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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The regular Session of the 95th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desk? Will our guests in the gallery please rise. The invocation today will be given by Dr. Clifford Hayes, First Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Illinois.

DR. CLIFFORD HAYES:

(Prayer by Dr. Clifford Hayes)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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

SENATOR MALONEY:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Maloney)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Madam Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Journal of May 8th, 2008.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. 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 LINK)

Senator Hunter moves to approve the Journal just read by the Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Resolution 701, offered by Senator Maloney and all

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Members.

And Senate Resolution 702, offered by Senators Burzynski, Syverson and Lauzen and all Members.

They're all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Madam Secretary, Consent Calendar. Madam Secretary, Messages.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

I have 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 -- of the following title, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 4172.

Passed the House, May 8th, 2008. Mark Mahoney, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Madam Secretary, Introduction of Bills.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Bill 3040, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Madam Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 2212, offered by Senator Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4370, offered by Senator Demuzio.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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House Bill 4548, offered by Senator Peterson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5493, offered by Senator Demuzio.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And House Bill 5761, offered by Senator Frerichs.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Frerichs, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR FRERICHS:

For a point of personal privilege, Mr. -- Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR FRERICHS:

I'd like to have my colleagues join me today welcoming my -  
- two of my employees from my Danville office, Dixie Payne and  
Janice Lane. Would like your help in welcoming them to  
Springfield. They do a great job in district and they're very  
happy to be here with us today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Will the Senate please give them a warm welcome? Senator  
Risinger, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RISINGER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Would the record show that  
Senator Cronin, Senator Dillard and Senator -- Senator Hultgren  
are back in their district on official business today?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The record shall reflect that. The Rules Committee will  
meet immediately in the President's Anteroom. The Rules

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Committee will meet immediately in the President's Anteroom.  
Senator Sullivan, to the Chair, please.

(SENATE STANDS AT EASE/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. In the gallery behind the Democrat side of our Chambers - and I think many people are going to want to hear this - we have a group of phenomenal nurses from throughout the State of Illinois. They are all part of the Advocate Health Care system, and I'd love to have the Senate Chambers recognize them and give them a warm welcome to Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Our guests rise and be welcomed to the Illinois Senate.  
...Maloney, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MALONEY:

For the purpose of an announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your announcement.

SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you, Mr. President. All Members, please be advised that the Office of the Comptroller, Chris Belle, is behind the

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Chambers today from 12 to 3 to entertain any questions or if any Member is interested in changing their benefits. The Office of the Comptroller is right behind the Chambers today from 12 o'clock till 3 o'clock. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Kotowski, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Mr. President, point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

It is my pleasure today to introduce my -- my Page for the Day, Dawn Walter. She's thirteen. She goes to South Middle School in Arlington Heights. She loves to sail. She's gracing us with her presence today. Could you please give her a great Springfield welcome to Dawn Walter?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The Senate please welcome our guest. Senator Schoenberg, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise on a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I'm honored to be joined today by my Page for the Day, Kaylie Hope Engel. Kaylie is a seventh grader at the Martin Luther King Lab School in Evanston/Skokie District 65. She's a resident of

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Evanston and she -- her interests include soccer, performing in musicals, excelling in school, and when she can work it in, a little ice-skating. She's joined by her mother, Susan, in the gallery, directly behind the Democratic side. Please give them both a warm Senate democratic welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Will the Senate please welcome our guest? Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senator Hendon, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: To Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Bill 970 and Senate Bill 1029.

Senator Rickey Hendon, Chairman. May 13th, 2008.

And a second -- a second Committee Report.

Senator Hendon, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture and Conservation Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 4549, Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 5776 and Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 970; refer to Commerce and Economic Development Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 4216; refer to Education Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 5038; refer to Environment and Energy Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 3733; refer to Executive Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 5494; refer to Higher Education Committee - Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1908; refer to Human Services Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 5729; refer to Insurance Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to House

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Bill 4255; refer to Judiciary-Civil Law Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 4196, Committee Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 5121 and Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1029; refer to Judiciary-Criminal Law Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 2859, Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 3477, Committee Amendment -- Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 4203, Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 4206, Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 5082, Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2305 and Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2720; refer to Labor Committee - Floor Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 4583 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Joint Resolution 78; refer to Public Health Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1534 and Floor Amendment No. 4 to Senate Bill 2865; and refer to Revenue Committee - Committee -- Committee Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 1040.

Senator Rickey Hendon, Chairman. May 13th, 2008.

And I... And a clarification to Judiciary-Civil Law Committee - Committee Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 4196.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

All committees will meet that are printed in your Calendar at the designated time. If you look in your Calendar, all committees will report at the designated time, immediately. The Senate will be -- stand in recess to the call of the Chair after committees. We will be -- come -- we -- the Senate will reconvene for Floor action. The Senate stands in recess to the call of the Chair.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Will all Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Floor immediately? Will all Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Floor immediately so that we can go to the Order of 2nd Readings?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

The Senate will come to order. Madam Secretary, Messages.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

I have 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 628.

We've received like Messages on House Bills 2518, 4249, 4673, 4747, 4762, 4768, 4769, 4777, 5338, 5370, 5621, 5901, 5946, 5956 and 6339.

All passed the House, May 13th, 2008. Mark Mahoney, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Madam Secretary, Introduction of Bills.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 2518, offered by Senator Frerichs.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4249, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4417, offered by Senator Schoenberg.

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House Bill 4673, offered by Senator Raoul.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4768, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5338, offered by Senator Garrett.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5370, offered by Senator Kotowski.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5536, offered by Senator Demuzio.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And House Bill 6339, offered by Senator Risinger.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

Point of personal privilege, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Please state your privilege, please.

SENATOR HAINE:

I just wanted the Senate to recognize my youngest son, who just completed his second year at the University of Dallas and who's here observing this legislative process. My son, Joseph.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Welcome to the Senate, Joseph. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senator Cullerton, Co-Chairperson, and Senator Dillard, Co-Chairperson of the Committee on Judiciary-Civil Law, reports House Bill 4550 {sic} (4450) Do Pass and House Bill 4196 Do

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Pass, as Amended.

Senator Crotty, Chairperson of the Committee on Local Government, reports House Bills 2671, 4132, 4182, 4646, 4675, 4766, 4956, 5195 and 5505 Do Pass.

Senator Wilhelmi, Chairperson of the Committee on Judiciary-Criminal Law, reports House Bills 1639, 2757, 2862, 3416, 4207, 4402, 4556, 4879, 5101, 5230, 5243 and 5909 Do Pass; and House Bills 2859, 3477, 4203, 4206 and 5082 Do Pass, as Amended; and Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 2305 recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Jacobs, Chairperson of the Committee on Housing and Community Affairs, reports House Bill 4683 Do Pass.

Senator Munoz, Chairperson of the Committee on Transportation, reports House Bills 4251, 4648, 4736 and 5108 Do Pass.

And Senator Martinez, Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on Pensions and Investments, reports House Bill -- House Bills 4603 and 5699 Do Pass.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Ladies and Gentlemen, we're going to move on to the Calendar, going to the bottom of the page 10, House Bills 2nd Reading. Senator Delgado, on Senate Bill -- House Bill 230. Senator Burzynski, on House Bill 271. Out of the record. Senator Dillard, on House Bill 314. Senator Dillard. Out of the record. Senator Halvorson, on Senate -- on House Bill 773. Out of the record. On -- Senator Forby, on House Bill 896. Senator Forby. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 896.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

The Committee on Transportation reported -- adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Has there been any Floor amendments for approved consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Watson, on House Bill 946. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 946.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

The Committee on Transportation adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Has there been any Floor amendments for approved consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Hendon, on House Bill 1361. Senator Hendon. Out of the record. Senator Harmon. House Bill 1449. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 1449.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

The Committee on Public Health adopted Committee Amendment No.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Has there been any Floor amendments for approved consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

...Reading. 3rd Reading. Senator Haine. House Bill 1915. Senator Haine. I'm sorry. Leave -- with leave of the Body, we'll go back to Senator Haine. Senator Jones, on House Bill 1496. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 1496.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Has there been any Floor amendments for approved consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Haine, on Senate -- on House Bill 1915. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 1915.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Has there been any Floor amendments for approved consideration.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Dillard. House -- House Bill 1998. Senator Dillard. Out of the record. Senator Clayborne. House Bill 2133. Senator Clayborne. Out of the record. Senator Burzynski. House Bill 2825. Out of the record. Senator Althoff. House Bill 2913. Out of the record. Senator Munoz, on House Bill 3399. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 3399.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading -- I'm sorry. 2nd Reading of the -- of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Has there been any Floor amendment for approved consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Lightford, on House Bill 3446. Senator Lightford. Out of the record. Senator Maloney. House Bill 3508. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 3508.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Human Services adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Senator Maloney, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MALONEY:

Thank you, Madam President. I would like to move to table that amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Senator Maloney moves that Committee Amendment No. 1 to -- to 3508 be tabled. That motion is always in order. Those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is tabled. Would you like to move your bill, Senator Maloney? Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 3508.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Forby. House Bill 3569. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 3569.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Sullivan. House Bill 3571. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

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House Bill 3571.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. With the leave of the Body, we will return to House Bill 3677. Senator Haine, on House Bill.. We are moving to the top of page 12. Senator Haine, on House Bill 4129. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4129.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Garrett, on House Bill... Senator Clayborne. House Bill 4174. Senator Garrett. House Bill 4175. With the leave of the Body, we will return to House Bill 4178. Moving to the middle of the page. Senator Maloney, on House Bill 4189. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4189.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Hunter. House Bill 4195. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

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House Bill 4195.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Rutherford. House Bill 4201. Senator Bond, on House Bill 4216. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4216.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

Has there been any Floor amendments for approved consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4216.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Millner, on House Bill 4221. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4221.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

The Committee on Transportation adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

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SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Link, on House Bill 4255. Senator Clayborne, on House Bill 4283. Senator Clayborne. Senator Steans, for House Bill 4297. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4297.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Link. House Bill 4353. Moving to the top of page 13. Senator Frerichs, on House Bill 4369. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4369.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Link, on House Bill 4378. Senator Steans, on House Bill 4407. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4407.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Hendon, on House Bill 4506. Senator Hendon. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4506.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Link, on House Bill 4536. Senator Sullivan, on House Bill 4588. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4588.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Hunter, on House Bill 4611. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4611.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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3rd Reading. Senator Risinger, on House Bill 4674. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4674.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Frerichs, on House Bill 4687. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4687.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Demuzio, on House Bill 4700. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4700.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Haine, on House Bill 4725. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4725.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Garrett, on House Bill 4754. Senator Demuzio. House Bill 4811. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4811.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Wilhelmi, on House Bill 4839. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4839.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. ...to page 14. Top of the page. Senator Dillard. House Bill 4869. Senator Kotowski. House Bill 4931. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4931.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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3rd Reading. Senator Pankau. House Bill 4936. Senator Pankau. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4936.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Demuzio. House Bill 4992. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4992.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Garrett. House Bill 5017. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5017.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Haine. House Bill 5022. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5022.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Demuzio. House Bill 5074. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5074.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Cullerton. House Bill 5076. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5076.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Demuzio. House Bill 5088. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5088.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Trotter. House Bill 5242. Senator Hendon. House Bill 5285. Madam Secretary, please read the

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bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5285.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MARTINEZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Link. House Bill 5494. Senator Syverson. House Bill 5585. Senator Althoff. House Bill 5586. Senator Althoff, on 5596. Senator Link in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

House Bill 5603. Senator Dillard. Out of the record. House Bill 5607. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5607.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5653. Senator Bivins. Out of the record. House Bill 5655. Senator Wilhelmi. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5655.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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3rd Reading. House Bill 5729. Senator Crotty. Out of the record. House Bill 5760. Senator Jacobs. Out of the record. House Bill 5768. Senator Righter. Out of the record. House Bill 5904. Senator Martinez. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5904.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5907. Senator Righter. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5907.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5983. Senator Cullerton. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5983.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we'll return to page 12. House Bill 3677. Senator Martinez. Madam Secretary,

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please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 3677.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we will skip down to House Bill 4178. Senator Martinez. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4178.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Housing and Community -- Community Affairs adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any other Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we will drop down to House Bill 5242. Senator Trotter. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5242.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. We now will be going to House Bills -- Supplemental Calendar, House Bills 2nd Reading. It should have been distributed to all Members. Supplemental Calendar No. 1. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Inquiry of the Chair, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your inquiry.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. Mr. President, the Supplemental Senate Calendar No. 1 that the Chair referred to, is it the one that starts with House Bill 1639?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Correct.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Is it your intention to go to that order of business today, as opposed to tomorrow, which would be Wednesday, May 14th? Would now -- would now, Mr. President, be the appropriate time to make a motion to adjourn?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter, it's a technical error, but we will be going to House Bills 3rd Reading on the regular Calendar. Top of page 10. House Bills 3rd Reading. House Bill 824. Senator Harmon. Out of the record. House Bill 1054. Senator Forby. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 1054.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Out of the record. House Bill 1702. Senator Harmon. Out of the record. House Bill 2254. Senator Schoenberg. Out of the record. House Bill 4191. Senator Collins. Out of the record. House Bill 4527. Senator Schoenberg. Out of the record. With leave of the Body, we will skip over House Bill... Okay, House Bill 4705. Senator Lightford. Senator Lightford. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4705.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lightford, to explain your bill.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 4705 is our Preschool for All legislation. What this bill does is just actually extends the sunset date to 2010. When we first enacted Preschool for All, we made it a program that we would come back and revisit. I'm sure all of us would agree that our preschool children are a part of our top priority in making sure they're educated properly and ready to perform at the level they should be at at kindergarten. And I'd be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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She indicates she will.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. Senator, I -- there's always a reason that we sunset these programs and then we come back and say that we're going to extend them. Is there any proof that the program has done what the -- its supporters said it would do? Is there any substantial, quantitative proof?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Well, Senator Burzynski, based on the data that we've received from the Voices for Illinois Children, the Ounce of Prevention Fund, Action for Children, Fight Crime: Invest in Kids in Illinois, our Chicago Metropolis 2020 and Latinos United organizations - these are the organizations that have the capacity to provide data and get the research that we need - and from my understanding, the National Institute for Early Education Research gave Illinois, our pre-kindergarten program, a grade of nine points out of ten on its Quality Standards -- Checklist for 2006, which is really amazing considering we've been ranked fifty-one, fifty-two, fifty-three and -four and failing in how we educate our children. So, to have an -- a score of nine out of ten, I believe we're headed in the right direction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. And -- and it's not surprising that those organizations, which are strong proponents of early childhood

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education, that are strong proponents of Preschool for All, universal preschool, would -- would be supportive and -- and show that kind of ranking. What about the Illinois State Board of Education? Do they have any data that would indicate that students are -- that have been enrolled in -- in a lot of these preschool programs are better suited for school at this point?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Yes. What I'm seeing is that their report of their findings is due on November 1st, Senator Burzynski.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill very quickly then: You know, it -- it just seems to me like it would be good if we would wait and see what the reports are, the findings of the reports, before we'd extend some of these programs. But, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

She indicates she will.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. Senator Lightford, it's my recollection that when this was originally passed, that in terms of funding, there were going to be grant applications submitted to the State Board

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of Education and then the State Board was going to make those awards based on a certain set of criteria. Is that -- is that accurate?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. Mr. President. Senator, then it -- it would be important, I think, in deciding whether or not to vote to take the sunset off, to know what the geographic distribution of the grant funds have been. And I don't know, maybe that information is before some of the Members here in the Chamber. I don't have that information. I don't know that the Members on this side of the aisle have that information. Can you go through, if you have that information, the details of where that grant money has been distributed?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Senator Righter, in the Illinois State Board of Education Fiscal Year 2009 Proposed Budget, there's a complete breakdown of the Early Childhood Education program here. It starts with FY'06 when it was first funded and it shows that downstate Illinois projects received two hundred and sixty-six grants in the area of birth to three prevention initiatives and parental training projects. FY'07, that number increased to two hundred

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and seventy-two, and the estimate is two sixty-two for FY'08. Three- to five-year-old pre-K and parental training projects - five hundred and twenty-six for the downstate Illinois area; five hundred and -- and that was in FY'06; five hundred thirty in FY'07; with the estimate of five twenty-seven in '08. And then three to five Preschool for All projects - zero was in '06 for that area downstate; a hundred and one in '07, and that was the second year, when we added additional funding; and then a hundred -- one hundred and seventy-nine - so another seventy-eight grants additional - in FY'08. And then in the Chicago -- the total number for children served - downstate, fifty thousand four hundred and fifty-two children in the first year; fifty-five thousand eight hundred and sixty children in the second year; and the projection of fifty-nine thousand three hundred and ten. And in the Chicago public schools, twenty-six thousand fifty-six children in FY'06; twenty-nine thousand three hundred and twenty-six children in FY'07; and thirty-one thousand one hundred and twenty-five children in FY'08. And -- and these numbers are awesome to see that we have a -- a great need here. We're servicing over almost ninety thousand children in Early Childhood Education who would not normally be -- receive any type of academics prior to kindergarten.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. In totaling up those numbers, I remember in an Appropriations hearing coming to the conclusion, looking at the analysis and then discussing it during the meeting, that it was -- that there was a cost per

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student or participant in preschool of ten thousand dollars per year per student. Can you -- can you re-summarize just the total number of kids in the program in Illinois and the total number of dollars that are spent?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The sponsor indicates she will yield for a question. Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Let me be sure that I understand what you're asking first, Senator Lauzen. Of that ninety thousand students, you'd like to know a amount per student that has been spent on them over the last three years?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

No, actually it'd just be what you just read -- read off - ninety thousand kids are participating in the program. And then, what is the total budget for the program? So that there's a -- a cost - you know, the total cost or investment in that program divided by the number of kids equals the cost per child.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

The FY'08 amount -- appropriation was 347.8 million with a change from the prior year of twenty-nine million dollars. So we did an increase for twenty-nine million dollars in our last fiscal year, which is a -- which was a 9.3 percent increase.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lauzen.

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SENATOR LAUZEN:

You -- thank you very much, Mr. President, and to the sponsor. So that's approximately, if there's ninety thousand kids, about three hundred and forty-seven million, that's roughly... What is that? Six thousand -- six thousand per student. How long has this program been in place?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

2005, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Final question. Thank you very much, Senator, for your patience in answering these questions. Are there any indications - I -- I know that there was a previous question - from any unbiased source as far as the academic achievement increase for that investment in preschool education?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Senator, I don't know what you mean by unbiased, but, you know, I'm led to believe that children are arriving at kindergarten more prepared to learn than not receiving this service. If you take note to the fact that most of the kids receiving this are at-risk children of academic failure, children whose family income is less than four times the poverty guidelines, and I believe that would give a clear indication that they may not be as prepared as a child who may not have a

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financial hardship at home or a child who comes from a home that is at risk for academic failure. I believe that our universal Preschool for All program is an awesome program, is something that we should be proud of here in the State of Illinois, and not a program that we should continue to provide questions based on the fact that it's an idea that the Governor initiated a couple years ago. We should rise above that and give all of our children an opportunity to arrive in school prepared to learn at an early start at an early age.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lightford, to close.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, universal Preschool for All is a awesome step in the right direction for making sure our future is prepared, making sure our children have an awesome opportunity to receive a quality education. And I'd encourage all of us to continue to support this program for the next three years, then we can always come back and revisit this issue at that time. I would love to have an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 4705 pass. All 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 Ayes, 5 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4705, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Supplemental Calendar No. 1 should have been distributed to everybody. And we will be going to the Order of

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Supplemental Calendar No. 1. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Inquiry of the Chair, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicate your inquiry.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

This is the Calendar you're referring to that is entitled Tuesday, May 13th, 2008?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Correct.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

House Bill 1639. Senator Lightford. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 1639.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2671. Senator Noland. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 2671.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2757. Senator Martinez. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 2757.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2859. Senator DeLeo. Out of the record. House Bill 2862. Senator Millner. Out of the record. House Bill 3416. Senator Althoff. Out of the record. House Bill 3477. Senator Millner. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 3477.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

The -- 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary-Criminal Law adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4132. Senator John Jones. Out of the record. House Bill 4182. Senator Peterson. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

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House Bill 4182.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4196. Senator Cullerton. Out of the record. House Bill 4203. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4203.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary-Criminal Law adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd -- 3rd Reading. House Bill 4206. Senator Burzynski. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4206.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary-Criminal Law adopted Committee Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Have there been any -- have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4207. Senator Martinez. Out of the record. House Bill 4251. Senator Brady. Out of the record. House Bill 4402. Senator Dillard. Out of the record. House Bill 4450. Senator Hultgren. Out of the record. House Bill 4556. Senator Frerichs. Madam Secretary... Out of the record. Out of the record. House Bill 4603. Senator Haine. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4603.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4646. Senator Noland. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4646.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4648. Senator Risinger. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4648.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4675. Senator Althoff. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4675.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4683. Senator Noland. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4683.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4736. Senator Dillard. Out of the record. House Bill 4766. Senator Althoff. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4766.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4879. Senator Martinez. Out of

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the record. House Bill 4956. Senator Crotty. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 4956.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5082. Senator Wilhelmi. Out of the record. House Bill 5101. Senator Murphy. Out of the record. House Bill 5108. Senator Kotowski. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5108.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5195. Senator Althoff. Out of the record. House Bill 5230. Senator Wilhelmi. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5230.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5243. Senator Bivins. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5243.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5505. Senator Peterson. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5505.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5699. Senator Schoenberg. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

House Bill 5699.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5909. Senator Righter. Out of the record. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 12 noon on Wednesday, May 14th, 2008. Whoops! Excuse me, before I hit the gavel, Senator Hendon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Those who can make it, there's

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softball practice in Iles Park, right now, against the lobbyists. We have our game against them, practice game. And then the big game is tomorrow night, 5:30, when we will show the House minions who rules the Capitol.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The Senate stands adjourned.