those opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it."

Giorgi: "All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'."

Speaker Greiman: "Death Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 89..."

Speaker Greiman: "Excuse me, excuse me, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Hastert."

Hastert: "Could you repeat that, Mr. Speaker? I didn't quite catch that all."

Speaker Greiman: "Death Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 893, offered by Representative Pangle, with respect to the memory of Jim Conrad."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Matijevich, on the Death Resolutions. Mr. Matijevich moves that the... for the adoption of the Death Resolution. All in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it and the Death Resolutions are adopted. Introduction and First Reading of Bills."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2575, offered by Representative Tate, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "Yes, Mr. Vinson, for what purpose do you seek

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recognition?"

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, I would like for you to recognize Mr. Totten for purposes of a Motion."

Speaker Greiman: "Well, we have the Cook County Chairman of the Republican Party. You recall Mr. Totten used to be a statesman, now he's a politician. We welcome you, Mr. Totten, back to the Illinois House of Representatives."

Totten: "Mr. Speaker, thanks a lot. It's great to be back here. Some of my colleagues were reminding me though that in some of these 'dwanling' hours... or dwindling hours that there was... we've had a tradition on Motions. You've got something hanging on the Resolution, a tax cap on the Calendar, and I can remember years ago in these kind of hours we tried to move those things. So, if it's not... and we always adjourned every time I made the Motion."

Speaker Greiman: "That's right."

Totten: "The Order of Constitutional Amendments Second Reading."

Speaker Greiman: "Yes, you could actually... You could actually bring us to adjournment now."

Totten: "There's a lot of Members who would sure enjoy that."

Speaker Greiman: "Nice seeing you, Mr. Totten. Thank you for joining us today. Mr. Parke, were you seeking recognition?"

Parke: "Just to recognize ex-Representative Don Totten."

Speaker Greiman: "Okay, thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, the Chair would like to remind the Body that there are several other legislative matters that are important and significant. We are not in a posture yet to adjourn. I would ask you to remain on the floor. I would ask you to remain... we are still in Session and I would remind you of that. I would also like to... and I think on behalf of the Speaker and on behalf of the Minority Leader, thank the Membership for its patience, for its understanding, its

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cooperation during the difficult weeks that we have spent together. And I have spent some time up here, too, and I would give you my personal thanks for your cooperation as well. For what purpose does the Minority Leader, Mr. Daniels, seek recognition?"

Daniels: "Well, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, just to take a minute of the House's time as we are standing at ease, I would like to advise you, with some pride, that one of our Members, Representative Penny Pullen, will be leaving the United States shortly to travel to Geneva, Switzerland, to attend part of the peace talks with the American Legislative Exchange Council and in support of the Presidential talks that are taking place there, as well as she will be carrying the Resolution sponsored by Representative Pullen and Representative Kulas urging the President to raise the issue of Andre 'Sakarov' and other prisoners of conscious in the Soviet Union. This weekend, Representative Pullen will travel to Switzerland, at no expense to the taxpayers of the United States or of Illinois and will hand carry this Resolution to the President for his consideration and I wish you Godspeed and good attention and good results, Representative Pullen, and a safe trip."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Leverenz, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Leverenz: "I have an inquiry of the Chair."

Speaker Greiman: "Yes."

Leverenz: "Now?"

Speaker Greiman: "Not yet."

Leverenz: "You keep screwing up the lines."

Speaker Greiman: "On the Order of Senate Bills Second Reading on page 2 of the Calendar appears Senate Bill 1249. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

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Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 12... Senate Bill 1249, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections in the title of an Act authorizing counties to issue bonds for the construction or reconstruction or remodeling of courthouses. This Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendments #1 and 2 were tabled. Amendment 3 was adopted. Amendment 4 and 5 were withdrawn."

Speaker Greiman: "Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #6, offered by Representative Giglio."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Giglio."

Giglio: "Withdraw Amendment #6."

Speaker Greiman: "Amendment #6 is withdrawn. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #7, offered by Representative Giglio."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Giglio."

Giglio: "Withdraw Amendment #7."

Speaker Greiman: "Amendment #7 is withdrawn. Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #8, offered by Representative Leverenz."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Leverenz. Amendment #8 is withdrawn. Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #9, offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Amendment #9 to Senate Bill 1249 deletes the title and everything after the enacting clause and substitutes the following: First, there is the backup language that we had in for... the language we had on McCormick Place and the school... or the Sales Tax Act and

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the School Finance Act that were in Bills that we previously adopted today. This is put in this Bill to keep the bond counsel happy. The main thrust of this Amendment is to increase the various bond authorization categories within the General Obligation Bond Act by a total of \$212,000,000. I move for the adoption of Amendment #9."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman, moves that the House adopt Amendment #9 to Senate Bill 1249, and on that, is there any discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall the House adopt Amendment #9?' All in favor say 'aye', those opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #10, offered by Representative Leverenz."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Leverenz, on Amendment #10."

Leverenz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Amendment #10 would reduce the levels of the increased amount in the General Obligation Bond Act that were incorporated in Amendment #9, and two, this legislation from the aggregate increase of \$212.6 million to a revised increase of 155.5 million, that which actually has to be raised in the authorization to make all the appropriations generally that we have made in the spring that were embodied in Senate Bill 453, which is now Public Act 84-267, operable. And I would move for the adoption of Amendment #10."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Leverenz, moves for the adoption of Amendment #10 to Senate Bill 1249, and on that, is there any discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall the Amendment be adopted?' All in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the

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Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted.
Further Amendment?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #11, offered by Representative
O'Connell."

O'Connell: "Madam... Mr. Speaker, I withdraw Amendment #11."

Speaker Greiman: "Thank you, Mr. O'Connell. Amendment #11 is
withdrawn."

O'Connell: "No offense."

Speaker Greiman: "Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #12, offered by Representative
O'Connell."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. O'Connell, Amendment
#12."

O'Connell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment #12 authorizes the
Illinois Development Finance Authority, in conjunction with
the Illinois Arts Council, to develop a financing program
for motion pictures that are to be produced in the State of
Illinois. There is a cap of up to 35 percent into a
selected movie production. The rationale behind the
investment program is to help stimulate the growing movie
industry being located here in Illinois. I'd be happy to
answer any questions."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. O'Connell, moves
for the adoption of Amendment 12 to Senate Bill 1249, and
on that, the Gentleman from McDonough, Mr. Slater."

Slater: "Would the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates that he will."

Slater: "Doesn't the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs
already perform the functions which are set forth in
Amendment #12?"

O'Connell: "My understanding is that they don't have a financing
program specifically for the movie industry and there are
no caps. There's no limitations as to a defined program."

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Slater: "Does Amendment #12 take from the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs certain functions and transfer those to the Illinois Information Service?"

O'Connell: "No, this Amendment #12 in no way is meant to hinder the positive work that the DCCA is doing now."

Slater: "So, the work that DCCA is doing in this area right now would continue as it has in the past, is that..."

O'Connell: "That's correct."

Slater: "Thank you."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Livingston, Mr. Ewing."

Ewing: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Greiman: "Indicates he'll yield for questions."

Ewing: "Is this going to set up any kind of duplication to the activities at DCCA?"

O'Connell: "No, Representative. To further elaborate on your question and the previous question, this would enhance the work that DCCA is doing."

Ewing: "Could you explain how that would enhance what DCCA is doing?"

O'Connell: "Well, this is a financing program. DCCA's... my understanding is that they are primarily promotional. This can work hand in hand with the DCCA program in that we have a definite financing program that... to work with the promotional program that DCCA already has."

Ewing: "Thank you."

Speaker Greiman: "Further discussion? There being none, Mr. O'Connell, to close. Sorry, Mr. Friedrich, Gentleman from Marion."

Friedrich: "Would you yield to a question?"

Speaker Greiman: "Yes."

Friedrich: "I understand they are already filming the second series of 'North and South' down in Representative Richmond's district. Is there anything in this which would

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keep the north from winning the Civil War if this goes through?"

O'Connell: "I'm afraid that that has already been accomplished."

Speaker Greiman: "Question is, 'Shall the House adopt Amendment #12?' All those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. Amendment is adopted. Further Amendment?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Greiman: "Third Reading. Mr. Hoffman. Mr. Hoffman, you ask leave of the House to waive Rule 37(c) so the Bill may be heard at this time?"

Hoffman: "Fine."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman asks leave. Gentleman has leave. Proceed. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill on Third Reading."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1249, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections in the title of an Act authorizing counties to issue bonds for the construction, reconstruction or remodeling of court houses. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman."

Hoffman: "I would request the House to adopt the provisions that are in Senate Bill 1249."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman, moves for the passage of House Bill... I'm sorry, Senate Bill 1249, and on that, the Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the Gentleman's Motion and I ask once again that my earlier disclosure relative to the Senate Amendment #13 to House Bill 569 be adopted by reference in the case of this particular Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "The record will so reflect. Is there any further discussion? Being none, the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who

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wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Hoffman, to explain your vote, one minute."

Hoffman: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would just like to share with you the significance of this legislation. There are many, many projects that we have approved in the past that we will not be able to approve without the adoption of this legislation. The amount in these programs we authorized during the Regular Session. It's necessary to pass this legislation in order to accomplish those programs that we put in place. So, what we are voting for here is the authorization which will make possible the carrying out of programs that we passed during the... during the Spring Session and for that reason, I rise and... in explanation of my position on this Bill during this minute that I have to explain my vote and would ask your support. I think I should be quiet. It's going the wrong way."

Speaker Greiman: "Bring your remarks to a close. You have lots of helpers. Mr. Leverenz, Gentleman from Cook."

Leverenz: "I rise in support of the passage of the Bill. It has a number of things, the McCormick Place, the Sales Tax Act, cleanups for the McCormick Place financing, all of the projects that we have already passed and the Amendment 11 which may ride sideways with some folks. It is important, if you understand the bringing of the film industry to Illinois, that if we can further enhance that by keeping that part of that industry in the state for any additional length of time, it enhances the collection of sales tax and other things dealing with tourism that we all talk about and here is an opportunity to vote for. And I would encourage your green vote."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. McCracken, one minute to explain your vote. The timer will be on."

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McCracken: "One of the best things we have done in the last few years is encourage film making in Illinois and to the extent this does that or aids that it's a wise investment. The bonding authority has been deemed necessary by bond counsel to be in a separate Bill so that a legal opinion can be rendered necessary to the issuance of those bonds. This does not encompass anything we haven't considered on the merits before. The vote prevailed as to McCormick Place. It should prevail as to this Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Macon, Mr. Tate, one minute to explain your vote. Timer is on."

Tate: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I don't need to explain my vote though. In the event this gets the requisite number of votes, I'd like to verify it."

Speaker Greiman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 71 voting 'aye', 41 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. Mr. Daniels, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Daniels: "When a Member can't even support his own Amendment, until he changes his vote, I'm going to 'present'. Record me as 'present'."

Speaker Greiman: "Change Mr. Daniels to 'present'. Mr. Hallock. Mr. Hallock votes 'present'. Mr. Wait votes 'present'. Ms. Pullen, I thought you had gone to Geneva. Ms. Pullen votes 'present'. Pardon me. Ms. Pullen votes 'no'. Back on the 'nos'. Mr. Hensel. Mr. Hensel votes 'no'. Mr. Saltsman."

Saltsman: "Change me to 'no'. Mr. Saltsman votes 'no'. Barger."

Barger: "No."

Speaker Greiman: "Barger votes 'no'. Mr. Davis asks to vote 'no'. Change Mr. Ewing to 'aye'... from 'aye' to 'no'. On this question there are 62... Yes, Mr. Vinson."

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Vinson: "I'd like to change to 'present'."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Vinson goes from 'aye' to 'present'. Mr. McCracken. McCracken goes to 'present'. Mr. Olson goes from 'aye' to 'present'. Mr. Ropp goes from 'present'... from 'aye' to 'present'. Matijevich, one minute to explain your vote."

Matijevich: "One minute to explain my vote. I don't know what that one vote makes so much difference. I think there's 44 persons on this side of the aisle voting 'aye', and one of those persons that switched the vote, I remember some years ago had an appropriation Bill and was the only 'no' vote, was the Sponsor of an appropriation Bill, was the only 'no' vote on that Bill. So, you know, and that was on that side of the aisle. I don't think there's anything wrong with this. 44 Democrats voting for this bond authorization Bill. That's a lot of votes."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Kulas, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Kulas: "To explain my vote."

Speaker Greiman: "Proceed, Mr. Kulas."

Kulas: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Yesterday, I sat here quietly and patiently and listened to all the rhetoric from the other side of the aisle about what the responsible thing to do is and unfortunately, we didn't do the responsible thing then and it doesn't look like we are going to do the responsible thing today. The Member... the Minority Leader on the other side of the aisle was blaming the Speaker of the House and here he's going to take his football and he's not going to play because one Member isn't voting the way he'd like to see him vote. Well, I want the taxpayers to know who is holding up the ballgame. It's the people on the other side. Thank you."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Hoffman, would you like to change to 'no',

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Mr. Hoffman?"

Hoffman: "Thank you... Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In light of the recent activity in the last three or four minutes, I'd like to put Senate Bill 1249 on Postponed Consideration."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman is within his rights. Postponed Consideration. On the Order of Senate Bills Second Reading appears Senate Bill 994. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 994, a Bill for an Act in relation to public utilities and amending certain Acts therein named. This Bill has been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was withdrawn."

Speaker Greiman: "Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Panayotovich."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Panayotovich, on Floor Amendment #2."

Panayotovich: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Due to the withdrawal of the support of Mayor Washington to give the citizens of Chicago a reduction in their utility taxes, I withdraw Amendment #2."

Speaker Greiman: "Amendment #2 withdrawn. Further Amendment?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative Panayotovich."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Panayotovich."

Panayotovich: "For the same reason, due to the lack of support from Mayor Washington, I withdraw #3."

Speaker Greiman: "Amendment #3 is withdrawn. Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #4, offered by Representative Hastert and Levin."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Kendall, Mr. Hastert, on Amendment #4."

Hastert: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the

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House. 994, as you people know, is a cleanup Bill for the Public Utility Act that we have just recently passed and 994 is some cleanup Amendment and also takes off a nebulous Amendment that was added on in the Senate. I ask for its passage."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Kendall, Mr. Hastert, moves that the House adopt Amendment #4 to Senate Bill 994, and on that, is there any discussion? Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Levin."

Levin: "Yeah, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I join with Representative Hastert in supporting Amendment #4 and I just would like to make one comment and that is to commend... and this is really a change in circumstances... the staff of the Illinois Commerce Commission in terms of working on this Amendment. I think what we have seen in about the last three weeks is a very different attitude coming from the Commission as far as willingness to work with and cooperate with the General Assembly and I think this Amendment is a reflection of that."

Speaker Greiman: "Further discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall the House adopt Amendment #4 to Senate Bill 994?' All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', those opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. Amendment is adopted. Further Amendment?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #5, offered by Representative Davis."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Will, Mr. Davis, on Amendment #5."

Davis: "Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Amendment #5 and Amendment #6 are duplicates of Representative Panayotovich's Amendments that he has just withdrawn. I looked at his Amendments and I said to myself, 'Well, he may not be able to call those

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Amendments,' and so, indeed, because of the nature of the agreement that was made yesterday at the insistence of the Speaker of this House, with the collaboration of the Mayor of the City of Chicago, it is apparent there is no support for this Bill if Amendments 5 and 6 go on. It's really interesting to note that because Amendments 5 and 6 would reduce the utility taxes in the City of Chicago to have a net increase, if they were passed, they would merely provide an ordinance possibility for the City for responsible members of the City Council to remove the tax on tax and to change the method of calculating utility taxes that would have an effect of reducing the total utility tax bill for the customers in the City of Chicago by 20 percent, which, of course, is more than the recent ComEd rate of... raise of 15 percent so they would actually be getting that raise removed plus five percent more off their utility tax for the working men and women of the City of Chicago and for the poor in the City of Chicago and for the industries in the City of Chicago that are leaving that City. But because Mayor Washington and because the Speaker of this House do not want to do that for their City, I'm in agreement with that, I suppose. I think it's a good idea that they do that and offer that relief to their taxpayers, but they don't want to do that and the Speaker and the Mayor want to thwart Chairman Vrdolyak's efforts, apparently, to reduce the utility taxes in the City of Chicago. So, I withdraw Amendment #5, Amendment #6 and Amendment #7 that would have reduced the whole utility tax from 8 to 5 percent in the City of Chicago to make it consistent with the rest of the municipalities in the state. So, I will withdraw all three very reluctantly and I commend Chairman Vrdolyak in the City of Chicago for having the courage to come forward with these Amendments

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and I guess we are thwarted in the notion... we are thwarted in the notion that we cannot do for the City what we have done for the state in removing the tax on tax. I withdraw them.."

Speaker Greiman: "Amendments #5, 6 and 7 are withdrawn. Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #8, offered by Representative Hastert..."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Kendall, Mr. Hastert, on Amendment #8."

Hastert: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Inasmuch that Amendment #8 was covered in 1452, the text in 1452, I move to withdraw Amendment #8."

Speaker Greiman: "Amendment #8 is withdrawn. Further Amendment?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Greiman: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk... Mr. Hastert."

Hastert: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, with the correct... overruling the correct rules, I would like to have this..."

Speaker Greiman: "Gentleman from Kendall moves that the House suspend Rule 37(c) so the Bill may be heard at this time. All in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it... and I'm sorry, no. You have leave. Leave to use the Attendance Roll Call and leave is granted."

Hastert: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Greiman: "Mr. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 994, a Bill for an Act in relation to public utilities and amending certain Acts herein named. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Kendall, Mr. Hastert, on Senate Bill 994."

Hastert: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I bring before you House Bill 994... excuse me,

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Senate Bill 994, and what 994 does is about three provisions. One, it clarifies the role of the Public Counsel and also clarifies him as a public officer, qualifying for copies of the Illinois Commerce Commission documents at no expense. It deletes an Amendment that was put on in the Senate. It restores the 20 days from 35 days, the time a party which is requesting judicial review of any of ICC rules, which goes along with the Appellate Court System, as opposed to the Circuit Court System, which would make a major change in the Bill, and would provide that the ICC has 15 days which was currently 10 days to certify the record. And I ask for passage of this piece of legislation."

Speaker Greiman: "The Gentleman from Kendall has moved that the House... that this Bill pass and on that, the Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Levin."

Levin: "I just again join with Representative Hastert. Every single provision in this Bill has been scrutinized by the utilities, by the consumers, by the Department of Revenue, by the Commerce Commission. You know, this started out as a much longer proposal and it is in a shrunken form. It also encourages economic development in downstate Illinois through the Mitsubishi plant and I urge to adopt this Bill."

Speaker Greiman: "Further discussion? There being none, the question is, 'Shall this Bill pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye', those opposed vote 'no'. Voting is now open and this is final action. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question there are 107 voting 'aye', 1 voting 'no', none voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Gentleman from Madison, Mr. McPike."

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