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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The regular Session of the 102nd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? In place of our invocation, the Senate will observe a moment of silence in respect for all those lost during the pandemic. Please feel free to reflect or pray silently during this, according to your own traditions. (Moment of silence observed) Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Bennett, please lead us in the Pledge.

SENATOR BENNETT:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Bennett)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

We have requests for videotaping from WGEM and from Blueroomstream. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Monday, May 24th, 2021.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. President, I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal just read by the Secretary, pending arrival of the printed transcripts.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Murphy, Chair of the Committee on Executive

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Members of the Senate, please come to the Senate Floor. We're going to be doing House Bills 2nd Reading and House Bills 3rd Reading. So all Members please come to the Senate Floor. We'll go to the Calendar. On page 32, we'll go to the top of the page and we'll go to 2nd Readings. House Bill 88. Senator Van Pelt. Just one second. We got ahead of ourselves. Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. -- Mr. President, pursuant to Senate Rule 4-1(e), I move that Senators Ellman, Harris, Stewart, Wilcox will be allowed to participate and move -- and vote remotely for today's Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senators Ellman, Harris, Stewart, and Wilcox be allowed to participate and vote remotely for the May 25th, 2021 Session Day pursuant to Senate Rule 4-e -- 1(e). All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The motion carries, and Senators Ellman, Harris, Stewart, Wilcox are allowed to participate and vote remotely for the May 25th, 2021 Session Day. Now we will go to the top of page 32 and we're going to go to House Bills 2nd Reading. House Bill 88. Senator Van Pelt. House Bill 275. Senator Feigenholtz. House Bill 417. Senator Martwick. House Bill 2553. Senator Castro. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2553.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3004. Senator Connor. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3004.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3161. Senator Villanueva. House Bill 3437. Senator Hastings. House Bill 3496. Senator Villanueva. We're going to go to the top of the Order on House Bills 3rd Reading. We're going to go to page 12. Starting up at the top of the -- middle of the page is Senate -- or House Bill 9. Senator Fine. We are going to go through the Order. We're going to skip those bills that are on the Agreed Bill List. If there are Floor amendments, we will be handling those at the appropriate time. House Bill 12. Senator Villivalam. House Bill 14. Senator Villa. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. I'm -- I'm sorry. That's on the Agreed Bill List. I misread it. My mistake. I just said what we're doing and then I didn't follow it. House Bill 24. Senator Stadelman. House Bill 25. Senator Villanueva. Going to page 13. House Bill 53. Senator Connor. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 53.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Connor, to explain your bill.

SENATOR CONNOR:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 53 is a House Member initiative that requires employers that rely solely on artificial intelligence analysis of a video interview to determine if an applicant will be selected for an in-person video -- or, excuse me, for an in-person interview to collect and report, one, the race and ethnicity of applicants not chosen for an in-person interview and, two, the race and ethnicity of -- applicants hired, and submit an annual report to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. So, as we all know, artificial intelligence has been -- being used more and more in -- in hiring decisions. So what this bill does, it narrowly tailors the bill to require only those companies that rely solely on artificial intelligence analysis of a videotaped interview to provide this information to the Department of Commerce and -- Economic Opportunity so that we can establish whether an artificial intelligence analysis has a racist bias, has any sort of biases built into the system. So I -- at this point, I'm unaware of any opposition and I would urge an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield for a

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question, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR ROSE:

Senator, this is fascinating stuff. I'm glad we chose it for our first bill of the morning because I'm not quite awake yet, but... So -- so make sure I understand this correctly. You're using a -- some sort of computer script, a -- a -- a formula or whatever, and they're just looking at résumés and they're picking out people for interviews. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Connor.

SENATOR CONNOR:

Yes, that -- that is correct. This -- there are companies that use this artificial intelligence analysis in addition to other factors, but some companies have been using just this artificial intelligence analysis and those are the companies that this particular legislation is -- is asking for statistics from.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

So I join you in concern about this brave new world we're in, but - forgive me if I'm wrong here - if you have an algorithm that's just reading résumés and you're not allowed to ask for race, ethnicity, et cetera, how is it going -- how are you going to actually know and report this data?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Connor.

SENATOR CONNOR:

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So, that -- well, that's the frightening thing, Senator, is that this is -- is -- is that the algorithm that's being utilized, it actually watches the videotaped interview in the same way that facial recognition software and other types of algorithms. It actually knows the race of the person from analyzing the video, from -- you know, from actually gleaning that information from the submitted video.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

So this isn't like an algorithm that's reading résumés to pick; this is actually facial recognition software that is analyzing the persons during their job interview?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Connor.

SENATOR CONNOR:

So, my understanding is, it -- it -- is that the person who's seeking the job prepares a videotaped interview in which they answer questions that the company wants answered. They then submit that video and this algorithm -- basically watches the video and scores it, and then those scores are used to determine whether or not that applicant gets to an in-person interview or whatever the next step in the hiring process is. So it's -- yeah, we're -- it -- it -- it's a little bit frightening what artificial intelligence is already able to do. So it -- it listens to the person speaking; it can grade the person on how quickly they answer questions, vocabulary depth, all sorts of other, you know, types of indicators that are built into the algorithm. So it utilizes a lot of, you know -- you know, what -- as we talked about, facial recognition,

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voice recognition, pattern analysis, linguistics. You know, there are -- it's -- it's very, very sophisticated, so...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Well, thank you, Senator, for the -- the information here. This is scary stuff. Would you sign me on as a chief cosponsor to this bill as well? I would really appreciate it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Connor.

SENATOR CONNOR:

Thank you very much, Senator, for those questions. And although I do share the name with a character that was trying to save the world from technology, that is not the reason that I'm carrying this bill today. So I would ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I -- I wasn't sure you saw my light. Yes, Senator Connor, will -- may -- will the sponsor yield...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

He'll yield.

SENATOR TRACY:

...to questions, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Go ahead, Senator. He indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR TRACY:

Senator Connor, in committee, I had some questions because of

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the way the bill was structured. As I read the bill and my analysis, it looks like there is no exception or exemptions for small businesses that would be covered within your bill. Correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Connor.

SENATOR CONNOR:

There is not, Senator. My understanding is, is the only companies who utilize this analysis solely as -- as an indicator are all large -- these -- they're not small-scale companies, at least as far as I'm aware.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

And then, also, within the bill, there wasn't enforcement in the Act for businesses that do not comply. Correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Connor.

SENATOR CONNOR:

That's correct. I believe the expectation is, is -- is first to analyze, you know, any data that is submitted to see whether there's a problem.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

And then my next question was, why would a company self-report to DCEO if there is no enforcement?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Connor.

SENATOR CONNOR:

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The -- my guess is, is that -- I mean, if -- well, that would not be a good idea, obviously, for them not to self-report, particularly if they ever want to, you know, ask the State for grants or anything like that. Obviously, whether or not they've followed the enforcement of this particular provision could be factored into those decisions. But, you're right. We could follow-up with a trailer bill on -- on an enforcement mechanism. I believe this is an attempt just to get the statistics to see if there's a reason for us to be concerned with this actual process, first.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

And then I would -- I just -- certainly appreciate the intent and why, but, here again, I think it's a bill that may or may not do something. And we sure have a lot of bills that are moving forward and we sure have a lot of -- many, many, many bills that have not been allowed to move forward, so I think this is one that maybe isn't ready to move forward. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? If not, Senator Connor, to close.

SENATOR CONNOR:

I'd urge an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 53 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll now go to remote voting. Senator Ellman. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

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Stewart's No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Stewart votes No. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Wilcox votes No. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 43 Ayes, 11 Nays, none voting Present. And House Bill 53, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll now go to House Bill 56. Senator Bush. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 56.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bush, to explain your bill.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thanks very much, Mr. President. So this bill is pretty simple. It's an initiative of a Member of the House. HB 56...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

It's very hard to hear you, Senator. Could you... Yes. Thank you.

SENATOR BUSH:

Got to love a mask. Okay. Is -- is that better? Thank you, Mr. President. So, currently, elected county officials, such as sheriffs, treasurers, and clerks, receive payments consisting of salary and benefits directly from the county as well as certain

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other stipends supplied by the State of Illinois. For example, the Counties Code requires the State to provide a six thousand five hundred annual stipend to county sheriffs in addition to any salary provided. So this would mandate that compensation of county elected officials be fixed by a resolution or ordinance made by either the county board or the board of commissioners, and of course, then that would make it transparent and we would know what kind of stipends our elected officials were getting. Know of no opposition. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 56 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll go to the remote voters. Senator Ellman. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart's Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Pop up video. There you go.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Yes, Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 56, having received the required constitutional majority, is

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declared passed. We will go down to House Bill 117. Senator Martwick. House Bill 118. Senator Villa. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 118.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, to explain your bill.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 118 is fairly simple. For employers who act in bad faith and fail to pay their employees compensation to which they've already agreed, this bill increases the damages employees may claim monthly from two percent to five percent, providing more of a disincentive to act in bad faith. This bill also puts the damage amount in line with last year's minimum wage increase, which also increased the damages from two to five percent.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Sally Turner.

SENATOR S. TURNER:

I'm sorry, Mr. President. That was for a bill previous. I wanted to reflect that I wanted a No vote on House Bill 56. And I'm sorry, sir.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Deal with that after this. Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Sponsor indicates she'll yield.

SENATOR McCLURE:

So, Senator, our analysis has a couple of opponents. Do you know, are these opponents still there and who are they?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

I'm -- I'm not sure of the full list, but I do know that the Illinois Chamber of Commerce opposes and I also know that the National Employment Law {sic} (Lawyers) Association is a proponent, along with the Shriver Center, AFL-CIO, AFSCME, and the Illinois Department of Labor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Thank you, Senator. Is the National Federation of Independent Businesses also still a -- an opponent? Excuse me.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

I don't have the updated list. I apologize.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Villa, to close.

SENATOR VILLA:

I urge an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 118 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll go to remote voting. Senator Ellman. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart's No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes No. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes No. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 40 voting -- Yea, 15 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 118, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to turn the page and go to House Bill 234. I'm sorry. House Bill 214. Senator Feigenholtz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 214.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Feigenholtz, to explain your bill.

SENATOR FEIGENHOLTZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 214 is a -- an effort for the advanced practice nurses to allow APNs to sign a -- a death certificate. Up until now, it has been simply physicians. This

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is going to help in all of the delays, because physicians are -- of course, especially in downstate, there's a great shortage of them and APRNs are always available for this. I'd appreciate an Aye vote. And any questions, I'm glad to answer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 214 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Turning to our remote voters. Senator Ellman. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.
SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart's Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 214, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Sally Turner, you had a point of question?

SENATOR S. TURNER:

No. Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to reflect a No vote on House Bill 56.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Record will so reflect your intentions. We'll go to House Bill 226. Senator Belt. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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House Bill 226.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Belt, to explain your bill.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill -- House Bill 226 creates the Higher Education Fair Admissions Act, which prohibits public universities from requiring applicants who are residents of Illinois from submitting only a standardized test score to be admitted to the school after the effective date, January 1st, 2022. Mr. President, I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 226 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Now we'll go to the remote voting. Senator Ellman. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes No. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 45 voting Yea, 9 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 226, having received the required constitutional amendment -- majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to House Bill 234. Senator Villa. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 234.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, to explain your bill.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. HB 234 is media literacy education in high school for students. This bill would provide students with tools that they need to navigate social media and misinformation. Media literacy education is nonpartisan and apolitical. It will ensure that all students learn twenty-first century literacy skills that they need for health, well-being, and economic success.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 234 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Going to remote voting. Senator Ellman. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart's No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes No. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

I need to see your picture, Senator.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Pop up video.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes No. Have all voted who wish? Have all

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voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 42 voting Yea, 15 voting Nay, and none voting Present. And House Bill 234, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We will go to House Bill 270. Senator Belt. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 270.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Belt, to explain your bill.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 270 requires the Department of Transportation to fund the cost of construction projects on State roadways, including infrastructure for people walking and bicycling, within one mile of a municipality of one thousand people or more with programmed funds that have not been expended in the past five years. House Bill 270 also specifies that a municipality can pass a resolution stating that the pedestrian way does not fit within their development plan.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Senator, does this take any money away from the IDOT lockbox money from the motor fuel tax?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Belt.

SENATOR BELT:

No. No, ma'am.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Can you explain where -- where exactly are the funds coming from then?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Belt.

SENATOR BELT:

These funds are all -- have already been established for the sidewalk projects. It's part of the capital bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank -- thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Senator DeWitte.

SENATOR DeWITTE:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR DeWITTE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of this legislation. There was a lot of discussion at committee regarding the limitation on population that funds would be available for -- or communities -- funds that would be available to communities. I

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pledge to my colleagues, we're going to continue to work to take that one thousand -- one thousand minimum population number down. There are a lot of smaller communities across this State that I think could take advantage of this legislation. So I urge an Aye vote, but will continue to work with the sponsor to see about eliminating that population limitation on the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Belt, to close.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you, Mr. President. I -- I urge Aye votes. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 270 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We're now going to go to the remote voters. Senator Ellman. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart's Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 270, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 310. Senator Belt. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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House Bill 310.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Belt, to explain your bill.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 310 creates the Feminine Hygiene Product {sic} (Products) for the Homeless Act, which provides to ensure that feminine hygiene products be made available for free at all homeless shelters that provide housing assistance to women and/or youth. Mr. President, I know of no opposition to the bill. And I ask for all Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you. Questions of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

He indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, does this -- does this mandate that the facilities have to purchase these items and establish this program?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Belt.

SENATOR BELT:

No, sir. What it does it's -- it underscores the importance of homeless shelters to provide or make it a priority to purchase feminine -- feminine products for the homeless and/or youth.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Syverson.

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SENATOR SYVERSON:

Is there any penalty for homeless shelters that -- that do not use the funds to establish this program?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Belt.

SENATOR BELT:

No. There -- there's no penalty included in any of the language. There's no enforcement. Really, it boils down to humanity and dignity of -- of -- of people and having the access to have their basic hygiene level met, if so desired.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Okay. Just - so just to clarify then, what -- what this does is mandate a voluntary program that they can either do or not do. But it mandates a voluntary program?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Belt.

SENATOR BELT:

Senator, what it does, again, is underscore the importance of the lack of feminine -- products to homeless women and -- and youth. There is this thing called period poverty that it looks to address, where women are reusing old sanitary napkins, they're -- they're using cardboard, they're using newspaper, they're using bundled tissue to -- to satisfy that -- that basic need that they have, which sets up infection, which sets up emotional issues as well. So all it does, really, is prioritizes shelters to -- if - if it's in their want to purchase feminine products to allocate -- to distribute to the homeless.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Any further discussion? Senator Belt, to close.

SENATOR BELT:

Mr. President, again, I -- I urge Aye votes for this -- for this bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 310 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll now go to our remote voting. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart's Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes Yes. Senator -- I'm sorry. I need to see you, Senator. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart's Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Need to see your face, Senator.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Pop up video.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 310, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 332. Senator Murphy. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 332.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy, to explain your bill.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 332 is very similar to -- or House Bill 332 is very similar to Senate Bill 101, and it creates a task force that will study the cost of books for college students. So, there was no opposition in either facility. Although, ISAC -- the -- there is some issues that will be worked on with the implementation of the task force as time goes on through the summer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

She indicates she will yield.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Thank you, Senator. I'm not on this committee, but our notes

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in our analysis indicate there was a promised Floor amendment before this was brought to a vote. So can you please address that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

...repeat your question. I didn't hear it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Thank you, Senator. Sorry. I'm -- I'm not a member of this committee, however our analysis says that there was a promised amendment before this was brought to a vote. So I'm just curious if that's true, number one, and, number two, if that's the case, where is the amendment at?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

...Mr. President. There was one amendment brought. There was a promise of continued discussion, and it did not yield any changes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Any further discussion? If not, Senator Murphy, to close.

SENATOR MURPHY:

I just ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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The question is, shall House Bill 332 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll now go to remote voting. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Senator Wilcox votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 332, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 351. Senator Bush. At the top of the page 15, we'll go to House Bill 374. Senator Sims. Senator Sims, on House Bill 374. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 374.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Sims, to explain your bill.

SENATOR SIMS:

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Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 374 allows for community colleges to develop policies that allow for the creation of affordable housing options for our students. I know of no opposition and ask for any -- ask for a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Will the -- will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR McCLURE:

So, my understanding is, this can already be done. So with that being said, what's the purpose of the bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Sims.

SENATOR SIMS:

Senator McClure, to allow for -- again, as the -- as the policy is -- currently existed, it allows for permissive authority for community colleges to have this policy set in place. So, it -- it currently allows for us to set out in statute that these -- that these policies and programs can be created. So it's -- it allows for clearly delineating that these policies can be done.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Senator, do you have to be a student to access this housing?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Sims.

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SENATOR SIMS:

You do.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Any further discussion? Senator Sims, to close.

SENATOR SIMS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ask for a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Question is, shall House Bill 374 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Go to remote voting. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Ellman votes Yes. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart. Senator Wilcox. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 374, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll now go to House Bill 376. Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 376.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Villivalam, to explain your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 376 requires every public elementary and high school to include in its curriculum a unit of instruction studying the events and contributions of Asian Americans in Illinois and the U.S. Asian Americans are one of the fastest-growing populations across Illinois, nearly eight hundred thousand people as of 2017. Yet, our stories in history textbooks are nowhere to be found. This legislation -- well, what happens right now is this erases the legacies and contributions of Asian Americans throughout -- throughout our history, leading to a less complete understanding of U.S. history as a whole. This legislation seeks to correct that and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Senator, thank you for the bill. I do intend to vote for this. However, is there any funding to implement this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

There -- there's not funding specifically tied to this piece of legislation. However, I do believe that this is -- that this is important enough for us to work to include it in our curriculum

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and I'm happy to work with you on the funding.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, to close.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. I want to thank all of my colleagues for their outreach and support of this legislation. For those of you that were on the Senate Exec -- Education Committee, you heard a -- a phenomenal young student by the name of Kiana Kenmotsu speak and I just want to read an -- excerpt from her testimony. My -- "my passion was fueled by my anger when the AP U.S. history class did a mock trial my junior year. They put the Japanese internment camps on trial. After days of solid evidence, I was incredulous when classmates staunchly believed that my Korean War veteran grandfather, my -- my 442nd Regiment veteran great -- great-uncle and thousands of innocent Americans were rightfully convicted {sic}. This is not what we should be learning. Our education should teach us from right and wrong through holistic and inclusive history, not re-traumatizing Japanese American students like me." And as was said in the committee, we -- we were on team Kiana then and we're on team Kiana now. And, again, I'd like to thank my colleagues for their support on this. And I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 376 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all

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voted who wish? We'll now go to our remote voters. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

I got bumped off. If we're on 376, Wilcox votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 376, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 381. Senator Anderson. House Bill 449. Senator Castro. House Bill 573. Senator Bennett. House Bill 574. Senator Fine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 574.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Fine, to explain your bill.

SENATOR FINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 574 updates the Illinois

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Not-For-Profit Dispute Resolution Center Act. It updates the Act to direct two dollars from every civil court filing fee to the community dispute resolution fund from the current one dollar. The funding has not been updated since it was originally established in the 1980s. At that time, centers -- centers mediated about seven hundred cases a year. This year centers expect to serve more than two thousand five hundred cases. I know of no opposition and I'd appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall House Bill 574 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll go to the remote voters. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes Yes. Video.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 574, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll turn the page and we'll go to House Bill

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641. Senator Villa. Senator Villa, on House Bill 641. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 641.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, to explain your bill.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 641 amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. This bill requires public universities and community college districts to make menstrual hygiene products available, at no cost to students, in the bathrooms and {sic} (of) facilities or portions of facilities owned or leased by the institution. Period poverty is real, and this bill will be helpful to our students. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion, the -- I'm sorry. Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have questions of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

She indicates she will yield.

SENATOR TRACY:

Yes. Senator, have you an idea or estimate of a cost to this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

I do not know an estimated cost to this.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Were you aware that Southern Illinois University voluntarily did this and then recalled the program because of rampant theft?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

As a person who menstruates, when I go to the bathroom, I -- if I needed a product, I would use it. But I don't think that that would be considered stealing.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Well, thank you. You know, I -- I am all about hygiene and providing necessary items, toilet paper and the like, but the experience at Southern Illinois University was that more were taken than were needed and very much more taken than needed and it was just taking. And, you know, there's programs that we -- we put out there that are for use, but we also generate a culture that invites taking whatever you can, whoever pays for it. And the fact is, our universities have been hurting because of lack of funding from our State. And I think that it's very important that you ask the question sometimes, "Who pays for this?" We have lost that dialogue. We just think we can print money, tax more, and it all works out. And we hide behind things like feminine hygiene. Yes, I'm a woman; I've been through all that and I know it's necessary, as necessary as toilet paper. But, at some point, we have to ask where this money is coming from and who has to pay for

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it and who is hurt by it. There's many programs that our cut every day because we don't have the money. So I just think -- I'm sorry for ranting, but at some point, we have to ask how much, who pays, and at whose expense. And we also have to stop creating a culture that everything is free so let's just take it. As I said, Southern Illinois University went through this and that was their experience. So, thank you. That is my comments and I think it's important to consider. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Villa, to close.

SENATOR VILLA:

There's a small coffee shop in my district and - where I -- where I live actually; it's one of the poorest communities that I have the distinct honor to represent - and they don't provide cheap menstrual products; they provide the kind that I personally would go and purchase at the store. They're there, free for the taking. And, you know, that -- that is a coffee shop in a -- in a very low-income neighborhood. They're obviously not afraid of -- of theft of these products, as -- I -- I believe that college students would be able to go in and make that determination if it was a need for them; that they would be able to go in and use the products as necessary. So I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 641 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll now return {sic} to the remote voting. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Yes.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.
Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes No. Have all voted who wish? Have all
voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 42
voting Yea, 13 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill
641, having received the required constitutional majority, is
declared passed. We will go to House Bill 653. Senator Connor.
House Bill 653. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 653.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Connor, to explain your bill.

SENATOR CONNOR:

If we could delay this, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Out of the record. House Bill 679. Senator Harris. House
Bill 709. Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the
bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 709.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Villivalam, to explain your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill -- or, sorry, House Bill 709 amends the Department of Human Services Act. It requires the Department of Human Services, in consultation with other State agencies, to conduct a public information campaign to educate immigrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and other noncitizens residing in Illinois of their rights under the U.S. Constitution and Illinois laws that apply regardless of immigration status. This is an initiative of the -- of the House sponsor and supported by the National Association of Social Workers, the Illinois Department of Human Services, and the Catholic Conference of Illinois. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Senator, if you could, you mentioned this is an initiative of, I -- I believe, the House sponsor. Are there other -- you know, does this -- does this legislation mandate the public education of the Bill of Rights in the Illinois Constitution?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you for the question, Senator. As mentioned earlier, it's an initiative of the sponsor in the House who heard -- who's

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heard from constituents, as have I, on the need to ensure that immigrants know their rights.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

What is the -- is there -- is there something that prohibits the Department from doing this type of education today?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

I think the goal is to increase public awareness and that's why we engaged with the Department and the Department is supportive of the idea of doing a public information campaign.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

What is the cost of this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

It's funded by the Department of Human Services. I can get you the specific amount of funding, but, again, they are -- they are supportive of the legislation and the concept.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

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SENATOR BARICKMAN:

You know, I -- I would just raise the question to the Body of the necessity of this legislation. We have lots of important things out there. I mentioned the Bill of Rights in my questions. There's lots of things for which our State agencies could take upon them to educate the public on. This creates a mandate on the Department. What it means is the Department's hands will be tied. They'll have less flexibility to determine the needs that exist at any given time. We don't even have an estimate of the cost yet. I'd urge a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Villivalam, to close.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. I think it's of utmost importance that we continue to work to raise awareness -- public awareness and do a public information campaign to ensure that immigrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and other noncitizens residing in Illinois know -- know their rights under the -- U.S. Constitution and Illinois laws regardless of their -- of their immigration status. Again, it's supported by the National Association of Social Workers, the Department itself, and the Catholic Conference of Illinois. And I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so the question is, shall House Bill 709 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll now go to the remote voters. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Aye.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator -- Senator Stewart, I need to see you.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes No. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes No. Video.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes No. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 36 voting Yea, 15 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 709, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. WCIA seeks leave of the Body to record the Session. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. We'll go to the top of the page 17. House Bill 816. Senator Feigenholtz. Go to House Bill 862. Senator Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 862.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter, to explain your bill.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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Thank you, Mr. President. House 62 -- 6-8-2 -- 8-6-2 places a cap on -- of seven years after the date of adjudication for an action to collect a debt arising from a -- a violation of a municipal ordinance. And, currently, there is no statute of limitations on lawsuits of this type; whereas, the statute of limitations on debt based on written contracts is ten years and five years. So this one puts a cap up to seven years.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

There any discussion? Senator Van Pelt. Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

...bill.

SENATOR TRACY:

We've done a lot to change the law to help the remedial nature of a lot of parking tickets and how -- for instance, in the City of Chicago, there just really aren't many places to park and a person could rack up quite a few parking bills and then their license could be taken, their -- a -- a boot could be placed on their car, and it's become a real -- a real problem. However, I had a problem with what is often seen as local control, where the municipalities would not have this ability. Because, certainly, within the City of Chicago, you have parking problems; in many other areas of the State, you don't. And a lot of times people will rack up parking bills and their financial status may change. I just think this bill cuts off an ability of a city to collect fines that may have been intentionally incurred, knowing that they were parking in a spot that {sic} shouldn't have. And I -- I just think it -- it takes away the ability of a municipality to recoup

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some of the -- the finances that they have, and a person's financial situation could certainly change. Obviously, if -- if we've removed the remedial things, as we have, about taking away somebody's license for unpaid parking bills and the like, we've -- we've assisted very much. But I oppose the legislation just because I think it takes away from the ability of a city's local control and because a person's financial status could change and their ability to pay could, likewise, change. And so, for that reason, I oppose. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there further discussion? Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

No, sir. Not on this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

She indicates she'll yield.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, if you can help me understand this. If a individual was sent a violation within those seven years and then they moved or didn't respond to it and it went past the seven years, would that individual still be liable for that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Senator -- Senator Syverson, this bill does not bar a municipality from continuing to collect -- to try to collect on an

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unpaid debt. All it does is put a seven-year cap. That's all it does. It puts a seven-year cap and it prevents a municipality from going back twenty -- fifteen and twenty years from collecting the debt. That's all this bill does.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Okay. I'm going to try to ask that in a different way then. If a person was never notified of that charge and the municipality went back ten or twenty years later, I can understand that. So, in the situation where an individual was sent a violation in the first year, they didn't respond to it, they may have moved, or they got follow-up responses and they never paid it, once it got to that seventh year, is that person still liable, or is that debt then -- because they didn't pay that in that -- in that seven years, is that debt clear?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

They -- they are still held liable for that debt, Senator, whether they...(microphone cutoff)...not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

...long as -- so as long as they're notified within the first seven years that they have an outstanding debt, this seven-year window does not apply?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter.

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SENATOR HUNTER:

Correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you very much for helping explain that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

...no further discussion, Senator Hunter, to close.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I would ask for an Aye vote, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 862 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We're going to go to our remote voters. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Ellman votes Yes. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes No. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes No. Video.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes No. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 48 voting Yea, 6 voting Nay, and none voting Present. And House Bill

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862, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Van Pelt, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR VAN PELT:

Yes. Thank you. I would like to be recorded as a Yes on House Bill 7-0-9.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will so reflect your intentions. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like the record to indicate that I am an Aye for House Bill 2-7-0.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will so reflect your intentions. We'll go to House Bill 1063. Senator Peters. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1063.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Peters, to explain your bill.

SENATOR PETERS:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1063 is a bipartisan bill that improves HIV treatment. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1063 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll go to the remote voting. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

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Ellman votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.
Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Have all voted who wish? I'm sorry. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes No. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 37 voting Yea, 17 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 1063, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 1162. Senator Crowe. Senator Crowe, on House Bill 1162. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1162.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Crowe, to explain your bill.

SENATOR CROWE:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1-1-6-2 amends the required instruction portion of the School Code to include discussion of effective methods for prevention...

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Senator, can you please get closer to your mic? It's hard to hear.

SENATOR CROWE:

House Bill 1-1-6-2 amends the required instruction portion of the School Code to include discussion of effective methods for prevention and avoidance of drugs and the dangers of opioids and substance abuse. I know of no opposition and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall House Bill 1162 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll go to the remote voting. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes Yes. Video.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all

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voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 1162, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 1290. Senator Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1290.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton, to explain your bill.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1290 is -- adds the word to -- provides, for the purpose of determining eligibility for veterans benefits available from just this State, when somebody has a dishonorable discharge or a discharge that was other than honorable based solely on their gender identity or their sexual orientation. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there discussion? Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Mr. President, question to the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he will yield. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Does this bill put IDVA in a position where they need to adjudicate discharge statuses? Or is it possible for someone who was discharged due to sexual orientation or gender identity and misconduct to be treated as honorably discharged for the purpose

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of receiving State benefits?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Thank you, Senator Wilcox, for the fantastic question. No. The applicant for a State service must bear the responsibility to provide the official documentation to verify that the separation was due to their sexual orientation or gender identity specifically, with no associated misconduct issues. The goal of HB 1290 is to help veterans who received unfair discharge statuses due to their orientation and gender discrimination and allow them to receive State benefits. However, this bill is not intended to help veterans with misconduct-related issues. The -- the unfair discharge status will only be treated as honorable for State benefits if the status was solely related to their orientation or gender identity.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no further discussion -- I'm... I'm sorry. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Yeah, I do have one follow-up. Thank you, Mr. President. Is there an avenue -- for a member who believes they were discharged unjustly under that, but it is not reflected on their discharge paperwork, is there a process for them to attempt to appeal that -- that discharge assessment? Is it through the State or with the Department of Defense?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

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That would not be through the State, Senator. It would be an appeal process they could go through through the federal government, not through the State though. The State will not be adjudicating any of these natures.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

No further questions. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Cullerton, to close.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

First, I'd like to thank my counterpart on the Veterans Affairs for asking the questions, and I compliment the fact he got a haircut. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Question is, shall House Bill 1290 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll now go to remote voting. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Oh, my apologies.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

There we go.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

...(inaudible)...Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes No. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Video.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Yea, 3 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 1290, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to the bottom of page 17. House Bill 1777. Senator Martwick. We'll turn the page to page 18. At the top of the page, House Bill 1779. Senator Muñoz. House Bill 1785. Senator Joyce. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1785.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce, to explain your bill.

SENATOR JOYCE:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1785 requires school boards to hold at least three public hearings for the sole purpose

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of discussing the closure of a school building and to receive input from the community, unless the school board {sic} is unsafe, unsanitary, or unfit for occupancy and notice has been served under the condemnation of school buildings code or notice is provided by a licensed entity able to determine the safety of the school building.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Yeah, question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Senator, if you could, what's the impetus of this bill? Where'd it come from?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

Senate Bill -- or District 227 was the -- the inspiration of this bill, the closure of -- 227 in Rich Township, the community concerns of lack of adequacy or -- for information to the public, the community concerns dealing with having ample time to review the decision. And this bill allows more time and discussion for such a large community decision.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

What -- what's the current law require in regards to public hearings prior to the closure of a school?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

...the -- the beginning of that question, again, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

What does the current law require in regards to public hearings before the closure of a school?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

Currently, there's no requirement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

And so this legislation would change the law for everyone, right? Not just the individual school district.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

In -- in the instance that you cited as the reason for this, what -- I presume -- was there a school board that was making the -- who was making this decision?

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Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

The school board.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

And -- and so your legislation is responsive to the fact that some did not agree with the school board?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

That's correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

The school board is -- I guess, what's wrong with the remedy that's in place? I mean, the school board, I presume, is elected. The aggrieved remedy would be to organize and become active in those school board elections, no?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

We're looking for the opportunity for more public input.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Okay. No further questions. Thank you. Thank you, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Joyce, to close.

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SENATOR JOYCE:

I'm looking for a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 1785 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Going to our remote voters. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes Yes. Video.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 1785, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll go back to House Bill 1779. Senator Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1779.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Muñoz, to explain your bill.

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SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This will expand an appropriate coverage of a biomarker -- biomarker testing for State-regulated public and private insurance plans. It will require group or individual accident and health insurance policies and managed care plans to include coverage for biomarker testing for the purposes of diagnosis, treatment, appropriate management, or ongoing monitoring of policyholder's condition when the test is supported by a medical and scientific evidence, such as labeled indications for an FDA-approved test or indicated tests for an FDA-approved drug, National Coverage Determinations, and nationally recognized clinical practice guidelines. The importance of this, you know, progress is {sic} improving cancer outcomes increasingly involves the use of precision medicine, which uses information about a person's own genes, proteins, or {sic} prevents diagnosis or treat diseases like cancer. I will attempt to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no -- discussion, the question is, shall House Bill 1779 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll now go to our remote voting. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes Yes. Video.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 1779, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll go back to page 17. We'll go to House Bill 1777. Senator Martwick. Mr. Secretary, please read the legislation.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1777.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Martwick, to explain your bill.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House {sic}. House Bill 1777 amends the -- Collateral Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code by requiring the City of Chicago to pay for policeman and fireman injuries that occurred in the line of duty before a determination is made. This is -- the City of Chicago does not participate in a workers' compensation system and so they sort of self-insure and this makes sure that injuries to our -- our first responders are -- that they're notified that they have the right to be covered for these injuries, that the -- assumption is that they were in the line of duty, and if a determination is made later, the City can recoup the costs. I ask

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for -- be happy to answer any questions and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall House Bill 1777 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll go to the remote voting. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Video. Senator Wilcox votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, 1 voting Present. And House Bill 1777, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we're going to go to page 19, down to House Bill 2521. Senator Villivalam. House Bill 2568. Senator Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2568.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Cullerton, to explain your bill.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. HB 1850 amends the Department of Veterans' Affairs Act, extending the deadline from -- for the following dates for the Veterans' Service-Related Aliments Task Force. I know of no opposition. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Just one second. We're going to back up and try that again. Senator Cullerton, to explain your bill.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Obviously, I grabbed the wrong bill file. I apologize for that, Mr. President. But I can ask for a favorable vote again. HB 2568 requires health insurance plans offered under the Public Safety Employee Benefit {sic} (Benefits) Act for injured police and firefighters. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you, Mr. President. May I ask some questions for legislative intent of the Senator?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Sponsor indicates he will yield.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you very much. Does the State negotiate health care for all of its employees?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

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Yes. The State negotiates health care benefits with the designated union representatives for all State employees represented by a bargaining unit.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Are those benefits codified in the respective collective bargaining agreements?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Thank you, Senator. Yes. In each contract, it is made clear what benefits the covered employee shall be granted, the rights and obligations of the group insurance health and life plan applicable to all Illinois State employees, and/or any other benefit fund that may be specifically negotiated with the bargaining unit.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you, Senator. Does the State ensure the eligible PSEBA recipients continue to have their insurance premiums paid in the event of death or catastrophic injury in the line of duty?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Thank you, again, for the fabulous question, Senator. Yes. That is provided as part of the benefits under statute and the State's group insurance plans.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bush.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you. Codify, codify. Potayto, potahto. Thank you, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Questions of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Senator, I'm trying to make sense of our analysis. Is -- are there opponents to the -- to your legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

So -- yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

The -- the natural follow-up might be, who are they?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Thank you, Senator, for that fabulous question, and that would be a natural follow-up. So I'm seeing Illinois Municipal League, the Fire Chiefs, and the County {sic} Association.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

And the -- all right, look, I understand you're not going to provide us maybe the substance of their opposition, but it's a little unclear to me as to what occurred regarding some amendments that may or may not have been adopted, that may or may not have been intended to remove that opposition. Can you walk me through what's happened here?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

So the original amendment was -- we amended for CMS and actually this -- the original amendment created more opposition. So we removed that amendment and it just -- kept with the same underlying bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Okay. Thank you. No further questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Senator Curran.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Sponsor will yield.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Senator Cullerton, oftentimes municipalities make additional health insurance options available - you know, you might think like an Aflac plan, things of that nature - to employees.

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Occasionally, not often, those get codified in the collective bargaining agreements. How does your legislation treat additional health insurance options that may or may not be available to employees of the municipality if that is actually codified in a collective bargaining agreement?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Senator, could you rephrase that question? I -- I'm trying to understand. Are you saying that if somebody has an Aflac plan, but they're disabled, can they still get an Aflac plan? Is that where you're going?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Curran.

SENATOR CURRAN:

So, Senator, your bill makes available to PSEBA recipients and their family members the health insurance options -- only the health insurance options in the collective bargaining agreement -- if I'm to understand your bill. Would that be correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Curran.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Sorry. Additional health care add-ons that a municipality make available to employees, not always, but occasionally do end up in collective bargaining

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agreements. If those additional add-ons end up in collective bargaining agreements, does your legislation then make that mandatory in offering to PSEBA -- to PSEBA recipients, or can a municipality withhold that offer of participation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

So my understanding would be that it would be -- if it's negotiated as part of the contract, it would be part of the contract and part of the collectively bargained issue. If it's, say, just an add-on that a municipality offers but is not necessarily within the scope of a negotiated contract, it would not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Curran.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Nothing further. Thank you to the sponsor. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Cullerton, to close.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

First, I'd like to apologize for starting off with the wrong bill. I definitely apologize for that. Second, I -- I thank all the fantastic questions from across the aisle. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So the question is, shall House Bill 2568 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll now go to our remote voters. Senator

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Stewart. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Wilcox votes No. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Yea, 1 voting No, 1 voting Present. And House Bill 2568, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to page 20. Middle of the page is House Bill 2790. Senator Aquino. Senator Aquino, on House Bill 2790. Going to go to House Bill 2950. Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 25 -- excuse me, 2950.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Morrison, to explain your bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill provides that Cook and the collar counties have the ability to utilize their locally assessed motor fuel tax revenues on shared-use paths, such as sidewalks and bike paths. It amends the definition of "highway" to include shared-use paths for nonvehicular (public) travel, sidewalks, and bike paths. Happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Any discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

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Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates she will yield. Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Senator, so the way I read this, this bill allows for MFT funds also to be used for operating, constructing, improving, and acquiring land for shared-use paths for nonvehicular public travel, sidewalks, and bike paths. So does this divert out of that fund for those purposes?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Morrison.

SENATOR MORRISON:

The fund -- Senator, the funds that are going to be used are locally assessed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Thank you. I'll take that as a Yes. I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy. No further discussion, Senator Morrison, to close.

SENATOR MORRISON:

I guess I would close with just saying that safety improvements are important for everyone and people that use these paths also drive. I would -- it is permissive and has a great deal of local control in it. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So the question is, shall House Bill 2950 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all

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voted who wish? Going to the remote voters. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart, need to see you.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes No. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes Yes. Video.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 44 voting Yea, none voting -- 13 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 2950, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to turn the page to -- page 21. At the top of the page, House Bill 3099. Senator Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3099.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter, to explain your bill.

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SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the City {sic}. 3099 eliminates the Chicago Board of Education's Office of Chronic Truant Adjudication. Instead, this bill requires the Chicago Board of Education to implement a socio-emotional focused attendance policy that targets the underlining {sic} causes of chronic truancy. I think this would be a great opportunity to try to turn the lives around to {sic} young people and possibly their families as well. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing -- is there any discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates she will yield.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Senator, so I guess I'm just sort of confused by this. So all of us want kids to go to school. How is this going to change things -- things for the kids in the affected schools as far as if they're not...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR McCLURE:

...if they're not attending class?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

So -- so, Senator, when I say socio-economic {sic}, what I'm talking about is dealing with social issues, emotional issues,

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mental health issues, with the parents and/or family members as well as that individual. And we want to make sure that we keep this -- these young people out of the criminal justice system as much as we possibly can. But you don't know what's really going on until you go into the family to find out what's really going on and why are these kids truant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Thank you, Mr. President. So -- okay. So current truancy officers do that. They go into the -- the homes and they figure this stuff out. What enforcement mechanisms are available for these kids to get them to go to school? And I agree with you, number one, that we want to keep them out of the criminal justice system, we want to do what we can to help them emotionally and to make sure that -- that we can help to do whatever is necessary to get them to start going into school. But if they -- even after these -- these things begin taking place, where we're doing these helpful things, what mechanisms are in place to ensure that if they, at that point, still do not go to school, to force them to go to school?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

We're -- we're not trying to force no one to go to school; we're trying to encourage them to go to school. And we're also trying to put together some support systems for these troubled individuals. Most of the time, the teachers and the principals, they identify behavioral disorder problems in the school. It's -

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- they are either identified in the school or they are identified in the community when they're out there disrupting communities. And so -- and I don't know about the schools in your district, but in the City of Chicago, we don't have truant officers in -- at all the schools. We had them when I was a kid growing up. We had 'em at every single school. But, nowadays, they aren't there. So there's nobody that can catch these kids and we need a safety net. So, therefore, rather than being punitive, what we're talking about is putting together that social network and emotional network to address those kinds of issues. And that's what this bill does.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Fair -- fair enough, Senator. I certainly can't speak to what happens in Chicago. I'm only used to what I see around here. But, I guess, really the question is, though, let's say a child in -- in the area where you represent stops going to school. Things are -- things are put in place to try to get them to go to school. They're addressing emotional needs and -- and trying to do what they can. That child still decides not to go to school. What can be done at that point to try to encourage them, with some teeth, to go to school?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Social workers - they've gone to school; they're trained to work with troubled individuals and troubled families. And they've -- they've -- they've gone to school and they've learned all kinds of clinical techniques. Such as myself. I can go in there and I

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can turn a family around. I can turn an individual around.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure, to the bill.

SENATOR McCLURE:

One more brief question, Mr. President, if I may?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR McCLURE:

Does this -- there's certain -- there's certain teeth right now that you can do to a student. Does this take those away as far as taking away privileges or something like that, or does this not speak to those at all?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

This removes the office of adjudication. You know, when you start talking about taking things away, that's what the parents are -- are supposed to be doing. So you've got to work with the kids. You -- you can't just be punitive all the time. That's not solving the problems; you're only making problems worse. You've got to go where the individual is. Wherever they are, you've got to go there.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure, to the bill.

SENATOR McCLURE:

To the bill, Mr. President. Thank you. Thank you very much, Senator. I certainly think the intention of the bill is good. I -- and I agree with you that it's really the parent's responsibility to do this. Situations, however, where the parents

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are not doing their responsibility and the children are still refusing to go to school really concern me. And it's really about the future of the kids. I mean, where do -- you know, they need to -- they need to be able to get an education in order to be successful in this world, get a high school education. And so -- and get -- get -- get, in -- in -- in the lower schools, a -- a good education. So, for those concerns -- I have concerns right now because we have a lot of kids that have not been going to school. They've missed a lot of school over the course of this pandemic unfortunately. I know this bill doesn't affect my district so much, but we're just seeing that all across the nine counties that I represent unfortunately. So -- so, based upon that, we need more tools to make sure kids are going to school and I think this cuts into that. And so, for that, I would urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Senator Pacione-Zayas.

SENATOR PACIONE-ZAYAS:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR PACIONE-ZAYAS:

I'd like to thank the sponsor for introducing this bill. I think something that's really important to understand about education, child development, youth development, everything is based on relationships. If we do not have relationships with children and young people, there is no reason for them to be running to school, especially after the context of what they've experienced this past year under the conditions of the pandemic.

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And I think the fact that -- yes, we need tools, and these are precisely the tools that the research puts out there to explain that when we take the time to understand the context, the conditions, we then are able to better connect students to resources, remove barriers, and ensure that they actually have the education that they are entitled to. So I would like to urge an Aye vote. And thank you, Leader Hunter, for introducing the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Hunter, to close.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. This -- this -- this bill will also put in place an intervention service and it'll eliminate the -- the aspects of the notice of possible penalties. It will also create this safety net that our young people need today. There is no safety net and so, therefore, these kids keep getting in trouble and causing all other kinds of -- of disruptions in their lives as well as in the community. So I believe that this is -- this bill will -- will -- will put young people in the right step, and I would ask -- in the right direction as well. And, I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So the question is, shall House Bill 3099 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We'll go to the remote voting. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman votes Yes. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

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Stewart votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Need to see you, Senator.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stewart votes No. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes Yes. Video.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 44 voting Yea, 14 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House Bill 3099, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Will the Committee on Assignments please meet in the Well of the Chamber? Committee on Assignments. Senator Hunter in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator -- Senator Koehler in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Holmes in the Chair. Senator Holmes in the Chair in just a minute. Senator Holmes in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Rezin, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Madam President. Point of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

State your point, Senator.

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SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Madam President. I would like the record to reflect, on House Bill 118, me -- if you can record me as a No vote, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

The record will reflect.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Lightford, Chair of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer -- refer to Behavioral and Mental Health Committee - House Bill 3786; refer to Criminal Law Committee - Committee Amendment 2 to House Bill 3445; refer to Education Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 219, Floor Amendment 3 to -- refer to Education Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 219, Floor Amendment 3 to House Bill 2438, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 808; refer to Energy and Public Utilities Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 265; refer to Executive Committee - Senate Bill 2342, House Bill 3523, House Bill 1092, Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 3739; refer to Health Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2007, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2153, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2265; refer to Judiciary Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 116, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 730, Motion to

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Concur with House Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 2664; refer to Licensed Activities Committee - House Bill 2776; refer to Pensions Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 3004, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2107; refer to Revenue Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 340, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2531; refer to State Government Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendments 1 and 3 to Senate Bill 2290. Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-8 (b-1), the following amendments will remain in the Committee on Assignments: Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 3004, Floor Amendment 1 and 2 to House Bill 1960, Committee Amendment 1 -- Committee Amendments 1, 2, and 3 to House Bill 3443.

Signed, Senator Kimberly A. Lightford, Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Just as a reminder, the Senate will be voting on the Agreed House Bill List tomorrow. If you need to file a vote intention sheet, you have until 10 a.m. tomorrow to file that with the Secretary's Office. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 318, offered by Senator Morrison and all Members.

It is a celebration of life resolution, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, we are going back to House Bills 2nd Reading. That is on page 32 of your printed Calendar. We're going to start with House Bill 88. Senator Van Pelt. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 88.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

3rd Reading. House Bill 275. Senator Feigenholtz. House Bill 417. Senator Martwick. How do you wish to proceed, Senator? Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 417.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

3rd Reading. Moving on to House Bill 3161. Senator Villanueva. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3161.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Public Safety adopted Amendment -- Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3401. Senator Castro. House Bill 3437. Senator Hastings. House Bill 3496. Senator Villanueva. Senator Villanueva, on House Bill 3496. Out of the record.

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Senator Belt, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BELT:

Madam President, I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that Senate Resolution 2-3-2 can be heard today at 1 p.m. in the Senate Education Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Belt moves to waive all notice and posting requirements so that Senate Resolution 232 can be heard tomorrow at 1 p.m. in the Senate Education Committee. I'm going to correct that. It can be heard today at 1 p.m. in the Education Committee. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and notice and posting requirements have been waived. Senator Castro, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR CASTRO:

Purpose of a motion, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Go ahead, Senator.

SENATOR CASTRO:

I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 1953 can be heard on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate Executive Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Castro moves to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 1953 can be heard Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate Executive Committee. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notice and posting requirements have been waived. Senator Fine, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR FINE:

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Purpose of a motion, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Go ahead, Senator Fine.

SENATOR FINE:

I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that Senate Resolution 301 and House Bill 3786 can be heard today at 3 p.m. in the Senate Behavioral and Mental Health Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Fine moves to waive all notice and posting requirements so that Senate Resolution 301 can be heard today at 3 p.m. in the Senate Behavioral and Mental Health Committee. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. Let me go back and also add Senator Fine also, along with that, moves to waive all notice and posting requirements for House Bill 3786. So Senate Resolution 301 and House Bill 3786 can be heard today at 3 p.m. in the Senate Behavioral and Mental Health Committee. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notice and posting requirements have been waived. We are going back to page 5 of the printed Calendar, to Senate Bill 815. Senator Lightford, do you wish to proceed? Senator Lightford seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 815 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 815. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Lightford.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Lightford, to your amendment.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

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Thank you, Madam President. I'd be happy to debate it on 3rd and I ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Madam President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Amendment {sic} 815...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Excuse me. Senator Lightford, I did not move that to 3rds. I will move it to 3rds, and now if you'd like to explain your bill.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 815.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Madam President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Bill 815, as amended, creates the Commission on Equitable Public University Funding Act. The bill provides that, at minimum, the Commission would recommend specific criteria and approaches to the General Assembly to equitably fund public universities in the State, to evaluate the existing funding

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methods. As we were working on the education pillar, we spent a lot of time around the universities and workforce development. And what we found, that there isn't a -- a funding model similar to the K through 12 model that we established in the evidence-based funding. So we knew that we needed to not only provide a model for K through 12, but there needs to be a model for the early childhood level as well as the higher education. And the Governor's Illinois Council on Early Learning had already began in this phase. We also learned that the Department -- the Illinois Board of Higher Education was also working in this space and also a group that the Chicago State University had convened, with their president as the co-chair. So I can explain a little bit more of that, but I did want to just share this portion with you, is that what we did do back when we passed House Bill 2170 is that we did require the university to have course admissions requirements. We're working on ways to just try to help improve students transition from high school to the university level. We also identify more racist conscience and equitable ways to fund higher education, which is what we have right now. What we did back in January was request a -- a study be put together and that we continue to work on it until we can present some suggestions for today. So that group began working back in January and they've been working until now. That group primarily consisted of all of the universities and quite a few of our advocacy groups: The Partnership for College Completion, Advance Illinois, Women Employed, and the Young Invisibles {sic} (Invincibles). We continued to meet over the last four months. But as we were meeting, we were learning all this newfound information at the same time, and so we wanted to make sure that we had a system in

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place that pretty much could help us get to what -- where the struggles were when we were putting together the K through 12 funding model. And so I'm just hoping that this will be a -- an effort here for us to examine the role as a contributor to systemic racism while recognizing its place in providing opportunity and upward mobility and its role as a powerful actor in dismantling systemic racism. So as we look over the next ten years to create this model, we wanted to make sure that it identified with some of the challenges that many college students face, much different from K through 12. The areas would -- housing and -- and food challenges, and definitely income inequalities. So we want to make sure that this is a board that can work together, bring back some recommendations and findings for the General Assembly, then we can have at least a starting point to work from. So I'd be happy to answer questions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Is there any discussion? Senator Barickman, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

To the bill.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Madam President. I, first, want to acknowledge the work of the Senate sponsor on this legislation. Unfortunately, I think - and -- and as we discussed in committee - unfortunately, I think this doesn't get us quite to where we need to go as a state, as we have discussed. This Commission was portrayed by some as being modeled off of the manner in which the State rewrote

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its K through 12 evidence-based funding model. In fact, this has taken a start that is quite contrary to that effort. Here, instead of looking to some of the best practices that may exist in other states and otherwise, it begins with some preconceived notions that may exist about how we should fund our higher ed system. That's part of where this falls short. Specifically, when you begin an effort like this and exclude from even the discussion some of the things that I think this Body has long prioritized, including funding for first generation students, is a great example of that. It's an example of why this commission falls short. I would love to work with the sponsor on this. But as it's presented today, I don't think it's ready. I don't think it's a -- a good reflection of where we're trying to go within higher ed. And I would urge a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Leader Lightford, did you want to respond before I go on to other Members with questions?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Yes, ma'am. Thank you, Madam...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Go ahead.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

...President. I -- I -- I know that wasn't a question, that was a statement of the Senator, and -- and I appreciate his input because he was a Member that also grappled with us trying to come up with a K through 12 funding model. So -- but what I will respond to that -- or I will make this statement, I would, and just say that I'm a first generation graduate student, so there is no way that I would leave out a population that I know so well

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personally. And then, what we -- what we did was, we included we would remediate inequities and disparities in access, affordability, and completion for underrepresented and historically underserved student groups, including students who are Black, Latinx, from low-income families. The rural and first-generation portion is already embedded in the Illinois Board -- Higher Ed system of what we will be using to model. So it's like our starting point. It's already there. So we're just adding these components to that discussion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Bryant, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you, Madam President. Some questions of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Sponsor indicates she will yield. Go ahead.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you. Leader, it's very clear that you -- that you're very passionate about this issue and I want to thank you, first of all, for bring an amendment to the bill. But in some of the discussions with the Higher Ed working group, which I serve -- served on in the House and now serve on in the Senate, some of the legwork for what I think you're trying to accomplish has already been accomplished through the Higher Ed working group, including bringing in representatives from some other states to look at best practices and how other states who are actually funding their higher education in a different way are already doing that. So I guess my question -- my first question is, have you had the opportunity to look at any of what the Higher Ed working group has

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been doing? Because it is a bicameral, bipartisan group and has done some pretty good things, including the AIM HIGH scholarships. So, can you tell me where they fit into what you're trying to accomplish?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Leader Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you. Senator, I, too, was on that working group and I was proud to start that out with Senator McGuire, so I'm very familiar. I do have right here in my hand the IBHE Strategic Plan, so I'm -- I'm totally sure about where the Department is going. But the concern that we had while we were going through the pillar system to identify with systemic racism, we want to make sure that everything is looked at through an equity lens and that Black and Latinx students be addressed somewhat differently based on the needs of their environment and et cetera. So there is a number of elements that we just want to have included in the discussion. The Director of the Department of -- of the Board of Higher Ed has been a part of all of our conversations, as well as all of our universities. No one's opposed to this legislation. They pretty much crafted the Commission together. We've been working on this for the last four months. And I believe you will find a -- a total inclusion of all voices so that when we get that end result, it will be an example of the true diversity of this State and what the needs are, no matter if you're first generation, if you're rural, if you're from an urban area, if you're Black, if you're Latinx. We just want to make sure that all of those elements are taken into account when we begin to talk about what a funding model should look like.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you, Leader, and thank you for your answers. I would like to go to the bill. So, in regard to the bill, what Leader Lightford has mentioned is a work that's actually still in progress, so there's a -- a draft for it. To move forward on something that's still kind of a work in progress, until we see what that final draft would be, gives me some pause. I would also like to have the things that were mentioned in this bill brought before the Higher Ed working group to allow for that working group that has been working on this for several years -- to have the opportunity to hear from them as well. So, rather than going back and reinventing the wheel, I'd like to take -- I'd like -- and I'd like to encourage the Body to allow time for the Higher Ed working group, once -- you know, that COVID is now hopefully coming to an end, to do the real work that that working group is supposed to do. To the sponsor, I would very much like to be a part of the conversations. But, to the Body, I would urge a No vote on this to give the Higher Education working group the time to do what they've -- have been instituted to do. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Bryant, for what purpose do you seek recognition? Ope! Sorry. Senator Doris Turner. Senator -- Leader Lightford, would you like to close?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

I would, Madam President. Thank you so much and thank you for the discussion on this very important issue. You know, our universities were hugely impacted by our previous governor who did

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not fund them. We were all caught in a budget impasse and the struggles really grew financially, and not only did they impact our system, we began to lose a lot of students to other states. That was the reason why AIM HIGH was created, as an effort to help those students who do do well and want to aim high. I shouldn't say much about that - but I don't see Chapin Rose, so I think I'm safe. But I think that what we don't want to lose sight of is that, since 2018, there was a study that was just released that showed a decline in Black students by thirty percent. So it's an urgency that we try to take a look at what are the challenges that are impacting Black students, Latinx students, students from underrepresented communities, so that we can have a whole workforce, we can make sure that our -- our -- our State is solid moving forward. And I know that the IBHE Strategic Plan hasn't been voted on as of yet. They are convening on June 8th. So they're a week behind our schedule, but they're planning on voting for this initiative on the 8th. Again, it will be our -- our blueprint, if you will, and then the commissioners will build around that blueprint and develop something I think we could all be proud of as a State and bring those back. So those are just recommendations. This is a Commission. So those are just recommendations that will come back in 2023 before the General Assembly in a report format, and then that will be some tools there that the Body can use in developing what you think it ought to be moving forward. That would allow time for that bicameral, bipartisan work group to take those recommendations and have something very solid that they could build upon. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

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The question is, shall House Bill 815 pass. The question is, shall Senate Bill 815 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Ellman votes Yes. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Stewart votes No. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Wilcox votes No. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 40 Ayes, 18 Nays, and 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 815, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. To fulfill our responsibilities under Article V, Section 9 of the Constitution, we will now proceed to the Order of Advise and Consent. Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Madam President, I move that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on appointments set forth -- on -- No. 1010238.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Murphy moves that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on the Appointment

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Message just read. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate is resolved into Executive Session. On page 34 of the regular Calendar, Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message 101-238.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Madam President, the Committee on Executive Appointments, recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following appointment: To be a Member for the -- of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, Cynthia Santos.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. -- Madam President, I move that the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Is there any discussion? Senator Bryant, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BRYANT:

Madam President, I would like to receive recognition on a question prior to voting on this appointee. And it would be a question of the committee chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Proceed.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you. Senator Murphy, today marks the last day that the appointees to the parole board can be posted for us to consider this week. Is it your intention to call these appointees, also to be voted on in committee, and then finally here on the Floor prior to the end of this Session?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you for that question, Senator. It is the intent of the committee to fulfill our constitutional responsibility and ensure that no member -- appointee is expired within the sixty-day Session Day time frame. And, in the filing of an Appointment Message appointing the same person to the same office and for a term ending on the same date as that of an Appointment Message that was previously filed and later withdrawn shall have the effect of restarting the sixty Session day period within which the Senate must confirm or reject the appointee under Article V, Section 9, subsection (a) to the Illinois Constitution, Senate Rule 10-1, or any applicable law.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you, Senator, for that. I believe that's very similar to the answer that we've received when asking this question multiple times. Other boards and commissions don't necessarily have the ability to make decisions that could be for life and death issues. Since four members of the parole board were appointed, our committee has met ten times. In fact, I have some numbers in front of me that say ninety-eight appointees have been nominated; eighty-two appointees, we -- I believe we just voted on a couple of days ago; and we have forty-four that we could hear this week. There's still time to get these individuals on the Calendar. They're acting in the role that they're in right now, so they're making decisions of whether or not to release someone on parole

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right now, as we don't act on our responsibility as Members of this Body. So I would ask you again to please consider, as this is the last day and you are the chairman of the committee, and I have an -- utmost respect for you. Although, we haven't acted at this point, I believe you have the authority to make sure that those individuals are posted today and I would ask you to do so. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

So, as the Senator acknowledged, the question is the same and the answer is the same.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Is there further discussion? Senator Plummer, for what reason do you seek recognition?

SENATOR PLUMMER:

A question for the chair of the committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Sponsor indicates she'll yield.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

Chairman Murphy, are -- are you familiar with the name Ray Larsen, and if so, could you tell the Body who Ray Larsen is?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Is that to the Appointment Message? Let's stick with this Appointment Message, Senator.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

Very much so, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

I believe the Message we're looking for is to discuss the

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following appointment for the member for the Illinois Pollution Board, Cynthia Santos. Can we keep this discussion to Cynthia Santos, please?

SENATOR PLUMMER:

I'm happy to reserve my question until after this Appointment Message, Madam President. So I'll just press the button here in a few minutes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Murphy -- any further discussion? Or... Ope.

SENATOR MURPHY:

I -- I move that the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

I'm sorry. Senator Martwick, I see that you are seeking recognition.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

Thank you, Madam President. To the Appointment. I just wanted to -- I know that the discussion has gotten far afoot, but I just wanted to let the Body know that Cindy Santos has a long history of serving on the Water Reclamation District, is well versed in these issues, and would make an excellent appointment. And I ask the Body to please vote favorably.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Thank you. Senator Murphy, did you wish to close, or shall we move ahead?

SENATOR MURPHY:

No, Madam President. I move that the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination

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just made. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? We're going to go to our remote Members. Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Ellman votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Ellman votes Yes. Senator Harris. Senator Stewart.

SENATOR STEWART:

Stewart votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Stewart votes Yes. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wilcox votes Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Wilcox votes Yes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen, I move the Senate arise from Executive Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Murphy moves that the Senate arise from Executive Session. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate has arisen from Executive Session. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until 10 a.m. on the 26th day of May 2021. The Senate stands adjourned.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Pursuant to the directive of the Senate President, the regular Session of the Senate is now in perfunctory Session.

Communication from the President. Letter dated May 25th, 2021.

Dear Mr. Secretary - Pursuant to Rule 2-10, I am scheduling a perfunctory Session to convene on Tuesday, May 25th, 2021. Sincerely, Don Harmon, Senate President.

Resolutions.

Senate Resolution 320, offered by Senator Johnson and all Members.

It is a celebration of life resolution and will be referred to the Consent Calendar.

Senate Resolution 319, offered by Senator Collins.

It is substantive.

Committee Reports.

Senator Belt, Chair of the Committee on Education, reports Senate Resolution 232 Be Adopted; Motion to Concur - House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 808 Recommend Do Adopt; House Bill 26 Do Pass; Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 219, Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 576, Senate Amendment 3 to House Bill 2438, Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 2748, and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 3461 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Stadelman, Chair of the Committee on Local Government, reports -- reports House Bill 1931 Do Pass.

Senator Peters, Chair of the Committee on Public Safety, reports Senate Amendment 3 to House Bill 3161 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Crowe, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary, reports House Bills 2401 and 3662 Do Pass; House Bills 3100, 3582, and

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3886 Do Pass, as Amended; Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 2553 and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 3484 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Villivalam, Chair of the Committee on Transportation, reports House Bills 2863 and 3882 Do Pass; House Joint Resolution 6 Be Adopted.

Senator Morrison, Chair of the Committee on Health, reports Motions to Concur - House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2007, House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2153, House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2265 Recommend Do Adopt; House Bills 684 and 3666 Do Pass; House Bill 307 Do Pass as Amended.

Senator Connor, Chair of the Committee on Criminal Law, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 766 Recommend Do Adopt; House Bill 3445 Do Pass, as Amended; Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3317 and Senate Amendment 5 to House Bill 3587 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Fine, Chair of the Committee on Behavioral and Mental Health, reports Senate Resolution 301 Be Adopted, as Amended; House Bill 3786 Do Pass; House Joint Resolution 1 Be Adopted; and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 2784 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Bennett, Chair of the Committee on -- Higher Education, reports Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 375 Recommend Do Adopt.

Introduction of Senate Bills.

Senate Bill 2904, offered by Senator Bush.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2905, offered by Senator Villivalam.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

Appointment Messages.

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Governor's salaried appointment

To be a Member of the Illinois State Police Merit Board,
Andrew Berlin.

Appointment Message 1020181

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To be a Member of the Illinois State Police Merit Board, Nancy
Maldonado

Appointment Message 1020182

Governor's salaried appointment

To be a Member of the Illinois State Police Merit Board, Eddie
Lee Warren

Appointment Message 1020183

Governor's salaried appointment

To be Arbitrator of the Workers' Compensation Commission,
Kurt Carlson

There being no further business to come before this
perfunctory Session, the Senate stands adjourned until May 26,
2021, at the hour of 10 a.m., or until the call of the Senate
President. The Senate stands adjourned.