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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.
 Senator James A. DeLeo, Chicago, Illinois, presiding.
 Prayer by Pastor Jeff Smith, Modesto Christian Church, Modesto, Illinois.
 Senator Maloney led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Journal of Wednesday, April 25, 2007, was being read when on motion of Senator Hunter, further reading of same was dispensed with, and unless some Senator had corrections to offer, the Journal would stand approved. No corrections being offered, the Journal was ordered to stand approved.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES FILED

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

Senate Floor Amendment No. 4 to Senate Bill 113
 Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 133
 Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 399
 Senate Floor Amendment No. 4 to Senate Bill 593
 Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1167

The following Committee amendment to the House Bill listed below has been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Rules:

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 977

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

Senator Demuzio offered the following Senate Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Rules:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 157

WHEREAS, Illinois barns are witnesses to the role of agriculture in our State's image and its economy and serve as scenic landmarks for residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, Historic barns and agricultural structures across rural Illinois symbolize important Illinois values of heritage, hard work, productivity, and closeness to the land and community with the people who built them; and

WHEREAS, Historic barns uphold the historic rural qualities of the State's landscape, along with providing a picturesque atmosphere for the State's citizens and visitors to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, These structures provide insight into our distinctive agricultural history and heritage, as well as a visual description of rural life, both past and present, in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Local historic preservation and community organizations in at least 10 counties across Illinois highlight local barns with organized or self-guided barn tours, the first of which began in Greene County in 1984 and has continued every September since as part of Greene County Days; and

WHEREAS, One private Illinois barn preservation organization, the Illinois Barn Alliance, released a statewide survey in August, 2005, and found that residents in 46 Illinois counties have conducted barn surveys, organized barn tours, or engaged in other activities that directly promote historic barns; and

WHEREAS, While historic barns are cherished by so many Illinois residents and visitors, many barns can no longer produce the necessary income to prevent damage by decay or demolition, or the barns

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become threatened when the surrounding land is removed from active agricultural use; and

WHEREAS, Many states, including Iowa, Wisconsin, New York, Maine, Vermont, and New Hampshire enacted legislation creating barn preservation and restoration programs to assist barn owners with their efforts to preserve these cultural and architectural treasures for the enjoyment and economic benefit of this and future generations; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO), in consultation with the Department of Agriculture, the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, and any other public entities as the DCEO deems necessary, shall conduct a study of (i) current historic barn restoration and preservation efforts and needs in Illinois, (ii) the benefits that a historic barn restoration and preservation program in Illinois could have on tourism and other economic development activities in rural areas, and (iii) programs and incentives in place in other states to promote historic barn restoration and preservation; the DCEO shall report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2008; and be it further

RESOLVED, That in conducting its study the DCEO shall also consult with the Illinois Barn Alliance and any other private local historical, preservation, and community organizations engaged in promoting and preserving historic barns in their communities or counties; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution shall be presented to the Director of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, to the Director of Agriculture, and to the Director of the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency.

Senator Link asked and obtained unanimous consent to recess for the purpose of a Democrat caucus.

EXCUSED FROM ATTENDANCE

On motion of Senator Righter, Senator Risinger was excused from attendance due to family business and Senator Dillard was excused from attendance due to legislative business.

Senator Righter asked and obtained unanimous consent to recess for the purpose of a Republican caucus.

At the hour of 12:11 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that the Senate stand at recess subject to the call of the Chair.

AFTER RECESS

At the hour of 2:10 o'clock p.m., the Senate resumed consideration of business.
Senator DeLeo, presiding.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION

SENATE RESOLUTION 158

Offered by Senator Harmon and all Senators:
Mourns the death of Dorothy DiPaolo of Chicago.

By unanimous consent, the foregoing resolutions were referred to the Resolutions Consent Calendar.

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REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Senator Demuzio, Chairperson of the Committee on State Government and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred **House Bills Numbered 272 and 1355**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

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

Senator Demuzio, Chairperson of the Committee on State Government and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred **House Bills Numbered 32 and 668**, 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 Demuzio, Chairperson of the Committee on State Government and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred the following Senate floor amendment, reported that the Committee recommends do adopt:

Senate Amendment No. 5 to Senate Bill 1448

Under the rules, the foregoing floor amendment is eligible for consideration on second reading.

Senator Demuzio, Chairperson of the Committee on State Government and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred **Senate Joint Resolution No. 27**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

Under the rules, **Senate Joint Resolution No. 27** was placed on the Secretary's Desk.

Senator Harmon, Chairperson of the Committee on Revenue, to which was referred the following Senate floor amendments, reported that the Committee recommends do adopt:

Senate Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 764

Senate Amendment No. 4 to Senate Bill 764

Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 774

Senate Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 774

Under the rules, the foregoing floor amendments are eligible for consideration on second reading.

Senator Ronen, Chairperson of the Committee on Licensed Activities, to which was referred **House Bills Numbered 1729 and 1790**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

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

Senator Lightford, Chairperson of the Committee on Education, to which was referred **House Bills Numbered 38, 285, 357, 895 and 1922**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

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

Senator Lightford, Chairperson of the Committee on Education, to which was referred **House Bill No. 3654**, 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 Haine, Chairperson of the Committee on Insurance, to which was referred **House Bill No. 1439**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass.

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

Senator Haine, Chairperson of the Committee on Insurance, to which was referred the following Senate floor amendment, reported that the Committee recommends do adopt:

Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 484

Under the rules, the foregoing floor amendment is eligible for consideration on second reading.

Senator Maloney, Chairperson of the Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred **House Bill No. 470**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass.

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

Senator Maloney, Chairperson of the Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred **House Bill No. 182**, 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 Maloney, Chairperson of the Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred the following Senate floor amendment, reported that the Committee recommends do adopt:

Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1455

Under the rules, the foregoing floor amendment is eligible for consideration on second reading.

Senator Sandoval, Chairperson of the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development, to which was referred **House Bills Numbered 407 and 3394**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bills do pass.

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

Senator Wilhelmi, Chairperson of the Committee on Judiciary Criminal Law, to which was referred the following Senate floor amendment, reported that the Committee recommends do adopt:

Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 607

Under the rules, the foregoing floor amendment is eligible for consideration on second reading.

Senator Meeks, Chairperson of the Committee on Human Services, to which was referred the following Senate floor amendment, reported that the Committee recommends do adopt:

Senate Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 544

Under the rules, the foregoing floor amendment is eligible for consideration on second reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

**OFFICE OF THE SENATE PRESIDENT
STATE OF ILLINOIS**

EMIL JONES, JR.
SENATE PRESIDENT

327 STATE CAPITOL
Springfield, Illinois 62706

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Ms. Deborah Shipley
Secretary of the Senate

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Room 403 State House
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Madam Secretary:

Pursuant to Rule 3-2(c), I hereby appoint Senator Donne Trotter to resume his position on the Senate Executive Appointments Committee. This appointment is effective immediately.

Sincerely,
s/Emil Jones, Jr.
Senate President

cc: Senate Minority Leader Frank Watson

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

A message from the House by

Mr. Mahoney, Clerk:

Mr. President -- I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1

A bill for AN ACT concerning procurement.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1492

A bill for AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1551

A bill for AN ACT concerning renewable fuels.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1657

A bill for AN ACT concerning business.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1784

A bill for AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL NO. 3604

A bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

Passed the House, April 25, 2007.

MARK MAHONEY, Clerk of the House

The foregoing **House Bills Numbered 1, 1492, 1551, 1657, 1784 and 3604** were taken up, ordered printed and placed on first reading.

A message from the House by

Mr. Mahoney, Clerk:

Mr. President -- I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

HOUSE BILL NO. 161

A bill for AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL NO. 415

A bill for AN ACT concerning insurance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 736

A bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL NO. 742

A bill for AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1930

A bill for AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL NO. 3490

A bill for AN ACT concerning local government.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 3588

A bill for AN ACT concerning criminal law.

Passed the House, April 25, 2007.

MARK MAHONEY, Clerk of the House

The foregoing **House Bills Numbered 161, 415, 736, 742, 1930, 3490 and 3588** were taken up, ordered printed and placed on first reading.

A message from the House by

Mr. Mahoney, Clerk:

Mr. President -- I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

HOUSE BILL NO. 613

A bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL NO. 957

A bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL NO. 982

A bill for AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL NO. 984

A bill for AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1361

A bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1475

A bill for AN ACT concerning transportation.

Passed the House, April 25, 2007.

MARK MAHONEY, Clerk of the House

The foregoing **House Bills Numbered 613, 957, 982, 984, 1361 and 1475** were taken up, ordered printed and placed on first reading.

A message from the House by

Mr. Mahoney, Clerk:

Mr. President -- I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

HOUSE BILL NO. 682

A bill for AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 894

A bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL NO. 951

A bill for AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL NO. 954

A bill for AN ACT concerning veterans.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1517

A bill for AN ACT concerning juveniles.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1628

A bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1637

A bill for AN ACT concerning revenue.

Passed the House, April 25, 2007.

MARK MAHONEY, Clerk of the House

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The foregoing **House Bills Numbered 682, 894, 951, 954, 1517, 1628 and 1637** were taken up, ordered printed and placed on first reading.

A message from the House by
Mr. Mahoney, Clerk:

Mr. President -- I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1719
A bill for AN ACT concerning local government.
HOUSE BILL NO. 1805
A bill for AN ACT concerning health.
HOUSE BILL NO. 1915
A bill for AN ACT concerning transportation.
HOUSE BILL NO. 2133
A bill for AN ACT concerning transportation.
HOUSE BILL NO. 2242
A bill for AN ACT concerning health.
HOUSE BILL NO. 3678
A bill for AN ACT concerning children.
Passed the House, April 25, 2007.

MARK MAHONEY, Clerk of the House

The foregoing **House Bills Numbered 1719, 1805, 1915, 2133, 2242 and 3678** were taken up, ordered printed and placed on first reading.

A message from the House by
Mr. Mahoney, Clerk:

Mr. President -- I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 19

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that that part of Interstate Route 90 of the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, which is in the State of Illinois between the intersection with Interstate Route 294 and the State line with Wisconsin, is hereby designated as the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with State regulations, appropriate plaques or signs giving notice of the designation.

Adopted by the House, April 19, 2007.

MARK MAHONEY, Clerk of the House

The foregoing message from the House of Representatives reporting House Joint Resolution No. 19 was referred to the Committee on Rules.

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READING BILLS FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES A FIRST TIME

House Bill No. 1, sponsored by Senator Harmon, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 161, sponsored by Senator DeLeo, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 187, sponsored by Senator Risinger, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 415, sponsored by Senator Demuzio, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 613, sponsored by Senator Ronen, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 682, sponsored by Senator Frerichs, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 736, sponsored by Senator Koehler, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 820, sponsored by Senator Althoff, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 894, sponsored by Senator Haine, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 954, sponsored by Senator Dahl, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 984, sponsored by Senator Frerichs, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 1124, sponsored by Senator Haine, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 1242, sponsored by Senator Bond, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 1456, sponsored by Senator Frerichs, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 1460, sponsored by Senator Garrett, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 1517, sponsored by Senator Wilhelmi, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 1637, sponsored by Senator Koehler, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 1657, sponsored by Senator Trotter, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 1719, sponsored by Senator Harmon, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

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House Bill No. 1839, sponsored by Senator Delgado, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 1930, sponsored by Senator Halvorson, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 1514, sponsored by Senator Watson, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 3604, sponsored by Senator Silverstein, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 3627, sponsored by Senator Trotter, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

House Bill No. 3658, sponsored by Senator Viverito, was taken up, read by title a first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

REPORT FROM STANDING COMMITTEE

Senator Hendon, 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 Governor's Message appointments.

The motion prevailed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Senator Hendon, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive Appointments, to which was referred the Governor's Message to the Senate of March 22, 2007, reported the same back with the recommendation that the Senate advise and consent to the following appointment:

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, ILLINOIS

To be a member of the Illinois Civil Service Commission for a term commencing March 16, 2007 and expiring March 1, 2013:

Ares G. Dalianis
Salaried

Senator Hendon 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 55; Nays None; Present 1.

The following voted in the affirmative:

Althoff	Forby	Lightford	Ronen
Bomke	Frerichs	Link	Rutherford
Bond	Garrett	Luechtefeld	Sandoval
Brady	Halvorson	Maloney	Schoenberg
Burzynski	Harmon	Meeks	Sieben
Clayborne	Hendon	Millner	Silverstein
Collins	Holmes	Munoz	Sullivan
Cronin	Hultgren	Murphy	Syverson
Crotty	Hunter	Noland	Trotter
Cullerton	Jacobs	Pankau	Viverito
Dahl	Jones, J.	Peterson	Watson

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DeLeo	Koehler	Radogno	Wilhelmi
Delgado	Kotowski	Raoul	Mr. President
Demuzio	Lauzen	Righter	

The following voted present:

Haine

The motion prevailed.

Whereupon the President of the Senate announced confirmation of the foregoing appointment.

Senator Hendon, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive Appointments, to which was referred the Governor's Message to the Senate of February 23, 2007, reported the same back with the recommendation that the Senate advise and consent to the following appointment:

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR ADVISORY BOARD

To be a member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board for a term commencing February 16, 2007 and ending January 19, 2009:

Joe Ward
Non-Salaried

Pending roll call on motion of Senator Hendon, further consideration of the Governor's Message of February 23, 2007, was postponed.

Senator Righter raised a point of order as to whether pursuant to Senate Rule 7-12, a Governor's Message appointment can be placed on the order of consideration postponed.

The Chair observed that a motion to postpone consideration applies to "legislative measures," and read into the record Senate Rule 1-8, under which the term "legislative measure" includes messages from the executive branch.

Senator Hendon, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive Appointments, to which was referred the Secretary of State's Message to the Senate of April 10, 2007, reported the same back with the recommendation that the Senate advise and consent to the following appointment:

DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL FOR ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE

To be Director of Personnel for the Office of Secretary of State. For a term ending January 10, 2011.

Steve Roth
(Salaried)

Senator Hendon 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 55; Nays 1.

The following voted in the affirmative:

Althoff	Forby	Lauzen	Righter
Bomke	Frerichs	Lightford	Ronen
Bond	Garrett	Link	Sandoval
Brady	Haine	Luechtefeld	Schoenberg
Burzynski	Halvorson	Maloney	Sieben
Clayborne	Harmon	Meeks	Silverstein

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Collins	Hendon	Millner	Sullivan
Cronin	Holmes	Munoz	Syverson
Crotty	Hultgren	Murphy	Trotter
Cullerton	Hunter	Noland	Viverito
Dahl	Jacobs	Pankau	Watson
DeLeo	Jones, J.	Peterson	Wilhelmi
Delgado	Koehler	Radogno	Mr. President
Demuzio	Kotowski	Raoul	

The following voted in the negative:

Rutherford

The motion prevailed.

Whereupon the President of the Senate announced confirmation of the foregoing appointment.

Senator Righter made a motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair on its earlier interpretation of Senate Rule 7-12 as it relates to the Governor's Message of February 23, 2007 and requested a roll call vote.

The Chair stated that an automatic application of the rules does not constitute a ruling of the Chair.

On motion of Senator Hendon, the **Governor's Message to the Senate of February 23, 2007**, having been read previously this day of April 26, 2007, and pending roll call further consideration postponed, was taken up again.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR ADVISORY BOARD

To be a member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board for a term commencing February 16, 2007 and ending January 19, 2009:

Joe Ward
Non-Salaried

Senator Hendon 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 30; Nays 23; Present 2.

The following voted in the affirmative:

Bond	Garrett	Link	Silverstein
Collins	Halvorson	Maloney	Sullivan
Crotty	Harmon	Meeks	Trotter
Cullerton	Hendon	Noland	Viverito
DeLeo	Hunter	Raoul	Wilhelmi
Demuzio	Koehler	Ronen	Mr. President
Forby	Kotowski	Sandoval	
Frerichs	Lightford	Schoenberg	

The following voted in the negative:

Althoff	Delgado	Millner	Righter
Bomke	Hultgren	Munoz	Rutherford
Brady	Jacobs	Murphy	Sieben
Burzynski	Jones, J.	Pankau	Syverson

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Cronin
Dahl

Lauzen
Luechtefeld

Peterson
Radogno

Watson

The following voted present:

Clayborne
Haine

This roll call verified.
The motion prevailed.
Whereupon the President of the Senate announced confirmation of the foregoing appointment.

On motion of Senator Hendon, the Executive Session arose and the Senate resumed consideration of business.

Senator DeLeo, presiding.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senator Halvorson offered the following Senate Joint Resolution and, having asked and obtained unanimous consent to suspend the rules for its immediate consideration, moved its adoption:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 49

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that when the two Houses adjourn on Thursday, April 26, 2007, the Senate stands adjourned until Tuesday, May 01, 2007 at 12:00 o'clock noon; and the House of Representatives stands adjourned until Friday, April 27, 2007, at 9:00 o'clock a.m., and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, May 01, 2007, at 12:00 o'clock noon.

The motion prevailed.
And the resolution was adopted.

Ordered that the Secretary inform the House of Representatives thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Senator E. Jones offered the following Senate Joint Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Rules:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 50

WHEREAS, The people of the State of Illinois were shocked and saddened to learn of the 32 college students who were tragically slain on the campus of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (commonly known as "Virginia Tech") in Blacksburg, Virginia, on Monday, April 16, 2007; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois is home to over 180 public and private universities and colleges, which serve over 800,000 students in undergraduate and graduate programs; and

WHEREAS, The public and private universities and colleges of Illinois operate across the State in a wide range of circumstances, from urban buildings to rural campuses, and with differing levels of police and security resources; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is created the Task Force to Prevent Campus Violence to examine the causes of campus violence and to develop recommendations to prevent incidents of campus violence, including, but not limited to, assault,

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sexual assault, hate crimes, and murder, on Illinois' college campuses; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall consist of the following members:

(1) the chairperson and minority spokesperson of the Senate Higher Education Committee;

(2) the chairperson and minority spokesperson of the House Higher Education Committee;

(3) 9 members of the Federation of Illinois Independent Colleges & Universities, one member representing a local law enforcement agency in a community where a public or private college or university is located, one member representing community colleges located in Cook County, and one member representing community colleges in counties other than Cook County, all appointed by the Governor; and

(4) the Chairperson of the Board of Higher Education, the Chairperson of the Illinois Community College Board, the President of Chicago State University, the President of Eastern Illinois University, the President of Governors State University, the President of Illinois State University, the President of Northeastern Illinois University, the President of Northern Illinois University, the President of Southern Illinois University, the President of the University of Illinois, the President of Western Illinois University, the Director of State Police, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Human Services (or their designees); and be it further

RESOLVED, That the chairperson of the Senate Higher Education Committee and the chairperson of the House Higher Education Committee shall serve as co-chairs of the Task Force; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the members of the Task Force shall serve without compensation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Higher Education shall provide such staff and resources as may be necessary for the Task Force to perform its functions under this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2008, at which time the Task Force shall be dissolved; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Governor, the Chairperson of the Board of Higher Education, the Chairperson of the Illinois Community College Board, the President of Chicago State University, the President of Eastern Illinois University, the President of Governors State University, the President of Illinois State University, the President of Northeastern Illinois University, the President of Northern Illinois University, the President of Southern Illinois University, the President of the University of Illinois, the President of Western Illinois University, the Director of State Police, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Human Services.

REPORT FROM RULES COMMITTEE

Senator Halvorson, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, during its April 26, 2007 meeting, reported that the Committee recommends that **House Bill No. 1100** be re-referred from the Committee on Transportation to the Committee on Rules.

Senator Halvorson, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, during its April 26, 2007 meeting, reported the following House Bill has been assigned to the indicated Standing Committee of the Senate:

Executive: **House Bill No. 1100.**

Senator Halvorson, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, during its April 26, 2007 meeting, reported the following Senate Resolution has been assigned to the indicated Standing Committee of the Senate:

Executive: **Senate Joint Resolution No. 50.**

INTRODUCTION OF BILL

SENATE BILL NO. 1840. Introduced by Senator Kotowski, a bill for AN ACT concerning business.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Rules.

RESOLUTIONS CONSENT CALENDAR

SENATE RESOLUTION 150

Offered by Senator Clayborne and all Senators:

Mourns the death of Claudia Mary Nash-Thomas of East St. Louis

SENATE RESOLUTION 153

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:

Mourns the death of James W. Ashley of Vermont, formerly of Hinsdale and Chicago.

SENATE RESOLUTION 154

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:

Mourns the death of Louis C. Beccavin, Jr., of Lisle.

SENATE RESOLUTION 155

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:

SENATE RESOLUTION 156

Offered by Senators Holmes – Harmon and all Senators:

Mourns the death of Mary Fran Flowers of Montgomery.

SENATE RESOLUTION 158

Offered by Senator Harmon and all Senators:

Mourns the death of Dorothy DiPaolo of Chicago.

The Chair moved the adoption of the Resolutions Consent Calendar. The motion prevailed, and the resolutions were adopted.

At the hour of 2:59 o'clock p.m., pursuant to **Senate Joint Resolution No. 49**, the Chair announced the Senate stand adjourned until Tuesday, May 1, 2007, at 12:00 o'clock noon