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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The regular Session of the 88th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks and will our guests in the gallery please rise. Our prayer today will be given by Pastor Albert Weidlich, Captain and Chaplain, Civil Air Patrol, Decatur, Illinois. Pastor Weidlich.

PASTOR ALBERT WEIDLICH:

(Prayer by Pastor Albert Weidlich)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Topinka, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR TOPINKA:

Yes. Mr. President, in the past and usually every year I have tried at least once to bring some of the baked goods of my district back here for everyone. Those include these wonderful little Czechoslovakian kolacky. Well, today we have a special treat, in that one of our lobbyist friends, Alice Phillips, said that if I won the Treasurer's race, she would bake enough homemade kolacky for the entire Senate. So today we have this absolutely huge, humongous box that weighs a gazillion pounds, and it's all of Alice Phyllis' <sic> homemade kolacky. And I hope you will all enjoy it and dutifully put on weight because of it, 'cause food is love. Thanks so much.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

CBS, 60 Minutes and Channel 44 have asked permission to film today. Is permission given? Leave granted. Reading of the Journal. Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the Journal of Thursday, November 10th, in the year 1994, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journal.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Butler moves to postpone the reading and the approval

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of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. I will yield the Chair to Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. It's our pleasure today in the Illinois Senate to have a group of young men with us who won the Class A State High School Golf Championship. We have also with us their coach, Bill Pieper. And except for you who are in your first term, you'll remember Coach Pieper because his golf teams have won State titles seven out of the last ten years, including six in a row a few years ago, and this year they're back having won the State golf title again. Coach Pieper is going to go out on top and retire as the golf coach this year, but there are at least three underclassmen in this group, so I suspect we might see them back here next year anyway. Coach Pieper.

COACH BILL PIEPER:

(Remarks and introductions by Coach Pieper)

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Congratulations Coach Pieper and players and Monmouth High School on what's becoming a normal occurrence for you, and -- and we're very proud to have you in -- in the district. Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I -- just an inquiry. Senator Hawkinson, as -- as the coach may know or may not know, is -- is an outstanding golfer, but I want to know whether or not you think that you can beat any one of those kids up there. I think I'd -- I'd put my money on the kids.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

I think that's a rhetorical question. Thank you, Senator. No. No way. I can't even beat my ten-year-old. But, again, congratulations, Coach and players. And to you, Coach,

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congratulations on a great career as Monmouth golf coach. And, you three underclassmen, we'll expect to see you again next year. Congratulations.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 1902, offered by Senator Donahue.

Senate Resolution 1903, by Senator Syverson.

Senate Resolution 1904, 1905, both by Senator Topinka.

Senate Resolution 1906, by Senator Topinka and all Members.

Senator Severns offers Senate Resolution 1907.

Senate Resolution 1908, by Senators Severns, Demuzio and all Members.

Senate Resolution 1909, by Senator Demuzio.

Senate Resolution 1910, by Senator Weaver.

And Senate Resolution 1911, by Senator Butler.

Senate Joint Resolution 194, offered by Senators Philip and Donahue.

And Senate Joint Resolution 195, by Senator Hawkinson.

They're all congratulatory, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Consent Calendar. WICS-TV requests permission to videotape. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. Senator Fawell, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR FAWELL:

For the purpose of an announcement. There will be -- there will be a meeting -- it is not an official meeting, but we are trying to come to some kind of an agreement about the -- about the width of the implements as they are hauled about the State. I am opening this meeting to anyone who is interested. Frankly, I know very little about how wide a tractor is, and if any farmer or anybody interested in farm implements would like to join us, it

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will be at 2:30 in Room 212.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Room 230 -- 2:30, Room 212. Thank you, Senator Fawell.  
Messages.

SECRETARY HARRY:

A Message for the Governor by Mark Boozell, Director of  
Legislative Affairs, dated November 15th, 1994.

Mr. President - The Governor directs me to lay before the  
Senate the following Message:

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, 88th General  
Assembly - I have nominated and appointed the following named  
persons to the offices enumerated below, and respectfully ask  
concurrence in and confirmation of these appointments of your  
Honorable Body.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Motions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

The following Members have filed motions with respect to the  
following bills: Senate Bill 1369, Senator Topinka; Senate Bill  
357, Senator Dudycz; Senate Bill 1726, Senator Geo-Karis; and  
Senate Bill 1200, Senator Klemm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Mr. Secretary, the Chair requests that these motions be  
printed on the Calendar. So ordered. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Weaver, Chair of the Committee on Rules, reports that  
the following Legislative Measures have been assigned to  
committees: Approved for Consideration - Senate Bill 1454, the  
motion to concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1454, House  
Bill 282, House Bill 457, and House Bill 1124, and Senate  
Amendment 1 to House Bill 1124.

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Ladies and Gentlemen, Supplemental Calendar No. 1 has been circulated. We'll be going to Motions in Writing in just a few moments. I'll give you an opportunity to look at your Calendar and we'll proceed in just a few moments. All right. Ladies and Gentlemen, let me have your attention, please. We will now move to the Order of Motions in Writing. You have before you Supplemental Calendar No. 1. Senate Bill 357. Senator Dudycz. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to Senate Bill 357, in the manner and form as follows:

Amendment 1 to Senate Bill -- or, an Amendment to Senate Bill 357

in Acceptance of the Governor's Recommendations

Filed by Senator Dudycz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCH:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move the -- we -- the Senate accept the specific recommendations of the Governor to Senate Bill 357.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dudycz has moved to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to Senate Bill 357. Any discussion? Is there discussion? Is there discussion? The question is -- I'm sorry. Senator Shaw. Is there discussion? Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Yes. I wonder if -- since we're just starting these, if the sponsors could explain what the recommendation for change was. I noticed the vote on this was 49 to 9. Could you briefly explain what the Governor didn't like about this bill?

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Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. President. The Governor recommended deletion of some of the exemptions for the TIFs which were in the planning stages, as evidenced by an ordinance showing intent or by planning studies when Public Act 88-537 became effective. The exemptions would have allowed some of the TIFs to get around the requirement that they prove a lack of private investment in the area, and that they consider the service demands on local taxing districts.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Further discussion? Senator Dudycz, to close. The question is, shall the Senate accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to Senate Bill 357, in the manner and form just stated by Senator Dudycz. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, no Member voting Present. The specific recommendations of the Governor as to Senate Bill 357, having received the required constitutional majority vote of Senators elected, are declared accepted. Senate Bill 1200. Senator Klemm. Read the motion, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to Senate Bill 1200, in the manner and form as follows:

Amendment to Senate Bill 1200

in Acceptance of the Governor's Recommendations

Filed by Senator Klemm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

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Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1200 was a bill that we were helping the township road commissioners work on non-dedicated roads. And unfortunately in a House amendment, the words "non-dedicated" were taken out, giving the impression that it's -- applies to all roads in a township. Therefore, we wrote the Governor, asking if he would make these changes to clarify the language that we had said both in the committee and in the Floor of the House and Senate that we would do. And these are the changes we had recommended, and are included. So I do move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor on Senate Bill 1200, in the manner and form that you have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Klemm has moved to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to Senate Bill 1200. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? The question is, shall the Senate accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to Senate Bill 1200, in the manner and form just stated by Senator Klemm. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. The specific recommendations of the Governor as to Senate Bill 1200, having received the required constitutional majority vote of Senators elected, are declared accepted. Senate Bill 1726. Senator Geo-Karis. Read the motion, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to Senate Bill 1726, in manner and form as follows:

Amendment to Senate Bill 1726

in Acceptance of Governor's Recommendations

Filed by Senator Geo-Karis.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor on this bill. It simply restores the homestead improvement tax exemption to thirty thousand from forty-four -- from forty-five thousand. I move its acceptance.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? The question is, shall the Senate accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to Senate Bill 1726, in the manner and form just stated by Senator Geo-Karis. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. The specific recommendations of the Governor as to Senate Bill 1726, having received the required constitutional majority vote of Senators elected, are declared accepted. ...(microphone cutoff)...Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 2542, by Senator Farley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Introduction of Bills.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1852, offered by Senator Mahar.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

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



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SENATOR WELCH:

A point of inquiry. I would like to know if we are going to get to the bill -- never mind. Take it out of the record.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

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

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like the record to reflect that Senator Trotter is not here today. He's on official business.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Thank you, Senator. Record will so reflect. Is there any further business to come before the Senate? ...(microphone cutoff)...not, Senator Madigan moves the Senate stand adjourned until noon, Wednesday, November 16th.

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