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Speaker Lyons: "Happy New Year, Illinois. Your House of Representatives will come to order. Members are asked to please be at their desks. Turn off all electronic information... electronic equipment and rise for the invocation and for the Pledge of Allegiance, including our guests in the balcony. We shall be led in prayer today by Lee Crawford, the Pastor at the Cathedral of Praise Christian Center in Springfield. Representative... Reverend Crawford."

Reverend Crawford: "Let us pray. Most gracious and holy God in heaven, the God of all wisdom, the God of all power, the God of all eternal presence, the God of all creation, we invoke Your blessings upon this august Assembly, upon the Speaker of this House, all of its Leaders, and all of its Members. May they be empowered this day with Your wisdom from above. May they be led by Your precious spirit. Today, may they find strength in You, oh God. May Your grace, Your mercy, Your peace, be with them throughout this day and forevermore. Father, this we pray, in the name of Your precious Son, Amen."

Speaker Lyons: "Will our future Senators, Biss, Cunningham, Connelly, regrettably, Barickman and Rose aren't here, but will our future Senators please lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance."

Biss, Cunningham, Connelly - 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."

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Speaker Lyons: "You know its one big happy family, everybody.  
Roll Call for Attendance, Mr. Clerk. Leader Barbara Flynn  
Currie, Democrats."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record reflect the  
excused absence of Representative Lilly."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Leader. Leader Bost, Republicans."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that  
Representatives Barickman, Cole, Mulligan, Pritchard, Rose,  
Tryon, and Coladipietro are excused on the Republican side  
of the aisle."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Leader. Mr. Clerk, take the record.  
There's 110 Members responding to the Roll Call, we have a  
quorum. We're prepared to do the work for the people of  
State of Illinois. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Committee Reports. Representative John Bradley,  
Chairperson for the Committee on Revenue & Finance reports  
the following committee action taken on January 6, 2013: do  
pass as amended Short Debate for Senate Bill 3676; and  
recommends to be adopted Motion to Concur with Senate  
Amendment #3 to House Bill 5866, as well as, Floor  
Amendment #3 to Senate Bill 410 and Floor Amendment #6 to  
Senate Bill 1531. Introduction of Resolutions. House  
Resolution 1336, offered by Representative Feigenholtz.  
House Resolution 1357, offered by Representative Ford.  
House Resolution 1360, offered by Representative Cross. And  
House Resolution 1361, offered by Representative Gordon.  
These Resolutions are referred to the Rules Committee.

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, on page 6 of the Calendar, we have  
House Resolution 1310. Representative Gordon. Jehan Gordon,

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I believe you have an Amendment for a Resolution 13... House Resolution 1310. Mr. Clerk."

Gordon: "Thank you Mr. Speaker. House Resolution 1310 is..."

Speaker Lyons: "Wait a... wait a minute, Jehan. Wait a second. Mr. Clerk on the Amendment."

Clerk Bolin: "Floor amendment #1, offered by Representative Gordon, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Gordon."

Gordon: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Resolution 1310 is simply an extension of House Resolution 450 for the Department of Insurance. Specifically, it extends the study concerning specialty-tier medications. For the record, HR450 passed this Body unanimously one year ago. I ask for your favorable vote."

Speaker Lyons: "You've heard the Lady's explanation. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of the adoption of the Amendment #1 signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment's adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "There are no further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Jehan Gordon."

Gordon: "I've given an... an explanation. And I'm open for any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "You've heard the Lady's explanation. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of the adoption of House Resolution 1310 signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the

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'ayes' have it. And House Resolution 1310 is adopted. Mr. Clerk, on page 5 of the Calendar, under the Order of Concurrences, Leader Barbara Flynn Currie has House Bill 4177. Majority Leader Barbara Flynn Currie on House Bill 4177 on the Order of Concurrences."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. I move that we concur in Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 4177. This is a Bill that creates parity when it comes to bargaining over hours and wages for people who are... working within the Department of Rehab Services providing maintenance services, not necessarily personal assistant. These are often the very same person. When the Bill passed the House, there was a question whether it would apply also to people who are providing service to their own children, their own relatives. The Senate Amendment clarifies that all this does is to make for parity between the maintenance workers and the personal assistants. I'd be happy to answer your questions... I'd be happy to answer your questions. I just want to make the point that it was Representative Durkin who asked for this Amendment and that's what the Amendment does."

Speaker Lyons: "Leader Durkin."

Durkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. Last year there was considerable discussion on the floor, it got rather heated at times, but the impression or thoughts were at the moment that this is a way to undermine a vote that was taken by the families of those who would... that were subject to perhaps an organizing effort. I discussed it thoroughly with a number of individuals with... your fine counsel to

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your left, a fine lady, and you're absolutely correct that that Bill... We've clarified it. It does not apply to that situation. Thank you very much for making those comments. I support what you're doing."

Speaker Lyons: "Leader Currie to close."

Currie: "I think Representative Durkin did a very nice close for me. Vote 'yes'."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendments #1 to House Bill 4177?' This is final action. All of those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted a wish? Have all voted a wish? Have all voted a wish? Fortner, McSweeney, Ramey, would you like to be recorded? Fortner, Ramey? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 109 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and 0 voting 'present'. And the House does concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 4177. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative JoAnn Osmond, rumor has it you have some new people you'd like to introduce to us. Leader Osmond."

Osmond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We are very honored to have with us today two new Members. And if you remember, we had Jim Watson, who has served in this chamber for many years. He chose to go and do other things. And we have a wonderful replacement, C.D. Davidsmeyer and please give him a welcome."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Davidsmeyer, the floor is yours."

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Davidsmeyer: "I just want to thank everybody for the opportunity. I look forward to getting to know you all and working with you into the near future. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Welcome to the club, Representative, we're proud to have you. Representative Osmond."

Osmond: "Thank you. And our second new Member who... we had the resignation of Kent Gaffney over the past week and the appointment of David McSweeney. And David joins us for the 52nd District. And I'd like you all to welcome David McSweeney."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative McSweeney, the floor is yours, Sir."

McSweeney: "Representative Osmond, thank you very much. I look forward to working with all Members of this Body to address the major fiscal issues that we're facing and I look forward to working across the aisle to get things done. I'm here to do a job and help the people of Illinois. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lyons: "Welcome to the club, Representative. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Bolin: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 1312, offered by Representative Paul Evans. House Resolution 1332, offered by Representative Pihos. House Resolution 1333, offered by Representative Pritchard. House Resolution 1334, offered by Representative Mussman. House Resolution 1335, offered by Representative Paul Evans. House Resolution 1337, offered by Representative Thapedi. House Resolution 1338, offered by Representative Cross. House Resolution 1339 offered by... House Resolution 1339, offered

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by Representative Cavaletto. House Resolution 1340, offered by Representative Bradley. House Resolution 1351, offered by Representative Marcus Evans. House Resolution 1352, offered by Representative Mautino. House Resolution 1354, offered by Representative Bellock. House Resolution 1355, offered by Representative Marcus Evans. House Resolution 1356, offered by Representative Brauer. House Resolution 1358, offered by Representative Currie. House Resolution 1359, offered by Representative Lyons. House Resolution 1363, offered by Representative Rose. House Resolution 1364, offered by Representative Rose. House Resolution 1365, offered by Representative Rose. House Resolution 1366, offered by Representative Dunkin. House Resolution 1367, offered by Representative Cross. And House Resolution 1368, offered by Representative Hatcher."

Speaker Lyons: "Leader Barbara Flynn Currie moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "The Transportation: Roads & Bridges Committee for Monday has been canceled."

Speaker Lyons: "Leader Bost, I think you have news for your GOP Members. Leader Bost."

Bost: "Yes, Mr... Mr. Speaker. We'd like to call an immediate caucus for the Republicans upon adjournment."

Speaker Lyons: "Republicans will caucus, Room 114. Immediately after adjournment, Republicans caucus in Room 114. The other announcement before we adjourn. Immediately after we

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adjourn, please, Rules Committee will meet immediately in the Speaker's Conference Room. Rules Committee will meet immediately after Session. And now, Representative Reboletti."

Reboletti: "Mr. Speaker, I... I could not hear what committee was canceled for tomorrow. It's pretty loud in here."

Speaker Lyons: "Shhhh. The old Chuck Hartke still works, Representative. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges scheduled for tomorrow at 10 a.m. has been canceled."

Reboletti: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Republicans are caucusing and Rules is meeting. And now, seeing no further... no further discussion to come before the House of Representatives, Leader Barbara Flynn Currie moves the House stand adjourned 'til the hour of 2 p.m. on Monday, January 7. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. Allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, the House stands adjourned 'til the hour of 2 p.m. tomorrow, Monday, January 7. Have a great evening, everyone."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on January 6, 2013: recommends be adopted are the Motions to Concur with Senate Amendments #1 to House Bill 2105, Senate Amendments 1 and 4 to House Bill 4148 and Senate Amendments 1 and 5 to House Bill 5495. House Perfunctory Session will come to order."



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Second Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 3676, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill which shall be held on the Order of Second Reading. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."