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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

First Special Session of the 92nd 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 Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

(Prayer by Senator Geo-Karis)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Radogno)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Reading of the Journal. Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the Journal of Monday, June 10th, in the year 2002, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journal.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Jones moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending approval {sic} of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, it is so ordered. Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Message from the House by Mr. Rossi, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed a bill of the following title, the veto of the Governor notwithstanding, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 3714.

Passed the House, June 10th, 2002, by a three-fifths vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Channel 20 News, NBC 5 Chicago and Dwight Payne for Chicago News Story have all requested permission to videotape or photograph the proceedings. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Ladies and Gentlemen, Supplemental Calendar No. 4 has been distributed on the Members' desks. We will be going to that order of business immediately. Middle of Supplemental Calendar No. 4 is your Order of Motions in Writing to Override the Total Veto of the Governor. Yes, Senator Jones, for what purpose you rise?

SENATOR E. JONES:

Yeah. Thank you, Mr. President. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

State your point, sir.

SENATOR E. JONES:

To the Members of the Body, you know, we were -- we are called into Special Session to deal with the so-called unbalanced budget that we gave the Governor. Now, I was one who sat in on those meetings, along with the other Leaders and the Governor, and it was my understanding that we had an agreement, agreement that we had a balanced budget and all the items that we agreed to would be sufficient enough so that we would not have to be called here in Special Session to deal with a five-hundred-million-dollar cut. I passed out on your desk -- this is the press release that came out from the Executive Branch Office on June 2nd: Governor George Ryan today congratulated the Illinois General Assembly for passing a fiscal -- FY'03 budget that reduces appropriations by six hundred million from Fiscal Year '02. The fifty-four-billion-dollar FY'03 budget is a compromise agreement that includes a mixture of spending cuts and new revenue. Inclusive therein is a -- three hundred sixty-five million dollars in new taxes on tobacco, also the casino tax and some fees. Also

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included in there is the seven hundred and fifty million dollars in general obligation bonds that was put forth by your side of the council -- I mean, the Chamber to deal with the year-end balance, as well as the Rainy Day Fund. We left here in good faith, in good faith that we did not act irresponsible, and -- and this press release came from the Governor's Office. I'm -- I'm just so shocked that many of you are shocked, to find out that we have to come back in Special Session to cut out five hundred million dollars. Inclusive in this budget address, it talks about education, how we adequately taken. But I notice in -- in -- in the veto message there is severe cuts to the children across the State of Illinois. There are severe cuts to programs all across this State. We should not have to be here now. We had an agreement. I know we had an agreement. I know the budget was balanced according to the Budget Director, and this is shown right here in their own press release. So, again, the motion to override should be voted on in a sincere manner. When one votes to override, they are not being irresponsible because the money is there. It's right here in -- in the press statement. And being responsible, we should restore those dollars to education. We should not hurt the -- the poor children across the State of Illinois. We should not close facilities, because that was the agreement. That's what got out of here on -- on -- on June the 2nd. It's not my words; it's the words that's in this press release, and you have it on your desk. And -- and for those who don't have it, it's on -- you can look on the computer on the webpage. Everything is there. But I think we -- the reason why I wanted to make this statement now, before we proceed, because I don't want to hear all the rhetoric -- I don't want to hear all the rhetoric as to why we should not override some of these vetoes. The money was there. It came out from the Governor's Office and so forth. So, again, that's what it is. We shouldn't

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even have to be here right now to deal with the issue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Thank you, Senator Jones. Illinois Information Service requested permission to videotape the proceedings. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, have there been any motions filed?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Yes, Mr. President. Senator Hawkinson has filed a motion with respect to House Bill 3714.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Mr. Secretary, Chair requests that these motions -- that this motion be printed on the Calendar. So ordered. In the middle of Supplemental Calendar No. 4 is the Order of Motions in Writing to Override the Total Veto of the Governor. Is Governor -- Senator Hawkinson, on House Bill 3714. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that House Bill 3714 do pass, the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion filed by Senator Hawkinson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is the bill that would prevent Corrections from privatizing the dietary and commissary services. Forty-seven of us voted for this bill just a couple of weeks ago. Over a hundred voted for it in the House, and yesterday they overrode the veto with some ninety votes. This bill is not only to protect jobs of some State workers, but it's about safety in the Department of Corrections. It's about the safety of the -- of the men and women who go to work every day, who have to eat the food that is prepared, working

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alongside inmates. Many of you have toured correctional institutions and you know how the dietary services work. You know that these people are on the front lines for us, that they have important jobs to do. These are highly trained guards and they are trained to preserve the safety of both the inmate population, as well as the employees of those institutions who must eat that food. Safety ought to be our paramount concern here. And to privatize these services, to go out to a food service and bring in people who are not trained, who are not paid at the same level, jeopardizes the safety of the people who work in these institutions. Forty-seven of us agreed with that just a few weeks ago. Many of us have made commitments to this bill and ought to stand by those commitments. I also question -- and the reason we're here today, obviously, is this is also a budgetary issue. But during the debate before, we talked about the studies that have been done and the fact that the estimates of the dollars to be saved don't seem to be borne out by the experience in other states or even by the experience in our own State. At the one institution of the Department of Corrections, the regular -- where we do privatize, the cost per meal, in a study just a couple of years ago, is higher than the cost per meal at the other facilities that are not privatized. We need to override this veto to stand by our commitments to the men and women who are on the front lines and who work for us in the Department of Corrections. This is not as big a budget issue as has been presented to us. It -- there may be some slight savings if we don't do this. There may be some slight savings, and that has been borne out by studies in other states, but certainly not to the degree that we've been told in this case. But I would remind you that the primary issue here is safety in our institutions. But it's not just about the men and women who work and their safety in our institutions; it's also about the many small companies out there who are vendors and who

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supply the food and -- and the other items that are used. If we go to one big out-of-state supplier, we are going to cost all these small businesses the bulk of their business as well. This is an important vote. I would ask for your vote to pass House Bill 3714, the veto of the Governor notwithstanding. I'd be happy to try and answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Hawkinson has moved that House Bill 3714 do pass, the veto of the Governor to the contrary -- notwithstanding. Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. I stand in support of Senator Hawkinson's motion. We know that, one, he very eloquently and has also very succinctly outlined why we should do that today. When we were debating what we should do during regular Session, we agreed, in both Chambers, that this was an action that needed to be taken to keep the team together, the safety team, that team that works on behalf of -- of us as citizens out here, who make sure that our penal system is one in which we are incarcerating people in a humane manner and also treating them in a humane manner but also protecting those individuals that have to work in an environment that many times is less than desirable. It's a veto that we need to take today. We also -- addressing the budget issue -- or, the budgetary issue, on this side of the aisle, at least, and I think many Members over there, we put another twenty-five million dollars in the budget with the intent that those dollars would be in place so, in fact, we can pay for those services and keep that team in place. And I ask everyone on this side to support and -- and vote for this veto override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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proceedings. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Further discussion? Senator Luechtefeld.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senator Hawkinson, I think, has stated most of the -- most of the issues around this issue. I probably have more prison facilities and -- and employees, in my district, of prisons than any other Senator in the State. I have been into those institutions and have seen, you know -- what I think we're trying to do is something that doesn't work very well. You know, I've been against this from day one, mainly because -- you know, I know that many people have a philosophy that -- that privatization works, it saves the State money and it's maybe the direction in which we ought to go, and that may be true in some instances. In this particular situation, with regard to prisons, it's something that I think, simply, we're going to have more problems with than we realize as we do this. Most of those vendors that will bid this, basically -- you know, they're in -- they're in business to -- to do one thing and that is to make money. Two ways you can make money: You can cut services or you can lower wages. And, you know, one of -- and they will make money. Some way or another, they will make money. And in the process, you know, I think you -- you talk about low pay. With low pay, you have a tremendous amount of turnover, you have people who are -- who are not trained, and that's not the place to put those people. Again, I really dispute the amount saved, or at least the amount claimed to be saved, by doing this. You know, maybe the first year, as those vendors attempt to try to get those -- those bids, but as time goes by, I think you really lose that savings. At first I heard twenty million, then I heard twenty-five million, and now I'm hearing thirty million. Just -- I simply disagree with the fact that we will save that -- that kind of money. So, hopefully -- we supported this once before

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with forty-seven votes and hopefully we can do that again. I think it's the right vote and would encourage anyone on this side of the aisle to -- to make that vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Halvorson.

SENATOR HALVORSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I agree. I stand in strong support with Senator Hawkinson in this motion. This is not going to save the kind of money we say it is going to save, because, as the previous speakers have said, we have to spend the money somewhere else. And then what do we do if people are laid off? They're becoming unemployed, and they will be using government services in another way and then not spending money. Over the weekend I met with the Joliet people from Department of Corrections who have privatized their -- their food service, and they said that there were major uproars, there were problems. They couldn't get the portion size right. There were -- there were one thing after another. And then there was problems with -- with the cost because they had to come back. So, I agree that this is going to take time. This is not where we need to cut. It is not going to cause the savings that we believe it is going to.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I rise in strong support of Senator Hawkinson's motion and echo the previous speaker, so I won't repeat. But I also believe that in talking to many of my supervisors, that there are savings that can be made within dietary and how they do some of the things that they do. We haven't tried to do that. Director Snyder said last night in the hearing that many of these things were because of federal courts and rulings and things like that, but I still think

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there would be ways in which we could make some savings. Also, we passed Senator Watson's bill that deals with commissary and to be able to add -- increase some of the profit margin in -- in selling of commissary and put that money back into keeping those facility -- that operations open. I really urge your support on this override. I believe in all these things, and it's a security issue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Woolard.

SENATOR WOOLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Chamber. I, too, will not state the same things that have been stated before: savings, safety. I think these are issues that we all recognize. There's one thing that I would like to add to this discussion, and I think that some of you have been here for several years: Remember that we passed a privatization -- anti-privatization law several years ago. I believe that without question, that we already have a law on the books that disallows the authority of the Governor to do this. But, in fact, if we do, let's codify that again by passing this one last time. I believe that, without question, that the quality of service that is provided by these men and women has been second to none. I believe, without question, the safety that's provided by these folks is second to none. I believe that the only way that we can see a savings, if, in fact, there is a savings possible, is to take advantage of individuals that work there by cutting their pay and making them privatized individuals working for private business. Let's don't do it. Let's stand together. I encourage all of the Members on this side of the aisle, as well as all of the Members on that side of the aisle, to stand together for working men and women in our corrections system.

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Further discussion? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, thank you, Mr. President. Let me associate myself with the remarks of the other Members, but I also want to point out that the Illinois General Assembly, our Legislative Research Unit, did a quick study with respect to privatizing prison food services on January the 25th of 2002, in a request to Representative Gwenn Klingler. And one of the things I would like to point out is that privatized food costs more than traditionally prepared food in Illinois prisons. And that was one of the findings of this -- of this study, and I think that also leads to the fact that it seems to me that in addition to the -- the cost, the security issue is one that we ought to consider and vote Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in strong support. I agree with everything that's been said by the other Members. I think the -- big issue with me is the security area, and it's much more secure if you've got trained correctional officers also working in the kitchen. I think that's one thing we cannot afford to lose, is making our place more secure for the employees and also the inmates. But I am in strong support and I would urge all the colleagues to vote for this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I rise in opposition to this motion. And with all due respect to the previous speakers, I really urge my colleagues to look at this issue with a little perspective, please. First of all, there are many privatized food services in county jails across this State:

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DuPage County, Winnebago County. Cook County has privatized services and entertains competitive bidding for this service in their Cook County jail. But, Ladies and Gentlemen, I ask you to look at the larger issue here, please. All of us have been mouthing the words, all of us have been feeling it genuinely, to some degree or another, about what a tough year this is. We've all been saying, "We got tough decisions," and "It's a tough budget," "Painful reductions need to be made in human services and education," and that's all true. But I would urge you, and I implore you, to view this issue as a threshold issue, in this Session, on this budget matter, this year, here and now. Those of you who cannot see fit to look beyond an important community, a community of employees, the community in the -- in the correctional institution, but look beyond to the regular, ordinary citizens, taxpayers, who look at us and say, "Can they make a decision that to regular, ordinary, taxpaying citizens is a relatively simple decision, to privatize one small component, in one department, in one aspect of that department, and entertain competitive bids, deliver the service at a much costlier manner?" I'll tell you: For those who can't support this, you better be prepared to vote for tax increases. You better be prepared to vote for a much more painful and much more unpopular approach to solving the problem. Think about the regular, ordinary people who don't depend on government day in and day out. Do the right thing and vote No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank -- thank you very much, Mr. President. With all due respect to the prior speaker, this is not a big budget issue. The numbers that Senator Demuzio has -- has just referred to in the study that was done by the Legislative Reference Bureau {sic} just

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don't bear out your argument. They just don't. This is not a big budget savings. This is about safety in our institutions. This is about a bill that forty-seven of us already voted for. You're on record as supporting this. There are a few of you who didn't vote for this because of your individual views about privatization in general. Fine. I respect that opinion. But forty-seven of you voted for this already out of concern for the safety of the men and women who work in these institutions every day. This General Assembly, led by many of us over the years, has increased the inmate population in these institutions. We, by our laws, have enabled the criminal justice system to send people to these institutions. We have built the institutions. We have hired the men and women to staff them. They go to work. They can't even bring their own lunch. They have to eat this food that is prepared. They're entitled to know that it is prepared in a safe manner, and we need to have trained people. Former Sheriff Shadid said that very well. He has the experience in a county jail. He knows that we need to have trained personnel providing these services. For the safety of the men and women, for the many small businesses that are suppliers to these institutions and for the -- the overall health of these institutions, I ask you to keep your commitments, to be consistent with the vote that you cast earlier and to vote for House Bill 3714, the Governor -- the veto notwithstanding.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall House Bill 3714 pass, the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 33 Ayes, 19 Nays, and 3 voting Present. And the motion fails. Chair would observe that the motions filed on Senate Bill 2393 are printed on

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Supplemental Calendars No. 1, 2 and 3, which have been distributed on the Members' desks. This action has been necessitated by the electronic program that controls our tote board. We will first be going to Supplemental Calendar No. 1. ...News-Channel 32 Chicago has requested permission to videotape the proceedings. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Ladies and Gentlemen, if you'll turn your attention to Supplemental Calendar No. 1, page 1. The top of page 1 of Supplemental Calendar No. 1 is the Order of Motions in Writing to Override the Item Veto of the Governor. Senator Rauschenberger, on Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the first motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 16, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. These are, indeed, extraordinary times, and I'm -- I'm going to open with a -- with a few remarks that I'll try to make as concise as possible. We don't often do it, but it might be nice for the Members to recognize the work of the Secretary of the Senate and the Assistant Secretary of the Senate in their gymnastics to try to figure out how to put four hundred and -- apply four hundred and sixty-eight separate motions to one Senate bill. Apparently, the computer system that was brought to the Chamber by our forefathers allowed for ninety-nine separate actions on a single Senate bill. Since I filed two hundred and thirty-four motions to override on each of the changes the Governor's proposed and Senator Trotter did the same, they had to go through some real

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gymnastics to make the computer system work. That accounts for the multiple Calendars, and hopefully -- well, and to some extent, the slowness of the computer system as we move forward. So, a real word of thanks to the staff who run a professional Chamber here and keep us organized so that we -- the work we do actually comes out in the statute books in some kind of sensible order. These are extraordinary times. I thought I'd do a very quick review of where we are budgetarily. When we left almost two years ago, having passed the Fiscal Year '01 budget, the General Revenue appropriations for the State of Illinois at the -- for the FY'01 budget was twenty-two billion seven hundred and nineteen million dollars. That was in good times, and we -- we worked on the '02 budget together a year ago, trying to figure out where we should go. We projected revenue growth of eight hundred and fifty million dollars, and we essentially permitted a spending growth of nearly seven hundred million dollars. We entered that budget in good faith. I believe those revenue estimates to be reasonable. I might have argued for twenty-five million less, but certainly we anticipated, as we had for fifty years, that the State general revenues would continue to grow. In fact, what's happened is that the State general revenues did not grow at all. They have contracted by almost six hundred and fifty million dollars to date, opening a 1.5-billion-dollar hole in our spending plan. We've been working since November as a Chamber, particularly the Senate, in trying to address this problem. The Governor took some extraordinary action in reserving amounts of the budget. We tried to give him extraordinary authority. We passed it to the House in January. They defeated that. This Body's worked together in -- in -- in constant meetings. As I said before, we've had more meetings on -- on how to fix the '02 problem and how to go forward in the '03 budget than any other budget year I've ever been involved with and had a lot of very, very good support from Senate

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staff on both sides of the aisle. Done a lot of good work on this. On Memorial Day, the Governor presented us a -- a budget plan that he thought solved the problem, and I think did. He proposed spending twenty-two -- twenty-two billion four hundred and fifty-one million dollars in the General Revenue Fund, and he made a series of recommendations and a series of requests for revenue changes to make that budget work. In the end, the Senate, on Tuesday, passed a budget at essentially that level: twenty-two billion four hundred and fifty million dollars. It was actually, I think, ten million dollars less than the Governor had introduced. That bill was tabled in the House. They did their own budget based on the Governor's plan and added more than three hundred million of additional spending. The net effect on the General Revenue was two hundred and seventy-eight million of additional spending. So, the budget, as it left the House and came back to the Senate on concurrence, was at twenty-two billion eight hundred and seventeen million dollars. The Governor, because of the -- the increases in House spending and because we failed to pass his requested revenue package, has presented us with a series of vetoes that will move that budget that was passed by the House, concurred in by the Senate back to a level that he believes is financially manageable, giving us a spending plan, if we sustain all of his veto action, of twenty-two billion two hundred and fifty-three million. What's before us today is the Governor's attempt to -- to quickly finalize the '03 budget. We have the -- opportunity to provide certainty on every line item in the General Revenue spending for the next fiscal year with clear action by the Governor and clear intent by the General Assembly. The Governor has reduced this budget we sent to him by five hundred and sixty-four million using his line-item and reduction veto authority. As principal sponsor of Senate Bill 2393, I have filed motions to override the Governor's action on each of his two

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hundred and thirty-four budget lines he reduced or eliminated. But everyone needs to be clear about why I'm doing that. I do not support and will certainly not support an override of every item before us. As a matter of fact, I'll probably vote No on just about all of my motions. But I believe it's important, I believe it's critical, in fact, that we, as elected officials, be a -- a partner in the Fiscal Year '03 budget. We need to take clear and decisive action that puts the State's operating budget for the next fiscal year in place before it becomes effective on July 1st. We need to establish -- we need an established level of State spending so that State agencies, our local school districts and community providers across the State know what funding level they can expect and they can plan their budgets and their operations accordingly. Speaking for the Senate Republican Caucus, we've worked long and hard this Session to develop a -- a State budget that is responsible, balanced and a reflection of the extraordinary financial situation we're in. As all of you know, these decisions were difficult and the next ones we make won't be any easier, but we must stand up to our constitutional responsibility in the -- in the face of the worst financial condition this State has been in, relative to revenue growth and State operations, in the last fifty years. As Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee and the principal sponsor of the bill, I believe it's my duty and responsibility to give the full Body an opportunity to debate and to take action on the Governor's spending reductions. For that reason, we filed all of the motions. To continue our practice of an open budget process, the Appropriations Committee has held a four-hour public hearing yesterday that was not required by the Rules of the Senate but to make sure that Members who had time and Members of the Appropriations Committee got an explanation from the State agencies. We heard every witness who wanted to speak and remain

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for the four-hour hearing, and we discussed them at length in our caucus and believe we know the impact of these changes. I will personally oppose most, if not all, of these motions to restore funding. I believe that we have no choice but to continue to cut State spending in light of further declining revenues and a reluctance to borrow against future revenues. By filing these motions, every Member of this Body will be provided the opportunity to take a stand. Every Member will have the opportunity to cast a vote on whether the Governor's additional cuts will be enacted. It makes clear that this General Assembly is an equal partner in the budgeting process. It's fair, and I think it's our duty. To the process, very quickly: We've got two hundred and thirty-four motions to consider. Actually, you'll find four hundred and sixty-eight of them printed on the Calendar. As we do a motion that I've sponsored, as sponsor of the bill, we will skip the -- the motion that follows, Senator Trotter's, which were filed in case I didn't get around to acting on one of the motions. It is my intention to go in the order of the bill and hear, first, line-item eliminations. I would like the Body to consider discussing and debating them by program. For example, the first action we'll take will be on the Academic Early Warning system support for the -- in the State Board of Education. It -- it entails six line items necessary to eliminate the program. My suggestion will be: I'll explain briefly the program, we'll have debate or discussion on the program itself and then go to six roll calls, which will effectively eliminate the program or override the Governor's recommendation to eliminate the program so that -- and then we'll move on to the next question, which will be the Reading Improvement Program, again encompassed, I think, in one, two -- six line items. We'll discuss those -- the -- the program itself and then move those line items. You know, you certainly are entitled to your rights as Members. If there's particular

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questions on a line item, we'll -- we'll try to answer them, but we will act individually on the line items but hopefully discuss and debate the programs in principle. With leave of the Body, I'll begin. The -- the first discussion is the State Board of Education program, Academic Early Warning. It's -- it's a system -- it's a program designed -- as -- as test scores fail to measure up in a school district, it provides the State Board of Education resources to go in and try to support that school district. The total value of the reduction -- the elimination is around -- just under four million dollars. It encompasses the next six roll calls. I'll be happy to answer questions on the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger has moved that the item on page 16, line 20, of Senate 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Any question? Senator Jones.

SENATOR E. JONES:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. President. I feel compelled to respond to the Appropriation Chairman because, again, the Body is being misled, and in his statement as it relate to the budget and while we are here, he did not address the agreement. You have on your desk, Senator Rauschenberger, Chairman of Appropriation, the agreement with your Leader, myself, Speaker Madigan and Lee Daniels. We sat in and we came to an agreement. We do recognize these are dire times. We recognized when we sat in that room and hammered out an agreement. It's -- it's here in the King James Version of the English language. The fifty-four billion dollars is a compromise agreement. We shouldn't be here. We shouldn't be wasting taxpayers' dollars being here because we acted responsible. And in the bill that you stood up on the Floor, your version of the -- the securitization of tobacco dollars, using GO bonds - not the original one that we put in, but we supported that

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- that was part of the agreement. I have not heard anything from the Second Floor saying, "I'm breaking my agreement." But you, when you addressed this Body, you talk about the bill which you are sponsoring and the motions that you are filing to override the Governor's veto, but you don't have the courage to vote for your own motion. So that tell me your sincerity. But you should be as sincere in -- in voting in favor of your own motion because you, the Chairman of Appropriation, knew we had a balanced budget, that there was agreement and the dollars were there to do deal with this budget. You didn't address that. And I feel you -- you owe a obligation to each of us not to mislead us but to give us the actual fact. Because I know your Leader came back to you. I know they came back to your caucus. I know they told you about the agreement, as I did on this side of the aisle. So, how, all of a sudden, that agreement, we end up with a five-hundred-million-dollar reduction in the budget? And you voted for it. So that's what's so shocking about it: You voted for it, and you have a obligation to tell us the truth.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I actually rise in support of this motion. The cuts that we were given yesterday include over another hundred million dollars in the education budgets, and I have a concern, in particular, with the next six lines because the Academic Early Warning List has funding in it to make sure that the over forty percent of the students in the State of Illinois who are not meeting our State learning standards will have an opportunity to improve their academic performance. Last week, when we weren't in Session, luckily, I was at a lunch, as some other Members of the General Assembly were, with the United States Secretary of Education, Rod

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Paige, and at that lunch, a question was asked of him by myself: What will happen if we eliminate funding for certain programs such as the Academic Early Warning List? Will we be able to use the over two -- two hundred million dollars we're expected to receive from the federal government with the No Child Left Behind Act to put in place of the funding that we eliminate? The response was very unequivocal from Secretary Paige that the answer is no, we will not be able to use the federal funding if we end up supplanting that. So, I am concerned, in particular, with this -- or, these six line items, that we need to make sure that we are doing whatever we can to improve the academic performance of our students in the State of Illinois. I don't stand here saying that I am going to oppose every single cut that is in the Governor's veto address, but I do think that some of them are more important than others and I also believe that we need to do whatever we can to make sure that our children in the State of Illinois have the opportunity to perform well. And so I would urge an override of the veto for the next six line items. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Associated Press requests permission to photograph the proceedings. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Further discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

...Mr. President. You know, as elected officials, each and every one of us have a responsibility to the -- those individuals who elect us into office, and basically it's -- it's two big ones. One is to enhance their quality of life, and we do that by passing legislation, passing laws that's going to make a difference in their lives. The second is enriching their quality of life, and we do that by bringing home many of the resources that we have here in this State. To fail to do that, we aren't doing our jobs. Those are the promises that we make to our -- to our constituents

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and that's the job that we have to do down here. We did have a plan, and we had a plan way before May 31st and it was a -- a securitization proposal. And we debated the issues and we talked about it many times and in many different venues, and yet and still, we didn't go for that plan. On the 1st of June, we sat down again and that side of the aisle - your side of the aisle - came up with a Tobacco Settlement Plan, and that plan was not a securitization plan; it was a borrowing plan. It was your plan that we all agreed on that we would use to put another seven hundred and fifty million dollars in this budget so we can leave out of here with a balanced budget. We didn't do that; or, put -- put another way, we did pass that bill. Now today we're coming back saying that there was not a deal, there was not a plan, and I think that's very disingenuous, when the plan that was actually voted on and agreed upon was the one that you put onto the table. What we have today is, one, looking at -- at this issue right now, education. Education is the foundation in which our children begin their lives. It is the foundation in which they have to, at least, base their experiences on. They will never become viable citizens, they will never become taxpayers, there won't be a future for them unless we start dealing with these issues that now we're talking about to cut out of our budget. It is clear, the federal government and the U.S. Education Director has said that we should leave no child behind. Well, we're leaving behind forty percent of our students here, without passing this program and not overriding this veto. What we're doing is saying that sixty-five school districts would not get dollars to continue to identify those children who are at risk, who are at risk of -- of being one part of our penal system. I stand in support of the override, and I think that we should all do the same.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator del Valle.

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SENATOR DEL VALLE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I will be brief because I think that my colleagues here have already stated what needs to be stated, but I do have to point out that I guess it's only fitting that as we deal with these override motions, that we start with education, elementary and secondary education. Education - our top priority in the State of Illinois. Education - an area we have been working for, for some time in this legislative Body, to ensure reform, to ensure that Illinois students progress and are competitive with other states. And look at the very first item that we're talking about here. I ride -- I -- I stand in support of the motion to override, but I think I know what's going to happen here in a few minutes. Look at the first one we're dealing with: Academic Early Warning. We're talking about making sure that our students are meeting the Illinois learning standards, the standards that we fought so hard to establish for the State of Illinois. Pull the transcripts. All the rhetoric coming from both sides of the aisle about learning standards and holding our school districts accountable. And this is where we start today, even though we left here saying that we had a balanced budget. And instead of dealing with the issue as to whether or not the Governor thinks the budget is truly balanced or not, what are we doing? We're cutting. We're cutting areas -- the very area that's most important to our State. This is where we start. And after we do Academic Early Warning, we're going to do Reading Improvement, and then we're going to do Scientific Literacy, and we're going to do Hispanic Student Dropout Prevention and the decline -- or, reduction in Bilingual Education funding. We're going to do all of these. What are we going to do? We're going to take us backwards here. And some will say, "Well, it's not a whole lot of money we're talking about here," but look at the cumulative effect. Why are we going backwards? Why are we going

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backwards here? I urge that we vote to keep this money in the budget so that we can continue to go forward, instead of beginning to go backwards.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'll also be brief. I have one question, then one quick comment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Well, Senator Rauschenberger, a lot of us in this Chamber, we're not whizzes or -- or wizards when it comes to the budgetary process, and we tend to look at -- you know, at Senator Trotter, as the ranking Democrat, and yourself, as Chairman, to let us know whether or not we have a balanced budget. I sat in Executive Committee when part of this went through, and at no time did either yourself or Senator Trotter either state on the Floor of the Senate - and I've looked through some of the debate - or anywhere else that when we were leaving at whatever time we left, that you, Senator Rauschenberger, or Senator Trotter jumped up and said we have an unbalanced budget. We knew about these projections the Thursday or Friday before we are voting on it, and we looked to you two gentlemen and you turned to us and said we have a balanced budget. We talked about how tough it was, how tough the cuts were, how tough that revenue increases were and everything else, but there was never a time anywhere that you told us the -- that the budget is unbalanced. The Governor's veto message comes out and says it's unbalanced. He didn't talk about major revenue problems in his veto message; he talked about what we sent him being unbalanced. Now, was it unbalanced when it passed here, or did it magically become unbalanced over the last

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three or four days? And -- and again, this is notwithstanding any revenue projections that came five days after we passed it, 'cause the revenue projections cited in his veto message we knew Thursday or Friday night. So, I'd just like that question answered and then I'll have a brief comment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I -- I'm looking for a reference in the -- the veto message as to whether the -- the Governor believed it was a balanced budget or not. I'm not sure I see one but I'll read it at my -- after the next person talks. It is my opinion that the bill we concurred in that left the Senate last week was a balanced budget from a constitutional sense. The difference, I think, though is, one, whether it was manageable. When we left a year ago, we left with a budget that was balanced, that had a 1.4-billion-dollar year-end balance that I would have told you, and I think Senator Trotter told you, was absolutely fine. In these extraordinary times, we have burned completely through the year-end balance of 1.4 billion dollars in -- without being able to manage any kind of changes. For the Governor to argue that when we sent him that bill with a scant three-hundred-and-fifty-million-dollar year-end balance, particularly in light of the May revenues, that we needed to act further, I think that's what I see in the veto message, and I will look for an exact reference. I believe what we acted on was constitutionally balanced. I believe it was much harder to manage under, and in light of the May revenues, I would argue that -- that he believes, and I agree with him, that his veto reductions are inescapable. That 1.4 billion didn't do it last year, and we shouldn't rely on a -- a very thin balance. But that's my answer to the question of balanced or not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Yes. Well, thank you. Just a brief comment so -- so we know where we're at, and this is to our -- our people back home so they can understand this. One of the biggest things we get is people saying that, you know, we've just -- we've just overspent. "You guys are spending too much down in Springfield." Everything's spending. Well, I want to make sure that everybody knows this and -- and this could be reported. It's from TIME magazine, and it says five hundred and fifteen billion is the amount of the revised U.S. budget deficit for Fiscal Year 2001. Five hundred and fifteen billion. Now, they got the other number, a hundred and twenty-seven billion is the amount of the budget surplus announced last fall for the same period of time. So, it's the same twelve-month period and they said we're going to have a hundred-and-twenty-seven-billion-dollar surplus. Now it's seven or nine months later, and they say over the same period of time, our same forecasters are saying that we're going to wind up with a five-hundred-and-fifteen-billion-dollar deficit. We didn't spend one, single dollar more in the federal government. It was all problems of revenue decline, all revenue decline. We didn't spend more money in the State. We didn't spend more money in the federal government. The reason we have this problem is the revenues declined. That's all it was. We didn't do a horrible job in spending; neither did Congress. The problem was in the revenue decline. And the only reason I bring that up, it's important to note that -- and also where I think -- and I'm not going to criticize the Governor; it's a tough job figuring out what to do with what we sent him. But I wish what we would be doing here is not going over his line-item veto and who we're going to cut and who we're going to hurt, because I know anybody who votes Yes or No, it's tough for everybody. Nobody wants to hurt anybody. No

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one wants to do what Senator del Valle's screaming. Anybody who votes No on this does it with -- with a heavy heart. I understand that. None of this is easy. But we should've come back and we should have done something a little more responsible that he talks about in his speech; and that is, we should be back here talking about revenue enhancements - not going to say that ugly "T" word - but some type of revenue enhancements and not do all this cutting, because revenues was the problem, not spending. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Senator Rauschenberger, I have a few problems with your response to Senator Molaro. I was here and I remember your speech the night that you pushed forward through the budget and the funding mechanism, and you were very proud of it. In fact, you urged all of us to vote for it. You claimed it was balanced, and now you're here saying that you agree that it's not balanced. Well, ever since I've known you, you've been fiscally responsible and bright and intelligent. Where did you go wrong? What? You had a bad week, or what happened? I mean, 'cause I simply don't understand. Also, I want to add that as I read the Governor's message and what I've gotten, he has a serious problem with what you-all did with Leader Jones' idea with the tobacco monies. He does not want to borrow that seven hundred and fifty million. So, where did you go wrong? I mean, is it smoke and mirrors or you just a bad day? I -- I got to know.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

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SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Senator Hendon, thank you for giving me the opportunity to kind of refresh your memory. I was quite enthusiastic about the day after Memorial Day. It was a Senate budget that I thought reflected the Governor's Memorial Day introduction. It was ten million dollars less than that. At that time, I started the debate with high hopes of bipartisan action in this Chamber, bipartisan support of a revenue plan that the Governor had requested, that I thought we could get bipartisan votes on it. If you'll recall, that budget that I was enthusiastic -- was twenty-two billion four hundred and fifty million dollars. By the time the bill came back on Concurrence, I was much less enthusiastic because it had risen by more than three hundred million dollars in spending. It was clear there was not bipartisan support in this Chamber for revenues. In fact, it's my recollection that the tobacco tax was passed almost exclusively on Republican votes, as well as the riverboat gaming tax. At the time that we were addressing the day after Memorial Day's budget, I had high hopes that we could come up with a solution for the tenth license, which might have given us the proceeds from a -- from bidding out that -- that tenth license. But none of those things materialized. We have to deal with the reality as we have it, and we have to stand accountable for the roll calls we've cast over the last ten days. There's a material difference between the budget that I was enthusiastic about and the budget that we, in the end, passed after the House acted on it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Well, Senator Jones' idea about the tobacco securitization would have avoided those tax increases, and that's why you're correct: All of the Republicans voted to tax the people of

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Illinois, when the Democrats had a better idea that would have avoided the taxes whatsoever. The Democrats did vote No on those taxes. I think we were being fiscally responsible for the people of Illinois who are having tough times right now, where the tobacco securitization plan, as proposed by Leader Jones, would have avoided those taxes. And also, I just want to reiterate what the Governor said immediately -- upon adjournment: Governor Ryan today congratulated - congratulated - the Illinois General Assembly for passing a Fiscal Year 2003 budget that reduces appropriations by six hundred million from Fiscal Year 2002. The fifty-four billion FY 203 {sic} budget is a compromise agreement that includes a mixture of spending cuts and new revenues. I want to thank all the Members of both Houses and on both sides of the aisle for taking the challenge I laid out to them a few weeks ago. And now here we're back with something totally different. And again I say, where did you go wrong? Where did you lead us wrong? Senator Molaro was right. We do depend on you for accurate numbers, and you did not come through this time. Something is wrong and you -- you ought to come right now and support Leader Jones' original plan to avoid tax increases and avoid these -- arcanian {sic} cuts on the people of Illinois.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I'm certainly happy to hear the word "responsible" uttered so often on the other side of the aisle. And if I remember correctly, we had a cigarette tax; nobody voted for it over there. We had a riverboat tax; nobody voted for that. Nobody over there voted for 10A, another license. And then, the wonderful Illinois House of Representatives adds another two hundred and eighty-one million dollars over what the Governor asked for. So, you talk

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about being responsible. You had your chance and you blew it. Now, whether you like it or not, we passed a balanced budget over to the Illinois House. They increased it. On top of that, the May figures came out. Two hundred and thirty-four million dollars less than the previous month the previous year. That -- that is the biggest shortfall since 9/11. You leave the Governor no -- no other alternative than what? Cut. Because you -- doesn't look like the other side of the aisle is going to vote to raise any taxes. I think we acted responsibly. You guys, you know what? You didn't stand up to the plate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

If there's no further... No further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Let's -- let's put -- let's put to rest a couple of things pretty quickly, I think, anyway, and then maybe we can, you know, not have to debate them on each line item of the budget. First of all, I don't know how anyone, based on the action of the General Assembly of the last two weeks, could imagine, despite what newspaper reports say, that there was any kind of deal. The Governor introduced a budget on Memorial Day. The Senate took it up and amended it. It was a divided Chamber when we passed that bill out of here. The House tabled that bill. They -- they reconstructed the budget based on the Governor's template, added three hundred million dollars' worth of spending without consultation with this side of the aisle and, to the best of my knowledge, without real consultation with the Senate, period. Okay? They then passed it to us on a concurrence motion - okay? - that we sent on to the Governor, knowing that he would have to work on this budget. So, how anybody can imagine that this is somehow some kind of four Leader deal that people are being hornswoggled on, I -- there's just no evidence to support that.

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You know, you -- you can look up the newspaper accounts all you want. Let's talk for just a minute about -- about securitization. Weeks and weeks ago, there was a one-page proposal to securitize the Tobacco Settlement. Frankly, to be honest with you, I didn't support that. I don't support it today. It doesn't make a lot of sense. You don't take a second mortgage on your house to pay your utility bills. In the Governor's veto message - and I'm going to quote from his veto message that you all should have a copy of - he says, "Well-meaning legislators from both parties looked to the proposed 'tobacco securitization' idea as a way to balance the budget without voting for increased taxes. President Philip, Speaker Madigan and I" - referring to himself, the Governor - "all agreed that that {sic} 'borrowing' against the receipt of future resources is not sound fiscal policy, and should not be viewed as an easy alternative to more painful spending cuts and tax increases. However, we likewise agreed that if such 'borrowing' would be used as a way to main a healthy Rainy Day Fund and a year-end {sic} balance, then it would be an acceptable part of an overall budget solution." That's what was brought before the Chamber. The bill only had seven sentences. Nobody could be confused about whether it was double-barrel bonding, first pledging tobacco receipts and then follow it up with general revenue. That was the only way to get an acceptable interest rate on the program. It was clearly at the discretion of the Governor, and it clearly designates that the receipts from any tobacco borrowing, fifty percent would go to the -- to the budget stabilization, the quote, unquote, "Rainy Day Fund" that many of you are big supporters of, although I don't think it's a great idea, and the other half would go to the year-end balance. So, don't -- don't hide behind, you know, that I didn't need to vote for taxes, that somehow we can borrow our way out of a financial crisis where we're not maintaining State government appropriately.

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We had an opportunity to vote for more revenues. The Senate Republicans proposed more revenues, and there was no support on that side of the aisle for that. So, the Senate President's right. You know, we had our chance the last ten days. If we could have set aside politics and moved forward, we might have had a better budget before us than we have today on these veto messages. And I'll let posterity judge, you know? And I think maybe we all can let posterity judge which of the two caucuses has acted responsibly, who's trying to move the State of Illinois forward and -- and -- and who's standing up on rhetoric. Both sides -- "I want revenue," "I don't want -- I don't want to raise taxes," "I want spending, but I don't want to be in charge." I mean, you know, you can't have it all ways. Let's vote these vetoes and let's put us all on the record. You've got the roll calls you want. You're going to get every motion before you, but let's get going.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall the item on page 16, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary -- notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 26 Ayes, 30 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Ladies and Gentlemen, we have just concluded the first of two hundred and thirty-four motions filed, and if we continue in this manner and spend just five minutes per motion in a marathon Session, we will conclude our business in approximately twenty hours. And we go forward. Page 16, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 16, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary

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notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is the second of the six line items necessary to eliminate the program. It's got a value of seven thousand seven hundred dollars. I'd appreciate very much the same roll call we just had.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. As Senator Rauschenberger has indicated, this is the second of six, all inclusive of the elimination of the Academic Early Warning List programming, and I would encourage our side of the aisle to vote to override this veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

I, too, rise that we override this veto. Let's stop abdicating our responsibilities to the children of the State of Illinois and do the right thing and vote for this initiative.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall the item on page 16, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393 -- 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 26 Ayes, 31 Nays and 0 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 16, line 22, Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 16, line 22, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is the third in the -- in the sequence of six that eliminates this program. Has a value of one thousand four hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the -- Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Yes. Senator Rauschenberger, on -- on these issues, this is all on the Early Warning system. Is there any way we can just try to expedite this, move 'em all when we're talking about ops and grants and...? It's -- it's all on the same issue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Trotter, we will be taking a vote on every, single motion. Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 16, line 20 {sic}, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 26 Ayes, 30 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 16, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 16, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary

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notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is the fourth in the series. It's got a one-thousand-four-hundred-dollar value in the budget. Hopefully we've got support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 16, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 25 Ayes, 30 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 16, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 16, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Line item five. This has got a value of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 16, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in

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favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And 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 26 Ayes, 30 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 16, line 24 {sic}, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 16, line 25, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This item number six has got a three-million-dollar value. It is the last line item on Academic Early Warning. We'll move, then, next to the next program.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

This is the last item and the last chance to do the right thing for the children of Illinois and to pass this override for the Governor. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall the item on page 16, line 24 {sic}, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 26 Ayes, 30 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Bottom of page 1 of Supplemental

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Senate... Top of page 2, in the Order of... Top of page 2, in the Order of Override Item Vetoes of the Governor, is line -- page 16, line 28, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 16, line 28, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. These next five roll calls encompass the Reading Improvement Statewide Program. It's a 3.4-million-dollar total elimination the Governor's proposing. This is the program that supplies reading kits that are sent out of the warehouse to the schools to enhance the reading programs of the State of Illinois. I'd appreciate support on the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The second block of veto overrides that we're looking at do exactly what Senator Rauschenberger indicated. This is not the only money that we have for Reading Improvement. There's a Reading Improvement Block Grant that's, I think, over eighty million dollars, and if our caucus feels comfortable, this would actually be a reasonable place for us to cut the education budget.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 16, line 28, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in

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favor will vote Aye. 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 15 Ayes, 41 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. WAND-TV and Chicago Tribune request permission to photograph and record the proceedings. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Page 16, line 29, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 16, line 29, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is second of five. This has got a seven-thousand-seven-hundred-dollar value. Appreciate a roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 16, line 29, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 7 -- 7 Ayes, 46 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 16, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393. Read the motion, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 16, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This -- this line's got a value of six thousand eight hundred dollars. I'd appreciate the same roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 6 {sic}, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 3 Ayes, 52 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 16, line 31, Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 16, line 31, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the fourth in five. This has got a value of six thousand eight hundred dollars. Appreciate the same roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 16, line 31, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will

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vote Aye. 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 6 Ayes, 51 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 16, line 32 and 32 {sic}, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 16, lines 32 and 33, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is the fifth of five, eliminating the Reading Improvement Statewide Program. It's got a value of three million two hundred thousand.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 16, line 32 and 33, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item -- item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 3 Ayes, 50 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 18, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 18, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This -- these two item eliminations eliminate the Academic Difficulty program of State Board of Education. The first line item's got a value of a hundred thousand. The second line item's got a value of 2.4 million. I'd appreciate the same roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator del Valle.

SENATOR DEL VALLE:

Well, thank you, Mr. Chairman. I urge my colleagues to support the override motion. This -- these lines include funding for Hispanic dropout prevention. We want to make sure that we're doing everything possible to keep kids in school. We all know the social costs of -- of dropouts, and I urge you to support this override motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Mr. President Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Senator Rauschenberger, are -- are you aware of the fact that most people in the penitentiary have no education or never finished high school, and that, in fact, by eliminating this, we could make that problem even worse by not keeping these young people in school and keeping them from dropping out? They can end up in the penal institution and cost us a lot more money in this State. Are you aware of that?

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Senator Rauschenberger.

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SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I'm aware of some of the facts you mentioned. I do not agree with your conclusion, however, that elimination -- eliminating the State Board of Education's bureaucratic program called Academic Difficulty makes a substantial difference. This represents, I think, about three one-hundredths of one percent of the State Board of Education's budget. I think lots of good work is done at local school districts. This is about making sure that we can maintain our General State Aid Formula and other commitments. I think we can live without this program.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Well, wouldn't it be better to find a way to fund this than to act so irresponsibly? I mean, in my district - it's not nothing personal - I only have about eight-percent Latino population in my district. But I know yours is around thirty percent. Are you being fiscally responsible for the Hispanic community back in your own home district?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I believe the action of supporting the Governor so that he can manage State government, so there's certainty for school districts, so that we can provide the programs that are critical to the State of Illinois are -- are very responsible. And I think to get to that level, we've got to pass a budget that's responsible. There's a lot of good-named programs throughout State government, some programs that survive strictly on the basis of their name. I think this is a program that we need to support the Governor on its elimination.

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Further discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much. These dollars that we put in here is part of a package, as we say, in trying to keep children out of our penal system. We -- our foundation level now is at four thousand six hundred dollars. It's twenty thousand dollars to incarcerate this same youth. We have an opportunity to keep our State in a viable situation by spending the money up front and not waiting till we have to spend it later on down the line. This is part of the package.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. On this item - I guess there's two of them - we have the same problem as we did with the Academic Early Warning List, that if we're hoping that we can use federal funds that are coming to us from the No Child Left Behind Act, we may be incorrect. And according to Secretary of Education Paige, we are incorrect. I think this -- these are going to be two motions that we would like to override the Governor's veto, to make sure that we do have funding for students that are at risk.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 18, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 27 Ayes, 29 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 18, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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I move that the item on page 18, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is the second of two, and let me just say, I have chaired the Appropriation Committee for eight years and served on it for ten and today is the first time, in my recollection - and I -- you know, I could be losing some of the distance - that I've ever heard the Academic Difficulty Program raised by any Member of this Body. So, let -- let's be careful about saying that this one is the critical program or this one is the cornerstone to preventing incarceration. It's not been raised in any Appropriation Committee that I have sat through, for ten years. So, let's keep the politics to a minimum. And -- and this is the second -- the second roll call here.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

And he's absolutely correct. This is the first time that we've talked about eliminating this program. We didn't have to talk about something that was already on the table and it was understood that it was doing the right thing for the right people for the right reasons. So, this is why you're getting the rhetoric, as you put it, or the discussion, as we like to present it, today. This here is the dollars -- these are the dollars for the grant program. We just got rid of the contractual services. We're now going to take away 2.4 million dollars, which is the actual program. If...(microphone cutoff)...for the override.

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Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 18, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And 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 28 Ayes, 29 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Top of page 3 of Supplemental Calendar No. 1. Page 19, line 12, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 19, line 12, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next six lines encompass 6.9 million dollars of veto eliminations. It's the Scientific Literacy Program, which is, essentially, a professional development program to help prepare teachers to -- to teach science better -- or, more effectively in the classroom. It's unfortunate, but this year we can't afford it. I would urge this Body to -- to vote down the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much. Nationally -- you can look at all national reports and one of the things that -- that glares at you the most is that we're behind, our students are behind, in their math skills and their scientific skills. For us to be a viable

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State, for us to be competitive with the other states and also with the other countries, this is an important program. It's important that we ensure that we have teachers that are trained that can basically teach our children to be the next generation of leaders. So this is a very important issue, and I seek its override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question -- is, shall the item on page 19, line 12, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote 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 25 Ayes, 32 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 19, line 13, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on line -- page 19, line 13, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is the second of six lines. It's got a value of thirteen thousand five hundred dollars. I'd appreciate same roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 19, line 13, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And the voting is open.

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Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 24 Ayes, 31 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 19, line 14, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 19, line 14, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is the -- the third in the -- the lineup of six. It's got a value of twelve thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 19, line 14, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 24 Ayes, 32 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 19, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 19, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is line four. It's got a value of nine

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thousand seven hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 19, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 25 Ayes, 32 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 19, line 16, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 19, line 16, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is line five of six. It's got a value of one million two hundred and eight thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 19, line 16, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 25 Ayes, 32 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 19, line 17, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 19, line 17, of the Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary

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notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is line six of six. It's got a value of five million three hundred and eighty-five thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 19, line 17, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 26 Ayes, 31 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 27, lines 19 {sic} through 34 and page 28, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 27, lines 9 through 34 and page 28, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This next line item is a lump sum of thirty-three million four hundred and twenty-eight thousand dollars that was destined to restore some of the mandated categorical reimbursement for the programs that we have mandated and require school districts to do for which we've set up a statutory reimbursement. As a longtime supporter of a hundred-percent funding of mandated categoricals,

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this is one of the more difficult vetoes that I think we have to address. But in order to be reasonable and to manage this budget, I don't think we can support -- overriding the Governor's veto. It's unfortunate in the budget that we passed out on Tuesday, immediately following Memorial Day, we -- we're the fathers of this lump sum; however, it was coupled with changes and cuts in the budget that the House -- and neither the House nor the Governor have agreed with. So, unfortunately, reluctantly, I would urge my colleagues not to override the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

For those who are -- who might have forgotten what the mandated categoricals are, that's the Illinois free lunch and breakfast program, that's the orphanage tuition program, that's the special education tuition program, it's for special education transportation, special education summer school. We, in our wisdom, put back in the dollars. It was cut down to ninety percent. We took it back up to a hundred, then it went back to ninety-four. Now we're taking it back to ninety percent. We do have responsibilities, and I think we are certainly not doing the right thing by the children nor the people of this State by cutting this any further. And I support its override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 27, lines 9 through 34 and page 28, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 29 Ayes, 20 Nays, 7 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 31, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr.

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Secretary, read the bill -- read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 31, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

With the -- with the indulgence of the Body, I'm going to take the next three line items together. They are all the Board of Higher Education. The first line item eliminates the Teaching, Learning and Quality HECA grant. HECA grants are Higher Education Cooperation Act grants. It allows the Board of Education to kind of induce universities, community colleges and school districts to work together. Unfortunately, I don't think we can afford to fund them this year. The first one eliminates two million seven hundred and fifty thousand for Teaching, Learning and Quality. The second one eliminates Workforce and Economic Development HECA grants, and the third one eliminates seven hundred and eighty thousand for the Illinois Financial Assistance grant funding for nonpublic universities. The total value of these three reductions is about four million dollars. Appreciate the next three roll calls upholding the Governor's action.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

In our committee yesterday, the Board of Higher Ed weren't fighting for these -- these grants. Believe that this is something that maybe we can cut at this time and maybe revisit it another time.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 31, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the second of the three BHE reductions. This has got a value of two million five hundred and fifty thousand. It's the Workforce and Economic Development HECA grant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Five years ago this Body looked hard at the welfare system as we had in this State, and we said that as we were making changes, we were making individuals become working citizens. We had a Welfare to Work program. These grants here were the grants that provided for cooperative and economic development initiatives through our colleges and our universities. This is a good program and it should remain in the budget, and I look for its override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 31, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 16 Ayes, 38 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 32, lines 17 through 21, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 32, lines 17 through 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is the third of the BHE reductions, a seven-hundred-and-eighty-thousand-dollar grant for the Illinois Financial Assistance Act grant funding for private institutions. I'd appreciate same roll calls.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

We have one of the best college systems here in the State of Illinois, and it's one of the best systems because we have some of the best students. This allows some of our most talented to -- an opportunity to go to college, and I would like to see it stay -- remain in place, would like to see us override the Governor's veto for the financial assistance for private institutions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Is there any further discussion? Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

I apologize for rising, but I'd like to know what exactly does this program do that we are cutting here? I know we're trying to move quickly, but every once in a while, it might make sense for us to know what we're voting on.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the -- the Education Assistance Fund value of the grants made to private colleges throughout the State of Illinois. There's an additional twenty million dollars of funding from the General Revenue Fund that continues to go out in per capita grants to private institutions based on their enrollment of Illinois students. It is not merit related. It is not financial need related. This is a seven-hundred-and-eighty-thousand-dollar cut, which simply eliminates the EAF, or the Education Assistance funding, grant line in the BHE's budget.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

Just so that I'm clear. I'm trying to determine -- and I think you answered the question, but I -- I just wasn't sure. This funding is not dedicated to any particular, you know, program for students or anything. This is just sort of the equivalent of a block grant to private institutions and it's distributed on a per-student basis across the State. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

That's correct, and it represents less than three percent of the total of that line. This is simply the EAF portion. It's --

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it's distributed on a per capita grant based on whether the student is from the State of Illinois.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 32, lines 17 through 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. 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 16 Ayes, 39 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 38, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 38, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The next two line items are lump-sum requests for funding -- new -- new funding for the Chicago State University. The first one that you're going to vote on would be new funding for the financial assistance center and the second one will be funding for the new School of Pharmacy program. They're both valued at four hundred thousand dollars. The total value of the next two reductions is eight hundred thousand dollars. Again, programs that have a lot of merit, but this year I'm afraid we can't afford. I'd appreciate support of the Body in voting down the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Trotter.

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SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. As clarified by the chairman of the department, it's not a lot of money, but it does make a lot of difference to those individuals who are attending the University of -- Chicago State University. This is their inner-city youth, who basically have not had many opportunities. This financial aid center would make it a one-stop center for those individuals to find resources so they can, again, become a good student and also be able to afford it, as they try to live their lives in the inner city.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 38, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. 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 16 Ayes, 39 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Page 38, lines 5 through 9, of Senate Bill 2393. Senator Rauschenberger has filed a motion. Please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 38, lines 5 through 9, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Again, same university - Chicago State University - a four-hundred-thousand-dollar lump sum to begin a pharmacy -- School of Pharmacy program. Again, a worthwhile program in many

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ways, but this year I don't think we can afford it. Appreciate support of the Body in -- in -- in not supporting the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator -- discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. I ask for the override of this item on the -- the Governor's budget. What we see -- what we heard last year when we were talking about a pharmacy crisis and -- and also a pharmacist crisis here in the State, we recognized that there's only two schools in the entire State that actually has a pharmacy school. Chicago State has brought themselves to the table, along with private corporations who said that they would like to see a -- a school built in -- at Chicago State. This is the first step in doing that, and I think it's the proper time to do it now.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 38, line 5 through 9, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? On that question, there are -- take the record, please. On that question, there's 21 voting Yes, 36 voting No, no voting Present. The item on page -- motion fails. Moving right along. Senate Bill 2393. Senator Rauschenberger. Please read...

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 54, lines 18 through 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next three items deal with the Illinois Community -- the next three items deal with the Illinois Community College Board. They are three program eliminations that have been recommended by the Governor in his veto messages. The first one is the development of core values and leadership initiative. It's a lump sum that was at the discretion of the Executive Director. Has a value of a hundred and fifty thousand. The second one is special population grants of eleven million three hundred and eight thousand. The third one is special initiative grants for a value of six hundred and ten thousand. If we sustain all three of these vetoes, with the effect of the five million dollar for the City of Chicago colleges and the five million dollar of downstate colleges new lump sums, which are currently in the budget and not affected, the Community College Board will be essentially at a hold-harmless position about two -- two million dollars below their level when they were originally introduced in February.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator del Valle.

SENATOR DEL VALLE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just want to alert our Members and -- and also on the other side of the aisle that the special population grants for community colleges are used to help individuals complete their secondary education and to provide the necessary assistance to keep them in school and enroll them in -- in credit-hour programs. The City Colleges of Chicago will take a big hit on this one. At a time when the reimbursement formula for adult ed does not favor the City Colleges, this would be on top of -- of that problem that they've had for some time. So, I would urge our Members to support the override motion on the special

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population grants.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 38, lines -- page 54, line -- lines 18 through 21 pass, the item of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 18 voting Yes, 39 voting No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. ...Bill 2393, page 55, line 17, the item of the -- of the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 55, line 17, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is second of the ICCB reductions. It's the special -- special populations grants. It's got a value of eleven million three hundred and eight thousand dollars. It's a formula-distributed program that community colleges are supposed to use to help in the matriculation of special populations. Again, a good program. It's got some merit. But with the effect of the five-million-dollar lump sums added previously by the House, we -- the effect is almost negated. Appreciate supporting the Governor by not overriding the veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Trotter.

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SENATOR TROTTER:

Yes. Just a point of clarity for the Members on this side. The last bill that we voted on was the core values and leadership initiative. The bill that Senator del Valle was directing his comments to is this bill, and that's the special population grants bill, which is eleven-million-dollar hit in GRF. And this does deal with and support those districts in their efforts to provide special or extra services to assist special population students to initiate, continue, or resume their education and to provide for skills necessary to remedy or correct education deficiencies. This is a -- a half hit -- or, five-million-dollar hit on the City of Chicago. The rest of the cuts will be throughout the State of Illinois. So it affects, basically, all of our districts that have a community college in 'em.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 55, line 17, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, those -- the item of the veto of the Governor not contrary withstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 26 voting Yes, 29 voting No, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 56, line 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393. Please read the motion, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 56, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

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This is the third of the ICCB grants. It's got a value of six hundred and ten thousand dollars, the special initiative grant program. Appreciate support of the Body in overriding the -- or, in -- in -- in -- in failing to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 56, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 17 voting Yes, 39 voting No, and no voting Present. And the motion fails. Moving right along. Page 5. Top of page 5, motion on the item on page 61, lines 28 through 33, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 61, lines 28 through 33, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. The next two reductions are to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. They -- first one represents funding for fifth-year MAP eligibility, Monetary Award Program. It's got a value of twenty million dollars. The one after that provides funding for additional MAP award volume. It's got a value of fifteen million dollars. Other than the mandated categoricals, these are the -- the reductions that I am most reluctant to support, but feel like we have very little choice because we couldn't reach other consensus. In discussions last

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night before the Appropriation Committee, the Executive Director of the Illinois Student Assistance Commission agreed that they -- they, by rule, can restructure and try to deal with some of the fifth-year MAP students. We also elicited the response from the Executive Director of the Board of Higher Education that the nearly thirty thousand - the nearly thirty thousand - tuition waivers granted by our universities administratively might be used to deal with some of the fifth-year students who need the assistance. The elimination of the fifth-year MAP does not affect eligibility or access to the Pell Grant program. The -- it was -- in testimony they asserted that nearly seven thousand students who receive fifth-year MAP, almost all receive the Pell Grant from the federal government in addition. So although these are unfortunate reductions, I think they're ones that are necessary. This will still maintain the Illinois MAP program as the second-largest student assistance program by any state in the nation, the largest on a per capita basis. Only the State of New York has a slightly larger program, with a population nearly three times the State of Illinois. So although it's unfortunate we can't maintain fully this commitment as introduced in the budget, it -- we certainly still can be proud of the fact that we support a lot of people going to college in the State of Illinois.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Bowles.

SENATOR BOWLES:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, the MAP program has afforded more young people the opportunity for advanced education, and when we have a population that has the opportunity for advanced education, this is going to upgrade their living standards. I have personally become acquainted with many of the participants in, most particularly, the fifth-year grant program. Many, many, many of these are mothers who have children,

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who were not able to carry the full load and complete their education and the required number of hours in four years. This fifth year provides them the opportunity. Youngsters who are -- have -- are going to college, who were able to work outside and supplement the grant from MAP, also, in working hours, were unable to complete the necessary hours required by the program for the completion of a degree. And this program has afforded that opportunity and I would ask all the Members of this Body to please override -- vote to override the Governor's veto of this program, which has made such a positive, positive impact, in the field of education, on the lives of young people and people who could not otherwise afford a higher education. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much. The cutting of the funding for the fifth-year student in this program, the twenty million dollars, is actually -- is penalizing those students who went to school, who went to their counselors and asked them, "What are they supposed to be doing. How can they graduate on time?" Their counseling system, our counseling system in our universities, as a rule, told them this is how many hours they must take in order to graduate, but they didn't tell 'em how long it's going -- to graduate. This is the -- eliminating this twenty million dollars will essentially put these individuals who invested four years of their lives into trying to get an education so they can come out and join our workforce, this will stop them from completing that task that they set before them and the -- the expectations that we have for them, as well. So, cutting this at this time, without changing our university system, without changing the counseling system in our universities, is a travesty to them and also it'd be a travesty on us if we did so. So I seek its override.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. I have purposely limited anything I have to say on the Senate Floor today so that you won't tire of my voice and because the President asked us to hold the rhetoric to a minimum, and I think we should. But this is a very important program, and I know that you want to do the right thing where you can. This is one of those areas where you can vote for the override out of your conscience, out of having a heart. Now, we've already cut the throats of the elementary and secondary education students. We've already cut their throats to the bone. Let's have a heart. Let's not be like the cowardly lion in the Wizard of Oz and have no heart, at all. This is the opportunity to show what you're made of and show that you care about education, and I urge an Aye vote on this important override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator del Valle.

SENATOR DEL VALLE:

Thank you, Mr. President. You know, what I find most disturbing about this particular cut is that in questioning the Director of ISAC last night in the Approp Committee, I found out that this is the first year that we create a line item for funding for fifth-year students. So, on the one hand, we say that ISAC has the flexibility to make decisions regarding these students, and on the other hand, we forced ISAC, through the appropriations process, to create a separate line to, in effect, isolate these students. And we're talking about seven thousand students throughout the State of Illinois, at least seven thousand students who we're going to leave out in the cold if we accept this. Now, if we're going to make a policy decision regarding how long we

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should provide financial assistance to students in our universities, then let's do that through the legislative process. Let's debate that issue and let's come up with a substantive bill to address that issue. Let's not come in through the back door and set it up so that then these students could take a hit, when we never really had a chance to debate the kinds of points that Senator Bowles just made. And so, let's not do this now. Let's look at it next year and see if we have to make some policy -- education policy decisions and do that in the Education Committee and not do it this way.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

All of our actions here have consequences. For nine years, without pause, we have increased the Monetary Award Program at ISAC. If we had been taking our obligations more seriously last fall, or anytime this spring if the House had engaged us more effectively in trying to manage the '02 budget, we wouldn't be looking at MAP cuts that I don't like, and I -- I know Members over there don't like. Very quickly, to the issue of how it ended up as a lump sum, you need to cross the Rotunda and ask how the budget came back to us with a discreet lump sum identified as fifth-year MAP. It didn't leave this Chamber on Tuesday, when we passed our budget out, as a lump sum. So, you know, the House, which likes to avoid actions of responsibility, sent it back to us this way. You can draw your own conclusions. Please vote to sustain the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

The question is, shall the item on page 61, lines 28 through 33, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish?

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Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there's 26 voting Yes, 28 voting No, 3 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 62, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the bill {sic}.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 62, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Excuse me. Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Unfortunately, again, this is same subject matter. It's a fifteen-million-dollar reduction that represents our attempt earlier this year to expand the MAP program to include more students. After this reduction, if it's sustained, we'll still have a program that funds more than a hundred thousand college students at the universities of -- with three hundred and thirty million dollars of funding. I appreciate sustaining the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Mr. President. You know -- and could I have the attention of the -- of the Chamber, Mr. President? I mean, it just bothers me that you're cutting education to the core, you're destroying lives of the -- of the children of this State and nobody's even paying no damn attention. It's like you don't even care. Well, I care. And it makes a difference what we do here in this Chamber out there in the real world. And it doesn't matter how many times you apologize, Senator Rauschenberger. You're just like you're caught cheating on your wife and you want to go back

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home and say, "I'm sorry." Well, stop doing it. Stop cutting everything from the children of this State. They are the future of this State. I remember Governor Ryan's original address before us when he said he'd leave no child behind, where education was the top priority. Well, you keep cutting. You keep saying, "I'm sorry, I don't want to do it. I don't want to do it." But you keep doing it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion?

SENATOR HENDON:

And it's a travesty that you are going to propose these...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, to close. Excuse me. Senator Hendon. Further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Again, if we would have been able to -- come up with a solution that we could agree to in both Chambers, both sides of the aisle on the 10A license, we could have funded two MAP programs with proceeds from that. So, hopefully we come back and revisit some of these things as we move forward. But, you know, the -- the choices we've made leave us no choice. I'd appreciate supporting the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Question is, shall the item on page 62, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 27 voting Yes, 25 voting No, 5 voting Present. Motion fails. On page 98, lines 8 through 12, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the bill {sic}.

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ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 98, lines 8 through 12, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President. The next five line items are a hundred and fifty thousand dollars each. They're transitional costs for the five constitutional offices. They represent a total of seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars. It's customary to provide transition costs as we change officeholders. This year I'm afraid they're going to have to -- we're all going to have to volunteer and held our constitutionals transfer. So I'll be here in blue jeans to help Senator Hawkinson when he's ready to move in.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 98, lines 8 through 12, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of the veto of the -- Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 0 voting Yes - a new record for us this Session - no voting -- 57 voting No, and no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 102, lines 23 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393. Please read the motion, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 102, lines 23 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This -- this is the second of five. This deals with the Attorney General's transition cost. Value, a hundred and fifty thousand. I appreciate same roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Question is, shall the item on page 102, lines 23 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor not -- contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's none voting Yes, 56 voting No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 121, lines 8 through 12. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 121, lines 8 through 12, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Secretary of State's transition funding, a hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Appreciate same roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Question is, shall the item on page 121, lines 8 through 12, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 0 voting Yes, no -- 57 voting No, and no

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voting Present. Motion fails. On page 132, lines 18 through 22, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 132, lines 18 through 22, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Comptroller's transition value. It's the fourth of five. It's a hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Appreciate same roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 132, lines 18 through 22, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item -- the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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, 1 voting Yes, 55 voting No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 137, lines 4 through 8, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 137, lines 4 through 8, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is five of five. This is the Treasurer's transition.

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Value, a hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Appreciate favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Question is, shall the item on page 137, lines 4 through 8, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's none voting Yes, 57 voting No, none voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 162, lines 24 through 31, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 162, lines 24 through 31, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This line-item elimination ends the pari-mutuel recapture subsidy in the State budget in the Department of Agriculture. The veto amount is thirteen million one hundred and fifty-three -- one hundred and fifty-two thousand dollars. In addition to the two million that was cut earlier, it eliminates entirely the fifteen-million-dollar subsidy we have for recapture. It leaves, however, twenty-five million of additional -- or, of other programs used to subsidize and support the horse racing industry and the horse breeders. Appreciate supporting the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

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Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is the recapture, which we're not going to talk about. Take about half hour just to explain it, and even after that, you probably wouldn't understand it, 'cause I still have problems with it. However, I want you to be aware that this -- back in a '95 bill, there was an unintended consequence that if you didn't bet on enough live racing in Illinois, it would hurt the horsemen. And so what would happen is -- recapture's all about is that basically it's -- it's money that would go to the purses that the -- the track owners weren't giving because they didn't have to. There was an agreement in '99, when we passed that big bill, that they couldn't come to an agreement so we would bring back the fifteen million dollars that goes strictly to purses. This fifteen -- or thirteen million dollars, whatever it is, comes strictly from the purses. So we are, in fact, when we do this, hurting the horsemen. Now, as you can see, all the horsemen were not down here. So, I'm not saying that we should vote Yes to override. I just want to make a point that in the last couple of weeks of the Session, what we did to the gaming industry and what we're doing to horse racing industry, there better be some discussion over the summer so we could come back in the fall and maybe look at an overall plan of what we're going to do for gaming and gambling in the State of Illinois. I'm not necessarily suggesting any type of expansion, but we got out of here real quick. There might be unintended consequences of what we did in certain riverboat areas, and I would just hope that maybe the Leaders can get together and have a task force - and some of our task forces have been very successful - in figuring out what we're going to do with an industry that basically we're partners with. We are really hurting the horsemen with this bill. They're going to have to take it, 'cause I -- I know this is going to be -- not going to be overridden, but we better get our heads together over the summer

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and come back with a comprehensive plan sometime in November to -- to see what we're going to do with gaming and the horse racing industry. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have to rise because the horsemen - and particularly, the standardbred horsemen - are the ones that support the county fairs in my area. These are the farmers that live in our area, that train, that breed, that board other horses. And this is not helping the racetracks so much as it is the folks who are actually there, who are actually the farmers in our area that are providing jobs for people, that buy supplies from their neighbors. So I rise asking that we could override this one veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not, Senator Rauschenberger, to close. The -- the question is, shall the item on page 162, lines 24 through 31, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 21 voting Yes, 30 voting No, 6 voting Present. And the motion fails. We're now on page 6. Top of page 6. Page 184, lines 21 through 25, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 184, lines 21 through 25, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

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SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next item is a DCFS lump sum designed - a political one, I would argue - designed by the House to restore reductions to a Cook County -- DCFS office that was agreed to by both the Governor and the Department. I'd appreciate us supporting the -- the Governor in this motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Mr. President. We know how this is going to go down. This is in my district in a poor community. So we know how the vote's going to go down. But will the sponsor yield for a question? I had a...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Senator Rauschenberger, every year the private schools get a tax break of some sixty-one million dollars. Are you familiar with that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Yes. Yeah. Relatively.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

So if they didn't have that sixty-one-million-dollar tax break and the tuition tax credit, we wouldn't have had to cut all those things for public schools nor would we have to close this office that's direly needed in my community for the Department of Children and Family Services, where we have a lot of,

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unfortunately, dysfunctional families. We also have a number of tax breaks for corporations. They're trying to -- filing discounts for liquor taxes. Enterprise zones extended for ten years, thirty-six million dollars. Insurance privilege tax, overpayment of seventeen million dollars. And the list goes on and on and on. All of which you favor, supported and voted for. So why can't we close some of these corporate loopholes for the rich and powerful instead of closing places that are needed like this little DCFS office in my district? Why can't we do that? Why didn't you propose closing some of the corporate tax loopholes, which in Illinois amount to about a billion five a year, instead of closing facilities that are needed that can keep children - children that we all claim to love in this Senate - from being out there on the street, living with people who don't love them and don't care, and just generally suffering through life in Illinois? Why can't we do that, Senator Rauschenberger?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Senator, we can't do that because this year we were unable to achieve cooperation between the political parties and cooperation between the Chambers. I regret that as much as anybody in here and -- and think it's probably one of the failures of -- of my efforts this year on the budget. We shouldn't be doing budget cuts by roll call votes based on line items. But as long as we -- we're continuing the exercise of irrationally not facing up to the -- to the revenue situation we have, we -- we're confronted now by this action because we failed to act for the last six weeks. One-third of a cent on the cigarette tax, which this side of the aisle supported and you didn't support, would have restored this -- this office. I mean, we don't have a sense of what's important to both sides of the aisle if there's not reasonable concourse.

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But if you've got -- if you've got half of the Body or half of the -- the -- the General Assembly run around and saying, "We're not going to do anything," you know, it's pretty hard to make progress. I -- I've been frustrated since April. I thought we could have a real engagement, but unfortunately, it didn't work this year. We ended up passing a budget which we should have known was difficult to manage in these times, and now we're confronted with the line items. Certainly isn't my intent to cut a DCFS office in your area, but this cut was recommended by the Governor and supported by the Department as one that they could live with. So, I'm sorry it's in your district and I'm sorry we're taking this cut, but it's -- it's a breakdown of the process here.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Senator Rauschenberger, you know, I do believe that you have some sympathy for my district. You've been in my district. You -- you came to the west side with me, and -- and I truly appreciate that. And I'm not responsible for what happens in the House. But I stood up on this Floor and I asked you, were you going to seek bipartisan cooperation in this Chamber. You said you were, but, in fact, you did not. Maybe not a fault of your own. We know you have a powerful, strong President over there, a man who I respect and consider a friend, but this is business. The business of the people of Illinois needs to be taken care of in a -- in a more thoughtful and thought-out manner. Leader Jones had a decent, responsible and effective idea that was not moved on. On the gambling, when you tried to push the -- the additional slots, the tenth license, you probably could have got that through if you had come and sought bipartisan cooperation and showed respect for our Leader over here, but you didn't. You just came

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up and said, "This is what we're going to do." And you tried to ramrod it through, and you failed. Bipartisan cooperation is more than rhetoric, my friend. You have to really mean it. You have to reach over to the other side of the aisle, work with this side of the aisle. If you had worked with our Leader, you may have gotten that, may have been able to sell that -- that -- that tenth license at eight hundred million or whatever, and we wouldn't be in this mess. But to close an office that is needed - and I challenge any of you to go on Division and Cicero, go on Chicago Avenue and Cicero and see how these children are living in squalor, how these children are dying, how these children are victimized. You wouldn't close this office. I urge to override this veto, if none other.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

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

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Bipartisanship is a two-way street. I sought bipartisan cooperation, but if bipartisanship only means splitting the deal, you can't do it in a year when your revenues are declining. It -- it's hard for any large body of people to change the way they do business. And it's been particularly difficult this year, after more than eight years of economic expansion, for us to deal with the reality that we don't have stuff to spread out to each other, that there isn't pork, that there isn't additional things that I can have or I can give, or whatever. The bipartisanship failed because there wasn't things to divide this year. Now, that's unfortunate. That's not the way it's supposed to work. But I certainly sought bipartisan cooperation. I have been to people's districts. I will listen to anybody and I will talk to anybody. But that doesn't mean this year that we can run around and pass out proceeds. Unfortunately, the tenth license was already dealt out. I mean, there was no money from that to -- to give to extra

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programs, or -- or, to -- to LINK programs or anything else. I mean, we're -- we're confronted with the reality this year. I -- again, it's too bad that this is in your district, but I would support -- I would argue that we need to support the Governor. We have to make these reductions to have a manageable budget.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Question is, shall the item on page 184, lines 21 through 25, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the veto -- the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 21 voting Yes, 36 voting No, no -- no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 195, lines 23 through 25, of Senate Bill 2393. Senator Obama, what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR OBAMA:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

State your point.

SENATOR OBAMA:

I just wanted to take a quick break to acknowledge a group of students who are visiting here, observing a -- a somewhat instructive debate about how democracy works. That's Reavis Math and Science Academy students from both my district, as well as Senator Margaret Smith's district. Could you still -- please give them a warm Senate welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Yes. Will our friends in the gallery please rise? Would you please rise? And welcome to the Senate. Glad to have you here. On page 195, lines 23 through 25, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

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ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 195, lines 23 through 25, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next eighteen motions refer to DCCA eliminations. For the -- the -- the convenience of the Body, I'm going to take 'em in groups of six. So there'll be three groups of six. I'll do the first group and then we'll do the roll calls. Then I'll do the next group and the next group. The first six items for elimination are the Southwest Senior Olympics subsidy. It's a hundred million -- a hundred thousand dollars. The Prairie State Games, a lump sum, a hundred thousand dollars. The Marketing Technology Initiative in the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs, for a value of two million dollars. Technology Advancement and Development Act, for a value of 4.4 million dollars. The DCCA program jobs -- or the -- the grant to the City of Chicago for Jobs for Summer Youth, it's a million-dollar grant to the City of Chicago. And the DCCA capital access loan program, it's a two-million-two-hundred-and-fifty-thousand-dollar program. The six roll calls together are worth about nine and a half million dollars. I'd be happy to take questions individually. The first motion's on the Southwestern Senior Olympics. It's a hundred-thousand-dollar line-item elimination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

...very much, Mr. President. I'm... Thank you very much, Mr.

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President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I -- I haven't been too vocal in -- in this debate because I recognize that I think this -- this is a difficult process. I want to state that I'm going to be supportive of the Governor's cuts in these areas, not because I don't think that these programs have merit - I think many of them do - but simply because I think these are -- don't go to core operations that affect those people who need State services the most. I will point out, for example, that the Senior Olympics is dear to my heart. My mother-in-law, I want people to know, is actually a gold medal winner in the hundred-yard dash in the Senior Olympics. She could whip all of you. And -- and it's a wonderful event and one that I think is -- is deserving of promotion by the State. But in a budget crunch when we're having to make decisions about children, youth, et cetera, I think this is an appropriate cut. The point I think I do want to make, though, is that, you know, there has been a tendency to rhetoric on both sides in this debate. I would say that although Senator Rauschenberger's done a -- an able job presenting that side of the aisle's position in this debate, there has been a tendency in the discussion for a -- just a trace of sanctimony to creep in, where the feeling is that somehow the Senate Republicans have -- are taking the tough votes and -- we're eliminating all the pork and these -- you know, "We like to do things for the poor children and the MAP program," and so forth and so on, "But we just can't do it 'cause this is a really tough budget." My list, and I will be anticipating -- I'm assuming that that side of the aisle will support the DCCA cuts that have been proposed by the Governor, but I have a list here of also those DCCA cuts that have not been supported by the Governor, that, in fact, have been maintained. And I just want to mention a few. A high-tech sector video. This is apparently a program that provides two million dollars for a video program to encourage students to go into the high-tech

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sector of the economy. Now, we might debate whether that's actually a good thing given the dot-com crash, that we actually want to encourage them to go into an industry that is tanking. But aside from that debate, I -- it's hard for me to figure out how that two million dollars is a higher priority than, for example, AIDS funding, which we're going to be cutting. Let's see -- let's take a couple of others here. We have the Northeast DuPage Special Recreation Association, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Now, I don't mean to pick on DuPage County. I think it's a great county. In fact, I'm going to have the pleasure of visiting DuPage sometime, I think, this week, if we get out in time, to talk to -- I hear there are a few Democrats out in DuPage, Pate. But -- and I don't even know whether this program is good or bad. I just do want to point out, though, that this is a program that benefits a particular area. It's not clear to me that this is, in fact, a core need that has to be funded this time up. And instead, we're cutting a series of education programs for about the same amount of money. The reason I want to make -- and let me just bring this to a close by -- by saying this: It is true that we have a tough budget, and it's true that actually some of the programs that were included in the budget that got sent to the Governor probably shouldn't have been there in the first place. And one of the interesting things about this process that we're undergoing right now is an indication that probably we need to -- open up the appropriations process a little bit more so that each of -- every one of the Members here, as well as the public and the press, have an opportunity to look at some of these line items and can make some judicious decisions about whether it's worthwhile to fund some of these programs. Now, some of these programs that I've seen so far, we might not even fund even if it wasn't a bad budget year. But what I would also want to add is this: That it is not true that somehow that side of the aisle has

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been purely above politics or pork or partisanship in this process. In fact, I think when we start looking at the votes, we'll -- it'll turn out that the Governor's Office has his favorites, that side of the aisle has its favorites, and it's looking after the -- its favorites. And that's fair. That's the nature of the political beast, but I don't want the -- the public to be fooled into thinking that somehow, Senator Rauschenberger, despite your able representations, that the -- you-all have a monopoly on responsible budgeting. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not -- Senator Hendon, is your light on, sir?

SENATOR HENDON:

Yes, it is, Mr. President. I just want to say to the last speaker, you got a lot of nerve to talk about being responsible and then you voted for closing the DCFS office on the west side, when you wouldn't have voted to close it on the south side. So I apologize to my Republican friends about my -- bipartisanship comments, 'cause clearly there's some Democrats on this side of the aisle that don't care about the west side either, especially the last speaker.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Obama, do you wish to speak? Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

Thank you, Mr. President. I understand Senator Hendon's anger at -- actually -- the -- I was not aware that I had voted No on that last -- last piece of legislation. I would have the record record that I intended to vote Yes. On the other hand, I would appreciate that next time my dear colleague, Senator Hendon, ask me about a vote before he names me on the Floor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item

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on page 195, lines 23 through 25, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item of the veto -- the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 9 voting Yes, 44 voting No, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 195, lines 26 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 195, lines 26 and 27, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the second of the group of six. This is the Prairie State Games. Got a value of a hundred thousand dollars. I'd appreciate same roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 195, lines 26 and 27, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 12 voting Yes, 42 voting No, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 199, lines 4 through 6, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

...move that the item on page 199, lines 4 through 6, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the

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contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is the DCCA Marketing Technology Initiative. It's the third in the group of six. This program's a couple years old. It was designed to help companies take new technology to market. We had initially expected to see private sector support. To date, there hasn't been any. A good program, good idea. Can't afford it this year. Appreciate supporting the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

There's -- any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 199, lines 4 through 6, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 8 voting Yes, 44 voting No, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. On -- on page 200, of -- lines 2 through 6, of Senate Bill 2093 {sic}. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 200, lines 2 through 6, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate.

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This is the fourth in the group of six. It's the Technology Advancement and Development Act. It's got a value of 4.5 million dollars. Again, good program, but can't afford it this year. Appreciate supporting the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 200, lines 2 through 6, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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, 6 are voting Yes, 49 No, none voting Present. The motion fails. On page 200, lines 21 and 22. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 200, lines 21 and 22, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is a one-million-dollar grant program to the City of Chicago to aid in employment of summer youth during the summer. It's a reasonably good program. Again, unfortunately, can't afford it this year. I'd appreciate supporting the Governor's motion -- Governor's override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 200, lines 21 and 22, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted

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who wish? Take the record. On that question, there's 7 voting Yes, 47 voting No, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 204, of -- line 23 and 22, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 204, lines 22 and 23, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator -- I'm sorry. Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is DCCA's capital access program. It's essentially a -- a guarantee program that helps small businesses get loans. Again, a good program, good idea. Unfortunately, I think we need to support the Governor. It's got a value of two million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, shall the item on page 204, lines 22 and 23, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 9 voting Yes, 46 voting No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. Top of page 7. Top of page 7. On page 213, lines 23 and 24, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 213, lines 23 and 24, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

We're going to take this line item by itself. This is the -- the Main Street Program that is housed in DCCA, generally coordinated by the Lieutenant Governor. It's got a million-dollar value. The Governor vetoed it. The -- the Governor didn't introduce it. The Senate restored it, and the Governor has now vetoed it. Appreciate people voting their conscience.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Halvorson.

SENATOR HALVORSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Assembly. This is a very important program. This is what we should all be about. This is people and communities helping themselves to be better. I don't know what kind of message we would be sending to the State of Illinois if we didn't want to restore a program that helps a minimum of fifty-six communities. And in this it has created -- this is what has brought about business, two thousand six hundred and seventy-eight full-time jobs, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three part-time jobs. And for this one-million-dollar investment to create the tools that are important for these small communities, we have also had a cumulative dollar amount of three hundred and thirty-six million two hundred and sixty-five thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine dollars. Now, to me, that's probably one of the best investments you can make. And our small towns and the revitalization and the jobs, the public and the private all coming together, this is a program we cannot afford to cut. So I hope that all of you will join me in overriding the Governor's veto of this million dollars, because this is one of those important projects all over the State.

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Further discussion? Senator Bowles.

SENATOR BOWLES:

Members of the Senate, the Main Street Program has been like an intravenous to some of the small towns and some of the medium-size towns in the State of Illinois. I personally have watched them grow. You see people on the street downtown, on the main street, on Saturday night. That was a -- a thing that we hadn't seen for years, to have people going into businesses, enjoying meeting each other, and the financial response that we've realized in taxes and in increased businesses for the downtowns' areas and the fact that we have been able to -- to revitalize - revitalize - what was decadent and almost a thing of the past. Some of you - you're not as old as I am - but I think some of you can probably remember when you went downtown and sat and talked with people on Main Street. Well, that is what this program is doing right now.

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Further...

SENATOR BOWLES:

And I would certainly ask you for your positive vote, and let's not -- let's -- I mean, your -- your vote to override -- to override the -- the Governor's veto and vote Yes. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not, Senator Rauschenberger, to close. The question is, shall the item on page 213, lines 23 and 24, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that -- on that question, there's 32 voting Yes, no voting No, 8 voting -- excuse me. 32 voting Yes, 15 voting No, 8 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page

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224, lines 17 through 20. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 224, lines 17 through 20, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the contrary -- pardon me, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next five roll calls are going to be on five adjustments to the budget requested by the House. I'll run through all five of them, and then we can go back as we do the roll calls if you have questions. The first is a five-hundred-thousand-dollar grant to Northern Illinois Planning Commission. They do planning and intergovernment -- intergovernmental coordination in northern -- northeastern Illinois. Second is a hundred-thousand-dollar grant to the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists Mobile Education and HS Prevention, whatever that is. Then there's a two-hundred-thousand-dollar grant to the Elmhurst Hospital, a two-hundred-and-fifty-thousand-dollar grant to the Plainfield YMCA and a fifty-thousand-dollar grant to the Will County Children's Advocacy Center. The first motion is -- Northern -- Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission, five hundred thousand dollars. Appreciate supporting the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, on page 224, lines 17 through 20, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. And those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted

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who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there's 7 voting Yes, 45 voting No, 4 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 225, lines 10 through 13, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 225, lines 10 through 13, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is the alliance for intoxicated motorists, a hundred-thousand-dollar grant. Appreciate supporting the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 225, lines 10 through 13, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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, 4 voting Yes, 53 No, none voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 225, lines 18 through 21, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 225, lines 18 through 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is the Elmhurst Hospital two-hundred-thousand-dollar grant. Appreciate supporting the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 225, lines 18 to 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 2 are voting Yes, 53 No, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 225, lines 22 to 25. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 225, lines 22 through 25, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is a two-hundred-and-fifty-thousand-dollar grant to a great institution, the YMCA of Plainfield. I am a Y member. So if that's a -- you know, a conflict of interest, I want to openly disclose it. It's a two-hundred-fifty-thousand-dollar grant. I'd appreciate you supporting the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 225, lines 22 to 25, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All

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those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 3 voting Yes, 53 voting No, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 225, lines 26 through 28, of -- and page 226, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item of page 225, lines 26 and 28, and page 226, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a fifty-thousand-dollar grant to the Will County Children's Advocacy Center. Appreciate supporting the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 225, lines 26 and {sic} 28, and page 226, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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, 10 are voting Yes, 43 No, 2 Present. Motion fails. On page 226, lines 2 through 5, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 226, lines 2 through 5, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President. For the Members of the Body, we're -- I'm going to discuss the next six DCCA line-item eliminations and give you the values, and then we'll take the roll calls individually. The first one is a hundred-thousand-dollar grant to Blessing Hospital. I'm -- I don't know where that is, unfortunately. In the Quincy area. And then there's a hundred-and-fifty-thousand-dollar grant for the Quincy Area Community Foundation. There's a three-hundred-thousand-dollar grant for the Lincoln Park Zoo. There is a hundred-and-thirty-five-thousand-dollar grant to the Chicago Lakefront Partners. This also -- the next line item eliminates the LINK economic development program. A good program that's benefitted a lot of communities in Chicago, but -- or, in the metropolitan area, but we can't afford this year. And the last one is elimination of a two-hundred-and-fifty-thousand-dollar grant to the Lincoln Foundation. The first roll call will be Blessing Hospital, one hundred thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator del Valle.

SENATOR DEL VALLE:

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I guess we're dealing with these things in a -- in a group. I just want to make a quick point regarding the LINK development. You'll recall that when we had our negotiations to give Rosemont a riverboat, there was an agreement to put funds into a LINK development project to attract businesses into economically depressed areas for the purpose of creating jobs. And that was a promise that was made, and then put into -- into the budget. And here we are today eliminating that. I did not vote for that bill -- for that riverboat bill. Now I'm

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even more glad that I didn't vote for it, because once again, we clearly demonstrate that sometimes around here when promises get made, they -- they're broken. And here, once again, even though we were told that the riverboat was good for the State and that everyone would benefit from it, and we argued that Rosemont was not economically depressed and therefore we needed to put dollars in the budget to address those economically depressed areas that should be benefitting, and the commitment was made, here we are today. We're going to break that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger, do you wish to close? Yes. Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Yeah. Just briefly on the question of linked development. It -- it -- Senator del Valle is correct. The -- the LINK development program was tied to moving the tenth license and authorizing it for Rosemont. The thought all along was the revenues from that riverboat would help support the LINK development program. We have no revenues. We have no tenth license issued. We've not been able to agree on a 10A license or another process to free that license up. Again, it's a good program. It's unfortunate, but we've got -- we've made deals with lots and lots of providers and -- and programs in the State of Illinois we can't keep this year. I think it's unfortunate, but Senator del Valle does point out, it's unfortunate. This -- this -- this roll call is Blessing Hospital, a hundred thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 226, lines 2 through 5, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open.

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Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 2 are voting Yes, 53 No, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On the bottom of page 7. On page -- page 226, lines 6 through 9, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 226, lines 6 through 9, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Quincy Area Community Foundation, a grant of a hundred and fifty thousand dollars. I'd appreciate a similar roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 226, lines 6 through 9, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that -- on that question, 3 are voting Yes, 53 are voting No, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. Next page. Page 8. Top of page 8 is page 226, lines 10 through 13, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 226, lines 10 through 13, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is a grant to Lincoln Park Zoo for three hundred thousand dollars. One of the premier zoos in our area. This year we can't afford it. Appreciate a similar roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 226, lines 10 through 13, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 4 voting Yes, 53 No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 226, lines 14 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 226, lines 14 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is a grant to Chicago Lakefront Partners. Got a value of a hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars. Appreciate a similar roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 226, lines 14 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. Nobody voted

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Yes, 56 voted No, and 1 voted Present. And the motion fails. Page 227, lines 11 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 227, lines 11 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the roll call involving the LINK economic development program that I know people think it's unfortunate we're eliminating. It's got a six-million-dollar value. I'd appreciate supporting the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much. I stand to override the Governor's veto. There was a time when we all used to stand in this Chamber and -- and stand proudly and say that we made promises and we kept our promises. This is another example of us breaking our promise. This -- these dollars were not tied directly to the opening of the riverboat. These were separate dollars, a separate pile of money that went to depressed communities to ensure that they could, at one point in time, become viable. Well, there's still many depressed -- depressed communities here in the State of Illinois. There is still a -- a need for these dollars here in the State of Illinois. It is not the time for us -- as we are in this fiscal crisis, for us to start adding to the deterioration of our communities and to our cities and to our small towns. And I ask for the override of this Governor's veto.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

We -- we are about to -- you want to eliminate the six million dollars that we put into LINK Development, which would help depressed communities. Is that what we are doing here on this...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger. Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The veto -- or, the veto recommendation from the Governor -- the veto action from the Governor was to eliminate the program. It's got a six-million-dollar value. The vote before us is either to override that veto or to sustain it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

To the -- to the motion. We have -- we have done -- we've cut a lot of money out here today, including education. We've cut a lot of money from the various other programs, and we will probably cut more money out of this budget. But one of the things that I -- I seem to be having a problem with that -- and maybe -- maybe we just haven't gotten to that yet. Let me ask the sponsor another question. On the -- where we granted the Governor -- the Governor has been granted the authority to raise up to seven hundred and fifty million dollars by issuing General Obligation bonds to repay -- to repay by future payment. Now, did he veto that portion of the bill? What happened to that?

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

To the best of my knowledge, the Governor has not vetoed the -- the right to securitize some of the tobacco proceeds for the year-end balance or for the Rainy Day Fund. But he's also said he will not use it for operations or grants of State government.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

It just -- it just seemed to me that if everything being equal, if we're not going to use it, did you encourage the Governor to veto the -- that bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I -- I'll take that under advisement, but he usually doesn't seek my advice on vetoes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

The only thing that I'm saying, I guess, and -- is that we are going to leave almost a billion dollars in there after we have cut everything. And certainly, I think the Governor will possibly use some of this money to restore some of this -- these cuts that we have made and programs that we have done. I think he have the power, in some cases, to do that. But there are seven hundred and fifty million dollars that are left out there that we authorized that nothing is being done with, but yet we have started cutting programs for children, for seniors, for everything we can think of. And you-all are sitting over there voting for these programs without taking that seven hundred and fifty million dollars out of the budget. I think this is wrong. I think you should reconsider

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your effort.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate.  
Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Senator, do I hear you right? Because I remember this portion very well when we were doing the dockside gaming portion, and it was an integral part of that. Are -- are you stating that the reason that you feel that the Governor should cut this or is cutting this -- this program is because the tenth license is not in place and, therefore, funding is not available? Is that your position?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The -- the understanding of most Members, at least on this side of the aisle, when we pass the tenth license, is that the LINK development program took the place of assigning a riverboat license to distressed communities 'cause you only had one license to assign. The -- the understanding always was, the revenues from the tenth license would be able to drive funding into this program. And unfortunately, we have not only no tenth license, but we have a -- you know, kind of compressing revenues. So, yes, I would argue that -- that this program deserves rereview, when and if we ever get the tenth license squared away.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

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I think you just answered my follow-up question, which -- it's your position then, and for the record, are we stating that -- or, are you stating -- and I know you can't speak for the Body, but it would be your position that once the tenth license is issued, that the LINK -- the LINK development goes back into effect. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

It's my personal opinion, and one that I will argue aggressively, that when we do get restoration or get a clearing of the cloud on the tenth license and get it issued, that the LINK development program's a good idea. It's kind of revenue sharing on a broader scale to distressed communities that can't have a riverboat. And I would remind the Body to -- in -- in lieu of closing, is that there's more than six million dollars in reappropriation - in other words, previous authorization in this program that has not been spent. We're simply eliminating the six million dollars additional that we would have been adding to the program this year. There's still six million in there to spend.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 227, lines 11 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 19 are voting Yes, 37 No, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. The State Journal-Register asks leave to do some still photography. Leave is granted. Page - I'm sorry - 267, lines 16 through 19, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

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I move that the item on page 267, lines 16 through 19, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the last of the DCCA adjustments. It's a two-hundred-and-fifty-thousand-dollar line item to the Lincoln Foundation. Appreciate supporting the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 267, lines 16 through 19, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. Nobody voted Yes, 57 voted No, and no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page -- on page 350, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

A very, very quick walk back in time. People may or may not remember that when there was a lot of discussion of which correctional facilities to close, the Governor made a representation that he wanted to open the Thomson -- the new

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Thomson Correctional Center in the next fiscal year. There was some frustration on both sides of the aisle, as I recall, that we shouldn't be opening a new prison until we had completed what work we were going to do as far as restructuring the existing prisons where people already had jobs and were in danger of layoffs. The Governor has reversed his position and has now vetoed out the fifteen million dollars which would have allowed the opening of Thomson in Fiscal Year '03. I would argue it's very likely to open in Fiscal '04. The facility is ready to go. The next thirteen line items have a total value of fifteen million dollars. I thought maybe we could talk about -- the closure -- the -- the decision not to open any part of Thomson in the next fiscal year as an issue, and then move the thirteen line items after discussion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a -- the first of many correctional sites that we have that we're looking at. I guess this is one of those, and I think the Senator alluded to it a little bit, that the Governor giveth and the Governor taketh away. I think that everyone was pretty well set to the idea that Thomson, even though it's built, it's ready to open. It's been ready to open. We're sitting there with a hundred-and-forty-eight-million-dollar investment that the State has in Thomson facility. We have a number of people who have invested in the community who are waiting for this correctional center to open. It's a correctional center that is for the baddest of the bad. And we all like to be tough on crime around here, and I'm trying to figure out where we're going to put these bad guys if, in fact, Thomson does not open. It becomes difficult to talk about opening a new facility whenever we're talking about

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closing existing facilities. But I think the point here is that we have made the hundred-and-forty-eight-million-dollar investment. It's sitting out there like a white elephant. Not only the people of the community think that it's ludicrous that we have constructed such a facility and not doing anything with it. And I think that that's something that is -- is starting to gain momentum throughout the rest of the State. It's a total of fifteen million dollars. I know it's a lot of money when we're talking about other correctional centers, when we're talking about cutting funds from the education and -- and from our seniors and from prescriptions, but I happen to think that this is a correctional center that should open. And I ask for an override of the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Well, thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I would concur with my colleague from Rock Island County. Our districts adjoin, and, as Senator Jacobs knows, this particular prison in Thomson is located at the northern end of his district, just a mile into his district, just outside of my district. And the history of this goes clear back to the Edgar administration with the closing of the Savanna Army Depot when we lost thousands of jobs in northwest Illinois that had been there for a long time, and we got into the -- the process of bidding a site to the State when they said they needed a maximum security prison. This is the first new maximum security prison that the State has built in eighty-eight years. It truly is a state-of-the-art facility. It is ready to go. Probably -- I don't think probably -- we know that operationally there will be no prison in the State that will operate more economically, more efficiently than the Thomson Correctional Center, this new maximum

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security facility. And as Senator Jacobs says, it sits there like a white elephant on the west side of Route 84, just north of Thomson, between Route 84 and the Mississippi River. The people of northwest Illinois have been counting on these jobs for the last four years. The site was moved from the Savanna Army Depot because of environmental concerns and an issue over a little weed called James' clammyweed that the environmentalists said we couldn't disturb and couldn't site the prison at the closed Savanna Army Depot. So we moved it down to this site at Thomson. The Village of Thomson, a very small community, is depending on the revenue stream, obviously, that would be generated by supplying water and utilities to the new facility. So it impacts a lot of people in the district. And I know that this, like so many other things that we're not overriding, will not be overridden today. So I guess my request to the Governor and his staff would be that as soon as we see - as soon as we see - some economic recovery, as soon as we see that revenue stabilizes or begins to increase, that we do find when there's fifteen million dollars available, that this be high on the list - high on the list - in -- in -- at the discretion of the Department of Corrections to begin hiring the people and to begin staffing this facility as early as possible. It's critical to the economic concerns of northwest Illinois, and it's unfortunate that we have the ability to build facilities like this, but we do not have the funds available today to hire the staff and -- and open the facility.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Yeah. Will sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Shadid.

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SENATOR SHADID:

Yeah. I would like to ask -- and it's down the -- the road a little bit, but I understand that Rushville -- or, I mean, Valley View and Sheridan are closing, Senator Rauschenberger. Could you tell me how many inmates are in those two prisons?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Rushville's not open. So there's no -- no beds involved there. I think -- Valley View was four hundred at its peak, or four thirty at its peak, and it now has a hundred and ten or so guests there. Sheridan is seventeen hundred beds.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

What's the plans? Where are they supposed to be sent to, or where are they going? Just going to walk the street or what?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Well, as I understand it, I think Sheridan inmates are going to be transferred, for the most part, to Lawrence. But there's -- there's -- there's three classes of facilities, as I'm sure you're aware, and they'll be transferring among those. I'm not exactly sure how the Department manages these.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

And apparently where they're being sent we've got empty beds?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

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There's capacity, yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

I hope we don't get back to where we were several years ago where we had not enough beds and we had prisoners being released early. I think this is a bad -- bad position we're getting put into. We've built these new prisons. The one is a maximum one at Thomson that we should be utilizing. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Jacobs, for a second time.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Yes, Mr. President, I apologize for rising for the second time. I -- I think we all know pretty well the mood of this Body, so we know pretty well most of these things are going. So I would just echo what Senator Sieben said, that if, in fact, we cannot override the Governor's veto on this -- on the Thomson prison, that he does give it his utmost attention whenever the revenues do free up. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not, Senator Rauschenberger, do you wish to close?

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Yeah. Briefly, to Senator Shadid's question, a little better answer. The Lawrence facility is going to be opening up sixteen hundred beds this year that weren't open before. By the numbers supplied by the Department, there'll be a net increase in '03 in the available beds. The line item you're voting on is the first of thirteen related to the closing -- or, to the decision not to open the Thomson Correctional Center in Fiscal Year '03, unless we do a supplemental.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

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The question is, shall the item on page 350, line 1, of Senate Bill 293 {sic} do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 21 are voting Yes, 36 No, no voting Present. Motion fails. Page 350, lines 2 and 3. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the items on page 350, lines 2 and 3, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator -- Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is second of thirteen motions. This has got a value of six hundred and nineteen thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? If not, shall the item on page 350, lines 2 and 3, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 15 are voting Yes, 42 No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 350, lines 4 and 5, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, lines 4 and 5, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the third motion, the third line item. This one is thirty-two thousand dollars for inmate compensation. I'd appreciate a similar roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, shall the item on page 350, lines 4 and 5, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the -- the item of the Governor -- the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 7 are voting Yes, 50 No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. We are now at the top of page 9. Top of page 9. On page 350, lines 6 and 7, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, lines 6 and 7, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the fourth out of thirteen lines. It's got a value of 1.2 million dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 350, lines 6 and 7, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of the Governor -- to the contrary notwithstanding. Those -- all those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open.

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Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 11 are voting Yes, 45 No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 350, lines 8 and 9, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, lines 8 and 9, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the fifth of thirteen line items. It's got a value of eight hundred and forty thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 350, lines 8 and 9, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 14 voted Yes, 43 No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 350, line 10, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, line 10, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

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Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is number six of the thirteen. It's the contractual services line. It's got a value of a million dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 350, line 10, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 13 are voting Yes, 44 No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 350, line 11, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, line 11, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the seventh of the thirteen motions. This is the travel allowance for the prison. It's got a value of sixteen thousand five hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

The question is, shall the item -- is there any discussion, I guess I should ask. If not, the question is, shall the item on page 350, line 11, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 11 Yes, 46 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 350, lines 12 through 14, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam

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Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, lines 12 through 14, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the next line. This is the travel allowance for discharged prisoners. It's got a value of three thousand three hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 350, lines 12 through 14, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 6 voting Yes, 51 voting No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 350, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is number nine of thirteen. It's the commodities line for the prison. It's two hundred and ninety-one thousand dollars.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 350, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 11 are voting Yes, 46 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 350, line 16, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, line 16, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the printing line for the Thomson Correctional Center. It's got a value of ten thousand seven hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 350, line 16, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 10 are voting Yes, 47 No, no Present. And the motion fails. Page 350, line 17. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, line 17, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the equipment line for Thomson -- for the Thomson Correctional Center, three hundred and fifty-five thousand.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 350, line 17, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 12 voted Yes, 43 No, 1 Present. And the motion fails. Now we're moving on. Page 10. Page 10 of the Calendar. Top of page 10. Page 350, line 18, Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, line 17 {sic}, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is twelve out of thirteen. It's the telecommunications line, worth ninety-three thousand five hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 350, lines -- 18, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take

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the record. On that question, 11 voted Yes, 45 No, 1 Present. Motion fails. Page 350, line 19, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 350, line 19, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the operation of auto equipment at the Thomson -- Thomson Correctional Center. It's the last line. It's thirteen of thirteen. It's got a value of eighteen thousand one hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 350, line 19, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 10 voted Yes, 47 No, no Present. And the motion fails. Page 354, line 25, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 354, line 25, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

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Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This line -- this line-item veto would close the Hanna City work camp. It's got a value of five million seven hundred and ninety-four thousand. The camps are lump summed in the Correctional budget. So, a single item reduction eliminates it if we sustain the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Hanna City work camp has been in operation for many years in Peoria County, and it serves a very useful purpose, not only for Peoria County, but for surrounding counties where the inmates get out every day and do some good work out in the communities, as far as environmental: picking up garbage and doing cleanup for small communities. I think it's a mistake when we close places like this up. If you're going to close places up, you shouldn't be closing up a work camp where people are out there working instead of laying on a cot in their cell or watching TV all day. So, I'm opposed to closing this work camp and other work camps in the State, but especially this one, because I know this one very personally. So I'd appreciate an override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in -- in support of Senator Shadid's position within his district, and I would hope that those on that side of the aisle who understand that we need these work camps for the safety and security of the people of Illinois will

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vote with us and those on this side of the aisle will support their colleague within his district. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 354, line 25, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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, 29 voted Yes, 26 No, no Present. And the motion fails. Page 355, line 13, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 355, line 13, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of the veto to the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The status of this line item is very similar to the one we just had. It's a lump sum. It will close the Ed Jenison work camp in Paris. I presume that's Paris, Illinois. It's got a value of five million two hundred and sixty-three thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR MYERS:

I guess it's more of a statement. Paris, Illinois, needs this work camp. When there's something to be done at the fairgrounds

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or there's something to be done in the area - and it goes beyond that to help Vermilion County; the work camp is tied to the Danville Correctional Center - they call the work camp. I think too that we need some of the work camps to remain open. And I would just say that this work camp has proved to the whole area that it's a good neighbor. So I would ask that, as some others have asked, if there is a consideration to be made, and if at all possible, that this camp be kept open. I know the workers, many of them personally. They have a great work ethic, and this camp is working well.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Yes. I just want to make a comment. I think instead of closing work camps, we should be having built more work camps throughout the State of Illinois so that we can get the best benefit we can out of these inmates and get 'em out to work and get 'em out in the open so that we -- they can work. And most of 'em want to work. So why are we closing work camps? We should be building more of 'em. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 355, line 13, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 29 voted Yes, 25 No, 2 Present. Motion fails. Page 355, lines -- I'm sorry, lines 33 and 34, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 355, lines 33 and 34, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary

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notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next line-item veto deals with the closure of the Greene County boot camp. Again, like the two work camps before it, its operations are contained in a single lump sum, so it's a single roll call vote. I filed a motion to override. I'd appreciate people supporting the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, thank you very much. Let me associate, again, myself with the remarks of the two previous speakers and indicate to you that Greene is -- is in my district. I was just recently over there, and I got to tell you, they were performing yeomen's work because they were individuals who we called upon to do sandbagging for the various flooding that -- that occurred just recently. And, of course, they have, as Senator Myers -- has indicated, a number of other community-wide services that -- that they involve themselves in. And it's an individual place where there's been no incidents and -- and nothing but -- but good things have been said about it. I don't know what happens to this facility now. The community voted the land for this facility that it's on. And I can remember when Jim Thompson came and it was one of the first work camps that was available in the State of Illinois. My colleague, Representative Watson, from my district, who's a new Representative who took Tom Ryder's place, and I both would like very much to see this facility to remain open. And I would ask for a positive vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 355, lines 33 and 34, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 28 Yes, 26 No, 2 Present. And the motion fails. Page 365, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 365, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Signed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next thirteen line items involve the Sheridan Correctional Center. The total value of all thirteen line items is twenty-nine million dollars. The first line item we're going to take up is personal services. It's got a seventeen-million-three-hundred-and-thirty-four-thousand-dollar value. Be happy to entertain questions or discussion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

...you. Thank you, Mr. President. Let me just say that I'm opposing this -- this cut in the budget. You know, when we left here last week, we had an agreement to fund these programs. And I know the Senate President said that those of us on this side

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didn't step up to the plate, but I would assert that we did. Number one, included in the Governor's budget -- he didn't include in the Governor's budget the early retirement bill that we passed. And those of us on this side supplied a heck of a lot of votes to get that passed. That raised seventy-five million dollars. The marriage insurance penalty bill - we supplied a heck of a lot of votes for that. That would raise between twenty-five and thirty-two million dollars. And the decoupling bill from the federal accelerated depreciation tax break - we supplied more than the majority of the votes on that. It only, I think, passed with thirty-six. That was two hundred and forty million dollars. So we did step up to the plate, and we thought we hit the ball out of the park. We also had an agreement to borrow money. And last weekend the Governor thought it was a good idea, the weekend before this one. He thought it was a good idea. He was going to go along with it. Then, no one knows what happened. We had Steve Schnorf, the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, in the Appropriations Committee yesterday, and his testimony was absolutely incredible. He claimed that all five Leaders knew there was an agreement on the table, and it wasn't agreed to when they left that meeting, before we closed out our Session, a week ago Sunday. I've never heard of the Leaders leaving the table before there was an agreement that was actually agreed to. The negotiations down there aren't such. I've never seen negotiations that everybody just presents their opinion and then leaves without reaching some agreement and coming back to a caucus. That's never happened before. So, I really don't believe what Director Schnorf said. I think that there was an agreement, but the Governor changed his mind. Somehow he seemed to hit the panic button on securitizing the Tobacco Settlement money. And that's not such a revolutionary idea. Many other states have done it. The first person to propose it and call a major press conference was our

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State Treasurer, Judy Topinka. She wanted to securitize one hundred percent - one hundred percent - of the Tobacco Settlement money about three years ago. And the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee, Senator Rauschenberger, carried that bill. So now, to suddenly say this is a terrible idea, when we're only trying to borrow about one-third or less of that money, seems to me to be disingenuous. We had an agreement. It would have kept this prison open. When I talked to -- last night before the Appropriations Committee, the Director of the -- Director of Corrections, Donnie Snyder, said they're going to open up another prison for women. And I said, "Well, why are you opening up a new prison when you can move these people to Sheridan?" "Well, we're not going to really need that prison because we're projecting in two and a half years, when it's done, we'll have a big increase in women who -- who will be utilizing this new prison." But this is the same Department that projected we needed a new prison every year for the last twenty years, and they didn't realize we didn't need one even last November when they were still pushing for a new prison. Every one of you has probably had a prison sweepstakes in your district. Now, all of a sudden, they -- they know how to predict when we need prisons, after twenty years? To me, that doesn't make sense. There isn't really a grounds for this, except the Governor's reluctance to borrow money. That securitization of the -- of the Tobacco Settlement money could be easily used, if not securitizing it, as was proposed and laid on the table, to -- to achieve what Director Schnorf said we needed to do, and the reason we're back here, which he said was we needed money for lapse-period spending, to cover that. He said we needed money to replenish the Rainy Day Fund. Those were the two items that were going to be taken care of by using the stream of revenue -- the annual stream of revenue from the Tobacco Settlement money to fund General Obligation bonds. So instead of taking all the money up

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front, we just use a yearly increment from those bonds -- from the Tobacco Settlement money, pay for these bonds, get a better interest rate. That's fine too. It doesn't matter which way we do it. But we would have had the money. To come back here without any real reason, when doing what was agreed to by the Leaders would put us in a good position, would balance the budget, to me, doesn't make sense. I think we were all, when we went up to the plate, thrown a curve. And I think that it's unfair to the people who live in Sheridan, the people who work in Sheridan and the people who work in other areas throughout the State of Illinois, because this budget was balanced about ten days ago when we left town. It's balanced today. It's just that the Governor has changed what he wants to do to balance it. I would urge that we override the Governor's veto. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I voted for the same budget that my colleague voted for, just -- almost two weeks ago. At that time, we -- I was not aware that we are in debt more than one billion four hundred thousand. We have found, since then, that the income from May has been way down compared to May of last year and we're closer to two billion dollars in the hole. And I think this is a responsible action and the common-sense action to do what we can. I'm making votes today that I'm not happy about, but the facts are the facts. We are short. We're almost two billion dollars in the hole. And if you think that you can justify it by raising your income taxes and sales taxes to your constituents, you try it. All we have to do is be as responsible as we can and figure out what we can do to help the Governor go through the situation. And I think the Governor will be responsible enough to see if there is any possibility of

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helping some of these institutions by Executive Order, perhaps he can do it. But I think the thing to do today is to follow what he's -- his budget is saying to us now, his -- his veto, and go along with the veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Yeah. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Senator Rauschenberger, how many employees are there at Sheridan?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Well, while we're looking for how many employees, there are seventeen hundred beds.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Shadid. Excuse me.

SENATOR SHADID:

I hope that doesn't mean there's seventeen hundred employees.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

We'll know that in a minute. Our -- our -- our analyst is looking it up, 'cause I don't want to give you an inaccurate number.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

While he -- while he's looking at it -- up the number, could

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you tell me, where are these employees -- whatever number they are, where are they going to be sent to? Are they going to get first crack at working at -- Lawrenceville, when that prison opens?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

We've now been reliably informed there's about three hundred correctional employees. Three -- three hundred guards. That make you feel better? But -- has somebody got a better number over there? Five hundred total, three hundred guards, I guess, is the -- is the number. Based on the AFSCME contract, which we've been unable to open or change in any way, the correctional employees at closed correctional facilities would have bumping rights throughout the system, as I understand it. So they would...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

If they don't have bumping rights, I would hope that we'd work on it to get them bumping rights, if they are going to be thrown out of a job, so they can go to work, and they're trained to go to work in Lawrenceville when that opens. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, do you wish to close? The question is, shall the item on page 365, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 31 voted Yes, 24 No, no Present. And the motion fails. Channel 20 News, here in Springfield, wishes leave to videotape the proceedings, as does WIFR out of Rockford, their

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still photographer, looks like. They wish leave also, and leave is granted. On page 365, line -- line item, I'm sorry, lines 21 and 22, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 365, lines 21 and 22, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the second of the thirteen lines that effectively closes Sheridan Correctional Center. Has a value of nine hundred and fifty-three thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

The question is -- I'm sorry, is there discussion? Any discussion at all? The question is, shall the item on page 365, lines 21 and 22, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor not -- to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 31 voted Yes, 24 voted No, no voted Present. And the motion fails. We are now at the top of page 11. Top of page 11. Page 365, lines 23 and 24. Mr. -- Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 365, lines 23 and 24, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the inmate compensation line. It's got a value of three hundred and six thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 365, lines 23 and 24, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 29 voted Yes, 26 voted No, no voted Present. And the motion fails. Page 365, lines 25 and 26, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 365, lines 25 and 26, Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Signed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Yeah. This line is the State contribution to employee retirement. It's got a value of one million eight hundred and thirty-seven thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 365, lines 25 and 26, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 30 voted Yes, 25

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No, no -- no voted Present. And the motion fails. Page 365, lines 27 and 28. Please read the motion, Mr....

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 365, lines 27 and 28, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Signed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the appropriation for Social Security. It's a value of one million two hundred and fifty-five thousand. It's the fifth of the thirteenth {sic} line items.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 365, lines 27 and 28, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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, 30 voted Yes, 25 No, and no Present. And the motion fails. Page 365, lines 29. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 365, line 29, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Signed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Six out of thirteen. Contractual services. Value of 5.5 million.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

There any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 365, line 29, of Senate Bill 2393 pass. All those in favor -- I'm sorry, do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote -- vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 30 -- 30 voted Yes, 25 No, no Present. And the motion fails. Page 365, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 365, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the travel line. It's worth thirty-four thousand three hundred dollars for correction -- or, for Sheridan Correctional Center. It's the seventh out of thirteen lines.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I just have a question here on both line item 30 and line item -- lines 31 and 32. It would seem to me that both of these items, even though they're not a lot of money, should probably be kept in the budget. It would seem to me that if we are, in effect, closing Sheridan, you're going to need that money in order to transfer the prisoners. And for those prisoners you're going to dump out on the streets, you're going to have to give them some

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money to get home. I think these are two items that should be kept in the budget.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any other discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

To the best of my knowledge, the reception center covers the transportation costs of inmates when you close a facility. So, although it's a good thought, I don't think it's necessary. I'd appreciate you supporting the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Question is, shall the item on page 365, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there's 29 voting Yes, 27 voting No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 365, lines 31 and 32, of Senate Bill 2393 do -- Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 365, lines 31 and 32, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is -- this is the travel allowance for discharged prisoners. It's got a value of forty one thousand one hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, question is, shall the item on page

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365, lines 31 and 32, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 22 voted Yes, 33 voted No, no voted Present. And the motion fails. Page 366, line 1. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 366, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor -- or, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This -- this is commodities line for Sheridan Correctional Center. Value of eight hundred and eighty-three thousand seven hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

There any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 366, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 30 voted Yes, 26 voted No, nobody voted Present. And the motion fails. We're moving right along. Page 12. Top of page 12, we have page 366, line 2, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 366, line 2, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary

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notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

It's the printing line for the Sheridan Correctional Center. It's worth twenty-six thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 366, line 2, Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 29 voted Yes, 26 voted No, no voted Present. And the motion fails. Page 366, line 3. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 366, line 3, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is equipment line for Sheridan. It's worth a hundred and forty-seven thousand three hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 366, line 3, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take

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the record. 30 voted Yes, 25 No, no Present. And the motion fails. Page 366, line 4. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 366, line 4, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is telecommunications line. It's worth a hundred and twelve thousand dollars. Appreciate a roll call supporting the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 366, line 4, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 29 voted Yes, 26 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 366, line 5. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 366, line 5, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is the final thirteenth of -- thirteenth of thirteen line items. Operation of auto, worth a hundred and

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seventy-seven thousand three hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 366, line 5, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 29 voted Yes, 26 voted No, and nobody voted Present. So the motion fails. Page 369. Mr. Secretary -- I'm sorry, line 32, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 369, line 32, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next fourteen line items deal with postponing the opening of the Rushville Youth Correctional Center in the Department of Corrections. It was slated to open in May of the coming fiscal year. This will effectively delay it until Fiscal Year '04. The next fourteen line items have a combined value of 5.7 million dollars. The first line item will be the personal services, which has a value of two million nine hundred and fifty-six thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, the item on page 369, line 32, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary

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notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 15 voted Yes, 41 voted No, no voted Present. And the motion fails. Page 369, lines 33 and 34, of Senate Bill -- 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 369, lines 33 and 34, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This -- this is the employee retirement contribution. It's got a value of one hundred and sixty-seven thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 369, lines 33 and 34, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 10 voted Yes, 45 No, no voted Present. Motion fails. Page 370, lines 1 and 2, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 370, lines 1 and 2, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

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SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the inmate compensation line. It's got a value of five thousand five hundred dollars. Appreciate the same roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 370, lines 1 and 2, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed, No. The voting is open. All those voted who wish? Have all those voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 2 voted Yes, 54 voted No, and no voted Present. The motion fails. Bottom of page 12. Page 370, lines 3 and 4, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 370, lines 3 and 4, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is four of fourteen. It's the State contribution of -- to employee retirement. It's got a value of three hundred and fourteen thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any questions? Discussion? Anything at all? No. The question is, shall the item on page 370, lines 3 and 4, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 9 voted Yes, 46

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voted No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. Top of page 13. Top of page 13, we have page 370, lines 5 and 6. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 370, lines 5 and 6, Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is -- this is five of fourteen. It's the Social Security contributions. It's worth two hundred and thirty-three thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 370, lines 5 and 6, of Senate Bill 2393 -- I'm sorry -- Senator Noland? The question is, shall the item on page 370, lines 5 and 6, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 10 voted Yes, 45 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 370, line 7, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 370, line 7, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

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SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is contractual services line for the Rushville Correctional Center. It's got a value of one million five hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? Any discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 370, line 7, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 7 voting Yes, 50 voting No, no voting Present. Motion fails. Page 370, line 8, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill -- motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 370, line 8, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the travel budget for the Rushville Correctional Center. It's got a value of six thousand nine hundred and thirty-one dollars and forty cents.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 370, line 8, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 7 voted Yes, 49 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 370, line 8 {sic}, Senate Bill 2393.

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Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 370, lines 9 and 10, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This, I think, is the smallest line item we've considered yet. It's the travel allowance for discharged prisoners. It has a total value of two hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 370, lines 9 and 10, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 5 are voting Yes, 51 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 370, line 11, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 370, line 11, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the commodity lines for the Rushville Correctional Center. It's line nine of fourteen. It's got a value of a hundred and sixty-eight thousand dollars.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 370, line 11, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 7 are voting Yes, 49 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 370, line 12, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 370, line 12, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This -- this is the printing line for Rushville. It's got a value of six point -- six thousand nine hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, -- on the -- shall the item on page 370, line 12, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote Nay. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 7 voted Yes, 48 No, no Present. Motion fails. Bottom of page 13. On page 370, line 13, Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 370, line 13, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary

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notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This -- this is the equipment budget for Rushville. It's got a value of three hundred and -- three hundred thousand -- three hundred and one thousand four hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 370, line 13, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of the -- veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 6 are voting Yes, 49 No, no Present. Motion fails. Top of page 14. Top of page 14. On page 370, line 14. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 370, line 14, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is line number twelve of the fourteen lines. It's the telecommunication line, worth seven thousand eight hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 370, line 14, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote

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Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 6 voted Yes, 49 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 370, line 15. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 370, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is the operation of autos line. It's thirteen of fourteen. It's got a value of ten thousand nine hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 370, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 6 are voting Yes, 50 No, 0 voting Present. Motion fails. Page 370, lines 16 and 17, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 370, lines 16 and 17, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Signed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

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This is motion number fourteen of fourteen involving Rushville. It's the ten-thousand-dollar deposit into the T and A Revolving Fund, which is travel and allowances. It's got a ten-thousand-dollar value. I'd appreciate a similar roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 370, lines 16 and 17, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 6 are voting Yes, 48 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 371, line 6. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 371, line 6, Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.  
By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next thirteen line items involve the Valley View Illinois Youth Correctional Facility, in Valley View, Illinois. The thirteen line items have a value of 12.5 million. Currently, we believe there's a hundred and seventy-one full-time employees, and about a hundred and twenty guests at that facility. Their capacity is varied anywhere from three hundred to four hundred. The first line item would eliminate the personnel {sic} services at Valley View Correctional Center. So the first line item will have a value of eight million sixty-one thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Senator Karpel.

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SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. Well, I -- I stand in favor of this motion and would ask everyone to vote to override -- override the motion. Valley View is sort of a different type of entity than some of the others we've been voting on. This is really -- it is, of course, a correctional facility, but it's also a school, and a lot of these young -- young people that go there get their GEDs while they're there, get training - vocational training...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Pardon me. Senator Karpriel. Would you please give the attention to Senator Karpriel? This is an important issue to her. Senator Karpriel.

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you. They get their GEDs while they're there. They get vocational training. It has a very low rate of recidivism. There's a great volunteer group of people out there, not only the employees that work for the facility, but people in the community volunteer their time. It is one of the lowest - I think it is the lowest - per capita facility in the State. It costs them the lowest amount of money per capita. And I think it would be a real shame to close this facility. Senator Rauschenberger said there's about a hundred and seventy guests at the facility. Actually, it's a facility that'll house about three hundred and seventy. And up until January, when the Department started moving them out, there were about three hundred and fifty there. And it's a shame for these young people to be moved from a facility where there is the -- the learning opportunity that there is there, to be moved into more crowded facilities. And I would really appreciate your vote for the override on this motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any other discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

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SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I think Senator Karpiel makes a good point. Valley View is an exceptional facility. It has one of the lower costs. It's also located close to the courts in the -- the juvenile courts in the metropolitan area. So, it may be one of those special cases, and it's one that, you know, I feel particularly bad about having to deal with on a veto message. People, please vote your conscience.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

The question is, shall the item on page 371, line 6, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 27 voted Yes, 27 voted No, no voted Present. And the motion fails. That's it for Supplemental Calendar No. 1. We'll be on the same order of business, but it will be Senate Calendar -- First Special Session Supplemental Calendar No. 2. We will start at the top of page 1. Motions in Writing, Override Item Vetoes. On page 371, lines 7 and 8. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 371, lines 7 and 8, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This is the second line in the line items on Valley View. It's the employee retirement contributions. Got a value of four hundred and forty-three thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the

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item on page 371, lines 7 and 8, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? ...all voted. Close it. Take the record. On that question, there are 15 voting Yes, 40 voting No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 371, lines 9 and 10. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 371, lines 9 and 10, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the hundred and first roll call of the day. We have two hundred and thirty-four, I think, to complete. But I just thought we'd mark that note for you. This is the inmate compensation line. It's worth four hundred and sixty thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 371, lines 9 and 10, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 12 voted Yes, 43 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 371, lines 11 and 12. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 371, lines 11 and 12, of Senate Bill

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2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This line is the State contribution to employee retirement. It's got a value of eight hundred and fifty-five thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 371, lines 11 and 12, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor -- to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 15 are voting No, 41 -- I beg your pardon, 15 voted Yes, 41 voted No, no voted Present. Motion fails. Page 371, lines 13 and 14. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 371, lines 13 and 14, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This line's for the Social Security of the Valley View Correctional Center. It's got a value of five hundred and eighty thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

The question -- I'm sorry, is there any discussion on Social Security? Good. The question is, shall the item on page 371,

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lines 13 and 14, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 19 voted Yes, 37 voted No, no voted Present. And the motion failed. Page 371, line 15. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 371, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is contractual services line. It's worth one million six hundred and ninety thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 371, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 16 voted Yes, 39 voted No, no voted Present. Motion fails. Page 371, line 16. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 371, line 16, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is line item seven out of thirteen for the Valley View Correctional Center. It's the travel line. It's worth seventeen thousand two hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 371, line 16, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 14 are voting Yes, 42 No, no Present. Motion fails. Bottom of page 1. Page 371, lines 17 and 18. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 371, lines 17 and 18, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is travel allowance for discharged prisoners. This is a seven-hundred-dollar line item.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 371, lines 17 and 18, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 11 are voting Yes, 45 No, no Present. Motion fails. Turning on to

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page 2. Top of page 2, we have page 2 -- I'm sorry. Page 371, line 19. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 371, line 19, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the commodities line. It's a hundred and thirty-three thousand three hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 371, line 19, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 11 voted Yes, 43 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 371, line 20. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 371, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is item ten of thirteen. It's the printing line. It's got a value of nine thousand five hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is,

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shall the item on page 371, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 12 voted Yes, 44 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 371, line 21. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 371, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the equipment line for Valley View Correctional Center. It's seventy-six thousand seven hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 371, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 12 voted Yes, 44 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 371, line 22. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 371, line 22, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

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SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This -- this is the telecommunications line of Valley View Correctional Center. Got a value of seventy-two thousand six hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 371, line 22, Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item of -- veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 13 voted Yes, 41 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 371, line 23. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 371, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is item -- line item number thirteen of thirteen involving Valley View Correctional Center. This is the operation of auto equipment. It's got a value of seventy-two thousand five hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 371, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 13 voted Yes, 43

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No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 374, lines 24 and -- through 28. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 374, lines 24 through 28, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This line item would eliminate the twenty-five-million-dollar lump sum that was proposed by the Senate in our Tuesday evening budget that I know Senator Welch and a lot of people had a lot of problems with. Apparently, the Governor was listening carefully and decided they did not need twenty-five million dollars in contingency funds. And since we've dealt with the issue of privatization, I guess we can use this savings to move forward. It's a twenty-five-million-dollar value if you override -- if you sustain the veto by voting down the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

...still here? Thank you. Thank you very much, Mr. President. I believe this is -- can show one of those opportune times when we can all be in -- in the same plane, at the same place and same time. And I say that we vote No on this override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any further discussion? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Mr. President. What -- question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Demuzio.

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SENATOR DEMUZIO:

The last time we were here and we debated this, it could be used to open up the boot camps and keep 'em going, open up Sheridan, keep it going. And I forget the third, whatever miraculous idea that was at the time, but I think it came to sixty-six million - privatization - which has now failed. Twenty-five-million-dollar bulk appropriation to Corrections. Can you tell me what they might be able to do with that twenty-five million dollars if they had -- if we gave 'em the authority to spend it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Senator Demuzio, I can't. I'm kind of, personally, stunned and a little confused about the whole correctional budget, the -- the way we've handled it, I think, as -- as a General Assembly over the last three months. If we were to restore this twenty-five million, I'm not quite sure if they would spend it or how they would spend it. The original intent of this was to give the Department some flexibility after we took our frustrations and our district concerns out of town. I know that was not warmly embraced by Senator Welch and others on that side of the aisle. You know, I don't know what they would do with it at this point. We've already made some very tough decisions on facilities in our districts.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, this is giving 'em twenty-five million. We've never given anybody a lump-sum appropriation for anything except this last time last week, when we did it for the first time. And can you tell me when we -- when we have done this in the past, other

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than -- other than this action last week on this particular item?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

We use lump sums very commonly in -- throughout State government. There are probably in the range of twenty-two hundred lump sums. In particular, look in the Department of Natural Resource budget. I've been -- I've spent the last eight years trying to understand what their lump sums do. We also lump sum the appropriation budgets of the universities. But this would be unprecedented, to do it in the Department of Corrections, except to the extent that, as we saw earlier in our veto action, we've often lump summed work camps or boot camps because they're smaller facilities, rather than making them break them out into line items.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

So I suppose that the decision could be made by the Director of Corrections to buy another plane, buy some more cars, do some more -- other types of activities and we've given them carte blanche to do whatever they want to do under the guise that it's going to be spent fourteen thousand different ways, like in all those things that I mentioned. I don't know if this is such a good idea or not. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just -- just two comments. First of all, I'd like to commend both Democrats and Republicans for passing House Bill 5150 out of this Chamber to collect accounts receivable that the estimates have been that it could produce as

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high as two hundred million dollars to solve a lot of the problems that we're struggling with. Unfortunately, a report from over in the House from last week is that they didn't take any action on it. But this bill -- or, this line item, I believe -- and I certainly respect what Senator Demuzio just said, but this does represent a last chance for those who voted for keeping open Sheridan, Valley View, the work camps in Greene County and in Paris, Illinois, and in Hanna City. And it was part of the budget that we sent out originally from the Senate, when we started this final stage of the budget process. So I think that this is a last chance for keeping in the ball game. Without this, the budget has all those closed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Senator Rauschenberger, this is a lump sum to DOC. Is that correct? They can pretty much -- they got carte blanche, can do whatever they want with it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Within the statutes of the United -- of the State of Illinois and with -- under the direction of the Governor and the Department -- the Director of Department of Corrections, yes, a lump sum can be spent for any legal purpose in the Department.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

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Now, Senator Rauschenberger, I know in your heart you're not really for this, because you've preached a lot about fiscal responsibility and about accountability. So, you -- you're just doing what you have to do. But just for the record, I just don't understand how we could be doing this right now. Twenty-five million lump sum - you don't know what they're going to do with it - while we close facilities that deal with "Keystone nineteen", which happened in my district, I'm sure you may remember that. Nineteen children living in a squaller. DCFS had to handle that, from 4909 West Division. You voted to close that just a few minutes ago. But now you want to give the Department of Corrections twenty-five million. It could -- could they spend it on administration?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Yes. They could spend it on administration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Could -- could they spend it on new cell phones or a new airplane or another toy for the Department of Corrections? Is there anything that stops them from spending it on prostitutes in Costa Rica, for God's sake?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I'm pretty sure they're statutory precluded on spending it on recreational activities in Costa Rica. But they could purchase cell phones with it. They could purchase automobiles, or they could use it to open up a -- a facility that -- that we haven't funded in the budget.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

So, Senator Rauschenberger, is it fiscally responsible -- is it fiscally responsible to allow them to do whatever they want with this money? Is it fiscally responsible? Do you really, in your -- in your heart of hearts, if -- if -- if President Philip didn't have you over the guillotine, would you really be pushing this through?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I -- I think when I started today, I reminded everyone that I had filed motions on every single one of the Governor's veto actions so that we could take them up as a Body. I have tried to be as reasonably neutral as I can in the presentation of a lot of these. I don't personally think they need a lump sum, but, I mean -- we do lump sum the universities. We frequently trust the management of State agencies to make decisions. So I'm not opposed to the concept of lump summing. The original lump-sum concept arose in a different environment when I thought it was a good idea to give the Department flexibility under a -- a much different set of circumstances.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Luechtefeld.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. You know, I -- I know that you could have a -- a lot of different views with regard to the twenty-five million dollars. I think a lot of us had our own plans for it. You know, maybe we could use it to stop the privatization issue or maybe we could open Sheridan or maybe we could open Valley View. Obviously, twenty-five million dollars

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is not enough money to do that. I -- I understand that there still are some legal challenges out there with regard to the privatization issue. I guess, you know -- and again, I'm not real sure I'm going to vote on this, but I guess if -- if the State were to lose that legal challenge with regard to privatization, where would we come up with the money, for instance, to again go back to the -- to the -- to the way we did it before? So, I don't think it's -- you know, even though it does seem a little bit -- little bit lax with regard to what you do with the money, I don't think it's as outrageous as -- as maybe we've tried to make it sound. There are some things that may happen, because we've done an awful lot to Corrections, that may be some things that we in this -- in this Body would like to see happen. So, again, there are a lot of questions about it, but I don't think it's as ridiculous as people think. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. And -- and I apologize for rising a second time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

It's quite all right.

SENATOR TROTTER:

But -- but in interest of clarity, in our committee meeting last night, we talked to Director Snyder, and Director Snyder said he had -- didn't have a clue what he would spend twenty-five million dollars on if he got it. It was in the committee. It was discussed that some of these dollars might go to forgo the -- the privatization of the commissary and the dietary units at the prisons. He said that wasn't the deal. There was other Members who said they thought these dollars were going to go for maybe saving an institution. The bottom line is, twenty-five million

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dollars is not enough to save all the cuts that we've made in these youth correctional centers and also the other prisons. These dollars right now are not needed to continue the operations of any of the things that's going on in the Department of Corrections right now. And again, I -- I ask the Members on this side to vote No on this override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, look, I got an idea. Why don't we do this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

I'm sorry, did you rise for a second time, sir?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

That's what I had my light on for. I'm -- I'm -- I'm allowed to vote a second -- or, talk a second time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Generally you apologize...

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Not...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

But if you're not going to, that's okay.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Not allow to -- not to vote a second time, but at least to speak. I got an idea. We got this twenty-five million. I don't know where Snyder is. Why don't we take this thing out of the record and ask him what he wants to do with it? If he wants to open up the boot camps, we can move to reconsider or if he wants to open up Sheridan or whatever the other -- other ones that we've killed today. We got time to do that before we leave this afternoon. Maybe somebody will get something out of the twenty-five million dollars. But simply to -- to leave this carte blanche to the Department of Corrections' decision, seems to me to

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be a little foolish. Now, if he could tell us what he wants to do with it, that's fine with me, 'cause it'll help somebody. May not help me, but it'd help somebody. So, why don't you take it out of the record for just a few moments, come back to it, see if -- see if there's some idea that they might have in terms of prioritizing what they would do with the twenty-five million, and afford us the opportunity to cast a vote that makes some sense? Senator Rauschenberger, would you consider doing that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, to close and answer the question.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I -- I would rather join with Senator Demuzio and Senator Welch and Senator Trotter and Senator Hendon in defeating the motion to override. Let's -- let's do the right thing and -- and make sure that they don't buy cell phones or recreational activities in -- anyplace else. Let's vote this one down and give one to the Gipper.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

The question is, shall the item on page 374, lines 24 through 28, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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's 6 voting Yes, 49 voting No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. Bottom of page 2. Page 392, lines 27 and -- through 29, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the...

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 392, lines 27 through 29, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

For Members of the Body, the next three line items are -- the next three line items are item eliminations in the Department of Human Services. With the Body's leave, I'll discuss the three of them. We'll then go to those three motions and then come down to the next one. The first one is indirect cost principles. It's a reimbursement line in the Department. Next is repair and maintenance that the Department believes they can live without. And the third is a new computer system. Although probably much needed and would improve their operations, it's certainly not the time for us to invest in -- in new computers. The value of the first line is three million three hundred thousand. Repairs and maintenance is worth one million eight hundred thousand. The new computer system is worth four million six hundred thousand. The total of all three lines together is about 9.8 million dollars. The first vote will be on indirect cost principles reimbursement, a value of 3.3 million.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not the question is, shall the item on page 392, lines 27 through 29, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 4 voted Yes, 51 No, none voted Present. Motion fails. Top of page 3. Top of page 3, on page 393 {sic}, lines 25 and 26. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 395, lines 25 and 26, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary

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notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This item is the repairs and maintenance line. It's worth 1.8 million dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much. Just a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

These dollars here have nothing to do with the deferred maintenance or any of the -- the -- not improvements, but work that needs to be done to keep these facilities under code. Is that -- is that...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

It probably does have to do with deferred maintenance, in that there'll be one million eight hundred thousand dollars' worth of maintenance at the State-operated facilities and DHS offices that probably should take place. But, you know, it is extraordinary times.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Sorry, Senator Rauschenberger, I guess my question was not as clear. The -- the point is, are these repairs that have to be -- or, do they have to be done to keep them under code? Are we

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putting people at risk? Is there asbestos abatement that needs to be done? Are -- is there a -- a health reason why we should be going forward with some of these repairs?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

There -- there's an additional line in their budget to deal with emergency repairs, as well as funds at the Capital Development Board to deal with emergency repairs involving asbestos and life safety and codes. To the best of my knowledge, they can operate the next fiscal year without this one million eight hundred thousand dollars without putting people at risk.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 395, lines 25 and 26, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, nobody voted Yes, 56 voted No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 397, lines 2 and 3. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 397, lines 2 and 3, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Defeated, this motion would eliminate a new computer system for the Department of Human Services with a value of four million six hundred and twenty-seven thousand six hundred dollars.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 397, lines 2 and 3, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. Nobody voted Yes, and 57 voted No, and no Present. And the motion fails. Page 404, lines 8 through 14. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 404, lines 8 through 14, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

With leave of the Body, I will ask that we discuss the next two line items together. They represent the community provider COLA. The first line item is a provider COLA for the community providers that deal with the developmentally disabled. The second line item are the -- is the community provider COLA for agencies and -- and providers that deal with the mentally ill. The total value is twenty-eight million dollars combined. We worked very hard in the Senate, and I need to take a moment to compliment Senator Trotter, in one of our particularly, I think, good efforts at bipartisanship. From the very beginning the Senate Republicans and the Senate Democrats have supported full restoration from the Governor's proposed reductions in the mental health and developmentally disabled areas from the February budget. We managed, I think, to prevail consistently through the process. From the time that the Senate stood together there has not been a

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discussion about fundamental rate cuts in those. The question before us is, this year can we afford to do a COLA, or two-percent rate increase, across the board. Although it's generally one of those things that I'm always proud to sponsor and proud to move, in these extraordinary times I think it's very difficult for us to justify twenty-eight million dollars in rate increases when you've seen the pain that we've had to share through the rest of State government. But I certainly know this is an important issue to all of us in here. It's been first and foremost in nearly every Senator's mind that I've talked to. We'll open it up for discussion, but as a -- from a financial basis, I'm going to recommend that we sustain the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. The Chairman has very eloquently stated my position. This is something we can't afford not to do. We have people out here who are dealing with some of the most vulnerable citizens in our State. We owe those individuals, who are not only working with these individuals but also taking sacrifices and making sacrifices, to make sure that these individuals who have not had all the benefits and could not even realize all the benefits that we have to offer to have a quality -- a good quality of life. This -- these two-percent COLA increases here is -- is truly dollars that we're supposed to be down here spending on behalf of our citizens who need it the most, and these certainly represent some of the folks who need our dollars and our support the most. And I ask for the override of these two vetoes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Larry Walsh.

SENATOR L. WALSH:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Walsh.

SENATOR L. WALSH:

Senator Rauschenberger, was there a proposal that there was money within the -- within the budget that DHS would be willing to -- to move around in order to extend the late-payment plans in order to -- in order to move the necessary twenty-eight million dollars into the COLA?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

There was -- a proposal surfaced quite recently to do two things: One was to slightly extend the payment cycle for human service providers; the other was to reassign, I think, a value of about eight or eight and a half million dollars that was destined to help agencies convert from a grant base to a fee-for-service program. I would tell you that there's no agreement to actually move those. Although I do see some real promise in that, the indication I got from Secretary Baker was that she thinks that's something they can work on. And I would remind the Body that the Agency has the right to adjust the rates of their providers after we're out of town. This is a statutory COLA that we're dealing with in the veto question. I would think and hope that as we move forward, if the financial situation the State's in eases, that there can be either selective or some across-the-board adjustments, maybe using those resources. But to the best of my knowledge, there is no agreement to do that, but there's certainly a lot of good work going on in that direction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Larry Walsh.

SENATOR L. WALSH:

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Thank you. Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill: I concur with Senator Trotter in -- in the remarks that he made. To -- to our colleagues on the Floor: A year ago when we were doing our budget, our people came down that work in these facilities and asked for a COLA. And we debated the issue, and we debated the issue. And we thought that we were going to be able to give them a COLA of two percent. As it turned out, we ended up giving 'em a COLA of two percent for the last quarter of the fiscal year. We got within thirty days of the last quarter of the fiscal year and that COLA was removed. I think that we have asked a lot of our employees, unfortunately, some of our employees that are at the bottom rung of the ladder. The least that we can do to take care of our family members, ones that provide services to some of our family members that even family don't want to provide or can't provide, the least that we could do is provide them with a living wage, a wage that they can provide for their own families. We have asked and asked and asked a lot from our employees that serve the disabled, mentally disabled, and I think the time has come that we step forward. Twenty-eight million dollars. Yes, I know it's a lot of money. But we have sustained many, many of the Governor's vetoes today. If there is one issue out here that can show our true compassion to our employees, I think this is one that we can override and give some of our employees the idea that we -- we appreciate what they do. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Halvorson.

SENATOR HALVORSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the General Assembly. I, too, stand in strong support of this because this is an item that every year we say, "We can't do it this year, maybe next year." And it's very unfortunate that we're dealing with some of the most vulnerable citizens of our State of Illinois. And maybe I'm

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overly optimistic, but I do believe that this is one that should get enough votes to be overridden. And if it isn't, I hope that every, single person that votes No will not continue to attend all these forums that we go to and say how much they're in support of the COLA, because that's the -- probably the most frustrating thing for the people. And we wonder why there is no trust in government. But we have people that go to forums saying, when they're asked "Are you in support of a COLA," you say "Yes." But when it comes down to giving it to 'em, we don't do it. So here's a chance to prove that you're actually going to put your money where your mouth is and vote for something that is very important.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator del Valle.

SENATOR DEL VALLE:

Thank you, Mr. President. If we eliminate this two-percent COLA, it will mean that our community-based providers will not get any kind of increase over a two-year period. Now, you'd think that these providers were a hundred-percent State funded. They're not a hundred-percent State funded. These providers have to go out and raise money from the private sector. They have to do all kinds of things to be able to deal with their budgets. Many of them have to do deficit spending in order to be able to maintain service levels. So, on the one hand, we close State facilities and we preach community-based services and the importance of transitioning people from institutions to community-based services, and then we turn around and say to our providers, our community providers, "You really don't need money from us; you can do it on your own. You don't need to cover your increased expenses; you can do it on your own." What kind of message is that? What kind of message are we sending to a system of community-based providers that is supposed to be growing, in a system that we have asked to grow because we want more options for

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our families? This is one of those -- and I agree with Senator Halvorson, if there's any - any - line that we should override, this is one. We should not turn our back on our providers. That is wrong.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Thank you, Madam President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Senator Rauschenberger, could you tell me what the -- in dollars, how much is a two-percent COLA? What will that amount to, on an average, per employee?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I'm -- I'm sorry, there's no way I could tell you what it would be per employee. The gross value of a two-percent COLA across all the lines is about twenty-eight million dollars. But, I -- I -- I have no idea how many employees are...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Could anyone tell me, what do they make, on an average, per hour?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

These are private not-for-profit agencies, for the most part, that are either certified by the State or accredited. But we don't -- we don't do operational review on them. I would -- you

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know, unfortunately, I have no -- no way to answer your question.  
I'm sorry.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Well, if we don't know what they make, how many there are,  
then how do we know it's going to cost so many dollars?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Senator Shadid, the COLA is not on their wages. It's on the  
rates that we pay the providers for the service units they give  
us. So -- they're calculated on the base. I'm sorry.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Just want to make it very clear. Then, this two-percent COLA,  
all of it does not go to the employees. It depends on the  
provider, who might give 'em a half a percent...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

That is correct. The -- the expenditure of the COLA value  
would be entirely at the discretion of the operators of the  
not-for-profit or contracting agency with State government.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Well, I remember when we voted for a dollar-an-hour raise and  
they never got all that either. They're not going to get the two  
percent either. They'll be lucky to get one percent, if they're  
lucky. Thank you.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

The -- when you're asking about how much they get paid, and when they're serving the disabled, it's very, very little compared to what you can get paid in the regular marketplace, and that's one of the problems. The problem is that they can go to McDonald's, they can go to -- to Arby's; they can go make more money there. But the work they do is really so important for the developmentally disabled and the mentally ill. They haven't got an increase in two years, and beyond that, they're behind -- way behind what they should be getting. And I would urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This -- this is an important issue to me. I -- the -- the ten years I've been down here, I've always thought that our rates with community providers are -- are a high priority and ought to be one of the first things we take a look at. We negotiate multiyear contracts with AFSCME. Their raises are built in. As we see even in a -- in an exceptional year, they're -- they're built in. We do a lot of things based on automatic adjustments, except we have asked the community providers in the State of Illinois to live on, basically, flat resources for a long time, and I think that's -- that's too bad and I think it's wrong. I think -- you know, related to that, we have not been fair to the Medicaid providers, whether you're talking long-term care or whether you're talking the hospitals that provide services to the people that we mandate they serve. And I hope this summer, as we see recovery, maybe we can bring Legislators together from the House and the Senate or, at least, maybe both sides of the aisle in the Senate. I would love to start January with a comprehensive review of where we are

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on -- on rates, because I -- I think our rates in Illinois do not compare favorably to other states. Before you today, though, unfortunately, is a two-percent COLA based on the existing rates, with a value of twenty-eight million dollars, that the Governor says -- the Governor believes he can't really afford to -- to deal with. I would remind the Members that this Body, both Republicans and Democrats, I think, unanimously supported restoration of nearly seventy million dollars in rates to these same providers as we kind of avoided or -- or undid the Governor's suggested and the Department-suggested reductions. So, although I'm going to be very reluctantly casting a Present vote and I would urge my colleagues to do the same, I really do hope and -- and will be very happy to -- to participate, in any way that anyone's interested in, looking at fundamental reform, 'cause I do think this -- very important part of our human services and a part that we very often take up too late in the process to do fundamental good for.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall the item on page 404, lines 8 through 14 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 34 Ayes, 9 Nays, 14 voting Present. The motion fails. Page 404, lines 15 through 21. Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 404, lines 15 through 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

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SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the companion COLA we discussed together. This applies only to the mental health providers. It's got a value of 7.5 million dollars. I appreciate, reluctantly, the same roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall -- the item veto on page 404, lines 15 through 21 pass. Those in -- the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 33 Ayes, 8 Nays, 16 voting Present. The motion fails. On page 410, line 14. Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 410, line 14, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The next thirteen line items that we're going to take up involve the Lincoln Developmental Center. The thirteen line items have a total value of thirty million dollars. The first line item we're going to take up is Lincoln personnel {sic} services. It's got a value of seven million six hundred and seventy thousand dollars. There's been a lot of discussion about Lincoln. It's very close to the capital. As I understand, just five short years ago, it was thought of as -- it was rated as one of our best and one of our most innovative developmental facilities. I would

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remind the Body that if -- if we were to override on the first line item of seven million six hundred and seventy thousand, together with the -- the five million dollars in -- together with the five million dollars in transitional funding, that would give us a total of twelve million dollars which would allow Lincoln Developmental Center to stay open, we believe, at a level of one hundred beds, down substantially from the size it was just a few short years ago, but an opportunity for that community and those employees to kind of move that facility forward under a -- kind of a -- a smaller structure. So, we're going to take the first line item. The passage -- passage of the motion to override on that line item would restore a hundred beds at Lincoln Developmental Facility, and I'd urge Members to thoughtfully review that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I rise in support of overriding the Governor. As Senator Rauschenberger mentioned, Lincoln Developmental Center, just a few years ago, was recognized as -- a nationally recognized institution and was awarded...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Just a second, Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Lincoln Developmental Center received national recognition just a few years ago, back in '97. It was a model agency, not for -- just for Illinois but for the whole country. Few years ago a new director came in, and I will refrain from mentioning that

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person's name. It would not be fair to that person. My comments are not intended to impugn that person, but that person came from Corrections, had no more institutional experience than me. In a few short years -- or, two years, the facility became decertified. Thank you. The facility lost its certification and we've been working to get that back, and in April, we got recertified. I think that I can sum up best the care of the residents of LDC by describing to you what a mother said one -- one afternoon in speaking to a group. She said that she had not seen her daughter in about five years. She said that I'm not going to...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Ladies and Gentlemen, let's take your conferences off the Floor. Members please be in your seats. This is a serious issue. Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you, Madam President. This lady spoke to a -- a -- group of individuals and she said that she hadn't seen her daughter in five years. Her daughter, of course, was a resident of the Lincoln Developmental Center. She didn't explain why. She didn't want to get into that, but on a whim, she decided to stop by and see her daughter. The staff didn't know who she was when she arrived. She told them who she was. They took her to see her daughter. She said, "I was amazed to see all the homemade things in my daughter's room, the pictures, a pink blanket on my daughter's bed, a pink wheelchair that my daughter sat in. My daughter is blind. She has -- is mentally challenged." And she said, "But what I remember most about that whole day is the fact that someone had taken the time to fix my daughter's hair, to put earrings in her ears and to paint her fingernails." And she said, "Is this a place that would abuse people?" Now, she regularly visits her daughter now and she's a big advocate, as is about -- two-hundred-parent group. A few months ago, the -- the Governor

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downsized the Lincoln Developmental Center by moving some hundred residents out. If you could have been there that day to see the employees as many of them had tears in their eyes. They were very emotional over the movement of these residents because many of them had worked with these residents for many years. The staff responded -- or, the administration responded that they need not get so close to the residents, but that's the kind of facility we have. We have a facility where people care about the people they're caring for. And, in fact, since October, I've been advocating in keeping LDC open. I have publicly asked, on radio, on TV, it's been in print, I've asked anyone -- I've encouraged anyone to contact me that's ever had a -- negative experience with this facility. As of this date, I've not received one call. I would challenge any of you to make that challenge on any number of public facilities, and I guarantee you, you would get hundreds of calls. I would ask that you join me in overriding the Governor's veto on the Lincoln Developmental Center. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there further discussion? Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Madam President. Will the sponsor yield for a question or two?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. Senator Rauschenberger, I have in my hand a letter dated June 11th from the Illinois Council on Developmental Disabilities. Can you explain to me their position on -- on this particular institution?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

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I don't know that I can explain their position, but I know a number of advocacy groups believe that Lincoln Developmental Center should be closed. I -- I assume they are one of them. Maybe you could read from the letter. But there have been a number of advocacy groups that believe that Lincoln is not a good facility and is one that should be closed, and it's had some controversy with the federal government.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further -- or, Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Well, just for the record, this particular letter asks that we support Governor Ryan's move to close the facility due to concerns for the residents' health and safety. I also have in my hands another letter I just received, just faxed to me from the Regional Access (and) Mobilization Project, in Rockford, Illinois, relative to an article that was in a local paper, Brian Wallheimer's article, indicating that Lincoln had been cited as late as last week for three or four violations and that their situation now is in immediate jeopardy. Can you explain what immediate jeopardy means?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I would imagine it means that there's risk of imminent harm. It's one of the reasons -- the issues that have come up in certification.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Does that also have anything to do with federal funding, perhaps, for the facility?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Yes, there have been a couple of threatened revocations of the federal certification of the Lincoln Developmental Center.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Viverito.

SENATOR VIVERITO:

Senator -- would the Senator yield for some questions?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Viverito.

SENATOR VIVERITO:

Senator, I understand your compassion for this facility that's in your area, but, obviously, we've just experienced denying the COLA workers two percent. I still understand it, that it's in your area, but there does become a time where the Public Health decision to decertify this facility -- in November of 1998, a resident died from asphyxiation and suffocation of his own vomit. In December of 2000, resident died from complications of prolonged seizure, resulting from improper medication. In July of 2001, resident died from drug overdose after -- ingesting approximately one hundred pills taken from a staff supervisor's purse. Abuse - March 2001, staff member was -- forcibly stopped another staff nurse from strangling a bed-sheet resident restrained in his own bed. Neglect was also cited in January 2001. There are so many indications of an inadequate facility not being properly managed. How can the Public Health make a decision not to certify where there will be no State money really going into this facility unless we override it today, and then the fact that Medicare will not fund this facility as well. How do you expect to fund it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

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Defer to Senator Bomke with the...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Senator, you keep -- you catch me at a disadvantage. Had I known you were going to bring all those statistics, I would have brought with me the statistics of all the facilities in the State. In fact, the Springfield -- or the State Journal-Register -- Springfield State Journal-Register, about six months ago, did an article and did a study of all the facilities, and LDC ranked in the middle, near the bottom, of all the problems in the State. So, I mean, if you want to point to problems, I -- I could do that - I'm sorry I -- I don't have that information with me - not only with public -- public, but with private community-based facilities as well. And keep in mind that we've come a long way in institutionalizing people. In fact, the Lincoln Developmental Center at one time had as many as five thousand residents; it, today, has two hundred and forty. And we all agree, I think, that we want to move away from institutionalization and move people into community-based facilities. We believe that's in the best interests. Many of these -- first of all, let me say, every year these individuals are surveyed to see if they can fit into a community-based facility. Many of them have been in community-based facilities, some of them more than on one occasion, only to end up back at the Lincoln Developmental Center. I'm sorry. I could have brought statistics with me with -- for all the facilities, and as I indicated not long ago, the Springfield Journal-Register did a study and found that Lincoln Developmental Center problems ranked in the middle, towards the bottom.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Viverito.

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SENATOR VIVERITO:

Senator, in all due respect, we all know that this facility is in your area. And when you tell me you weren't aware of these abuses, I find it extremely difficult to understand, because, obviously, if someone were neglected to this extreme, I assure you that I would know about it in my district. I feel you have a responsibility and, in all due respect, you're really not doing what you're supposed to be doing here in defending a facility that has neglect and where it is not being staffed properly and when people are losing their lives over this issue. And I'm sensitive to it, because when I was a young boy, I had an uncle that spent time in the Dunning State Hospital, and every Sunday, my mother used to take me there to visit my uncle. So I understand the system, plus we have a mental health department which -- in our primary health care in Stickney Township, where I meet once a month with all of the mental health providers. I know what goes on in my particular community, and I urge you to reconsider this and not ask for the funding for this. And I ask everyone to vote No on this, please do.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

...you. Thank you. On the contrary, Senator, I didn't say that I did not know of those problems. As a matter of fact, in my early statement I indicated there have been problems over the last couple of years when a new director came in. What I was suggesting to you is had I known you were going to point to statistics, I would have had the statistics for the remainder of the State. And if I had those, you would find, as I did, based on an article the State Journal-Register did, that the Lincoln Developmental Center problems rank in the middle to the bottom of the problems. I'm not suggesting there haven't been problems. There have been. But

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there have been problems throughout this State, not just with this facility.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

...you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen. I stand in support of Lincoln Developmental Center. I have represented the area around it for a number of years, and although I know there's been accusations made about some of the services offered, I can only tell you that over the decade, that I had an opportunity to work with people who sent their children there, people who worked there, people who have given their lives to dedication to the people who live there, that the facility is a good facility. It's a facility the State needs, and I would ask you to consider continuing your support for this facility by voting Aye...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further...

SENATOR BRADY:

...to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Stone.

SENATOR STONE:

Thank you, Madam President. I'm also rising in support of -- of keeping LDC open. Now, many of the things that have been brought up go back a number of years and they go back to with the new director. Previously to that, everything was satisfactory and they received the citations of being one of the best facilities in the country. Some of the things that have come forth lately has been due to understaffing and understaffing because of the removal of staff so that people weren't there to take care of the people who they should have been taking care of. Going a little further, I'm very, very sensitive to long-care development. We have a very

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close personal friend who is a quadriplegic, and -- she cannot even speak. She is in a -- an OSF, Galena Park, in Peoria. My wife visits her all the time. So we know what can happen, and we know what these people are like. And you look at Lincoln Developmental, many of the people there have already been out in the community homes and could not stand it and had to come back to a -- more regimented area. I have a very good friend who has a granddaughter at Lincoln Developmental, and they go see her every week. Now, this granddaughter has been in two other facilities in the State, and she is receiving the best care she has received at Lincoln Developmental. Now, based upon that, I would ask your support in overriding the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there further discussion? Further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This line item is seven million six hundred and seventy thousand dollars. It's the personnel {sic} services line for Lincoln. This, together with the five million dollars of transition money, would allow Lincoln to stay open with a hundred beds, even if we supported the rest of the amendatory vetoes. Roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall the item on page 410, line 14 pass, the Governor's -- item veto to the Governor contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 21 Ayes, 33 Nays, 3 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 410, lines 15 through 16. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 410, lines 15 and 16, Senate Bill 2393

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do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the second of thirteen lines involving Lincoln Developmental Center. It's the retirement pickup. It's worth two hundred and ninety-seven thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall line -- or, page 410, lines 15 and 16 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 9 Ayes, 45 Nays, 3 voting Present. The motion fails. On page 410, lines 18 and 19. Mr. Secretary. Okay. It's page 410, line 17. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 410, line 17, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This line's worth seven hundred and ninety-seven thousand dollars. It's the retirement contribution for Lincoln Developmental Center.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the

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item on page 410, line 17 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 10 Ayes, 45 Nays, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 410, lines 18 and 19. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 410, lines 18, 19, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the fourth of thirteen. This is the Social Security for Lincoln Developmental Center. It's worth five hundred and eighty-six thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 410, lines 18 and 19 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 8 Ayes, 47 Nays, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 410, line 20. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 410, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is Lincoln Developmental Center contractual services worth eight hundred and twenty-six thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 410, line 20 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 7 Ayes, 47 Nays, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 410, line 21. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 410, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the travel line for Lincoln Developmental Center. It's worth eight thousand two hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 410, line 21 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 7 Ayes, 49 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 410, line 22. Mr. Secretary, read the

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motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 410, line 22, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is number seven out of thirteen. It's the commodities budget for Lincoln Developmental Center. It's five hundred and twenty-one thousand five hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 410, line 22 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 7 Ayes, 48 Nays, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 410, line 23. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 410, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Yeah. This line is Lincoln Developmental Center's printing budget which is three thousand five hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Discussion? Discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 410, line 23 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 7 Ayes, 50 Nays, no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 410, line 24. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move that the item on page 410, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is line number nine of thirteen. It's the Lincoln Developmental Center equipment line. It's worth thirty-four thousand seven hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 410, line 24 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 6 Ayes, 48 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 410, line 25. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 410, line 25, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is telecommunications line for Lincoln Developmental Center. It's worth forty-four thousand five hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 410, line 25 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 7 Ayes, 49 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 410, line 26. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 410, line 26, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is Lincoln Developmental Center's operation of auto. It's worth twenty-two thousand one hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 410, line 26 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 8 Ayes, 48 Nays, 1 voting

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Present. And the motion fails. On page 410, lines 27 and 28.

Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 410, lines 27 and 28, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the line for Lincoln Developmental Center's living skills. It's got a value of two thousand four hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall -- shall the item on page 410, lines 27 and 28 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 6 Ayes, 47 Nays, 3 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 410, lines 31 and 32. Read the motion, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 410, lines 31 and 32, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This line is a lump sum, nineteen million four hundred and ninety-nine thousand dollars, that was designed to restore Lincoln Developmental Center to the '02 level. Roll call.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 410, lines 31 and 32 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 8 Ayes, 46 Nays, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 422 {sic}, line 8. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, line 8, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. {sic} President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next twelve line items have a value of eighteen million dollars and relate to the closing of Zeller Mental Health Center. Be happy to answer questions or appreciate discussion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

He'll -- indicates he'll yield, Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Thank you. Senator Rauschenberger, I'm going to speak on behalf of Zeller to ask everyone here to consider overriding the Governor's veto. Zeller Zone Center has been in operation for approximately thirty years at this location. It has been a great

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facility. It's serviced a lot of people with serious problems, and in the last three or four years, it has been allowed to deteriorate somewhat. It used to have over two hundred patients and now they're down to around sixty or sixty-five, which I think is ridiculous. This facility is in excellent condition. In fact, I think about three years ago, they spent a couple, three million dollars renovating a couple of the wards, and all they need is more patients so that they can do the job that they are trained to do there. So, I would ask everyone here to support it, give us an opportunity to work on keeping it open locally with all the local State Reps and Senators in the area and make it worthwhile, make it be a paying proposition. There are some things that are wrong there that I'm not going to go into, but I think we can -- I think we can do a very good job of redoing it somewhat, working with the local mental health providers so that we can make Zeller what it used to be - one of the State's best in the area of mental health. So, I would appreciate a Yes vote on an override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall the item on page 424, line 8 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 25 Ayes, 31 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 424, lines 9 and 10. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, lines 9 and 10, of Senate

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Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is Zeller Mental Health Center's retirement pickup line. It's worth four hundred and ninety-six thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The -- any discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 424, lines 9 and 10 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 20 Ayes, 36 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 424, line 11. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, line 11, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Zeller retirement contribution. The value is one million three hundred and thirty thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 424, line 11 pass, the item veto to the -- of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish?

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Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 20 Ayes, 36 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 424, lines 12 and 13. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, lines 12 and 13, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Zeller Mental Health Center's Social Security line. It's got a value of nine hundred and seventy-nine thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Questions? And the question is, shall the item on page 424, lines 12 and 13 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 14 Ayes, 38 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 424, line 13 {sic}. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, line 14, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

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This is the Zeller Mental Health Center's contractual services line. It's worth one million three hundred and eighty-eight thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 424, line 14 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 14 Ayes, 42 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 424, line 15. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the sixth of twelve line item actions. This is the Zeller travel line. It's got a value of twenty-five thousand three hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the line {sic} on page 424, line 15 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 14 Ayes, 40 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 424, line 16. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

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ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, line 16, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the commodities line for Zeller Mental Health Center. It's got a value of three hundred and six thousand three hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 424, line 16 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 13 Ayes, 41 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. Senator Hendon, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HENDON:

Point of personal privilege, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR HENDON:

The Chancellor of City Colleges, Wayne Watson, is on the Floor with the President -- I mean, with Leader Jones. Would like to recognize him. Chancellor Watson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please -- welcome to Springfield, sir. Just stand at ease for just a minute. We have a little technical problem here. So, just stand at ease. If I could have the Body's attention, please. We've

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had a slight technical glitch in regard to the roll calls, and we need to redo two roll calls on the bills -- or, on the motions. And if you will look at your Calendar, on the bottom of page 5, it's line 424 -- page 424, line 11. So, Donne -- or, Senator Trotter, if you'd like to check that. Senator Rauschenberger, so are you on -- line 11, on page 424. Do we know where we are, guys -- gentlemen? And to give you a heads up as well, the second roll call is the one immediately following this. So, on page 424, line 11. Read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, line 11, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This line is Zeller's retirement contribution line. It's got a value of one million three hundred and thirty thousand eight hundred dollars. Appreciate a similar roll call to one we had last time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 424, line 11 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 10 Ayes, 44 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 424, lines 12 and 13. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, lines 12 and 13, of Senate

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Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is Zeller Mental Health Center's Social Security contributions. It's got a value of nine hundred and seventy-eight thousand nine hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 424, lines 12 and 13 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 17 Ayes, 38 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. Now we will go back to where we were when we were interrupted, and that is middle to bottom of your page 6 on your Calendar. Line -- or, page 424, line 17. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, line 17, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

We're now back on the eighth of twelve motions on Zeller Mental Health Center. This is the printing line. It has a value of fifteen thousand nine hundred dollars.

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Is there discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 424, line 17 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 13 Ayes, 42 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 424, line 18 -- line 18. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, line 18, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Zeller equipment line. It's got a value of eighty-nine thousand five hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 424, line 18 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 13 Ayes, 44 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 424, line 19. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, line 19, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Zeller telecommunications line. It's got a value of a hundred and nine thousand three hundred dollars. It's the tenth line out of twelve.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 424, line 19 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 13 Ayes, 43 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 424, line 20. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Zeller operations of auto. It's worth seventeen thousand four hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Questions? Discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 424, line 20 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 13 Ayes, 44 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 424, lines 21 and 22. Madam Secretary, read

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the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the -- excuse me. I move that the item on page 424, lines 21 and 22, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This line is Zeller living skills. It's worth one thousand two hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 424, lines 21 and 22 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 14 Ayes, 42 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 474, lines 22 -- page 474, lines 12 through 15. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 424 {sic}, lines 12 through 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. -- Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This line item deals with the Governor's veto of two million dollars' worth of funding for senior help-lines. The funding would be distributed, I guess by grant, to the Area

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Agencies on Aging. We've had a lot of discussion and a lot of testimony by people that they can't get through on the 800 numbers, Department of Aging. We've obviously underfunded that. Think it's one of those things in a year where we can't do a lot for senior citizens, I think this is one of AARP's preferred program suggestions. It's an opportunity, I think maybe, to differ a little bit with the Governor, and I would recommend that we consider overriding this veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Madam President. Just for the Members here. We've been running down on these mental health clinics for so long. Just let everyone know that we have gone to another order of business here and -- and what we're talking about. We're going to the Department of Public Aid, and in Department of Public Aid, they have created this senior line which will be helping our seniors. We went and got a waiver from the feds so that we can do some things for our seniors and also along with prescription drugs, help them with their prices, which will be coming up next. This is one of those things that we said that we were going to do to ensure that those individuals who needed those services can find out about 'em and access 'em. And it's a good deal, and I believe that we should be overriding the -- the Governor's budget -- the Governor's veto on this issue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Madam President. I have a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

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Senator, I've been led to believe that this is not GRF money; that it is tobacco money. Can you confirm that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

It is TSF, Tobacco Settlement funds. Yes, that's correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

...Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I, too, rise in support of making sure that this is something that we restore. As many of us might remember, Senator Ronen and I sat here one evening while we were debating what to do in terms -- I believe it was the Department of Revenue who has lines for senior citizens about the Pharmaceutical Assistance Program and the Circuit Breaker Program. And we called for twenty minutes and couldn't get through. It's an activity that we've engaged in a number of times -- times even in the Appropriations Committee. I think it's absurd that we try to provide services for our seniors but don't provide them with access to those services, and I think this is a reasonable place to restore funding.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Let's do one for Patty.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall the item on page 474, lines 12 through 15 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Wait a minute. I got to go back. The item to the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that

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question, there are 53 Ayes, 3 Nays, 1 voting Present. The item on page 474, lines 12 through 15, having -- of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required three-fifths vote, is declared passed, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. On page 475, line 15. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 475, line 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. In an effort to try to deal with what I think is a realistic problem in the pharmacy lines in our Medicaid program, we thought that we had achieved a process which would have freed up fifteen million dollars to be matched in the Medicaid program. Apparently that arrangement didn't work out, and there is a -- an effort being made in another way to try to help the pharmacy people. Inasmuch as that we do not -- no longer have an understanding with the Bureau of the Budget on this, I would appreciate us over -- supporting the veto by defeating the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Yes. Thank you. Just for your information, the Illinois Pharmacists Association and the Illinois Retail Merchants Association met with the Governor and myself this morning, and this has been worked out. There will be -- the restored money will be put back in. If anybody wants information in regard to it to

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send to your pharmacists in your area, I've got a -- a sheet here that -- that explains a little bit about what the program's going to be. It's going to be -- you're going to hear from your pharmacists. They're probably going to say, you know, "Well, we're getting cut in this, we're getting cut in that", but so is everybody else. But they're just -- we are restoring the thirty million and the Governor, to his credit, has agreed to -- to do that by rule. This is obviously a conflict of interest for me, I would assume, but I will vote, as always, my conscience.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there further discussion? Senator Trotter. Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Yes. Thank you very much, Madam President. I don't know if I should ask the question of Senator Rauschenberger or Senator Watson. You said the dollars are going to be restored, so we do not have to restore the dollars this way, is -- is...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I guess Senator Watson's prepared to answer that, in his Page coat.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

That is correct. We should support the Governor on this issue, and he has agreed to put the money back in, in another -- in the rule-making process. And it's all been agreed to with the various pharmacy associations.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

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Thank you very much, Madam President. If I could, again, defer to Senator Watson. Where's he going to get the money? I thought we didn't have any money. So if we don't put the money back in here, does -- does he have a pot of money that he's sitting on that he's going to restore all the things that he wants while he's cutting all these other good programs?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

No, that's not the case at all. The -- the Illinois Department of Public Aid Director and staff was in the meeting, along with the Governor, and as I mentioned, the Illinois Retail Merchants. They had just all agreed that this was the way that the fee structure would work, the fee structure by which pharmacists are reimbursed, and that's the manner in which the -- the issue would be resolved. And the agreement came with all the pharmacy groups saying, yes, we agree to the fee structure.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Madam President. With all due respect, and I guess 'cause I'm confused and I think many of the Members over here are confused as well, in lieu of -- of just going along with something that we really don't have any clarity on, I would say that we should override the Governor's veto here, put the dollars back in here. And if we go forward with the program, we certainly can maybe use that thirty million dollars someplace else, if -- it's -- providing, of course, that he has the thirty million dollars to -- restore this program in the first place.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

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Thank you, Madam President. I just rise to echo what Senator Trotter said. I'm -- I'm certain, during this time of -- of acrimony and distrust, Senator Watson, you're certainly not saying to us, just trust you. Certainly, you're not saying that. I urge that we override this veto, 'cause right now, we don't trust nobody.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I'll try -- maybe I can shed just -- just a little bit of quick light. The controversy has been, because of the -- the move to use a benefits manager, that pharmacists would not be able to survive based on the dispensing fees and the rates they -- would be paid in reimbursement. In an effort to try to deal with that, there was an effort made to -- to free up fifteen million dollars from the Circuit Breaker program, transfer it into the -- to the Medicaid program, where it would be matched. That's where the thirty-million-dollar appropriation comes from. In the end, we think we've got an understanding with the pharmacists. We do not need to spend that money on this. This thirty million, then, is -- is a cut that we can make that keeps everybody happy and prevents us from making other cuts. So, it's not extra money. In fact, if you vote to defeat the motion, you're not spending money. So, it's -- it's one of those inverses of an inverse. It's kind of Tony the Tiger holding a box of Corn Flakes with Tony the Tiger on the box, holding the box. So, I -- I would -- I would urge everybody -- this is an easy cut 'cause everybody's asked us to do it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall the item on page 475, line 15 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's opened.

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Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 17 Ayes, 37 Nays, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 478, line 19 through 21. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 478, lines 19 through 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the -- of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you. This -- this motion deals with a thirty-million-dollar House add-on of additional spending for the long term care line in the Department of Public Aid. Although I think we're -- we've all heard from frustrated nursing home owners, if -- if we're going to move forward in a reasonable way, I think we're going to have to support the Governor on this veto. The rate restoration in the core of the budget is fifty percent of the reduction, so it's about a five-percent rate cut across Medicaid homes. And as we move forward this summer, we have a -- a resolution that's passed the Senate to begin to study Medicaid rates, and I really hope that's something that Members can put some energy into because I think our rate reimbursement system is -- is not one that we really should be real proud of. But I would urge you to defeat the motion and sustain the Governor in this veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'm asking for a -- a green light on this. I am told by the nursing home community that, based upon

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the budget, they are going to be cut about 5.9 percent. I'm told that means ten percent of the nursing homes in the State will possibly close, forty percent will go into default. This thirty million, I don't know where it was going to go, but I think it would help upstate and downstate if we can get this money back into the budget to see if we can help out this community. And ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? Senator Lauzen. Further discussion? Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is really a difficult issue. There isn't anybody that's worked harder to help nursing homes, to -- to change the way our rate methodology is done for nursing homes, and what we have been fighting, folks, is a situation where we have a disparity in funding for many of our Medicaid homes -- or, predominately Medicaid homes. They happen to be in the Chicago area and, I'm sorry, but it's in the City versus the rest of the State. Just the City versus the rest of the State. So, if you don't represent part of the City, then you're not a part of this, okay? And I will say that there are even facilities within the City that are having problems. But the situation is, is there are homes that are making fifty-plus dollars per day per patient profit, and if we put this money in without changing the methodology, all we are doing is further exacerbating a horrendous problem. And I know that putting this money back would help some of our homes a little bit, but the rich are getting richer and the poor are getting poorer and that's wrong. The profit homes shouldn't be making a greater profit by getting this money restored. This is hard for me to do, but I really think that we need to defeat this override motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Any further discussion? If not, Senator Rauschenberger, to close. The question is, shall the item on page 478, lines 19 through 21, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And 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 27 Ayes, 30 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Line 28 through -- lines... Page 500, lines 28 through 31, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 500, lines 28 through 31, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The next four -- the next four motions deal with lump-sum eliminations in the Illinois Department of Public Health. I'll -- I'll briefly talk about all four of the lump-sum eliminations, then we'll be roll calling on the -- the first motion, but I thought -- again, this is a -- a question of policy. So, looking at these four together is probably a reasonable thing. The first is grants to the Human Resource Development Institute. It's got a value of seven hundred and forty-eight thousand dollars. It's something that the Department argued that if they had to take a reduction, that they would recommend. The second is a more difficult one for me personally and one that -- that I've got some concerns about. It's AIDS and HIV prevention outreach and treatment. With -- after this reduction, there'll still be fifteen million dollars spent statewide, but every case you

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prevent in AIDS and HIV is -- is money well spent, but that -- value of that motion is two million two hundred and fifty-one thousand. Also, is the elimination of the lump-sum grant to the Area Health Education Centers, the AHEC Program, which brings in about a two-to-one federal match. And the last of the four is an elimination of a two-hundred-and-fifty-thousand-dollar Hepatitis C Awareness grant in Cook County. So, those are the four lump-sum grants that we're going to be acting on. The Floor is open for discussion, or I'll try to answer questions from Members of the Body.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Just to comment on -- on the four initiatives that were mentioned. One, this is not General Revenue dollars; these are dollars that are coming out of Tobacco funds and they're projects and initiatives that have been put forth for the past year. The HIV program - yes, there is still fifteen million dollars in the program. This -- these dollars that were going to the HIV program were targeted for eighteen areas where HIV/AIDS is -- is at levels that -- unprecedented anyplace else in this State. Those dollars and these projects are in Chicago, of course, Cook -- Cook County, Kane County, Madison County, Peoria, St. Clair, Will and -- Winnebago Counties. So, these are dollars that are being addressed specifically in areas where they have a -- a horrendous problem. The hepatitis C dollars - hepatitis C, as you all know, is another insidious disease that is -- touches all communities, has -- not just blacks, not white, it's not poor. It doesn't -- doesn't have -- make any difference what your socioeconomic status may be. But these dollars have made a difference. The efficacy has been proven, and I would vote -- or, like to see all the

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Members on this side and that side to vote to keep these dollars in -- coming out of Tobacco funds, not General Revenue Fund, so they can continue to do the good work that they've been doing for the past year.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Are we -- are we taking -- it's a procedural question. Are we taking one vote on all four of these? Okay. Then I want to...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

No, we'll take one vote per -- per motion.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Then, so, the -- the one that we're on right now is...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The one we're on right now, Senator, is the item on page 500, lines 28 through 31, of Senate Bill 2393. Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the -- the item on page 500, lines 28 through 31, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 12 Ayes, 44 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 501, lines 1 through 5, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 501, lines 1 through 5, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This line is the two-million-two-hundred-and-fifty-two-thousand-dollar lump sum that deals with AIDS and HIV prevention and outreach.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I rise in support of overriding this veto. I think last night we had testimony in the Senate Appropriations Committee from Karen Reitan, who's with the AIDS Foundation, who indicated that over the lifetime of somebody who is HIV or AIDS positive, the State of Illinois potentially spends seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars per person. It's my understanding that seventy percent of the new cases of HIV/AIDS are occurring in the minority areas in the State of Illinois and these are dollars that will be well spent in terms of prevention, and I think it's something that we should vote to restore.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senator Rauschenberger, I -- I could tell from your -- your comment on the Floor that even you, on this -- in this particular case, have -- have mixed emotions. This is -- it seems to me -- we've been here for five hours; we've only had one override -- we're certainly being responsible. We're not overdoing it here today, and I think this is one that we might want to really look and -- and consider an exception. Because of the fact that we know that maybe this year it's going to cost a little over two million dollars, but we clearly know that in -- in the coming years, it'll save some other

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budget a lot more money. And -- and so, this is for -- the money's being spent in, I think, eighteen different projects throughout the State - Peoria, Madison, St. Clair, Kane - areas where it's -- it's needed. This is one I think we really ought to consider making an exception for.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Senator Rauschenberger, in -- in light of the information that Senator Madigan provided us with on the -- the cost -- long-term cost that we're paying as a State for people who become HIV positive, do you agree with her numbers, her figures? Can you find any -- any way to justify this cut in light of the fact that it is more costly to not prevent AIDS and HIV in the first place?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Much of what we've been forced to do over the last five hours have been eliminate programs that -- that many of us, in different ways, believe prevent a future cost to the State. And I -- I really believe that prevention, particularly on a life-threatening and -- and clearly debilitating diseases like AIDS and HIV, is money well spent. It -- but I don't know that I could, you know, financially tell you whether her numbers were exactly right or not, but I certainly believe in prevention, particularly as it relates to AIDS and HIV.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Hendon.

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SENATOR HENDON:

Well, I hope that means that you're going to be voting Yes on this override. But just in case it -- it doesn't, let me just let you know that the fifteen million that you mentioned that is going to this -- fight this very evil and terrible disease is all right, but the minority community has felt and has expressed to me that they have not gained enough access to that money. So, these two million dollars would -- would solve that problem or go toward fixing that problem. I hope some of you won't be voting against this because, like you saw with bilingual education, you say it's minorities. I just want to inform you that in today's open society, minorities have sex with every other race. So this goes far beyond just something for the minority community. We're trying to stop a disease that is killing people, that is deadly. This is not something that you could take a few aspirin and call me in the morning. HIV/AIDS kills. It is a -- it is a death sentence if you are unfortunately afflicted with this very dangerous and deadly disease. I urge us to vote Yes to override the Governor's veto so that we can save some lives in the State of Illinois. We've already chopped the children down and sent the senior citizens running. Let's at least do something to save the poor victims of HIV.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I also rise to help restore these funds. You know, there's not very many things that we do on a -- on a day-to-day basis in this -- in this Body that is really a matter of life and death, but this really is a matter of life and death. We know that monies well spent on prevention can stop people from getting this horrible disease, and I think it's incumbent upon us to do that.

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We're not talking about a lot of money; we're talking about money well spent that will save us more money in the long run, and we're also talking about money that's, as I understand it, not General Revenue but is coming out of the Tobacco Settlement Fund. So, I would just stand with my other colleagues and urge everybody to -- to vote Yes to override this veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator del Valle.

SENATOR DEL VALLE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to add that this is probably one of the most appropriate uses of Tobacco Settlement dollars that -- that we've seen in a -- in a long time. You know, we forget that when we went to court, when we agreed to a settlement, we talked about using those dollars to cover health care costs and to deal with -- with the costs over the years of tobacco use. And so, here we have an opportunity to not only do the right thing in terms of the use of Tobacco Settlement dollars without affecting GRF, but we're also going to, in the short run and the long run, save the State hundreds of thousands, millions of dollars in terms of health costs. And so, for 2.2 million dollars, we can get an awful lot.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? ...not, Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall the item on page 501, lines 1 through 5, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And 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 29 Ayes, 25 Nays, 3

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voting Present. And the motion fails. On top of page 8 of Supplemental Calendar No. 2, in the Order of Override Item Vetoes of the Governor, is Senate Bill 2393. Page 506, lines 24 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 506, lines 24 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This line item is grants to the Area Health Education Centers. It deals with training -- training students in the medical professions - nursing, doctors, physician's assistants - in treating people in the minority community and in the more rural parts of the State. It's worth one million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 506, lines 24 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 13 Ayes, 42 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 506, line 28 and page 507, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 506, line 28 and page 507, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393, do pass, the item veto of the

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Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the lump sum of two hundred and fifty thousand for Hepatitis C Awareness in Cook County.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 506, line 28 and page 507, lines 1 and through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 10 Ayes, 43 Nays, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 557, line 30 and page 558, lines 1 through 5, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 557, line 30 and page 558, lines 1 through 5, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

We're now in IDOT. This is the Rail Freight Assistance -- Rail Freight Services Assistance Program. It's got a value of one million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. The funds are used to help companies get -- or, get access to rail spurs. It's probably a good program, but one we can afford not to spend on this year, in an extraordinary year.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 557, line 30 and page 558, lines 1 through 5, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 is 1 Aye, 54 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 558, lines 1 through 8, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please. For the information of the Membership, the item on page 558, lines 1 through 8, of Senate Bill 2393 is an error. There -- this item was not on the Governor's Message, neither were there any motions filed. So, that particular item will be passed over. We will not go to that business. We will immediately go to the... We will be going instead to the item on page 661, line 27, of Senate Bill 2393. Senator -- Demuzio, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, I -- just a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

State your point, sir.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, I've only been around twenty-eight years. I've never seen us vote on anything that we weren't supposed to. I never saw any resolutions that were vehicles. I never saw any of the roll calls like 0 to 56. There are a lot of firsts that have been taking place here the last few days, and I suspect that since you're anxious to go, we'll hold you personally responsible. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Thank you, Senator Demuzio. I take that as a compliment. Senator Hendon, what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Mr. -- I think Leader Jones is seeking some kind of clarity, 'cause we're simply not clear on exactly what -- what you just said. Was that the one we just voted on with the rail?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

No. No, we did not vote on it, Senator Hendon. We were -- we were going to the order of the item on page 558, lines 1 through 8, of Senate Bill 2393. The Secretary does not have that item, neither is it in the computer, nor is it listed in the Governor's Message. This was printed in error on the Calendar that's on your desk. So we will not be going to that particular item since it was not in any message. Senator Jones, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR E. JONES:

I have here the Governor's Message, page 558 -- it doesn't say 1 through 8, but it does say 1 through 5.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Jones, that is what we just did. We just did that on -- the item on page 557, line 30 and page 558, lines 1 through 5. And we will now be going to the order of the item on page 661, line 27, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 661, line 27, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is -- we're now in the Environmental Protection Agency. This is their Green Illinois program. You may have seen the -- the bright, new, shiny, plastic, green recycling things that have been

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delivered to your offices, or you may have seen them around. That was part of the program last year. We are eliminating the new appropriation for Green Illinois - a good program, good idea, not this year. The value is five hundred and forty-two thousand eight hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 661, line 27, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 9 Ayes, 45 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 704, lines 12 through 15, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 704, lines 12 through 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the -- we're now in the Illinois Violence Prevention Authority. This is the Safe to Learn program that the motion involves. The value of the motion is thirteen million nine hundred thousand dollars. In the Safe to Learn program, the Illinois Violence Prevention Authority solicited grant applications to provide school safety grants to schools in the State of Illinois. This was eliminated in the Governor's introduced budget, and it's passed the -- we passed the Senate once without this program. Be happy to answer questions.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Halvorson.

SENATOR HALVORSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Assembly. I stand in -- in strong support of the Safe to Learn program. The elimination of this program will affect three hundred and fifty school districts, which probably hampers each and every one of us in some way. I don't know if you've heard, but a lot of my superintendents, a lot of my school districts have called to tell me how important this is because this is where -- the only place that they're able to find dollars so that they can counsel their at-risk students or they can do things with regards to school safety or character programs. When you have school districts such as my -- mine and a lot of yours where the money isn't there, this was the only place to find it. So this is something that we need to be a little more proactive and counsel our at-risk children and do what's good for the school districts. And I -- I encourage all of us to override the veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator -- Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I, too, rise in support of overriding the Governor's veto on this item. The Safe to Learn programming dollars that the Illinois Violence Prevention Authority has have been controversial in the Appropriations Committee ever since I've been here, and certainly that has been the case this year. By eliminating 13.9 million dollars from the Illinois Violence Prevention Authority for these Safe to Learn grants, we almost completely destroy that Authority's existence. One of the complaints has been, "Well, there's money in the budget, actually throughout the budget, in other agencies to do violence prevention work." Well, the reality

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is, the money in the DHS budget for Teen REACH is substantially different, as Senator Halvorson pointed out, because these are grants and they're very small grants that tend to go to school districts to put in place -- in addition to some of the character development work she was talking about, but to put in place actual security measures: security cameras; to put in place metal detectors, if need be; and other equipment, particularly communications equipment in classrooms. One of the situations we don't want to find ourselves in is being unprepared for a tragic event that takes place in our schools in the State of Illinois, similar to what's taken place in places like Columbine. I think this is a very important program. I think it's been a very successful program, and I would like to see the Governor's veto overridden on it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Senator Rauschenberger, if we eliminate these funds, won't we be opening up Illinois to possible lawsuits in case we have a massacre such as Columbine?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Senator Hendon, not in my opinion. The education spending by the K through 12 system in the State of Illinois exceeds fourteen billion total dollars. To argue that a single grant program with about fourteen million in value is the only thing that keeps schools safe, I think is an argument that's difficult to sustain.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

When this money was first put into the budget, did you not support it and feel that it was necessary for the safety of the schoolchildren throughout Illinois?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

You could probably ask other Approp Members about this, but I have consistently been concerned about the fast growth of the Illinois Violence Prevention Authority. It was a very, very small agency just a couple years ago. I think that grant programs are good when we're in a situation where we can afford 'em. I, you know, don't think they -- they made bad grants, but I just think this year, when we're really asking families to suffer of State employees, that we can't have grant programs this year.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 704, lines 12 through 15, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 29 Ayes, 19 Nays, 8 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 713, lines 3 through 6, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read -- read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 713, lines 3 through 6, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The next two line items are Prairie State 2000, which is a training program that's targeted at smaller employers throughout the State of Illinois. The first motion will be on its individual training assistance program grants, which reimburse, to the best of my recollection, workers seeking to upgrade their skills, about half of the -- the cost that they incur by going to community colleges to improve their skills. The second one is the employer training assistance program, basically targeted at employers that are trying to raise the -- their level of competency to ISO 2000 or above. Both good programs. Open to discussion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, is this -- is this program geared towards manufacturing or more manufacturing-related job training?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I'm not sure I can answer that accurately. To the best of my -- my -- to the best of my experience, all of the PS2000 grant programs I've been at have been in manufacturing, but I'm not sure it's limited to that. I think there's -- you can probably access some of the individual training for office work and for retail as well.

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Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

I think my concern is, we're down here having to make cuts in the budget because Illinois' economy has been so slow. One of the reasons why our economy is not coming back is that we have lost tens of thousands of manufacturing jobs to China and to other foreign countries because we're not as competitive or we don't have the trained workforce. And I think it's crucial for Illinois to be on the cutting edge, that we have the most well-trained individuals going into manufacturing. This is a program that has not spent much money but certainly has trained hundreds of individuals to become good tool and dye makers, become skilled workers to help fill those manufacturing needs that we have here in this State. So, I hope we're not being shortsighted in funding a small program that really helps train people to have a job that they can -- that they can earn enough money to raise a family with dignity on.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 713, lines 3 through 6, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 25 Ayes, 27 Nays, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. Top of page 9 of your Supplemental Calendar No. 2. On Senate Bill 2393 is page 17 {sic}, lines 7 through 10, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 713, lines 7 through 10, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the other half of the Prairie State 2000 program. This one deals with the employers, when they're doing training at the workplace, generally, to raise the skill level of the employees. It's got a value of two million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 713, lines 7 through 10, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 24 Ayes, 31 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 726, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 726, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The next four items, for the information of the Members of the Body, are in the Illinois Emergency Management Agency. These are what generally are referred to as contingent appropriations. Reducing their level does not affect spending. If there is a disaster, the Governor has authority to transfer funds into IEMA.

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These are -- give us a little bit of flexibility in their reduction but has no impact in the case of a disaster. So, again, these should be fairly easy ones. I'd be happy to answer questions on all of them. The value of the first one is two million three hundred and seventy-six thousand five hundred dollars in the disaster relief line.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 726, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 is 1 Aye, 53 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 726, lines 32 and 33, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 726, lines 32 and 33, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is a disaster relief line. In prior years, it allowed spending outside the current fiscal year if there's a disaster to be paid for that's already happened but we haven't paid for it yet. Again, it's a contingent appropriation. The Body, I think, could feel safe in supporting the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 726, lines 32 and 33, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass,

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the item Governor -- item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And 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 no Ayes, 56 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 727, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 727, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is IEMA's Individual and Family Grant Program that's used to help people after disasters. Again, it's a contingent appropriation. It's got a value of five million dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 727, line 30, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 -- is 1 {sic} Aye, 55 {sic} Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 727, line 31, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move that the item on page 727, line 31, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the last line item in the Illinois Emergency Management -- Agency. This is the Individual and Family Grant Program for prior-year disasters. It's got a value of four hundred and eighty-five thousand. Again, a contingent appropriation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Cronin. If not, the question is, shall the item on page 727, lines -- line 31, of Senate Bill 2393 do pass, the item veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 no Ayes, 57 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Senator Karpziel, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. To announce a Republican Caucus immediately in Senator Philip's Office. Approximately a half an hour.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senate will stand at recess until 6:15.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Members in their offices please come to the Senate Floor. We will be going to the order of substantive business immediately.

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Senator Shadid, what purpose do you rise? ...light was on.  
Senator Wendell Jones, what purpose do you rise? ...light's  
always on. Senator Silverstein, what purpose do you rise? Senator  
Sullivan, on Senator Silverstein's desk. Ladies and Gentlemen, if  
you'd turn your attention to Supplemental Calendar No. 2, to the  
middle of page 9, to the Order of Motions in Writing to Restore  
Item Reductions. On Senate Bill 2393, page 14, line 20, of Senate  
Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 14, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 be  
restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary  
notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

For Members of the Body, and to stall a little bit, 'cause I  
know people are headed here, we've now moved from, kind of, the  
Order of Item Vetoes, where it takes thirty-six votes to override,  
to the area of Reduction Vetoes. These are line items. The next  
seventy-some motions that we deal with are reductions to a line  
that the Governor has made by a line-item reduction veto. It  
takes a simple majority of thirty to override in this Chamber, and  
a simple majority of sixty to override in the House. We're  
returning to Article 1 of the -- and we're going to go through in  
the same order that we have been moving through. Again, I will  
try to discuss, kind of in principle, parts of the budget and then  
move to the line items. The next series of one, two, three, four,  
five -- the next six line items are essentially administrative and  
general office cuts in the State Board of Education. They've got  
-- the first one's got a value of three hundred and ninety-nine  
thousand. The next one's got a value of forty-eight thousand.

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It's contractual services. Three hundred and eight thousand. 6.7 thousand. Six seventy-one, and one sixty-nine. Total value of these six motions that you're going to hear is right about one million five. The first cut -- the first motion that you'll be voting on is the General Office personnel {sic} services. It's a three-hundred-and-ninety-nine-thousand-dollar reduction. It leaves a remaining line of five million three hundred and thirty-five thousand. I'd be happy to answer questions on that reduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. In -- in looking at the reductions that are -- have been presented before us, and as explained by Senator Rauschenberger, on this side of the aisle we have no problems in agreeing with him and not overriding the veto at this point.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall the item on page 14, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 2 Ayes, 54 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 14, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 14, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the contractual services line in the General Office of State Board of Education. It's got a forty-eight-thousand-dollar value. I'd appreciate similar roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

The value that's presented here is very negligible, and we also agree we should not override the Governor's veto on this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall the item on page 14, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 no Nays, 57 -- no Ayes, 57 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Top of page 10 of Supplemental Calendar No. 2, on Senate Bill 2393, page 14, line 27. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 14, line...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

29. Pardon me. It's page 14, line 29. Read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Page 14, line 29, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This, again, central office, State Board of Education. It's

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the Educational Services Division. It's a personnel {sic} service line reduction of three hundred and eight thousand, leaving remaining line of four million one hundred and ten thousand.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 14, line 29, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 no Ayes, 57 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 15, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393. Read the motion, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 15, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Educational Services division contractual service line. It's a six-thousand-seven-hundred-dollar reduction, leaving a remaining balance in that line of eighty-nine thousand three hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 15, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that

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question, there are no Nays -- no Ayes, 57 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 15, line 7, Mr. -- of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 15, line 7, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

We're now -- have moved to the third division of the State Board of Education's central office. This is Finance and Administration division, personnel {sic} services, a six-hundred-and-seventy-one-thousand-dollar reduction, leaving a remaining personal services line of eight million nine hundred and fifty nine thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 15, line 7, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And 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 no Ayes, 57 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 15, line 11, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill -- motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 15, line 11, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the contractual services line of the Finance and Administration division. It's got a hundred-and-sixty-nine-thousand-dollar value, the reduction does. It will -- it will leave two million two hundred and fifty-six thousand after the -- if we sustain the veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 15, line 11, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And 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 no Ayes, 57 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Senate Bill 2393, page 19, line 8. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 19, line 8, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This -- we're now into grant programs at the State Board of Education. This is the Reading Improvement Block Grant. It had a -- a little more than an eighty-million-dollar value. In -- in seeking to make what the Governor felt was an appropriate level of reductions, he took an additional one percent out of these grant lines. It's an eight-hundred-and-four-thousand-dollar reduction,

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leaving an eighty-million-dollar -- seventy-nine-million-two-hundred-and-twenty-one-thousand-dollar program. I'd appreciate the Body's support on this one-percent reduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. This is the second time today that we're looking at reading programs that basically will enhance the -- the ability for our children to matriculate through our school process and education process. I'm opposed to the reduction, and -- and say that we should vote to -- override the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 19, line 8, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 28 Ayes, 21 Nays, and 6 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 20, line 2, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the bill, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 20, line 2, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This line-item reduction by the Governor is to the Early Childhood Block Grant Program. The program had about a

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hundred-and-eighty-three-million-dollar value as he introduced his budget in -- on last Tuesday -- well, Memorial Day. This reduces it by six million one hundred and ninety-six thousand three hundred dollars. It's a program that I think many people on both sides of this Chamber warmly support. And although we have -- we have extraordinary times in front of us, this is one of those cases that I would recommend to the Body that we override the Governor and restore this six million dollars to Early Childhood Block Grant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Yes, Mr. President and Members of the Body, this is one of the jewels in our education system. The Early Childhood Block Grant has served our children well. We need to restore these dollars today, so we'll continue with the progress that we've made with the youth in our -- in our State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I appreciate Senator Rauschenberger's sentiment. I just want to point out, for those of you that still may have some doubts, I know that when this was discussed previously, one of the things that was pointed out was about the same amount that's being cut out of the Early Childhood Block Grant, about the same amount of money is being utilized for the Governor to start a new universal preschool program, a program that we all care deeply about and think would be a great idea. But it does not make sense for us to start a new unproven program and, at the same time, take money out of a program that we know works, has been working. Nobody has suggested that, in fact, is hasn't been effective. If the

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Governor still feels that this five million dollars is going to be make it or break it with respect to this budget, I think we should all suggest that it makes sense not to start this new program. Maybe we can start the universal childhood program next year. Again, I'm a strong supporter of that, as well, but it doesn't make sense for us to start a new program by cutting an old one.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Yes. I'd just like to reiterate or echo the remarks of Senator Obama. I think he's very wise. I think you're right, that we have a well-established program with the Early Childhood Block Grant Program, and I would urge the Governor to reconsider starting a new program when we know this one works well. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 20, line 2, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, 2 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 20, line 2, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 21, lines 27 through 33, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 21, lines 27 through 33, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

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By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The next line item is the Early Intervention payment. This is the transfer from the State Board of Education to Department of Human Services to -- for the Early Intervention Program, which is a very good program. It was about a fourteen-million-dollar program just three short fiscal years ago. We think we have enough money in the lines to fully serve all the children. This cut just helps us make our number. It's a one-percent reduction off the base. If you take this six-hundred-and-fifty-one-thousand-dollar reduction and support it, you're leaving sixty-four million four hundred and forty-seven thousand three hundred dollars in the Early Intervention Program, more than four times the size of the program just three years ago.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

...is four times larger than it was three years ago, and it needs to be expanded even four times more. We need to leave these dollars in this budget and override the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would also ask that this Body override this veto. I think this is very shortsighted. We're talking about a program that helps children with developmental delays, and if they don't receive service early on, the problems often get worse and worse and sometimes can't be helped at all. So I think it's very important that we -- we try to restore this. It's a small amount of money, but there are more children who need

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services than are getting them today. So rather than less, I think we need more.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Question is, shall the item on page 21, lines 27 through 33, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 26 Ayes, 28 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Top of page 11 of Supplemental Calendar No. 2. Page 23, lines 12 through 14. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 23, lines 12 through 14, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The next series of votes are essentially one-percent reductions in the Governor's ninety-percent level of reimbursement to school districts for their mandated categorical programs. As I've pointed out to Members of the Body, probably ad nauseam, these are programs that we have seen fit through statute to require school districts to do and then we have put into statute a reimbursement program, which we partially reimburse their costs for. I've been an advocate, and I know many other people here are, of fully funding this obligation. We're not going to be able to do it this year. This item reduction takes another one percent from that reimbursement. And I will recommend to the Body that we consider overriding the Governor's veto. It would restore four

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hundred and seventy-one thousand dollars to the special education private tuition mandated categorical. The -- the value in that line, with the veto, would be about forty-seven million dollars -- with the veto overridden would be about forty-seven million.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

This will take our -- our obligation back from ninety percent up to ninety-four percent, and I also recommend that we override the Governor's veto at this time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Senator Rauschenberger, I just want to be clear, you're going to vote for this -- this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR HENDON:

Could you...

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Yes, Senator Hendon. I intend to vote to override the Governor and restore four hundred and seventy-one thousand to this mandated categorical.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

I'd just like to know why.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I -- I have -- I don't win this debate often, but I will continue to make it every time I can. I think the most important payment we make to the schools is the -- the -- the required programs that we made them do last year that they send us in a claim to reimburse them for. Those are the mandated categoricals. It helps school districts across the State, almost on a per capita basis. These are programs we require in statute that they do, and that we set up a statutory obligation that we're supposed to reimburse them. I would -- I would prefer that we were working with a budget that one-hundred-percent funded the categorical claims. We're not in that position. I think we have been very reasonable with the Governor's vetoes. These categorical reimbursements, I think we should at least make the salutary effort of overriding his one-percent reductions, but that's just my recommendation to the Body.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Just so I can be -- is this private tuition? What does it have to do with -- with the private tuition?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

There are circumstances in which a school district - and it's all school districts in the State, including the City of Chicago schools - where a student has challenges that are so special that they -- they cannot handle them in the regular school district. They're frequently placed in special schools because they have extraordinary needs. I mean, they -- they go all the way from -- from fire-starters to -- to -- to behavioral problems to sometimes

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physical disabilities. They're placed in a special school, a private school or a nonpublic school setting. We reimburse on a statutory formula that I think approximates about forty percent of the actual tuition costs that the school district is forced to pay to place that child.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 23, lines 12 through 14, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 54 Ayes, 1 Nay, and none voting Present. And the item on page 23, lines 12 through 14, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 23, lines 15 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 23, lines 15 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is a similar categorical reimbursement to school districts who have children who need more intense services than normal. It's a -- it's an additional mandate that we've placed on school districts. This -- reimburses for about fifty percent of the extraordinary costs of very challenged children if they're served in the school district. The -- if we override the

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Governor's veto, it restores two million two hundred and fifty-seven thousand dollars to that -- that mandated categorical reimbursement and will give you a value, after action, of about two hundred and twenty-five million dollars in that line, funding around ninety percent of the claims that we expect to get.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Yes. I just want to correct a statement I made earlier when I said that this took us back up to ninety-four percent. It only takes us back to ninety percent, but it certainly is dollars going to be well spent. And I also on this action ask for a veto override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Question is, shall the item on page 23, lines 15 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 55 Ayes, 2 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 23, lines 15 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority of the Senators elected, is declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 23, lines 24 through 32, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion...

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 23, lines 24 through 32, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Again, this mandated categorical deals with the cost a school district must absorb when we place a ward of the State, through our DCFS system, in someone's school district where the family is not residential there. I think it's one of the most important categorical -- reimbursements, because these are children that that school district has no choice but to accept because they're placed there as a ward of the State. It restores a million dollars to that categorical reimbursement. It will give us a value, after override, if we support -- if you support my motion to override, of one hundred and four million dollars in this line.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. To put a face on this motion for you, many of you from the Chicago area are familiar with Maryville Academy, which is in Des Plaines, in my district, and Father Smyth does a great job there with the kids that he takes care of. That -- this bill will help -- this motion will help those children that are at Maryville. And Father Smyth is recovering from heart surgery, so this would be a great get-well gift for him.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 23, lines 24 through 32, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And 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 55 Ayes, 2 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 23, lines 24 through 32, of Senate Bill 2393,

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having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 23, lines 33 and 34, and page 24, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 23, lines 33 and 34, and page 24, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This categorical deals with reimbursement for bilingual students, where school districts have exceptional costs for bilingual education. I recommend an override of the Governor's veto. If we move this veto, it'll restore three hundred and thirty-eight thousand dollars to the -- to the categorical, giving it a total value of about thirty-four million dollars. Appreciate support on the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator del Valle.

SENATOR DEL VALLE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I am pleased to rise in support of the recommendation. Bilingual education is a program offered throughout the State, and the population in need of the program is growing. And I would hope that we would be able to restore these dollars, given that under the Governor's budget, we already cut the program by 3.5 percent. These dollars represent an additional one-percent cut. And so even though the programs have been at level funding for the last three or four years and we cut it by 3.5 percent, I don't think we need to go beyond that and cut it an

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additional one percent. So I hope we can override this veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall the item on page 23, lines 33 and 34, and page 24, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 48 Ayes, 8 Ayes {sic} (Nays), none voting Present. And the item on page 23, lines 33 and 34, and page 24, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 24, lines 5 through 10, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 24, lines 5 through 10, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is another restoration of the second bilingual line. It's got a value of two hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars. If we vote to override the Governor's veto, it'll leave a value in that line of twenty-six million six hundred thousand dollars. I recommend an override of the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

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Thank you very much, Mr. President. The action that we took on the last bill addressed the -- the cities, or populations of over five hundred thousand. This action here will address the rest of the State for populations under five hundred thousand. And I ask for its override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall the item on page 24, lines 5 through 10, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 54 Ayes, 3 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 24, lines 5 through 10, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is declared -- is hereby declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 24, lines 11 through 15, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 24, lines 11 through 15, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. With the Body's leave, I'll explain the next two lines. They're both transportation reimbursements for transportation as required by State statute performed by school districts across the State to get children to school according to statutory rules. They can only be claimed if a child meets the specifications in the statute

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- distance from school or situation. The first one's got a value of two million one hundred and ninety-nine thousand. The second one has got a value of two million one hundred and eighty-one thousand. I'd recommend overriding both, and perhaps we can discuss them together to save any time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 24, lines 11 through 15, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 55 Ayes, 2 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 24, lines 11 through 15, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is hereby declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Top of page 12 of Supplemental Calendar No. 2, on Senate Bill 2393. Page 24, lines 16 through 20, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion...

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 24, lines 16 through 20, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the other half of the transportation categorical. This is for special ed transportation for children with special needs. Appreciate an override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on

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page 24, lines 16 through 20, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 55 Ayes, 2 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 24, lines 16 through 20, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote of -- vote of Senators elected, is hereby declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Mr. Secretary, on page -- page 24, lines 29 through 32, of Senate Bill 2393. Please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 24, lines 29 through 32, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. What we're taking up now is the ADA Block Grant. That's Average Daily Attendance Block Grant, sometimes known as the School Safety Block Grant. This is often the account we use to -- to -- as we round up dollars -- in the past when we've had extra money, we put cash into this line and it's distributed on an average-daily-attendance basis. We have overridden the Governor on a number of what I think are important parts of the education budget. I will respectfully ask my colleagues to sustain the Governor on this six hundred and seventy-five thousand, or one-percent reduction, to a sixty-six-million-dollar ADA grant program.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 24, lines 29 through 32, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote -- will vote Aye. 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 21 Ayes, 32 Nays, 4 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 25, lines 25 through 28, of Senate Bill 2393. Read the motion, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 25 -- page 25, line 25 through 28, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

With the leave of my colleagues, I'd like to discuss the next three line items together. They are -- first one is the hold harmless in the General State Aid formula. The second one is the General State Aid formula reduction from the Common School Fund. And the third one is the General State Aid reduction from the Educational Assistance Fund. If you -- if we were to override all three of these, it would essentially restore the foundation level to forty-five sixty, which was the -- I think the anticipated amount as we moved all through Session. I know these are extraordinary times. I am reluctant to try the Governor's patience, but I think if there's -- along with mandated categorical, if there's one thing I would appreciate this Body standing together on a bipartisan basis, it would be to try to keep that faith with the K through 12 system. The total value of

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this is about thirty-one million dollars. I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Chairman Rauschenberger is absolutely correct. We have gone too far to turn back now. We need to restore these cuts being recommended by the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I, too, rise in support of overriding the Governor's veto on this measure. In terms of the veto message that he gave us, a third of the educational budget cuts come from the General State Aid formula. And for those of us who have been intimately involved in trying to figure out how it is we increase monies to the school districts throughout the State of Illinois, it has been made clear to us that even a foundation level of forty-five sixty is not high enough to provide an adequate, let alone a quality, education of the children here in the State of Illinois. So I think it is very important that this stays in the budget. And I am delighted to hear that we have bipartisan support to do that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Question is, shall the item on page 25, lines 25 through 28, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 54 Ayes, 2 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 25, lines 25 through 28, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required

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majority vote of Senators elected, is hereby declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 26, lines 20 through 22, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 26, lines 20 through 22, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is the -- the second component in restoration of the foundation level. This is the Common School Fund amount. It's a twenty-six-million-dollar override of the Governor's recommended veto item -- line-item reduction. Twenty-six million. Appreciate you supporting us again in a Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 26, lines 20 through 22, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 55 Ayes, 2 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 26, lines 20 through 22, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is hereby declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Senator Watson, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR WATSON:

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Yes, Mr. President. Thank you. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

State your point.

SENATOR WATSON:

When many of us were in the House, we had a process by which we called explanation of vote. And I think we ought to have Senator Dudycz and Senator Mahar explain their No votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Watson, you are out of order. Page 26, lines 28 through 31, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 26, lines 28 through 31, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the third piece of the General State Aid formula restoration. It's got a value of four million eight hundred and fifty thousand. It's from the Education Assistance Fund. I'd appreciate bipartisan support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 26, lines 28 through 31, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will 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 55 Ayes, 2 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 26, lines 28 through 31, of Senate Bill 2393,

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having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is hereby declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 35, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 35, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

We're now on the Illinois Math and Science Academy, which is our premier preparatory high school in the State of Illinois. Educates some of the -- the brightest kids we have in the State of Illinois in a residential campus. This reduction, the Governor's veto, would eliminate 2.5 million -- would eliminate 2.5 million dollars, which the Math and Science Academy identified for us was recruitment and professional development at the Math and Science Academy. In other words, programs that are administrative. It would not affect the students or the academy function of IMSA. I'd appreciate supporting this reduction. It's got a value of 2.5 million dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. The continuing education of our teachers is very important. We know that the lessons that they learn from each other they will pass on to their students that they have an opportunity to teach. And I ask for the override of this veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 35, line 24, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 16 Ayes, 38 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the item on page -- and the motion fails. Bottom of page 12. Page 37, lines 8 through 14, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item -- pardon me. I move the item on page 37, lines 8 through 14, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

That's -- that's easy for you to say. Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

We now move to the college campuses where the Governor has made additional line-item reductions to help him meet what he thinks is necessary to balance the budget. This first motion is a motion to override one-million-one-hundred-and-sixty-four-thousand-dollar reduction at Chicago State University, from the General Revenue Fund. I'd appreciate the Members of the Body reluctantly supporting this motion. I think higher education has borne an -- a substantial share of our reductions, but they also have had a -- five years of -- of fairly reasonable support from the General Assembly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Of the State schools --

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of the State universities, Chicago State University has the most needs. It is -- basically has the -- the lowest amount of dollars that are appropriated out of this General Assembly to that institution. One million dollars for them to continue with their building process is -- is very important at this time. And I ask for the override of this veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Yeah. In case -- in my -- my rush to eat my garlic bread, I misstated that. I would like us to support the Governor's line-item reduction and vote No on the -- on the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall the item on page 37, lines 8 through 14, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. 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 22 Ayes, 33 Nays, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. Top of page 13 of Supplemental Calendar No. 2. Page 37, lines 15 through 22, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 37, lines 15 through 22, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate.

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This is the complimentary reduction from the Educational Assistance Fund, which comes out of riverboat proceeds. Each campus will have a General Revenue reduction line item and an Educational Assistance Fund line item. I'm going to recommend to the Body that in this case we override the Governor's motion and restore the thirty-four thousand four hundred dollars to Chicago State University. Be happy to entertain questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

As we've heard many times where every little bit helps, I wish we would have all voted to override the last piece, but however, thank you. Let's override this and then help Chicago State become whole.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall the item on page 37, lines 15 through 22, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 51 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 37, lines 15 through 22, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is hereby declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 38, lines 11 through 20, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 38, lines 11 through 20, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the General Revenue reduction recommended for Eastern Illinois University. I would recommend that the Body support the Governor and vote Red, or vote No, on the motion. We need to make this General Revenue cut. It's got a value of one million five hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 38, lines 11 through 20, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 11 Ayes, 42 Nays, 3 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 38, lines 22 through 30, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 38, lines 22 through 30, and page 39, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This motion is to reduce the Educational Assistance Fund lump sum for Eastern Illinois University. It's got a value of a hundred and seventy-two thousand. I'm going to recommend to the Body that we override the Governor on this hundred-and-seventy-two-thousand-dollar line-item reduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 38, lines 22 -- 22 through 30, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction... Question is, shall the item on page 38, lines 22 through 30, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 50 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 38, lines 22 through 30, of Senate Bill 2393 -- and page 39, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority of Senators elected, is hereby declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 40, lines 20 through 26, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion, please.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 40, lines 20 through 26, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Governors State General Revenue lump sum reduction. It's got a value of seven hundred and seventy-three thousand dollars. I recommend to the Body that we vote down the motion and uphold the Governor's veto.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 40, lines 20 through 26, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. The

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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 11 Ayes, 43 Nays, 3 voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 40, lines 27 through 29, and page 41, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 40, lines 27 through 29, and page 41, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Governors State Education Assistance Fund lump sum. I would recommend the Body override the Governor. It's got a hundred-and-two-thousand-dollar value for restoration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 40, lines 27 through -- 29, and page 41, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 52 Ayes, 5 Nays, none -- none voting Present. And the item on page 40, lines 27 through 29, and page 41, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored -- having received the required majority vote of the Senators elected, is hereby declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 41, lines 6 through 11, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

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I move the item on page 41, lines 6 through 11, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is Northeastern Illinois' reduction to their General Revenue operational lump sum. I would recommend we vote down the motion and support the Governor on this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

...much, Mr. President. I guess I'm noticing a pattern here, that we're cutting out all the General Revenue funds from it and then keeping in the Education Assistance funds. I mean, in some instances, that might be okay; however, there are some universities, like Chicago State, Northeastern Illinois University, that we need more than just the Education Assistance funds. And I ask everyone to override this veto of -- portion of the Governor's budget.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The question is, shall the item on page 41, lines 6 through 11, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all those who voted -- have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 23 Ayes, 32 Nays, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Page 41. On top of page 14 on your Calendar is item on page

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41, lines 19 through 25. Madam Secretary, read the bill -- or, motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 41, lines 19 through 25, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This motion is to override the Governor's reduction of the Education Assistance Fund for Northeastern -- Northeastern Illinois University. It's got a value of a hundred and fifty-eight thousand. I would recommend to the Body that we override the Governor and restore this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the items on page 41, lines 19 through 25, of Senate Bill 2393 pass, the item reduction of the -- Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. The item on page 41, lines 19 through 25, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. On page -- on page 42, lines 5 through 10. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 42, lines 5 through 10, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is Western Illinois University. This is their General Revenue operational lump sum reduction. It's got a value of one million eight hundred and one thousand. Although, in particular, for the good lady in the Chair and my -- my vice-chairman in committee, I'd love to override this, I think we need to sustain this veto and vote the motion down.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 42, lines 5 through 10 pass -- or, be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 15 Ayes, 41 Nays, and 1 voting Present. The item on page 42, line 5 through 10, having -- oh! -- received -- no. The motion fails. Page 42, line 11 through 16. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 42, lines 11 through 16, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Western Illinois University operational lump sum from the Educational Assistance Fund. I would recommend to the Body that we override the Governor and restore this two hundred and two -- two-hundred-and-thirty-two-thousand-dollar reduction.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 42, lines 11 through 16, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. The item on page 42, lines 11 through 16, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. On page 43, line 13 through 21. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 43, lines 13 through 21, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator -- Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the operational lump sum from the General Revenue Fund for Illinois State University. And although I spent much of my time as my youth sitting in the stands, I think at Hancock Stadium, watching my brothers on losing Redbird teams, and although I have great deal of respect for both appropriation directors on both sides of the aisle, I would recommend that we sustain this veto by voting down the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Madam President. I say that we give Tim

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Nuding and Elgie Sims a vote by voting for these dollars for Illinois State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall the item on page 43, lines 13 through 21, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 20 Ayes, 36 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 43, line 22 through 30. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 43, lines 22 through 30, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Educational Assistance Fund lump sum reduction to Illinois State University, and I think we ought to do this one for Elgie and Tim. Override, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 43, lines 20 -- 22 through 30 pass -- of Senate Bill 2993 {sic} be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. And the item on page 43, line 22 through 30, having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is declared restored,

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the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. On page 44, line 13 through 19. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 44, lines 13 through 19, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Northern Illinois University's operational lump sum from the General Revenue Fund. It's got a value of three million two hundred and forty-two thousand dollars. And I would, regrettably, argue that we need to sustain the Governor in this reduction and vote No on the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 44, lines 13 through 19, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And 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 17 Ayes, 37 Nays, 3 voting Present. And the motion fails. Top of page 15. On page 44, lines 20 through 26. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 44, lines 20 through 26, in -- of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the EAF lump sum reduction for Northern Illinois University, and I respectfully ask the Members to override the Governor and restore this six hundred and eighteen thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 44, lines 20 through 26, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. The item on page 44, lines 20 through 26, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority of Senators elected, is declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. On page 44, {sic} lines 20 -- 22 through 27. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 45, lines 22 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Unfortunately, this is the operational lump sum reduction for the General Revenue Fund for the jewel of the south, Southern Illinois University system. It's a seven-million-dollar -- seven-million-one-hundred-thousand-dollar value. I think, unfortunately, we have to sustain the Governor, and I'd recommend a No vote on the motion.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 45, lines 22 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 25 Ayes, 27 Nays, 3 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 45, lines 28 and 29, and page 46, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 45, lines 28 and 29, and page 46, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the Educational Assistance Fund lump sum reduction for Southern Illinois University system. It's got a value of one million seventy-five thousand. I would recommend, enthusiastically, to the Body that we override the Governor and restore this million dollars to the Southern Illinois system.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 45, lines 28 and 29, and page 46, lines 1 through 3 {sic} of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, 3 Nays,

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none voting Present. The item on page 45, lines 28 and 29, and page 46, lines 1 through 4, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority of votes of Senators elected, is declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. On page 48, lines 7 through 12. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 48, lines 7 through 12, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Unfortunately, what's before us is a motion to override the operational lump sum, General Revenue, of the University of Illinois. It's got a value of twenty-three million three hundred and fifty-five thousand. It's our flagship university system, and it's a -- a shame that we're stuck in a financial situation where we have to make this reduction, but I'm going to regretfully request that the Body support the Governor by voting down the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 48, lines 13 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393 -- hang on just a second. Okay. The item on page 48, lines 7 through 12, of Senate Bill 2393 pass -- be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 24 Ayes, 28 Nays, 3 voting Present. And the

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motion fails. On page 48, lines 13 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 48, lines 13 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the operational lump sum reduction in the Educational Assistance Fund for the University of Illinois system. I would enthusiastically recommend to the Body that we override the Governor's veto and restore this three million dollars of funding.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item of page 48, lines 13 through 18 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. The item on page 48 -- on that question, there are 52 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. The item on page 48, lines 13 through 18, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote, is declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Page 55, lines 14, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 55, line 14, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

With leave of the Body, I'll explain the next three lines together. These are one-percent reductions in the grant lines at the Illinois Community College Board. It affects the formula. People will be getting ninety-nine percent of the formula distribution they anticipated, rather than a hundred percent. It's a -- a one -- one-million-five-hundred-and-twenty-seven-thousand-dollar General Revenue reduction to the Base Operating Grants, a seven-hundred-and-seventy-four-thousand-dollar reduction to the -- General Revenue reduction to the Equalization grant, and a four-hundred-and-ten-thousand-dollar EAF reduction - Educational Assistance Fund reduction - to the Base Operating Grants. If we sustain the Governor in his veto actions, the total value of this is about 2.6 million dollars. The first motion is on the Base Operating Grants, General Revenue. It's got a value of one million five hundred thousand dollars. I'd appreciate the Members voting the motion down and supporting the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 55, line 14, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 21 Ayes, 35 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. We'll be moving to Supplemental Calendar No. 3. Senator Burzynski, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please state your point.

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SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Well, just a few minutes ago, Senator Watson asked perhaps somebody could explain their votes. And I know that Senator Watson is a trendsetter, and we've all noticed that in the past, but certainly tonight I -- I was just, you know, wondering if he'd like to explain that -- that fine jacket he has on.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

All right. On the top of page 1 of your Supplemental Calendar No. 3 is page 55, line 16, of 2393. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 55, line 16, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is a one-percent reduction to the Equalization Grants that is made by formula by the Illinois Community College Board. It will mean that the community college districts will be getting ninety-nine percent of what they anticipated in this grant, rather than a hundred percent of it. It's got a seven-hundred-and-seventy-four-thousand-dollar value. I'd appreciate the Body supporting the Governor's veto by voting down the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 55, line 16, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 21 Ayes, 35 Nays, none voting

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Present. And the motion fails. On page 56, lines 13 through 16, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 56, lines 13 through 16, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the EAF, the Educational Assistance Fund, Base Operating Grant in the Illinois Community College Board. It's a one-percent reduction. Again, districts will be getting ninety-nine percent of what they anticipated, rather than a hundred percent. I would ask the Body, respectfully, to support the Governor by voting down the motion. It's got a value of four hundred and ten thousand.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 56, lines 13 through 16, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 25 Ayes, 29 Nays, 1 voting Present, and the motion fails. On page 61, lines 22 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 61, lines 22 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This, again -- unfortunately, we're into ISAC now. This is the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. This is a one-percent reduction in the ISAC grant line. It's got a value of two million two hundred and ninety-four thousand dollars. This is the General Revenue portion. Again, it's an unfortunate reduction, but I would ask the Members to support the Governor and vote down this motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 61, lines 22 through 27, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 24 Ayes, 30 Nays, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 63, lines 26 through 28. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the items on page 23 -- pardon me -- page 63, lines 26 through 28, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is -- this is the ISAC again. This is a one-percent reduction to the Educational Assistance Fund portion of the MAP program. It's got a hundred-and-three-million-dollar value. It's a reduction of one million thirty-four thousand dollars. Again, it's unfortunate that we're looking at the MAP program, but it's

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been a long day of very distasteful reductions. I would ask the Body to support the Governor by voting down the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 63, lines 26 through 28, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 28 Ayes, 26 Nays, 2 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 85, line 26, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 85, line 26, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. We're now into the Supreme Court. Probably as close as I'll ever get to the Supreme Court. At least it's a motion before us. This is a one-percent reduction in the twenty-nine-million-dollar line for court reporting personal services -- personnel services for the Supreme Court. It's a cut of two hundred and ninety-two thousand three hundred dollars. It doesn't get rid of their cars or their drivers, but it's a -- it's a reduction that I think we should sustain and vote the motion down.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 85, line 26, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the

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item -- the reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 9 Ayes, 47 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 91, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 91, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

We're -- we're -- we're in -- this is the Appellate Prosecutor. There -- they have a line that the House added to permit the Appellate Prosecutor to assist small -- smaller counties in tax objection casework. Particularly, there's a lot of small counties that do not have a lot of qualified tax practitioners. This allows the Appellate Prosecutor to assist them. It's a sixty-six-thousand-dollar reduction. I'd ask everybody to carefully think about this one and vote your conscience.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? The question is, shall the item on page 91, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 28 Ayes, 28 Nays, and none voting Present.

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The motion fails. On page 104, line 19, of Senate Bill 2393.  
Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 104, line 19, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. We're now into the Secretary of State's Office, and I need to point a couple of things out to you. Most of our constitutional offices are relatively small. As the Bureau of the Budget worked through, looking for budget reductions in the one-percent range, the Secretary of State, because it has a very large ministerial responsibility, turned up in their recommended reductions. This is the only constitutional we're dealing with in that way. The next -- the -- these two lines, the first one is a four-hundred-and-ninety-five-thousand-dollar reduction in the Secretary of State's General Administration Group, and the second one that you'll hear is a one-percent reduction of ninety-five thousand in the Motor Vehicle Group. The total reduction to the Secretary of State will be five hundred and ninety thousand dollars on a fifty-nine-million-dollar base. But you do need -- I do need to point out to you that it's -- we did -- most constitutionals weren't considered because they don't have large ministerial offices. You know, you need to do what you think is right.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

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Thank you very much, Madam President. He's absolutely correct. The Secretary of State's Office does have a very large ministerial office. It also has a -- a large responsibility, and that is, keeping our roads safe. What these cuts will essentially do will cut his -- his staff. It will cut his ability to hire people to ensure that we can get testing fast, so we can make sure they're tested correctly and, ultimately, keep all the citizens of the State of Illinois safe on our roads. And I ask for its override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 104, line 19, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 30 Ayes, 25 Nays, none voting Present. The item on page 104, line 19, of Senate Bill 2393, having received the required majority vote of Senators elected, is declared restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Top of page 2. On page 109, line 3, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 109, line 3, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is the second part of that reduction. We just

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restored four hundred and ninety-five thousand by the previous action. This is a ninety-five-thousand-dollar reduction. I would recommend to the Body that we've probably helped the Secretary of State, and this one we might ought to sustain. It's a ninety-five-thousand-dollar value. Do what you will.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Hello? Yes. Thank you very much. We have demonstrated that we know how to do the right thing in this Chamber. Let's do it again by passing this initiative.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall the item on page 109, line 3, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 29 Ayes, 25 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 159, line 3 -- lines 3 through 10, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 159, lines 3 through 10, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. We're now in the Department of Agriculture. This is the very well-respected and -- and well-organized C-FAR program. It's the

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Council on Food and Agricultural Research. Much of the research is done through our own universities. Much of it -- almost all of it on a competitive grant basis. It's unfortunate we're looking at a further reduction, but this -- the Governor's line-item veto is a two-million-dollar reduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there -- Senator Sieben. Excuse me, sir.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Well, thank you very much, Madam President. I guess I'd be remiss in representing my constituency in this State in the area of agriculture, which is Illinois' number-one industry, if I didn't get up speak at least on behalf of the value of this program to our State. As my seatmate has said, we've made many unfortunate cuts tonight. That makes it difficult to speak in -- in behalf of supporting a research program when we've cut human services, education and et cetera. But I think what's unfortunate, in the nature of this cut, is the C-FAR program, which stands for the Council on Food and Agricultural Research, which not only supports individual farm producers but also our entire agri-industry in this State - the agribusinesses that not only produce the crops but also process those crops, process that food, distribute the food all over the world - depend on this program to provide the seed money to capture, in most cases, about four dollars for every dollar that we put into it. Represents a cross section of agribusiness, agri-producers, worldwide exporters here in the State of Illinois. And I guess the -- unfortunate part of -- of this reduction is that this -- this program's been level funded for about the last three or four years at fifteen million dollars - said, fifteen million dollars - and the reduction here would take it down to 6.9 million. Now, that's over a fifty-percent reduction. And we've been talking about, in

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many of these other areas, that we'll reduce it another one percent, and the Governor introduced a budget that had a three-percent or a four-percent or a five-percent reduction, and we're ending up at a level, in many of these areas, where we're reducing funding maybe ten percent, twelve percent. But when you take a program that's vital to our number-one industry and you cut that program by over fifty percent, I think the reduction is -- is excessive and unpardonable in a State where agriculture is our number-one industry. Over twenty-five percent of the jobs in this State have a direct relation to production agriculture or food processing, and that's where this money goes. That's what this money is used for. These funds and this research are directly targeted to help our producers be environmentally responsible and economically sustainable. It's critical. I mean -- and we'd like to cooperate with everybody else in doing our fair share in agriculture, but too often in this State in the budget process, it seems like agriculture takes an inordinate amount of reductions. And so I guess I would make the case that we had already restored this two million dollars, when we passed the budget Memorial Day weekend, back over to the House. We had seen the wisdom to put the two million dollars back into the budget, and I would suggest that in light of what we've been trying to accomplish here tonight, that there is room to restore two million dollars back into this fund. It still means that C-FAR is going to -- compared to a year ago, going to have about a forty-percent reduction in its funding. I think that's fair. I think that's proportionate to the reductions that we've made in other areas, and I think it still is responsible, in light of the reductions that we've made to education, human services, COLAs, things like that. So I would ask that we override this -- this reduction of two million dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator O'Daniel.

SENATOR O'DANIEL:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. I rise in strong support of restoring this two million dollars that the Governor has decided to cut from C-FAR. C-FAR does all sorts of research over at the University of Illinois. They've been really instrumental in us being able to improve the Livestock Management Facilities Act that we passed, in doing research on -- on waste and -- and things of this nature, and odor, and they do all kind of research on chemicals and pesticide contamination. So I think it's something that really needs to be restored, and I ask the support of all of our Members to -- to support the -- the restoring of these two million dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger. The question is, shall the item on page 159, lines 3 to 10 -- through 10 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 25 Ayes, 28 Nays, 3 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 160, lines 1 through 6, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 160, lines 1 through 6, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the

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Senate. This is a two-hundred-and-fifty-thousand-dollar increase to the Soil and Water Conservation program in the State of Illinois. It was an add-on in the House after we passed over the Governor's recommended budget. I'm a big fan of soil and water conservation districts, but this is not the year, I think, where we can pick and choose winners. I'd appreciate you sticking with the Governor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 170 {sic}, lines 10 through 13 {sic} be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 15 Ayes, 39 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. ...matters. On 10 through 13? The item on page 160, lines 1 through 6, of Senate Bill 2393, having failed. The motion fails. Page 170, lines 10 through 13. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 170, lines 10 through 13, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a one-percent reduction in the liability estimation for the CMS Group Insurance Program that most of us are in and all the State employees are in. It's a seven-million-seven-hundred-and-sixty-four-thousand-dollar reduction off a seven-hundred-and-seventy-five-million-dollar base. As a

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practical matter, if the claims come in, they'll be -- continue to be processed. If our liability exceeds this reduced estimated level, we'll simply have to extend the payment cycle and we'll come back with a supplemental. The Governor has recommended this. He believes it's an adjustment in his liability. I would suggest that we support it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 170, lines 10 through 13, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 3 Ayes, 51 Nays, none voting Present. The motion fails. On page 183, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored. Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 183, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, the next five motions all deal with line items inside DCFS. They are one-percent reductions in the large programs in DCFS that the Department has indicated that they will work to manage through. It's unfortunate that we're cutting DCFS at all. I think Jess McDonald and his staff have done an admirable job turning that agency around and making it one of the models in the nation of effectively getting children adopted and out of

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institutional care. But these are reductions that help us make the -- the whole State whole, the -- the budget work. I'd appreciate supporting the Governor by voting down the next five motions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the item on page 183, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 6 Ayes, 49 Nays, and none voting Present. And the motion fails.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Page 184, line 9, of Senate Bill 2393. Madam Secretary, please read the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

I move the item on page 184, line 9, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Filed by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is second in -- this is the second of five one-percent reductions. Got a value of three hundred and twenty-nine thousand nine hundred dollars. I'd appreciate the Body supporting the Governor by voting down the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 184, line 9, of Senate Bill -- 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the

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contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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 3 voting Yes, 52 voting No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. Moving on over to page 3. Top of page 3, we have page 189, lines 3 and 4, of Senate Bill -- 2393. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 189, lines 3 and 4, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a one-percent reduction in the Foster Care line. It leaves a -- it leaves remaining a hundred and eighty-nine million dollar. It's another one of the one-percent cuts. It's item number three of five.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 189, lines 3 and 4, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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, 10 are voting Yes, 45 No, no Present. Motion fails. On page 189, lines 6 and 7. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 189, lines 6 and 7, of Senate Bill

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2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is another one of the one-percent reductions, Institution and Group Home. Got a value of one million two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars. I'd appreciate you supporting the Governor by voting down the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 189, lines 6 and 7, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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, 8 are voting Yes, 47 No, no Present. Motion fails. Page 189, lines 10 and 11. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 189, lines 10 and 11, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is the last of the DCFS lines. It's a one-percent reduction in the Adoption and Guardianship line. It's got a value of one million five hundred and fifty thousand five hundred dollars. I'd appreciate you supporting the Governor by voting down the motion.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 189, lines 10 and 11, of the Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 7 voted Yes, 47 No, no Present. Motion fails. On page 200, line 1. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 200, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

We're now in the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs. This is roughly a fifteen-percent cut in the Industrial Training Program, the premier program in DCCA for helping and attracting businesses and training workers to work at expanded businesses. It's unfortunate that we have to reduce this, particularly in a time of higher unemployment, but the reduction is relatively modest. If we sustain the Governor, it's a 3.5-million-dollar cut. It leaves remaining twenty-one million six hundred and twenty-one thousand dollars in the Industrial Training Program. I would appreciate the Body supporting the Governor by voting down the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 200, line 1, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary

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notwithstanding. Those of you who wish to, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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 11 voting Yes, 44 voting No, no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 347, lines 8 and 9. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 347, lines 8 and 9, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This next line item -- this next reduction reduces the Criminal Law and Corrections Task Force from a five-hundred-thousand-dollar annual budget to a two-hundred-and-fifty-thousand-dollar annual budget. Appreciate you supporting the Governor by voting down the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 347, lines 8 and 9, of Senate Bill -- 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those of you who wish to vote Yes, vote Yes. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. No one voted Yes, 55 voted No, no Present. Motion fails. On page 348, line 22. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 348, line 22, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary

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notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This motion -- this line-item reduction is a one-percent reduction in the personal -- personal services of the Field Services division of the Department of Corrections. It's a four-hundred-and-forty-two-thousand-dollar reduction on a forty-three-million-dollar base. It will result in a slightly increased turnover and hiring lag. I'd appreciate the Body supporting the Governor by voting the motion to override down.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 348, line 22, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. 2 voted Yes, 53 voted No, nobody voted Present. Motion fails. On page 348, line 31. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 348, line 31, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a one-percent reduction in the contractual services line of the Field Services division of the Department of Corrections, a

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reduction of two hundred and ninety-nine thousand, leaving a twenty-nine-million-six-hundred-and-twenty-thousand-dollar line intact.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 348, line 31, of the Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, 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. No one voted Yes, 56 voted No, no voted Present. And the motion fails. We are now at the top of page 4. Top of page 4, on page 349, line 12. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 349, line 12, Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a one-percent reduction to the Statesville Correctional Society {sic} (Center) personal services line. It'll result in an increased turnover and hiring lag. The reduction value is six hundred and sixty-five thousand on a sixty-five-million-nine-hundred-and-twenty-five-thousand-dollar base after the reduction. I'd appreciate the Body supporting the Governor by voting down the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Discussion? Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

What is the -- could you explain to us what is the personal service and how the turnover and hiring take place here? Is this -- does this mean some people are going to be laid off, or what -- what is the situation here?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I don't believe a one-percent reduction in any of the personal services line would result in any layoffs. Every agency takes kind of a weighted average look over the last couple years at -- at how long people stay with the Department, how many people retire each year, how many people leave for other reasons. And by simply stretching a vacancy - you know, where you haven't filled a job - from three days to five days, you can generally account for a one-percent increase in the personnel {sic} services. So, I think the -- the -- the value of this reduction will be expressed in slightly increasing the time that -- from when a person leaves the employment at the Statesville Correctional facility till they bring another one on. Particularly in light of the House agreeing with us on early retirement, they should be able to, I believe, accommodate these without any layoffs.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 349, line 12, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 7 voted Yes, 49 voted No, no

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voted Present. And the motion fails. On page 356, line 23. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on line 356 -- or, page 356, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. It's another one-percent reduction, this time in the Pontiac Correctional Center. It's a reduction of three hundred and twenty thousand on a thirty-two-million-dollar base. Again, I believe it'll be absorbed through turnover and hiring lag, particularly in light of early retirement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If -- any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 356, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 7 voted Yes, 49 No, no Present. Motion fails. On page 359, line 2. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 359, line 2, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

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SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is the last correctional motion. This is, again, a one-percent reduction of the personal services -- lines at the Menard Correctional Center. The reduction's got a value of four hundred and twelve thousand six hundred dollars, leaving, afterwards, a line-item value of forty million eight hundred and forty-eight thousand nine hundred dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 359, line 2, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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, 5 voted Yes, 50 No, no Present. Motion fails. On page 388, lines 5 through 7. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 388, line 5 -- lines 5 through 7, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. We're now into one-percent reductions in the Department of Human Services. The next two lines are the child care program in the State of Illinois. I think it is the largest child care program in the country, at least it was last time I looked. It's a program I think we can all be proud of. It was part of our TANF reform here. The first line is a General Revenue reduction. It's

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got a value of three million three hundred and forty-one thousand. The second motion will be on the child care program TANF dollars, which has got a -- a reduction of one million five hundred and seventy-eight thousand. The total reduction is four point -- about 4.9 million dollars on a four hundred and ninety thousand -- four-hundred-and-ninety-million-dollar base, nearly half-a-billion-dollar child care program that I think we can all be proud of. This is net of restoring the funds necessary to avoid all increases in copays. The copay issue has been restored. So what you're looking at is a -- is a fully funded program, except we're going to take a one-percent reduction, provided you follow my recommendation and support us -- support me in overriding -- in -- in voting down the motion to override the governor's veto. The first action will be the GRF child care reduction of three million three hundred and forty-one thousand.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Thank you. You did mention that the copay issue was taken care of, so I'm correct in -- in understanding that there's a commitment from the Department to not raise copays next year.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

There's a -- there's an understanding that the Department will not raise copays in response to this reduction. I don't know of them having any other plans to do it, but I don't have -- I mean,

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I'm sorry I don't have it personally, you know.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Thank you. I -- I appreciate that. Now, will this have any effect on us being able to serve less children in the program, as a result of this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I'm not sure. The Department seemed to believe that they had enough in the liability line to manage this at ninety-nine percent, but I can't tell you with certainty that some children won't wait three weeks longer or a month longer to get into the child care program. I think it could have that effect in some cases.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Thank you for that very honest answer. And I would just say, because of that, I think our child care program is one that's been excellent and we have been continuing to increase resources, but it's -- I always like to point out that as the child care resources have gone up, that TANF has gone down. So it's really been a net -- it hasn't been a drain on the State, and I think we can still be doing better and improving quality. So I would ask everybody to maybe vote to override this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any further discussion? Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the -- shall the item on page 388, lines 5 through 7, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those

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in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 24 voted Yes, 31 voted No, 1 voted Present. And the motion fails. On page 389, lines 7 through 9. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 389, lines 7 through 9, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is a companion reduction to child care from the TANF funds. It's got a value of one million five hundred and seventy-eight thousand. Again, I reluctantly request that you support the Governor by voting down the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 389, lines 7 through 9, of Senate Bill -- 2393 be restored and the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote. 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's 23 voting Yes, 31 voting No, 1 voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 390, line 2. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 390, line 2, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is, again, another one of the one-percent reductions. It's a one-percent reduction to DHS's Field Ops personnel {sic} services. It's a one-hundred-and-eighty-one-million-dollar line. The reduction is one million eight hundred and thirty-seven thousand. So, it's a one-percent reduction to Field Operations. I believe, again, for the most part, it can be accommodated in turnover and hiring lag. Appreciate you supporting the Governor by voting down the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 390, line 2, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those of you who'd like to vote Yes, vote Yes. Opposed, No. 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, 3 voted Yes, 53 voted No, no voted Present. And the motion fails. On page 390, line 8. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 390, line 8, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a one-percent reduction to the Field Operations contractual services line. It's a forty-six-million-dollar line.

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It's a four-hundred-and-fifty-nine-thousand-dollar, one-percent reduction. I'd appreciate you supporting the Governor by voting down the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 390, line 8, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. No one voted Yes, 55 voted No, no one voted Present. Motion failed. We're now on page 5. Top of page 5, on page 408, lines 26 and 27. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 408, lines 26 and 27, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a one-percent reduction in Community-Based Addiction Treatment funding for the State of Illinois for the next fiscal year. It's an eighty-two-million-dollar base. The resulting reduction the Governor has proposed is eight hundred and twenty-three thousand. Leaves intact ninety-nine percent of the funding for Community-Based Addiction Treatment. Again reluctantly, I would ask the Body to support the Governor by voting down the motion to override.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? Senator Obama.

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SENATOR OBAMA:

Thank you -- thank you very -- very much, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Generally, I think the -- the notion of cutting one percent across the board is a fair and relatively easy way to do it. We've each made our judgments in terms of what's appropriate and what's not. In certain circumstances though, a one-percent cut may not be appropriate, and I think this is one of those situations. Anyone who is familiar with the provision of addiction treatment services in the State of Illinois, I think would be aware of the fact that there are enormous waits for those seeking substance abuse treatment currently - enormous waits. I think most of us would also be aware that an enormous percentage, in fact, the majority of persons who are incarcerated, on probation, on parole or involved in the criminal justice system in some situation or another, are also suffering from some form of substance abuse. That is also true for a large portion of the homeless population. It strikes me that given the enormous expenses that we have to take on, whether it's in terms of incarcerating individuals, providing temporary housing for homeless persons and so forth, that it does not make sense for us to turn away those persons who have finally realized that they need help and, in fact, are seeking out substance abuse treatment. If, in fact, at the moment, we had enough slots to -- to fulfill the needs that are -- were currently out there, then it might make sense to reduce this budget by one percent. When we have a circumstance when it takes up to three, four or six months for a person who knows they have a substance abuse problem and goes to seek help to finally actually sign up for a program, and at that point they may actually decide that they no longer want to obtain treatment, I think that doesn't make any sense. I would strongly urge that we override this item.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

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Any other discussion? Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 408, lines 26 and 27, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 25 voted Yes, 27 voted No, 3 voted Present. And the motion fails. On page -- on page 422, line 31. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 422, line 31, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This line-item reduction is a one-percent reduction from the personal services of the Elgin Mental Health Center, located in my Senate District, the 33rd District, and will be also located, I think, in the district that I hope to represent, the 22nd. It's a four-hundred-and-forty-two-thousand-dollar reduction on a forty-four-million-dollar base. We would hope that it could be dealt with through turnover and hiring lag.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 422, line 31, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that

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question, there is 4 voting Yes, 51 No, no -- no voting Present. And the motion fails. On page 428, line 20. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 428, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next line-item reduction is a one-percent reduction from the Shapiro personal services lines, and I will inform all of you, it's not in my district. It's a four-hundred-and-seventy-nine-thousand-dollar value -- or, reduction on a forty-eight-million-dollar base. I'd appreciate your thoughtful consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 428, line 20, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor not -- to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 7 voted Yes, 49 No, no Present. Motion fails. On page 443, line 4. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 443, line 4, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

By Senator Rauschenberger.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a one-percent reduction to the Howe facility's personal services line. It's a thirty-three-million-dollar base. It's a three-hundred-and-thirty-one-thousand-dollar reduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 443, line 4, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, 4 voted Yes, 51 No, no Present. Motion fails. Senator Dudycz in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCH)

Page 475, line 23, on Senate Bill -- 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 475, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCH)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a one-percent reduction in the Medicaid appliances line. These are medical appliances that recipients in our Medicaid program get. The one-percent reduction probably means that some people may wait just a little longer for a medical appliance, but

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in all likelihood, they'll get their medical appliance. We'll simply have to do a supplemental if our estimate's wrong. It's a four-hundred-and-twenty-one-thousand-dollar reduction on a forty-two-million-dollar base.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 475, line 23, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And 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 9 Ayes, 46 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 509, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion, please.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 509, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The next two motions deal with the Department of Revenue. The first motion is a one-percent reduction in the Tax Enforcement personal services line. It's a thirty-two-million-dollar line. It's a three-hundred-thousand-dollar reduction. The next one is a one-percent reduction in the Tax Operations personal services, the other division of the Department of Revenue. It's a fifty-two-million-dollar base, and it's a five-hundred-and-twenty-three-thousand-dollar reduction. They're the one-percent reductions. Again, we believe they can be managed

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through turnover and hiring lag. I'd appreciate the Body supporting the Governor by voting down my two motions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

Yes. Senator, would you tell us, in -- now, this is not going to be a reduction in jobs. This is almost a million dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Shaw. Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

Yes. Will the sponsor yield? Beg your pardon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

That's correct, Senator.

SENATOR SHAW:

Okay. Now -- thank you. This is almost a million-dollar reduction here in the total operations of this. Do we have -- and you say -- you said earlier, when I questioned you about the employment, you said that this would not interfere with that. Do we know, under the early retirement bill that we passed, how many people are you anticipating to go out of the Department of Revenue?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

No, Senator Shaw, I'm sorry I don't know the answer to that question. I will tell you this though, that when we do normal budgetary appropriation and look at personnel lines, we normally assume between two and a half and three percent as hiring lag, which is the normal hiring lag without adjustment. So, I really do believe that I'm correct in -- in assuring you, for the most part, that they can manage this simply by managing their turnover and hiring lag. It's the -- they -- they just will expand by a few

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days the time between an employee leaves service of the Department of Revenue and when they hire their replacement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

My -- I don't want to prolong this, but my -- my thought in this process, if we know and the Bureau of the Budget have any idea how many people that might be retiring out of this Department, maybe they could have gave you -- gave you the information and you could answer some of the questions in why would there be an additional need for cutting -- for cuts in these various departments, as it relate to personnel.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The cuts before us are recommended by the Governor. I've just been told that we -- that -- that the estimates from the -- from the Pensions Laws Commission are about seven thousand four hundred State employees will likely take the early retirement program. That would be anywhere between nine and eleven percent of the State workforce. These reductions are really kind of like budget discipline reductions. They really make the agencies run a little tighter in a time when we're trying to get as much cash up together as we can without cutting more grant programs.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

One final question. What was their -- what was the Department of Revenue's surplus at the end of the year last year?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator...

SENATOR SHAW:

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Or what is it -- what is the anticipated surplus this year?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I -- I assume -- I assume you're asking whether we expect them to lapse any funds. To the best of my knowledge, the Department of Revenue has no intention of lapsing any of their funds, as most of the departments in State government do not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

What was it last year? Can you tell me what that figure was, last year?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I'm -- I just -- I'm sorry, Senator Shaw. I don't know the answer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 509, line 21, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All in favor will vote Aye. All 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 no Nays, 54 Aye -- no Ayes, 54 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Bottom of page 5. Page 512, line 27, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 512, line 27, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary

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notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This the one-percent reduction in the Tax Operations personal services that we discussed earlier. It's got a value of five hundred and twenty-three thousand on a fifty-two-million-dollar base. I'd appreciate a similar roll call to the last one.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 512, line 27, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 no Nays -- no Ayes, 54 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 525, line 25, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 525, line 25, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a one-percent reduction in the personal services of the Illinois State Police. It's a six-hundred-and-forty-nine-thousand-dollar reduction on a sixty-five-million-dollar Division of Operations base. It's a one-percent reduction.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 525, line 25, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Nay. 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 no Ayes, 56 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Page 529, line 8, of Senate Bill 2393. Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY HARRY:

I move the item on page 529, line 8, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The motion, by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

This is line item number two hundred and thirty-four that we've dealt with in this Body, and I just want to tell people I appreciate their patience. I know I'm long-winded at times and get a little noisy with my explanations. I know it's been a difficult day. I just want to tell people how proud I am of the decorum and the professionalism of this Body. I know it's been a very trying budget year and I want to thank Senator Trotter and Elgie Sims and the Democratic staff and my own staff over here. It's -- it's been a long way to get what the Governor believes is a balanced budget that we can all live under. Hopefully we don't have to come up and take these issues again. But I do want to thank everybody for their patience with me as I've tried to present these. The last -- and I -- and I love it when my own Members in the Appropriation Committee are very

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supportive. It's the last dinner I'm buying you, Burzynski. The last -- the last reduction is a one-percent reduction in the personal services of the Division of Forensic Services and Identification. It's a three-hundred-and-sixty-three-thousand-one-hundred-and-twelve-dollar-and-forty-five-cent reduction on a thirty-six-million-dollar employment base. I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. And I apologize for asking a question on the last...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

Senator Rauschenberger, one of the things that we've been trying to do over the past, I think it's three years now, is to provide more money to the State Police because they've been having a significant backlog in terms of the processing of DNA. And my question to you is, will this have a direct impact on our inability to get over that backlog? In addition, since we passed legislation to expand the DNA database to all felons, will this actually, do you know, have a direct negative impact on our ability to do that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Senator Madigan, I don't believe it will have any measurable or noticeable impact on our ability. We have increased funding in the Division of Forensic Services and Identification. We gave the Department some additional statutory authority so they could use

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contracted medical personnel, in particular for doing the -- the -- the DNA of criminals that are already in custody. I think it's unfortunate that we're even considering it. But I can't tell you it won't have any effect, but I don't think it'll have a substantial effect, or significant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall the item on page 529, line 8, of Senate Bill 2393 be restored, the item reduction of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding. All those in favor will vote Aye. 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 13 Ayes, 43 Nays, none voting Present. And the motion fails. Senator Clayborne, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

I rise for a...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

I beg your pardon. Senator Philip, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

State your point.

SENATOR PHILIP:

And, first of all, I'd like to welcome back Jimmy Clayborne. He looks -- good. Good spirit. We're very, very happy to have you back, but your voting record hasn't improved, Jimmy. Now, it would appear that we have done very, very well. It may be a historical Veto Session because we'll end up cutting at least 1.1 billion dollars. That's the biggest cut in the history of the State of Illinois. All the paperwork is floating over to the wonderful House of Representatives. They're going to act on it tonight.

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We're probably going to sine die, and there's no need for us to be in tomorrow. So, have a great summer. We will see you in the Veto Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Clayborne, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

I rise for a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

State your point, sir.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

First of all, I want to thank everybody for their cards and prayers and thoughts. You know, as I sit at home and walk around my house, I realize that I have another profession that I can go into and that is to be a florist, with all of the plants and flowers that I have. My wife prefers silk plants, but I told her that live plants are the -- are the best thing that you should -- you should have. So, I want to thank the Members of the General Assembly, particularly the President of the Senate, who called me quite often in the hospital, as well as -- as in the hotel, as well as the Democratic Leader, who called me quite often to make sure that everything was going all right. They also sent me plenty of cards, too. I was waiting for some cash in the cards to help me with the hotel room because I was there ten days before I had surgery. So I had a nice hotel bill, but they didn't see fit to send me any cash in those cards. But also, Tom Holbrook, who was on the Floor. Tom called me every day. I didn't know if Tom was waiting for something to happen and become the Senator, but -- but -- but, you know, I still appreciate the fact that it cost him to call me, so... But I'm doing fine. There's no follow-up. I mean, other than -- than going back to the see the doctors. No treatment. No medicine. So, I expect to be around here a long time. And God bless you all. Thank you.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any further business to come before the Senate? If not, Senator Clayborne moves Special Session 1 of the 92nd General Assembly stand adjourned sine die. Have a wonderful summer, Ladies and Gentlemen, and God bless all of you.