

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

November 5, 1985

PRESIDENT:

The hour of twelve having arrived, the Senate will please come to order. Will the members be at their desks. Will our guests in the gallery please rise. Prayer this afternoon by the Reverend W. P. Witkop, Faith Lutheran Church, Springfield, Illinois. Reverend.

REVEREND WITKOP:

(Prayer given by Reverend Witkop)

PRESIDENT:

Thank you, Reverend. Reading of the Journal.

SECRETARY:

Tuesday, October 29th, 1985.

PRESIDENT:

Senator O'Daniel.

SENATOR O'DANIEL:

Mr. President, I move that the Journal just read by the Secretary be approved unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDENT:

You've heard the motion as placed by Senator O'Daniel. Is there any discussion? If not, all in favor indicate by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The motion carries. It is so ordered. Senator O'Daniel.

SENATOR O'DANIEL:

Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the Journals on Wednesday, October the 30th; Thursday, October 31st; Friday, November 1st and Monday, November 4th, in the year 1985, be postponed pending arrival of the printed Journals.

PRESIDENT:

You've heard the motion as placed by Senator O'Daniel. Any discussion? If not, all in favor indicate by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The motion carries and it is so ordered. Resolutions, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution 577 offered by Senator Topinka, it's congratulatory.

Senate Resolution 578 offered by Senator Poshard, it's congratulatory.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar. All right. With leave of the Body, we have a number of requests. The House is recessed until two o'clock on June 30, 1992, so...you know, we're the only game in town and...Channel 20, Channel 3, Channel 7, Channel 5 and UPI would like to take some pictures. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. And we invite any House member who's within the sound of my voice to come in and get their picture taken. Senator Schaffer, for what purpose do you arise, sir?  
SENATOR SCHAPPER:

Mr. President, to request a Republican Caucus. I would expect that the caucus would last at least two hours and we realistically should alert our friends in the other party that we will be gone for a couple of hours and...not...hopefully not that long, and I'd like to request any other Republican members who might still be in their office to meet us in Senator Philip's Office immediately.

PRESIDENT:

That...that request is in order. The Senate will stand in Recess till the hour of two o'clock.

RECESS

AFTER RECESS

PRESIDENT:

The Senate will please come to order. With leave of the Body, I assume the leave is also given for this afternoon for the...our friends from the media to film or otherwise do what they have to do. Leave is granted. Resolutions, Mr. Secre-

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tary.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution 579 offered by Senator Poshard and it's a death resolution.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar. All right. With leave of the Body, we are going to move to page 2 on the Calendar. (Machine cut-off)...would assume what's euphemistically called the main event. On the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading is House Bill 568. Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

...okay. Thank you, Mr. President, and ask leave to go back to 2nd reading for the purpose of amendments.

PRESIDENT:

All right. Senator Philip seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 568 to the Order of 2nd Reading for purposes of an amendment or two. Is leave granted? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Are...are we going to have an opportunity to have the amendments passed out so we can see them?

PRESIDENT:

Yes. All right. Senator Philip seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 568 to the...for the...to the Order of 2nd Reading for purposes of an amendment. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 568. Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY:

Amendment No. 2 offered by Senator Philip.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This merely changes the title of the Act to say...it

includes, "economical development." It just broadens the scope. I move its adoption.

PRESIDENT:

All right. The gentleman has moved the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 568. Question? Senator Lechowicz.

SENATOR LECHOWICZ:

I question the germaneness of the amendment.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Zito, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR ZITO:

Mr. President, I would ask that the Secretary since we have so many amendments, they can refer to the amendments by the LRB number, please. It would be a little easier.

PRESIDENT:

That request is in order. Mr. Secretary, Amendment No. 2, how is that reflected?

SECRETARY:

LRB number is 8402545XKMLAM02.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Kelly, for what purpose do you arise, sir?

SENATOR KELLY:

Yes...yes, Mr. President, it seems like this would be a good time to request a caucus...

PRESIDENT:

Oh, it's a terrible time. Did...stand for any other purpose?

SENATOR KELLY:

Well, I don't know what the...all these amendments are and what the purpose is. We all know that...

PRESIDENT:

Well,...that's the..that's the point we are...we are...

SENATOR KELLY:

...Build Illinois is economic development in itself. I

hope we all know what that's been all about for the last year or year and a half, and I'm not sure...and it just seems like we've been here for two days now and I have not had an opportunity to...to vote in the local elections which took place today. We should have come in on Wednesday instead of Monday. I've been wasting my time and everybody else's and the Governor certainly isn't the only one that's been working. We're working a lot of times by just holding our patience till what...we find out what the program is and what's going on, and that's why I'm requesting a caucus.

PRESIDENT:

I...I think your point, otherwise, is well-taken, but I...frankly, in my judgment, a caucus will ill-serve the purpose of this Body at this moment. Senator D'Arco, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR D'ARCO

...Mr, President, I just would say that...amendments are distributed, we could read each amendment.

PRESIDENT:

Yes, we...

SENATOR D'ARCO:

And...

PRESIDENT:

Your point is well-taken. We are attempting to...to bring some order out of chaos. We have all been sitting around for weeks now awaiting the moment of truth and the moment is upon us, and we're going to do the best we can. I beg your pardon...Senator Netsch, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR NETSCH:

...our problem is we don't know what that truth is. We realize it's the moment of truth but we don't know what the truth is, because we don't have any idea what we are about to be presented with.

PRESIDENT:

You are sounding more and more like a regular organization Democrat every day, and I mean that as a...in a complimentary sense, don't misunderstand what I'm saying. Everybody is going to have an opportunity to vote on everything, all right? This is pure democracy, yes, sir. Senator Collins, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR COLLINS:

Yeah, I...I guess to just...to elaborate on...on that issue a little further. I think if...we can bring some order out of what has been chaos around here if, in fact, we did caucus and know what was going on in...in these amendments. I don't see it serving the...the...the public interest for us to sit here and...and...and vote or debate because all the cameras are here for the next five hours and then end up not doing anything. I think it would better serve the...public interest for us to caucus and see what's in these doggone amendments.

PRESIDENT:

Well, I...I am...I am convinced personally the Chair will suggest...I am convinced personally that everybody is pretty well aware of the issues and pretty well polarized on how they're going to vote. My attitude is, let's vote. All right. The question is the adoption of Amendment No. 2. Senator Lechowicz has questioned the germaness of Amendment No. 2. The Chair is prepared to rule that Amendment No. 2 is in fact germane. It is a change in the title from the, "Build Illinois" to "An Act to Encourage Economic Development, amending certain Acts therein named." The Chair rules that it is germane. The question is the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 568. All in favor of the adoption of the amendment, if there is no further discussion, will indicate by saying Aye. All opposed. The opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. Roll call has been requested as

it...sure will be on every other amendment. The question is the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 568. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 39 Ayes, 11 Nays, 2 voting Nay. Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 568 is adopted. Yes, sir, Senator Lechowicz.

SENATOR LECHOWICZ:

Mr. President, my light was flashing. I'm sure you got your paper over there, that's why you haven't...see it, but let me just point out to you that I respectfully disagree with the ruling of the Chair and it's my intent to file with the Clerk my official objection to your ruling, and I would humbly request a caucus be called at this time, as a regular Democrat, so we can get a little game plan on 568.

PRESIDENT:

Okay. Senator D'Arco, for what purpose do you arise? Now, the gentleman's request is still on the Floor.

SENATOR D'ARCO:

Let me...you know, Mr. President, a caucus isn't going to accomplish anything. Every one of these amendments...wait a minute...wait a minute, we know how to read and write. I mean, we all went to school to some degree here. I can read what it says on this amendment, I know what it does. The issues have been before this Body for over a month or two months. We all know what the issues are. We may be in favor of some; we may not be in favor of others.

PRESIDENT:

Why...why...Senator D'Arco,...allow me to suggest that the gentleman's request is in order. There will be a Democratic Caucus immediately in my office. We will reconvene at quarter to five.

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AFTER RECESS

PRESIDENT:

The Senate will please come to order. Senator Savickas, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR SAVICKAS:

Mr. President, I would move that the Senate adjourn until November 6th, at the hour of noon.

PRESIDENT:

The Senator has made a motion that we stand adjourned until noon tomorrow. All in favor indicate by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The motion carries. Senate stands adjourned till noon tomorrow.