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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

The regular Session of the 95th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks and our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Gary Gilley, Southern View Chapel, Springfield, Illinois.

PASTOR GARY GILLEY:

(Prayer by Pastor Gary Gilley)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

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

SENATOR MALONEY:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Maloney)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Madam Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Journal of Tuesday, July 31st, 2007.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Hunter moves to approve the Journals just read by the Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. NewsChannel 20 and WBBM-TV and WLS TV seek leave to -- videotape the proceedings. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

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SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Resolution -- Senate Resolutions 311 through 314, offered by Senator Lauzen and all Members.

Senate Resolutions 315 through 317, offered by Senator Koehler and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 318, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

They're all death resolutions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senator Munoz, Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on Licensed Activities, reports a Motion to Concur with House Amendments 6, 7 and 8 to Senate Bill 509 recommend Do Adopt.

And Senator Collins, Chairperson of the Committee on Financial Institutions, reports a Motion to Concur with House Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1167 recommend Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Ladies and Gentlemen, with leave of the Body, we will be opening your Calendar to page 33 of the Calendar to House Bills 2nd Reading. Senate {sic} Bill 2306. Senator DeLeo, do you wish... Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 2306.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Local Government adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

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Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

3rd Reading. Supplemental Calendar No. 1 is being distributed at this moment and we will be going to that order of business. So, we have Supplemental Calendar No. 1, Secretary's Desk, Concurrence of Senate Bills. First one is Senate Bill 509. Senator Link. Madam Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

I move to concur with the House in the -- in their adoption of Amendments 6, 7 and 8 to Senate Bill 509.

Filed by Senator Terry Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Madam President. Have we -- are we adding the amendments right now, Madam President? We're adding the amendments right now? Okay. I would just like to add the amendments and then I'll speak on the 3rd Reading on this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Link, hold on one second. It's a motion to concur.

SENATOR LINK:

That's what I was asking. Thank you. This is -- this is a bill that had -- would -- would extend the sunset of the Pharmacy Practice Act to January 1, 2018, and change the name of the Pharmacy Practice Act of 1997 {sic} (1987) to the Pharmacy Practice Act. This was after long negotiation with the Illinois

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State Medical Society, PhRMA and others; that the pharmacy community have agreed on the amendments to the Senate Bill 509 and met the regulatory sunset of the Pharmacy Practice Act. This has taken extensive negotiations and work on this bill. This new Act authorizes centralization of prescription filling, whereby one pharmacy can fill or refill prescription; remote prescription processing; telepharmacy. It amends all agreements by all -- stakeholders. We believe it will bring new pharmacy into the new age while providing better access to pharmacies, medication to all Illinoisans. I would ask your positive support on this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Is there any discussion on the motion? Senator John Jones.

SENATOR J. JONES:

Thank you, Madam President. I would just like to say to the Body that this -- this bill was in Licensed Activities yesterday. Senator Link did not come to committee yesterday to present the bill. Senator Crotty presented it in his behalf. It flew out of committee, so I would recommend an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

This is final action, and the question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments No. 6, 7 and 8 to Senate Bill 509. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 47 Yeas, none voting Nay, none voting Present. On that question, there are -- and the motion carries, and the Secretary shall so inform the House. Senator Collins, on Senate Bill 1167. Senator Jones, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR J. JONES:

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Madam President, I'd -- I'd like to be recorded as an Aye on 509. I think some of our keys weren't turned on yet.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Thank you, Senator Jones. The record shall so reflect your intention. Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Madam President. I would also -- my key was turned to red rather than green and I was standing here and certainly wanted to vote Yes on Senate Bill 509. I'm a co-sponsor of that bill with Senator Link. And I'd appreciate if the record would so reflect I wanted to be Aye on that particular roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Thank you, Senator Dillard. The record shall so reflect. Senator Dahl. Senator Dahl, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DAHL:

Madam President, moment of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

State your point.

SENATOR DAHL:

In the galley {sic} today, I have three of my grandkids sitting up here. Kim and -- my daughter Kim's children and my daughter Teresa's children: Kim {sic} (Savanna) Milasuski and -- and Michael Milasuski and Zebbie Taylor. And they're being escorted by my lovely bride. Wish 'em a welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Will our guests please rise? Welcome to Springfield. Senator Lauzen, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LAUZEN:

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Thank you, Madam President. I would like the record to record my intention to vote Yes on 509.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Thank you, Senator Lauzen. The record shall so reflect your intention to vote for the bill. Senator Collins, for what purpose do you rise? Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Madam President. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

State your point.

SENATOR COLLINS:

I would like for my colleagues to welcome -- or at least I would like to acknowledge a colleague of mine -- a former colleague of mine who's now manning the camera. He has worked at CBS for the last thirty years - and I spent twenty years at CBS as well - so he's covering the deliberations here in the State Capitol. And so I would like to -- us to welcome my former colleague at CBS News, Morris Jones.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

We're glad to have you here. Welcome. WAND-TV Channel 17 wishes permission to videotape the proceedings. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 11 a.m., tomorrow, August 2nd, 2007. The Senate stands adjourned.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

The Senate will come to order in Perfunctory Session. Communications.

A letter dated August 1st, 2007.

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Dear Madam Secretary - Pursuant to Rule 2-10, I am scheduling a Perfunctory Session at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, August 1st, 2007.

Very truly yours, Emil Jones, Jr., Senate President.

Messages from the House.

A Message from the House by Mr. Mahoney, Clerk.

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

House Bill 3866.

Passed by the House, August 1st, 2007. Mark Mahoney, Clerk of the House.

House Bills 1st Reading.

House Bill 3866, offered by Senator Trotter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

There being no further business, this Perfunctory Session stands adjourned.