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# ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## **16TH LEGISLATIVE DAY**

### TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021

### 12:01 O'CLOCK P.M.

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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Honorable Don Harmon, President of the Senate, presiding. Silent prayer was observed by all members of the Senate. Senator Bennett led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Hunter moved that reading and approval of the Journals of Wednesday, March 10, 2021 and Monday, March 15, 2021, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journals.

The motion prevailed.

#### **REPORT RECEIVED**

The Secretary placed before the Senate the following report:

FY21 OEIG State Services Assurance Act, submitted by the Executive Inspector General.

The foregoing report was ordered received and placed on file in the Secretary's Office.

#### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES FILED

The following Committee amendments to the Senate Bills listed below have been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Assignments:

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 61 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 202 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 208 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 257 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 582 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 583 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1535 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1703 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1707 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1707

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

#### OFFICE OF THE SENATE PRESIDENT DON HARMON STATE OF ILLINOIS

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March 16, 2021

Mr. Tim Anderson Secretary of the Senate Room 403 State House Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Rule 3-5(c), I hereby appoint Senator Mattie Hunter to temporarily replace Senator Kimberly A. Lightford as a member of the Senate Committee on Assignments. This appointment will expire upon

adjournment of the Senate Committee on Assignments on March 16, 2021.

Sincerely, s/Don Harmon Don Harmon Senate President

#### MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR 207 STATE HOUSE SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS 62706

#### JB PRITZKER GOVERNOR

March 16, 2021

To the Honorable Members of the Senate One-Hundred and Second General Assembly

Mr. President:

On March 22, 2019, appointment message 101-091 nominating Nancy Zettler as Judge of the Court of Claims was delivered to your Honorable Body. As of the date of this letter, it is my understanding that the Senate has not taken action on this nomination.

Please be advised that the Appointment Message, for which concurrence in and confirmation of your Honorable Body was sought, is hereby withdrawn, effective at 8:00a.m. on March 16, 2021.

Sincerely, s/JB Pritzker Governor

#### PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

Senator Pacione-Zayas offered the following Senate Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Assignments:

#### **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 168**

WHEREAS, Illinois is a rich agricultural state, home to over 1 million farmers and over 72,000 farms that grow fruits and vegetables and raise livestock; and

WHEREAS, Almost 50% of all land in the United States is set aside for farming, including 75% of all land in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Farming is a vital part of the Illinois economy as it generates over \$19 billion each year; and

WHEREAS, Farmers generally do not turn a profit from their work until they have been in the sector for several years, which makes this necessary profession a risky endeavor; and

WHEREAS, Student loan debt is on the rise, totaling over \$1.5 trillion and creating an additional barrier for young farmers to make a living, leading many young people to steer away from farming as a profession; and

WHEREAS, The number of beginning farmers fell 20% between 2007 and 2012; and

WHEREAS, The average age of farmers in the United States is continually rising, climbing to over 58 in 2012 from 49 in 1945, which means young farmers are disappearing from the economy; and

WHEREAS, The United States will see 66% of its farmer-owned land needing a transfer in ownership within the next 25 years; the United States also only added 1,220 young operators to its farming economy, which means there are not enough new farmers to handle the transfer of land that will need to take place; and

WHEREAS, Adding farmers to the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program will create a pathway for young people with student debt to succeed in agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Farmers are critical to our nation's well-being as they produce the food we eat, steward nearly half the country's land, and support rural economies; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we believe farming is an integral public service and that farmers constitute public service professionals; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the U.S. Congress to expand the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program so that it includes farming as an applicable career for loan forgiveness; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the President of the United States, the U.S. Senate Majority Leader, the U.S. Senate Minority Leader, the U.S. Speaker of the House, the U.S. House of Representatives Minority Leader, and all members of the Illinois Congressional Delegation.

#### APPOINTMENT MESSAGES

#### Appointment Message No. 1020064

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Judge

Agency or Other Body: Court of Claims

Start Date: March 15, 2021

End Date: January 18, 2027

Name: Marcellus H. Moore Jr.

Residence: 4313 South Langley Avenue, Unit 1, Chicago, Illinois 60653

Annual Compensation: \$61,356

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Robert Peters

Most Recent Holder of Office: Michael McGlynn

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

#### Appointment Message No. 1020065

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Board of Higher Education

Start Date: March 15, 2021

End Date: January 31, 2027

Name: Jennifer Delaney

Residence: 3220 Weeping Cherry Drive, Champaign, Illinois 61822

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Scott M. Bennett

Most Recent Holder of Office: Reappointment

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

#### Appointment Message No. 1020066

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Board of Higher Education

Start Date: March 15, 2021

End Date: January 31, 2027

Name: Kenneth Shaw

Residence: 233 East 13th Street, Apartment 2306, Chicago, Illinois 60605

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Mattie Hunter

Most Recent Holder of Office: Reappointment

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

#### Appointment Message No. 1020067

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Guardianship and Advocacy Commission

Start Date: March 15, 2021

End Date: June 30, 2023

Name: Julie Morrison

Residence: 1172 Timber Lane, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Julie A. Morrison

Most Recent Holder of Office: Don Harmon

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

#### Appointment Message No. 1020068

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Housing Development Authority

Start Date: March 15, 2021

End Date: January 13, 2025

Name: Thomas Morsch

Residence: 805 Oakwood Avenue, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Julie A. Morrison

Most Recent Holder of Office: Reappointment

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

#### Appointment Message No. 1020069

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Housing Development Authority

Start Date: March 15, 2021

End Date: January 13, 2025

Name: Luz Ramirez

Residence: 6636 Sonoma Road, Rockford, Illinois 61114

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Steve Stadelman

Most Recent Holder of Office: Reappointment

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

#### Appointment Message No. 1020070

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

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Agency or Other Body: Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees

Start Date: March 15, 2021

End Date: January 18, 2027

Name: Tonya Genovese

Residence: 137 Ellington Court, Glen Carbon, Illinois 62034

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Rachelle Crowe

Most Recent Holder of Office: Amy Sholar

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Under the rules, the foregoing Appointment Messages were referred to the Committee on Executive Appointments.

#### MOTION

Senator Holmes moved that pursuant to Senate Rule 4-1(e), Senators Feigenholtz, Harris, Lightford, Plummer, Rose, Stewart, Van Pelt and Castro be allowed to remotely participate and vote in today's session. The motion prevailed.

At the hour of 12:09 o'clock p.m., Senator Holmes, presiding.

#### **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE ON ASSIGNMENTS**

Senator Cunningham, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Assignments, during its March 16, 2021 meeting, reported the following Legislative Measures have been assigned to the indicated Standing Committees of the Senate:

Agriculture: Senate Bills Numbered 1878, 1879, 1972, 2012, 2059 and 2166.

Appropriations: Senate Bills Numbered 2184 and 2222.

Behavioral and Mental Health: Senate Bills Numbered 1966, 1970, 1979 and 2117; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 331; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1707.

Criminal Law: Senate Bills Numbered 1552, 1801, 1859, 1861, 1877, 1886, 1892, 1901, 1909, 1913, 1919, 1926, 1935, 1944, 2116, 2118, 2129, 2136, 2186, 2200 and 2204; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 65; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1553; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1703.

Education: Senate Bills Numbered 1989, 2043, 2071 and 2088.

Energy and Public Utilities: Senate Bills Numbered 2005, 2010, 2161, 2163 and 2225; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 164.

Environment and Conservation: Senate Bill No. 1920; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 561.

Executive: Senate Bills Numbered 681, 699, 1526, 1584, 1608, 1717, 1762, 1785, 1853, 1865, 1871, 1887, 1889, 1898, 1900, 1915, 1923, 1925, 1927, 1965, 1968, 1985, 1986, 2003, 2016, 2020, 2035, 2041, 2064, 2067, 2070, 2072, 2090, 2101, 2130, 2143, 2144, 2145, 2159, 2160, 2183, 2198, 2218 and 2219; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 42; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 266; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 563; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 647; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 656; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1535; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1547.

Health: Senate Bills Numbered 100, 1904, 1908, 1911, 1912, 1977, 1981, 2006, 2007, 2137, 2148, 2153 and 2177; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 579; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 582.

Healthcare Access and Availability: Senate Bill No. 1842.

Higher Education: Senate Bills Numbered 1928, 2011, 2014 and 2141.

Human Rights: Senate Bills Numbered 1599, 1967 and 2133.

Insurance: Senate Bills Numbered 1854, 1876, 1905, 1917, 1974, 2008, 2086, 2112 and 2158; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 202.

Judiciary: Senate Bills Numbered 64, 1751, 1845, 1866, 1867, 1872, 1941, 1980, 1993, 2039, 2081, 2110, 2140, 2142, 2176, 2179, 2194, 2201, 2203 and 2209; Committee Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 60; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 154; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1780.

Labor: Senate Bill No. 1888; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 121; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1558.

Licensed Activities: Senate Bills Numbered 1807, 1862, 1921, 1930, 1949, 1951, 1990, 2068, 2077 and 2172.

Local Government: Senate Bills Numbered 1794, 1800, 1893, 2021, 2206 and 2207; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1799.

Pensions: Senate Bills Numbered 2073, 2093, 2094, 2103, 2104, 2106, 2107, 2149, 2168 and 2221.

Public Safety: Senate Bills Numbered 2150, 2155 and 2170.

Revenue: Senate Bills Numbered 1725, 1726, 1841, 1848, 1864, 1868, 1869, 1880, 1881, 1918, 1975, 1983, 2052, 2053, 2056, 2058, 2060, 2066, 2083, 2084, 2099, 2100, 2102, 2132, 2154, 2173, 2178, 2180, 2181, 2182, 2188, 2202 and 2224; Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 81.

State Government: Senate Bills Numbered 1550, 1560, 1652, 1884, 1899, 1945, 1976, 2004, 2037, 2061, 2089, 2108, 2139, 2175, 2192 and 2196; Senate Resolution No. 101; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 117; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 208.

Tourism and Hospitality: Senate Bills Numbered 1846 and 1973.

Transportation: Senate Bills Numbered 1882, 2013, 2164 and 2167.

Veterans Affairs: Senate Bill No. 2017.

Appropriations- Education: Senate Bill No. 2051.

Appropriations- Criminal Justice: Senate Bill No. 2128.

Appropriations- General Services: Senate Bill No. 2191.

Appropriations- Health: Senate Bill No. 2134; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 186.

Appropriations- Human Services: Senate Bills Numbered 1978 and 2009.

Appropriations- Judiciary: Senate Bills Numbered 2036 and 2195.

Appropriations- Revenue and Finance: Senate Bills Numbered 1850, 1863 and 1982.

Senator Cunningham, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Assignments, during its March 16, 2021 meeting, reported that the following Legislative Measures have been approved for consideration:

#### Senate Resolutions Numbered 165 and 166

The foregoing resolutions were placed on the Secretary's Desk.

#### MOTION

Senator McClure moved that pursuant to Senate Rule 4-1(e), Senator Wilcox be allowed to remotely participate and vote in today's session.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Murphy, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive Appointments, moved that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session to consider the report of that Committee relative to the appointment messages.

The motion prevailed.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Senator Murphy, Chair of the Committee on Executive Appointments, to which was referred Appointment Message No. 1010090, reported the same back with the recommendation that the Senate advise and consent to the following appointment:

#### Appointment Message No. 1010090

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Court of Claims

Start Date: March 22, 2019

End Date: January 15, 2024

Name: Robert Sprague

Residence: 2829 Titleist Dr., Belleville, IL 62220

Annual Compensation: \$59,918

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Christopher Belt

Most Recent Holder of Office: Peter Karahalios

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Senator Murphy moved that the Senate advise and consent to the foregoing appointment. And on that motion, a call of the roll was had resulting as follows:

YEAS 57; NAYS None.

The following voted in the affirmative:

Anderson	DeWitte	Landek	Stewart
Aquino	Ellman	Lightford	Stoller
Bailey	Feigenholtz	Loughran Cappel	Syverson
Barickman	Fine	Martwick	Tracy
Belt	Fowler	McClure	Turner, D.
Bennett	Gillespie	Morrison	Turner, S.
Bryant	Glowiak Hilton	Muñoz	Van Pelt
Bush	Harris	Murphy	Villa
Castro	Hastings	Pacione-Zayas	Villanueva
Collins	Holmes	Peters	Villivalam
Connor	Hunter	Plummer	Wilcox
Crowe	Johnson	Rezin	Mr. President
Cullerton, T.	Jones, E.	Simmons	
Cunningham	Joyce	Sims	
Curran	Koehler	Stadelman	

The motion prevailed.

Whereupon the President of the Senate announced confirmation of the foregoing appointment. On motion of Senator Murphy, the Executive Session arose and the Senate resumed consideration of business.

Senator Holmes, presiding.

#### READING BILLS OF THE SENATE A SECOND TIME

On motion of Senator Barickman, Senate Bill No. 297 having been printed, was taken up, read by title a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Muñoz, Senate Bill No. 307 having been printed, was taken up, read by title a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Fine, **Senate Bill No. 539** having been printed, was taken up, read by title a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Cunningham, **Senate Bill No. 603** having been printed, was taken up, read by title a second time and ordered to a third reading.

At the hour of 12:43 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that the Senate stands adjourned until Wednesday, March 17, 2021, at 2:00 o'clock p.m., or until the call of the President.

#### PERFUNCTORY SESSION 6:31 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Senate met in perfunctory session pursuant to the directive of the President. Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-5(c)2, the Secretary of the Senate conducted the perfunctory session.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

#### OFFICE OF THE SENATE PRESIDENT DON HARMON STATE OF ILLINOIS

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March 16, 2021

Mr. Tim Anderson Secretary of the Senate Room 401 State House Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Rule 2-10, I am scheduling a Perfunctory Session to convene on Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

Sincerely, s/Don Harmon Don Harmon Senate President

cc: Senate Republican Leader Dan McConchie

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE MINORITY LEADER

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March 16, 2021

Mr. Tim Anderson Secretary of the Senate 401 State House Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-3(a-5) and 3-2, please be advised that I have made the following appointments, to be effective immediately, to the following special subcommittees of the Senate Redistricting Committee:

Redistricting – City of Chicago (North) Senator Dan McConchie (MS)

Redistricting - City of Chicago (Northwest)

Senator Dan McConchie (MS) Senator Craig Wilcox

Redistricting – City of Chicago (South) Senator Jason Barickman (MS) Senator Steve McClure Senator Don DeWitte

Redistricting – City of Chicago (West) & Western Cook County Senator Dan McConchie (MS) Senator John Curran

Redistricting – DuPage County Senator John Curran (MS) Senator Don DeWitte

Redistricting – East Central & Southeastern Illinois

Senator Jason Barickman (MS) Senator Darren Bailey Senator Chapin Rose

Redistricting – Kane & Kendall Counties Senator Don DeWitte (MS) Senator Sue Rezin

Redistricting – Kankakee & Will Counties Senator Sue Rezin (MS) Senator John Curran

Redistricting – Lake & McHenry Counties Senator Dan McConchie (MS)

Senator Craig Wilcox

#### Redistricting - Northwest Cook County

Senator Dan McConchie (MS) Senator Don DeWitte

#### **Redistricting – Northern Illinois**

Senator Dave Syverson (MS) Senator Neil Anderson Senator Brian Stewart Senator Win Stoller

#### **Redistricting – South Cook County**

Senator John Curran (MS) Senator Jason Plummer

#### **Redistricting – Southern Illinois**

Senator Jason Plummer (MS) Senator Terri Bryant Senator Dale Fowler

Redistricting – Southwestern Illinois Senator Jason Plummer (MS) Senator Steve McClure

#### **Redistricting – West Central Illinois**

Senator Steve McClure (MS) Senator Jil Tracy Senator Sally Turner

If you have any questions, please contact my Chief of Staff, Dale Righter, at 217-782-0051.

Sincerely, s/Dan McConchie Senate Republican Leader 26th District

cc: Senate President Don Harmon

#### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES FILED

The following Floor amendment to the Senate Bill listed below has been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Assignments:

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 153

The following Committee amendments to the Senate Bills listed below have been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Assignments:

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 101 Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 154 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 486 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 644 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1607 Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1673

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1753
Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1779
Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1817
Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1928
Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2132

#### PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

#### **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 171**

Offered by Senator Pacione-Zayas and all Senators: Mourns the passing of Lois Janet (Rischow) DeBellis.

By direction of the Secretary, the foregoing resolution was referred to the Resolutions Consent Calendar.

Senator Hunter offered the following Senate Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Assignments:

#### **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 169**

WHEREAS, Illinois ranks 47th among states for spending commitment for community services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD), according to the 2017 State of the States in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities report published by the University of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, The reimbursement rates in Illinois, including rates for the Direct Support Professional (DSP) workforce, are inadequate, forcing many in the DSP workforce to rely on means-tested public assistance despite working full time; and

WHEREAS, As reported by the national direct care workforce research and advocacy group PHI, the DSP workforce is predominantly women at 86 percent and is racially and ethnically diverse; 59 percent of the DSP workforce consists of people of color, with 30 percent of workers identified as African American, 18 percent identified as Hispanic/Latino, and 7 percent identified as Asian or Pacific Islander; and

WHEREAS, According to the National Core Indicators Staff Stability Survey, the average turnover rate for the DSP workforce in Illinois is 54.5 percent with an average vacancy rate of 13.7 percent; this is well above the national average; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has made these challenges more substantial as providers risk their health to perform in-home visits and daily care for this vulnerable population; despite a pandemic, the daily support needs for persons with I/DD remain the same; and

WHEREAS, Since 2011, the State of Illinois has been subject to the Ligas Consent Decree, which mandates dramatic increases to funding for services and supports for persons with I/DD; and

WHEREAS, In 2015, the Federal Court Monitor found Illinois out of compliance with the Consent Decree, and a federal judge officially found the State out of compliance in 2017; as a result, the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS) Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) began to review existing rate methodologies around residential, employment, training, and support services rates; and

WHEREAS, In 2019, the State contracted with a rate consultant, Guidehouse (formerly Navigant Consulting), to develop potential new rates and rate methodologies using objective, publicly available data sources, standard administrative cost reporting, and provider-reported costs in order to determine the resources necessary to create and maintain access to quality services and supports for persons with I/DD in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The recommendations from Guidehouse, detailed in their final report, are designed to identify rates that provide adequate reimbursement for residential and other supporting services in compliance with the State's Ligas consent decree and rates required to keep pace with new minimum and living wage levels being implemented over the next five years in Chicago and across the State; and

WHEREAS, Implementation of these recommendations requires financial investment that reflects the challenge of addressing historical underfunding of existing services and the need for new funding to respond to rapid growth in wage requirements over the next five years; and

WHEREAS, According to the Guidehouse Rate Study, Illinois requires a \$329 million GRF investment in FY22, outlined in seven priority areas, to keep the system sustainable; and

WHEREAS, The Governor's FY22 Introduced Budget includes a \$77 million dollar investment to partially fund four of seven priorities identified in the rate study that should continue to be funded in the manner in which the appropriation was intended; and

WHEREAS, The State's I/DD community is very grateful for investments made by the General Assembly in recent years; however, despite these investments, the State has not succeeded in satisfying the requirements of the Consent Decree or kept pace with state-mandated minimum wage increases; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the State of Illinois to fully fund the Guidehouse final rate recommendations in FY 22 including the recommended changes to the rate and service structure allowing Illinois to make real progress toward the Division of Developmental Disabilities mission to design and deliver quality outcome-based, person-centered services and supports for individuals who have developmental disabilities and to implement the rate study in whole to maintain the integrity of the methodology behind the rate setting calculations to avoid creating an even more unbalanced system; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the Governor, all Illinois legislative leaders, and the Illinois Department of Human Services Department of Developmental Disabilities.

Senator Peters offered the following Senate Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Assignments:

#### **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 170**

WHEREAS, Homeownership plays a vital role in helping to build strong, stable communities; in addition to bolstering a community's treasury through taxes, research shows the many social benefits homeownership provides, including improved health, less crime, and increased civic participation; homeownership has been proven to help stabilize neighborhoods and create stronger communities; and

WHEREAS, Homeownership has been the most effective way that Americans have created generational wealth over the past 100 years; the median net worth for homeowners in 2019 was \$255,000, compared to \$6,300 for renters; and

WHEREAS, Nationally, homeownership is at 79.4 percent for households with family income greater than or equal to the median family income and 52.3 percent for households making less than the median family income; only 39 percent of low-income households own their own homes; the homeownership rate is 74.5 percent for white families, 49.1 percent for Hispanic families, and 44.1 percent for Black families; and

WHEREAS, Discriminatory housing and lending practices have challenged minority communities for decades; for example, redlining contributed to 98 percent of the mortgages insured by the federal government between 1934 and 1968 being awarded to white citizens; furthermore, in 1998, usurious

subprime mortgages accounted for 51 percent of home loans in predominantly Black neighborhoods, compared with only 9 percent in predominantly white areas; and

WHEREAS, Homeownership is an extraordinary tool to financially empower minorities and narrow the racial wealth gap; and

WHEREAS, It has been historically challenging, if not impossible, for borrowers to obtain mortgages of under \$75,000, known as micro mortgages; as a result, a disproportionate number of homes in our most affordable communities are sold for cash to investors who offer them for rent; and

WHEREAS, Lenders today have the ability to originate micro mortgages so that low-income families can buy homes that cost under \$75,000; as interest rates are at record lows, the mortgage payments will typically cost less than rent; this presents an extraordinary and urgent opportunity for first time homebuyers; and

WHEREAS, Lower value homes are disproportionately vacant, and blocks with vacant properties face crime rates twice as high as blocks without them; therefore, selling these vacant homes to homeowners utilizing micro mortgages can help stabilize communities; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the State of Illinois to promote homeownership of homes under \$75,000 as a way to build stronger communities and help build generational wealth in communities that have historically been left behind; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the Illinois Housing Development Authority to use 2020 Census data to report to the General Assembly what percentage of low income households own the homes they live in by December 31, 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the Illinois Housing Development Authority to create goals for increasing the homeownership rate each year for low income households; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the Illinois Housing Development Authority to make a strategic plan every year to market and promote homeownership to ensure they are achieving their goals; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the Illinois Housing Development Authority to establish a directory of lenders that originate micro mortgages.

Senator Pacione-Zayas offered the following Senate Joint Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Assignments:

#### **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23**

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), a novel, severe, acute illness, has rapidly spread throughout Illinois, resulting in unnecessary loss of life, loss of economic stability, increasing behavioral health struggles, and new trauma exposure for every race, age, gender, and ethnicity; this has resulted in an increasing public health disaster and acceleration of the current legal, educational, health, and social systems volatility, which brings the need for healthcare and human services transformation for every individual in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Dysfunction of neurological, endocrine, and other polyvagal mechanisms in the body can lead to chronic and severe physical and mental illness with severe associated cost; the effects of trauma exposures on humans are detailed in research over the last two decades from the evolving sciences of neuroscience, molecular biology, public health, genomics, and epigenetics, revealing that experiences such as a community trauma, individual trauma, and pandemic trauma result in significant impacts at the micro, meso, and macro health system levels; and

WHEREAS, The vast short term impact of COVID-19 has led to a surge in suicides, overdoses on drugs and alcohol, abuse, neglect, and general anxiety and depression; the collateral damage will continue to impact the daily living and functionality of individuals due to the increasing isolation and loneliness being experienced; beyond facing the barriers present pre-pandemic, individuals are now facing magnified obstacles related to access to care and unprecedented interruptions to existing care for existing mental illness; it is now vital for mental health and wellness to be viewed as a political priority due to its direct link to social injustice, poverty, systemic discrimination, and racism; and

WHEREAS, The continued short-term impact of COVID-19 has been well discussed; the long-term impact, while it may be able to be predicted, is still not fully known and comprehended; by proactively anticipating, applying evidence-based knowledge, and listening closely to the stories of every individual in Illinois, we understand that public health must take a capacity building and foundational approach to the development, dissemination, and support of programs that have been demonstrated or can lead the way to addressing these long-term impacts, including addressing the growing mental and physical health needs and epigenetic impact; and

WHEREAS, Covid-19 not only effects society at a cellular level but also leads to social and economic devastation, including the impact it has had on the basic safety and security needs of Illinois families and also the ability to achieve adequate food, water, warmth, and rest, as well as inequality in meeting children's individual educational needs for building the hope and strength of our future; at a time when the struggles for individuals in Illinois are escalating from the loss of power and ability to care for themselves and their families, it is essential to address the social, mental, physical, financial, and educational, short-term and long-term costs of this pandemic, with special attention paid to trauma caused on micro, meso, and macro level systems; it is no longer acceptable to only embrace resilience but defeat the malignancy of history and man-made odds; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary, now more than ever, that every individual in Illinois has a fair and just opportunity to be healthy, not only physically but also mentally and emotionally; it is vital to recognize the overwhelming impact of the current pandemic situation and the resulting overall trauma on our communities, families, State, economy, and health and mental well-being; healing in all policies and community healing will only occur when we acknowledge the harms done to individuals in Illinois, especially those of color; understanding, supporting, and recognizing that the siloed approach to policy and support of the past no longer fits into our present and that committing to further health equality, social justice, and sustainable strengthening of the public health system is imperative for healing of every individual in Illinois and our State as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Other states, such as Wisconsin, California, Massachusetts, Missouri, Oregon, Pennsylvania, and Washington, have focused on bipartisan efforts to build trauma-informed states; Illinois has taken steps to begin to establish racial, justice, and children healing initiatives; the future of healing in Illinois must now shift from trauma-informed care to a healing-centered engagement, which is more effective and less costly, to quickly respond and facilitate the development of a neighborhood-by-neighborhood evidence-based direction; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that policy decisions enacted by the Illinois State Legislature should acknowledge and take into account the principles of trauma whenever possible and consider the concepts of toxic stress, early adversity, and buffering relationships and note the role of early intervention and investment in trauma-informed policies leading to a healing-centered environment; Illinois will join the ranks of a national movement currently led by 13 states to be trauma-informed and will transform to become the first declared Healing Centered State to close the empathy gap as important strategies to achieve a lasting foundation for a more prosperous and sustainable State through investing in human capital; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Illinois should invest in technological connectivity that includes detailed information and resources on trauma-informed care, standards for providing evidence-based trauma-informed treatment, peer to peer networking, and creation of belonging through narrative expression; this will happen by development of a bi-directional communication tool that is accessible to communities through all of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Illinois should move from a siloed, individual approach to a collaborative, person-centered healing approach, to identify, strengthen, and empower individuals and communities to craft a future positive history of Illinois; Illinois will light the way by creating a Healing Capacity Building Center housed at a public health association in Illinois to provide consultation to educational, legal, health, and other institutions and agencies including but not limited to needs assessments, observation, individual and group debriefing, and ongoing coaching and mentoring; the goal is not to recreate but to act as a catalyst for supporting existing services and programming to eliminate the currently accepted policy of violence in our State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That by providing financial backing to a renewed focus on rebuilding healthcare and human services systems further damaged by COVID-19 in such a way that will meet and surpass national standards of trauma-informed systems, the State of Illinois will be able to move to a focus on healing.

#### **REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

Senator Van Pelt, Chair of the Committee on Healthcare Access and Availability, to which was referred **Senate Bill No. 336**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass. Under the rules, the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Senator Van Pelt, Chair of the Committee on Healthcare Access and Availability, to which was referred **Senate Bill No. 102**, reported the same back with amendments having been adopted thereto, with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, do pass.

Under the rules, the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Senator Belt, Chair of the Committee on Education, to which was referred **Senate Bills Numbered 1577, 1637, 1784, 1830 and 1831**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass. Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Stadelman, Chair of the Committee on Local Government, to which was referred **Senate Bills Numbered 501 and 642**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass. Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Crowe, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred **Senate Bills Numbered 109**, **139**, **337**, **595**, **622**, **1561**, **1611**, **1655** and **1779**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Crowe, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred **Senate Bills Numbered 60**, **500** and **1780**, reported the same back with amendments having been adopted thereto, with the recommendation that the bills, as amended, do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Morrison, Chair of the Committee on Health, to which was referred **Senate Bills Numbered 142**, **251**, **315** and **346**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Morrison, Chair of the Committee on Health, to which was referred **Senate Bill No. 110**, reported the same back with amendments having been adopted thereto, with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, do pass.

Under the rules, the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Senator Fine, Chair of the Committee on Behavioral and Mental Health, to which was referred **Senate Bills Numbered 331 and 1575**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass. Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

Senator Connor, Chair of the Committee on Criminal Law, to which was referred **Senate Bill No. 1677**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass. Under the rules, the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Senator Bennett, Chair of the Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred **Senate Bills Numbered 166, 641, 1610, 1624 and 1697**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

Under the rules, the bills were ordered to a second reading.

#### APPOINTMENT MESSAGE

#### Appointment Message No. 1020071

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly:

The Executive Ethics Commission is nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Director

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Power Agency

Start Date: March 16, 2021

End Date: March 15, 2023

Name: Anthony Star

Residence: 1524 E. 59th St., Apt. A2, Chicago, IL 60637

Annual Compensation: \$122,235

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Robert Peters

Most Recent Holder of Office: Reappointment

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Under the rules, the foregoing Appointment Message was referred to the Committee on Executive Appointments.

At the hour of 6:35 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that the Senate stands adjourned until Wednesday, March 17, 2021, at 2:00 o'clock p.m., or until the call of the President.