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**12:07 O'CLOCK P.M.**

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At the hour of 10:51 o'clock a.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

### **REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES**

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on November 13, 2018, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

#### **LEGISLATIVE MEASURES APPROVED FOR FLOOR CONSIDERATION:**

That the Floor Amendment be reported "recommends be adopted":  
Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL 3247.

That the bill be reported "approved for consideration" and be placed on the order of Second Reading--  
Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 5769.

#### **LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:**

Elections & Campaign Finance: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 982.  
Executive: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to SENATE BILL 3127.  
Judiciary - Criminal: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 186.  
Labor & Commerce: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to SENATE BILL 203.  
Revenue & Finance: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1192 and HOUSE  
AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1193.  
Mental Health: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1710.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:  
3, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie(D), Chairperson  
Y Lang(D)  
A Turner(D)

A Brady(R), Republican Spokesperson  
Y Demmer(R)

At the hour of 10:52 o'clock a.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.  
Representative Madigan in the chair.  
Prayer by Lee A. Crawford, the Pastor of the Cathedral of Praise Christian Center in Springfield.  
Representative Greg Harris led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.  
By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:  
111 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Arroyo, Chapa LaVia, Gabel, Long and Phillips were excused from attendance.

### **REPORTS**

The Clerk of the House acknowledges receipt of the following correspondence:

Small Business Contracting Compliance Plan (30 ILCS 500/45-90), submitted by the Illinois Department of Transportation on October 29, 2018

Report on Compensable Sick Leave Fiscal Year 2018, submitted by the Illinois Board of Higher Education on November 12, 2018

Fiscal Year 2018 Report on efforts to assist other state agencies in collecting debt owed to the State of Illinois, submitted by the Illinois Department of Revenue on November 13, 2018

**MOTIONS  
SUBMITTED**

Representative Chapa LaVia submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION**

I move that HOUSE BILL 4284 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

Representative Hammond submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION**

I move that HOUSE BILL 4771 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

Representative Moeller submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION**

I move that HOUSE BILL 4163 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

Representative Swanson submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION**

I move that HOUSE BILL 4515 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

Representative Davis submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION**

I move that HOUSE BILL 4645 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

Representative Lilly submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION**

I move that HOUSE BILL 3792 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

Representative Currie submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

**MOTION**

I move that HOUSE BILL 1262 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding.

**CHANGE OF SPONSORSHIP**

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Walsh was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Gordon-Booth became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 3242.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Madigan was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Phelps Finnie became the new principal sponsor of HOUSE BILL 130.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Madigan was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Phelps Finnie became the new principal sponsor of HOUSE BILL 186.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Madigan was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Currie became the new principal sponsor of HOUSE BILL 1192.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Moeller was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Lang became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 752.



With the consent of the affected members, Representative Beiser was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Feigenholtz became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 309.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Moylan was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Davis became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 203.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Kelly Burke was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Hoffman became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 3051.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Daniel Burke was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Greg Harris became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 1469.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Hoffman was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Feigenholtz became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 938.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Madigan was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Zalewski became the new principal sponsor of HOUSE BILL 166.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Madigan was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Currie became the new principal sponsor of HOUSE BILL 129.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Yingling was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Sente became the new principal sponsor of HOUSE BILL 5985.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Mah was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Feigenholtz became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 3102.

#### **AGREED RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

##### **HOUSE RESOLUTION 1167**

Offered by Representative Mazzochi:  
Congratulates the Elmhurst American Legion T.H.B. Post 187 on its upcoming 100th anniversary.

##### **HOUSE RESOLUTION 1168**

Offered by Representative Mazzochi:  
Congratulates Denbur, Inc. of Westmont on receiving the State of Illinois 2018 Exporter of the Year award.

##### **HOUSE RESOLUTION 1169**

Offered by Representative Turner:  
Mourns the death of Reverend Marcethia Lynette Scales.

##### **HOUSE RESOLUTION 1170**

Offered by Representative Kifowit:  
Mourns the death of Jeff Long of Naperville.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1171

Offered by Representative Welch:  
Congratulates the Proviso East High School and Proviso West High School girls and boys track & field teams on making their presence felt during IHSA state finals competitions.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1172

Offered by Representative Durkin:  
Mourns the death of John McGovern.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1173

Offered by Representative Jimenez:  
Congratulates Andre Iguodala and the Golden State Warriors on winning the 2018 NBA Championship.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1174

Offered by Representative Andrade:  
Congratulates B & L Automotive Repairs in Chicago on its success and commitment to its community.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1175

Offered by Representative Currie:  
Mourns the death of Edward Sadlowski.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1176

Offered by Representative Spain:  
Congratulates Dr. Arun C. Pinto on the occasion of his retirement as the Senior Vice President and Corporate Medical Director of the Human Service Center.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1177

Offered by Representative Gordon-Booth:  
Mourns the death of Billy J. Brown Jr.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1180

Offered by Representative Halpin:  
Congratulates the Rock Island Lady Rocks softball team on their 2018 Class 4A IHSA State Softball Championship win.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1181

Offered by Representative Halpin:  
Congratulates the Rockridge Lady Rockets on their 2018 Class 2A IHSA State Softball Championship win.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1182

Offered by Representative Mazzochi:  
Congratulates the Gingham Tree Resale Shop on the occasion of its 45th anniversary.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1183

Offered by Representative Wallace:  
Congratulates and thanks the organizers of Festa Italiana for their dedication in honoring and recognizing Italian culture.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1184

Offered by Representative Slaughter:  
Mourns the death of Lewis Myers Jr.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1185

Offered by Representative Moylan:  
Congratulates the Oakton College baseball team, the Owls, on winning the 2018 National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division III World Series.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1186

Offered by Representative Crespo:  
Congratulates John Martens on the occasion of his retirement as President of the Carpenter's Union.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1187

Offered by Representative Jones:  
Mourns the death of Catherine Rogers of Chicago.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1188

Offered by Representative Spain:  
Recognizes Brad Halverson for his career at Caterpillar and his volunteer service to the community.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1189

Offered by Representative Bryant:  
Mourns the death of Private First Class Tyler Iubelt of Tamaroa.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1190

Offered by Representative McDermed:  
Mourns the death of Bradley Veerman.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1191

Offered by Representative Crespo:  
Congratulates Manuel de Jesus Marques Martinez on his 90th birthday.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1192

Offered by Representative Crespo:  
Congratulates Luca Corso on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1193

Offered by Representative Crespo:  
Congratulates Johnny Waity on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1194

Offered by Representative Costello:  
Congratulates the Church of St. Patrick in Ruma.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1195

Offered by Representative Flowers:  
Congratulates Keith Kelleher on the occasion of his retirement.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1196

Offered by Representative Connor:  
Congratulates Jim Cristman on his retirement as Vice President of Refining for CITGO.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1198

Offered by Representative Flowers:  
Congratulates Keith Kelleher on the occasion of his retirement.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1199

Offered by Representative Cabello:  
Commends and congratulates LoRayne Logan on her service to the Rockford Board of Fire and Police Commissioners and her constant drive to help her community and State.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1202

Offered by Representative Madigan:  
Mourns the death of Doris Ivy.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1203

Offered by Representative Brady:  
Congratulates the Bloomington Fire Department on the 150th anniversary of their official founding.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1204

Offered by Representative Mazzochi:  
Congratulates the Hinsdale Little League 10-year-old All-Stars on winning the state championship.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1206

Offered by Representative McAuliffe:  
Congratulates John F. McDonough on being the inspiration for and first recipient of the John F. McDonough Humanitarian Award.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1207

Offered by Representative Walsh:  
Congratulates Joliet Branch 20 of the Slovenian Union of America on its 90th anniversary.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1208

Offered by Representative Hurley:  
Congratulates Thomas Joseph Maloney on the occasion of his 90th birthday.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1209

Offered by Representative Halbrook:  
Congratulates HSHS Good Shepherd Hospital in Shelbyville on 100 years of quality care.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1211

Offered by Representative Davis:  
Congratulates Pastor David Bigsby on 24 years as pastor.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1213

Offered by Representative Ford:  
Mourns the death of Dan Bigg.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1214

Offered by Representative Zalewski:  
Mourns the death of Joseph Anthony Perrino.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1215

Offered by Representative Keith Wheeler:  
Mourns the death of Terry F. Peshia of Oswego.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1217

Offered by Representative Parkhurst:  
Congratulations John Avendano on the occasion of his retirement as president of Kankakee Community College.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1219

Offered by Representative Davis:  
Mourns the death of Willie Mae Jordan.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1220

Offered by Representative Mazzochi:  
Congratulates the DuPage County Medical Society on the occasion of its 100th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1221

Offered by Representative Crespo:  
Congratulates Anthony Mazzarisi on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1222

Offered by Representative Davis:  
Mourns the death of Rosetta Ellis Hopson of Chicago.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1223

Offered by Representative Swanson:  
Congratulates Dr. Arnold Faber on receiving the 2018 Rural Physician of Excellence Award and commends him for his years of selfless service and dedication to his patients.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1224

Offered by Representative Flowers:  
Mourns the death of Louise "Big Lou" Clayton McKinney.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1226

Offered by Representative Davis:  
Congratulates the Republic of China (Taiwan) on its 107th National Day.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1227

Offered by Representative DeLuca:  
Recognizes the 29th Annual Black & Gold Scholarship Gala to be held on November 17, 2018.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1228

Offered by Representative Bryant:

Congratulates Dr. David Asbery on receiving the 2018 Rural Physician of Excellence Award and commends his selfless service and dedication to his patients along with the huge impact he has made improving healthcare delivery for women and babies in southern Illinois.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1229

Offered by Representative Bryant:

Congratulates Dr. Kyaw Naing on receiving the 2018 Rural Physician of Excellence Award and commends him for his contributions to medicine and public health.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1230

Offered by Representative Bourne:

Congratulates Dr. Roger Wujek on receiving the 2018 Rural Physician of Excellence Award and commends him for his over 40 years of selfless service and dedication to his patients.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1232

Offered by Representative Costello:

Congratulates Dr. J. Gregg Fozard on receiving the 2018 Rural Physician of Excellence Award and commends him on over 40 years of selfless service and dedication to his patients.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1233

Offered by Representative Turner:

Congratulates Carl Walton Sr. of Chicago on his 100th birthday.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1234

Offered by Representative Ford:

Congratulates St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church in Chicago on its 100th anniversary.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1235

Offered by Representative Christian Mitchell:

Congratulates Adrian Guerrero on his promotion to the position of Senior Director of Network Development for the Western Region of the Union Pacific Railroad.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1236

Offered by Representative Bennett:

Congratulates Pontiac Township High School on receiving national recognition from Special Olympics North America and ESPN for its efforts to provide inclusive sports and activities for all students.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1237

Offered by Representative Brady:  
Congratulates the Wayman African Methodist Episcopal Church on the occasion of its 175th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1238

Offered by Representative Lang:  
Congratulates Irving "Irv" Loundy on the occasion of his 60th anniversary in the banking profession.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1239

Offered by Representative Jones:  
Recognizes Army Specialist Marcus Moore for his service.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1240

Offered by Representative Bennett:  
Congratulates Dr. Gary W. Kerber for receiving the 2018 Rural Physician of Excellence Award from the Illinois Rural Health Association.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1241

Offered by Representative DeLuca:  
Honors the Village of Homewood, the Village of Matteson, and the Village of Richton Park's Vietnam Veterans.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1242

Offered by Representative Durkin:  
Congratulates Floyd Mizener on being honored by the Friends for Downers Grove Township Seniors.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1243

Offered by Representative Halbrook:  
Congratulates Dr. Philip Holloway on receiving the 2018 Rural Physician of Excellence Award and commends him for his 35 years of self-less service and dedication to his patients.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1244

Offered by Representative Kelly Burke:  
Congratulates Dr. Karen Hunter Anderson on her retirement as the Illinois Community College Board Executive Director.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1245

Offered by Representative Kelly Burke:  
Congratulates Larry Isaak on the occasion of his retirement as president of the Midwestern Higher Education Compact.



## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1246

Offered by Representative Crespo:  
Congratulates Erik Searle on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1247

Offered by Representative Chapa LaVia:  
Mourns the death of Leon Lederman.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1248

Offered by Representative Evans:  
Congratulates CP Crawford on the occasion of his 111th birthday.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1249

Offered by Representative Evans:  
Mourns the death of Ella Mae Love of Chicago.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1250

Offered by Representative Evans:  
Mourns the death of Barbara Noel Caldwell.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1251

Offered by Representative Evans:  
Mourns the death of Stanley Maurice Bolton.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1252

Offered by Representative Mussman:  
Recognizes Veterans Day, Monday, November 12, 2018 as a day of reconciliation and healing for America.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1254

Offered by Representative Rita:  
Congratulates Barbara Rose Talaski of Calumet Park on her 100th birthday.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1255

Offered by Representative Riley:  
Mourns the death of Susan Fine.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1256

Offered by Representative Reis:  
Congratulates the City of Albion on the bicentennial anniversary of its founding.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1257

Offered by Representative Currie:  
Mourns the death of Shirley McCombs.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1258

Offered by Representative Reis:  
Congratulates the Edwards County Farm Bureau on its 100th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1259

Offered by Representative Swanson:  
Congratulates the First Baptist Church of Orion on its 175th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1260

Offered by Representative Bryant:  
Mourns the death of Southern Illinois University Carbondale Chancellor Dr. Carlo Montemagno.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1261

Offered by Representative Phelps Finnie:  
Congratulates Brad Vinyard on earning a bronze medal at the World's Strongest Disabled Man competition in Norway.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1262

Offered by Representative Wehrli:  
Mourns the death of George Pradel of Naperville.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1263

Offered by Representative Rita:  
Mourns the death of Harry A. Volant of Ladd.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1264

Offered by Representative Bennett:  
Congratulates Justin Nichols and the team of Nichols Paint and Fab on their successes in business and television.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1265

Offered by Representative Flowers:  
Mourns the death of G. Guffie Jones.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1266

Offered by Representative Jesiel:  
Congratulates Sunrise of Gurnee on their achievement of the Gold-Excellence in Quality award.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1267

Offered by Representative McAuliffe:  
Congratulates the Chicago Marines Foundation on the occasion of its success.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1270

Offered by Representative Sommer:  
Congratulates Morton High School Baseball Team on winning the IHSA Class 3A State Championship.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1271

Offered by Representative Jimenez:  
Congratulates Sangamon County schoolchildren on raising over \$18,000 worth of pennies and spare change to purchase the Minute Book of Sangamon County.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1272

Offered by Representative Evans:  
Mourns the death of Billy Oscar Stewart.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1273

Offered by Representative Evans:  
Congratulates Pastor Watson Jones III on his election as Senior Pastor of Compassion Baptist Church in Chicago.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1274

Offered by Representative Evans:  
Congratulates Margaret Ross on the occasion of her 100th birthday.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1275

Offered by Representative Evans:  
Congratulates Timothy L. Dotson on his retirement from the Chicago Police Department.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1277

Offered by Representative Ford:

Mourns the death of Phillip Jackson of Chicago, founder of The Black Star Project.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 1278**

Offered by Representative Phelps Finnie:

Mourns the death of Dr. Albert G. Bledig.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 1279**

Offered by Representative Phelps Finnie:

Congratulates Harrisburg CUSD #3's Summer Food Program and Food Service Coordinator Valarie Hodges on receiving an honorable mention from the Governor's Hometown Award program for 2018.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 1281**

Offered by Representative Zalewski:

Congratulates Nick Soto of Brookfield on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 1282**

Offered by Representative Bennett:

Commends Blake Kinnett for his courage and determination in the face of his ALD diagnosis. Also recognizes the Kinnett family and the community of Alvin for their unwavering support of Blake.

**RESOLUTIONS**

Having been reported out of the Committee on Rules on November 7, 2018, HOUSE RESOLUTION 1268 was taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the resolution.

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

111, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 2)

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

Having been reported out of the Committee on Rules on November 9, 2018, HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 142 was taken up for consideration.

Representative Carroll moved the adoption of the resolution.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

Having been reported out of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs on May 24, 2018, HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 127 was taken up for consideration.

Representative Jimenez moved the adoption of the resolution.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

**AGREED RESOLUTIONS**

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1167, 1168, 1169, 1170, 1171, 1172, 1173, 1174, 1175, 1176, 1177, 1180, 1181, 1182, 1183, 1184, 1185, 1186, 1187, 1188, 1189, 1190, 1191, 1192, 1193, 1194, 1195, 1196, 1198, 1199, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1206, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1211, 1213, 1214, 1215, 1217, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223, 1224, 1226, 1227, 1228, 1229, 1230, 1232, 1233, 1234, 1235, 1237, 1238, 1239, 1240, 1241, 1242, 1243, 1244, 1245, 1246, 1247, 1248, 1249, 1250, 1251, 1252, 1254, 1255, 1256, 1257, 1258, 1259, 1260, 1261, 1262, 1263, 1264, 1265, 1266, 1267, 1270, 1271, 1272, 1273, 1274, 1275, 1277, 1278 and 1281 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.

The motion prevailed and the agreed resolutions were adopted.

At the hour of 12:28 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn until Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at 12:00 o'clock p.m., allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.

The motion prevailed.

And the House stood adjourned.

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
ONE HUNDREDTH  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
QUORUM ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE

November 13, 2018

0 YEAS

0 NAYS

111 PRESENT

P Ammons	NV Drury	P Lilly	P Slaughter
P Andersson	P Durkin	E Long	P Smith
P Andrade	P Evans	P Mah	P Sommer
E Arroyo	P Feigenholtz	P Manley	P Sosnowski
P Batinick	P Fine	P Marron	P Soto
P Bennett	P Finnie, Natalie	P Martwick	P Spain
P Bourne	P Flowers	P Mayfield	P Stewart
P Brady	P Ford	P Mazzochi	P Stratton
P Breen	P Fortner	P McAuliffe	P Stuart
P Bristow	P Frese	P McCombie	P Swanson
P Bryant	E Gabel	P McDermed	P Thapedi
P Burke, Daniel	P Gordon-Booth	P McSweeney	P Turner
P Burke, Kelly	P Greenwood	P Meier	P Unes
P Butler	P Guzzardi	P Mitchell, Bill	P Villanueva
P Cabello	P Halbrook	P Mitchell, Christian	P Wallace
P Carroll	P Halpin	P Moeller	P Walsh
P Cassidy	P Hammond	P Morrison	P Walsh
P Cavaletto	P Harper	P Moylan	P Wehrli
E Chapa LaVia	P Harris, David	P Mussman	P Welch
P Connor	P Harris, Gregory	P Olsen	P Welter
P Conroy	P Hernandez	P Parkhurst	P Wheeler, Barbara
P Conyears-Ervin	P Hoffman	E Phillips	P Wheeler, Keith
P Costello	P Hurley	P Reick	P Williams
P Crespo	P Ives	P Reis	P Willis
P Currie	P Jesiel	P Riley	P Winger
P D'Amico	P Jimenez	P Rita	P Yingling
P Davidsmeyer	P Jones	A Scherer	P Zalewski
P Davis	P Keicher	P Sente	P Mr. Speaker
P DeLuca	P Kifowit	P Severin	
P Demmer	P Lang	P Skillicorn	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
ONE HUNDREDTH  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
HOUSE RESOLUTION 1268  
HOLLMAN CHIEF CLERK OF HOUSE  
RESOLUTIONS  
ADOPTED

November 13, 2018

111 YEAS

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Y Ammons	A Drury	Y Lilly	Y Slaughter
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E Arroyo	Y Feigenholtz	Y Manley	Y Sosnowski
Y Batinick	Y Fine	Y Marron	Y Soto
Y Bennett	Y Finnie, Natalie	Y Martwick	Y Spain
Y Bourne	Y Flowers	Y Mayfield	Y Stewart
Y Brady	Y Ford	Y Mazzochi	Y Stratton
Y Breen	Y Fortner	Y McAuliffe	Y Stuart
Y Bristow	Y Frese	Y McCombie	Y Swanson
Y Bryant	E Gabel	Y McDermed	Y Thapedi
Y Burke, Daniel	Y Gordon-Booth	Y McSweeney	Y Turner
Y Burke, Kelly	Y Greenwood	Y Meier	Y Unes
Y Butler	Y Guzzardi	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Villanueva
Y Cabello	Y Halbrook	Y Mitchell, Christian	Y Wallace
Y Carroll	Y Halpin	Y Moeller	Y Walsh
Y Cassidy	Y Hammond	Y Morrison	Y Walsh
Y Cavaletto	Y Harper	Y Moylan	Y Wehrli
E Chapa LaVia	Y Harris, David	Y Mussman	Y Welch
Y Connor	Y Harris, Gregory	Y Olsen	Y Welter
Y Conroy	Y Hernandez	Y Parkhurst	Y Wheeler, Barbara
Y Conyears-Ervin	Y Hoffman	E Phillips	Y Wheeler, Keith
Y Costello	Y Hurley	Y Reick	Y Williams
Y Crespo	Y Ives	Y Reis	Y Willis
Y Currie	Y Jesiel	Y Riley	Y Winger
Y D'Amico	Y Jimenez	Y Rita	Y Yingling
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**145TH LEGISLATIVE DAY**

**Perfunctory Session**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2018**

At the hour of 12:41 o'clock p.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

**TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Representative Durkin replaced Representative Bill Mitchell in the Committee on Environment on November 13, 2018.

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

Representative Ford, Chairperson, from the Committee on Financial Institutions to which the following were referred, action taken on November 13, 2018, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the Motion be reported “recommends be adopted” and placed on the House Calendar: Motion to concur with Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5542.

The committee roll call vote on Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 5542 is as follows:

9, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Ford(D), Chairperson	Y Andrade(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Davidsmeyer(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Breen(R)
A Burke, D.(D)	A Gordon-Booth(D)
Y Greenwood(D)	A Manley(D)
Y Olsen(R)	Y Reis(R)
Y Sommer(R)	Y Wallace(D)

Representative Greg Harris, Chairperson, from the Committee on Appropriations-Human Services to which the following were referred, action taken on November 13, 2018, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1469.

That the bill be reported “do pass as amended” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 938.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bills 938 and 1469 is as follows:

11, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Harris, G.(D), Chairperson	A Gabel(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Demmer(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Feigenholtz(D)
A Ford(D)	Y Frese(R)
A Hernandez(D)	A Jesiel(R)
Y Lilly(D)	Y Manley(D)
A Mayfield(D)	A Meier(R)
Y Mussman(D)	Y Severin(R)
Y Spain(R)	Y Welter(R)
Y Willis(D)	



Representative Soto, Chairperson, from the Committee on Health Care Licenses to which the following were referred, action taken on November 13, 2018, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the Floor Amendment be reported "recommends be adopted":  
Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL 309.

The committee roll call vote on Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 309 is as follows:  
10, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

A Soto(D), Chairperson	Y Burke, K.(D), Vice-Chairperson
A Wheeler, B.(R), Republican Spokesperson	A Bryant(R)
Y Bristow(D)	A DeLuca(D)
Y Fortner(R)	A Hernandez(D)
Y Ives(R)	Y Mah(D)
Y Manley(D)	Y McAuliffe(R)
A McDermed(R)	A Moeller(D)
Y Smith(D)	Y Wheeler, K.(R)
Y Zalewski(D)	

Representative Sente, Chairperson, from the Committee on Environment to which the following were referred, action taken on November 13, 2018, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate:  
HOUSE BILLS 5983 and 5985.

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 5983 is as follows:  
13, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Sente(D), Chairperson	Y Cavaletto(R), Republican Spokesperson
A Ammons(D)	A Arroyo(D)
Y Butler(R)	Y Costello(D)
A Feigenholtz(D)	Y Fine(D)
A Gabel(D)	Y Harper(D)
Y Marron(R)	Y Mazzochi(R)
Y McDermed(R)	Y Meier(R)
Y Durkin(R) (replacing Mitchell, B)	Y Moeller(D)
A Morrison(R)	Y Skillicorn(R)
A Turner(D)	A Walsh(D)

The committee roll call vote on House Bill 5985 is as follows:  
15, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Sente(D), Chairperson	A Cavaletto(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Ammons(D)	A Arroyo(D)
Y Butler(R)	Y Costello(D)
A Feigenholtz(D)	Y Fine(D)
A Gabel(D)	Y Harper(D)
Y Marron(R)	Y Mazzochi(R)
Y McDermed(R)	Y Meier(R)
Y Durkin(R) (replacing Mitchell, B)	Y Moeller(D)
A Morrison(R)	Y Skillicorn(R)
Y Turner(D)	Y Walsh(D)

## **INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS**

The following bills were introduced, read by title a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules:

HOUSE BILL 5987. Introduced by Representative Bennett, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 5988. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning State government.

## **HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

### **HOUSE RESOLUTION 1166**

Offered by Representative Evans:

WHEREAS, House Resolution 886 of the 100th General Assembly was adopted on May 17, 2018; and  
WHEREAS, Since adoption of House Resolution 886 circumstances related to it have changed; therefore,  
be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we rescind House Resolution 886 adopted on May 17, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That entries relating to House Resolution 886 be expunged from the House Journal and the Illinois General Assembly website; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Legislative Information System.

### **HOUSE RESOLUTION 1178**

Offered by Representative Hernandez:

WHEREAS, President Donald J. Trump has falsely claimed that the forced family separation that took place at the U.S.-Mexico border is rooted in law; and

WHEREAS, The family separation was a direct result of an announcement made in early April of 2018 by Attorney General Jeff Sessions which stated that the Departments of Justice and Homeland Security would work together to criminally prosecute everyone who crosses the border illegally, now known as the Trump Administration's "zero tolerance" policy; and

WHEREAS, Since the implementation of this policy, over 2,300 young children have been torn away from their families; and

WHEREAS, It has been reported that hundreds of children have been caged with fencing at a facility in McAllen, Texas; and

WHEREAS, It has been reported that federal agents ripped a child away from her mother while she was breastfeeding her; and

WHEREAS, It has been reported that federal agents removed children from their families, ostensibly to give them baths, and they never returned; and

WHEREAS, Both law enforcement and Health and Human Services officials have been unable to provide statistics on how many of the detained children are under the age of five, two, or even so young that they are non-verbal; and

WHEREAS, There has been no independent documentation of the living conditions inside the detainment facilities, as allowed journalists have been barred from taking photographs or videos; and

WHEREAS, All of the photographs depicting the living conditions in such facilities have been provided by the Trump Administration; and

WHEREAS, According to a former youth care worker at the Estrella del Norte shelter in Tucson, Texas, during his tenure children struggled to cope with the extreme trauma, causing them to lash out hysterically and even attempt self-harm; and

WHEREAS, The American Medical Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Psychological Association, and the American College of Physicians have all condemned the administration's practice, warning that children torn from their parents experience serious short and long-term health consequences; and

WHEREAS, According to experts, unexpected separation from a parent figure triggers a flood of stress hormones that disrupt neural circuits in the brain, creating high levels of anxiety, and damaging a child's capacity to manage their emotions, trust people, and focus their attention on age-appropriate activities; and

WHEREAS, As a nation, we put an end to the child welfare system using orphanages due to concerns of lasting trauma to children, and now the federal government has placed young children in facilities that are not equipped to take care of them; and

WHEREAS, In response to the clear mistreatment of children, 11 states are pulling National Guard troops from the U.S.-Mexico border; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bruce Rauner previously said he would send Illinois National Guard troops to the border, if asked to by the president; and

WHEREAS, While the president reversed course in signing an executive order to end his policy of family separation, it fails to address the over 2,300 young children who were torn away from their parents and remain separated; and

WHEREAS, The United Nations' top human rights official, Democratic and Republican lawmakers and governors from across the country, Prime Minister Theresa May, Pope Francis, and other religious groups have condemned or criticized the administration's policy; and

WHEREAS, The administration's unconscionable treatment of children is an affront to basic human decency and to the values that built the State of Illinois and the United States of America; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge Governor Bruce Rauner to reverse his previous stance by pledging that no state resources will be used to assist the Trump Administration in carrying out its policies at the border, and that he call on the Acting Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security to fully investigate how the thousands of young children currently detained are going to be reunited with their families; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Governor of the State of Illinois, the Illinois Congressional Delegation, the Attorney General of the United States, the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, the Acting Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security, and the President of the United States.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1197

Offered by Representative Willis:

WHEREAS, Gun violence is an epidemic in America and in Illinois, touching all parts of the State; and

WHEREAS, The legislative and executive branches of the State have lawfully regulated guns and gun trafficking; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of reasonable state gun violence prevention regulations; Conservative Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito stated in the McDonald decision that state "experimentation with reasonable firearms regulations will continue under the Second Amendment"; and

WHEREAS, President Trump's administration appears to be willfully ignoring the problem of gun violence in America, and at the same time, is attempting to coerce municipal police forces into diverting their resources towards harassing immigrant populations; some municipalities have lawfully opposed having their local law enforcement used for such purposes and have been dubbed "sanctuary cities"; and

WHEREAS, Some counties in Illinois have erroneously tried to liken the cause of a sanctuary city with opposition to gun violence prevention measures by declaring themselves "gun sanctuary counties", thereby declaring their intention to refuse to enforce any gun safety measures lawfully passed by the State with which they disagree; and

WHEREAS, These counties are trying to use those lawful sanctuary cities as an excuse to unlawfully ignore important, democratically-implemented, state laws; and

WHEREAS, These so-called "gun sanctuary counties" are nothing more than scofflaw counties, usurping the judiciary and role of separation of powers in our government, while openly encouraging criminal behavior; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we condemn these scofflaw counties and declare their attempts to label themselves as "gun sanctuaries" as an unconstitutional and shameless political stunt which undermines the rule of law and threatens the safety of all Illinois citizens.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1200

Offered by Representative Fine:

WHEREAS, Illinois values the health of its waterways and coastal areas, as well as the oceans and coasts of the United States; and

WHEREAS, The United States is a global leader in protecting its oceans and coasts and providing an enjoyable environment for the recreation of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Plastic pollution poses a significant threat to the health of the planet's oceans, waterways, and coastal environments; and

WHEREAS, Plastic straws pose a health risk to ocean wildlife when ingested; and

WHEREAS, Plastic straws are frequently littered or dropped by individuals, escape from waste management systems, and can get deposited onto the beach and washed into storm drains, streams, rivers, and eventually the ocean; and

WHEREAS, Reducing consumption of plastic straws can help decrease plastic pollution in the ocean and the United States coastal environment; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing the negative environmental impact of plastic straws, many restaurants and other establishments in Illinois and around the United States have voluntarily stopped providing plastic straws; and

WHEREAS, Customers should be encouraged to make informed choices when considering ways to reduce their impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scout Shelby O'Neil has founded the Jr Ocean Guardians to raise awareness of the problem of ocean plastic and to reduce pollution from straws by starting the "No Straw November" initiative, during which participants pledge to refuse straws for the month of November; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare November of 2018 as "No Straw November" in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Governor Rauner, the Director of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, and Shelby O'Neil.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1201

Offered by Representative Chapa LaVia:

WHEREAS, It is of the utmost importance that we honor those who fought and served for the freedom of our nation; and

WHEREAS, Despite everything Native Americans had endured, many of them felt the calling to serve the United States military during World War II; many served to protect the land on which their people had lived for thousands of years, others served out of patriotism, and others served to find opportunities for education; and

WHEREAS, After seeing the success of Choctaws and other Native Americans using their native languages as code during World War I, the U.S. Marine Corps began recruiting young Navajos in 1942 to serve in the Pacific during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Some Navajo Code Talkers enlisted, while others were drafted, some even served underage and had to lie about their age to join; and

WHEREAS, Over 400 Navajos were eventually recruited as Navajo Code Talkers, undergoing intense training which included basic training, extensive training in communications, and memorization of the code; and

WHEREAS, The Navajo Code Talkers played an invaluable role in defeating the Japanese during World War II by using their native language as the code for communications during combat operations; and

WHEREAS, On the battlefield, the work of sending coded messages was extremely serious; being able to keep messages secret could make the difference between winning and losing a battle and affect how many lives were saved or lost; and

WHEREAS, Navajo Code Talkers did more than speak into a radio; they had to know how to operate both wire and radio equipment, often carrying it on their backs; and

WHEREAS, The Navajo Code Talkers were so successful, that neither the Japanese army or navy were ever able to crack the code, which remained classified until 1968; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we honor the Navajo military members of World War II and recognize the day of August 14, 2018 as being National Navajo Code Talkers Day.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1205

Offered by Representative Stratton:

WHEREAS, Quinn Chapel AME (Quinn Chapel) is the oldest African American church in Chicago, and it sits upon the first real estate owned by African Americans in the City; and

WHEREAS, Quinn Chapel AME is a member of the 4th Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) church, and stewards Quinn Chapel for its benefit; and

WHEREAS, Quinn Chapel AME has consistently and continuously served as an oasis and beacon of hope for African Americans of and around the Bronzeville community for over 175 years; and

WHEREAS, The building housing Quinn Chapel AME, located at 2401 South Wabash in Chicago, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places; it is designated as an Illinois and Chicago Landmark and holds many other historic designations; and

WHEREAS, Quinn Chapel AME served as a platform for early expression of African American culture; Frederick Douglas, George Washington Carver, Martin Luther King, and many other African American scholars and orators spoke from its pulpit; and

WHEREAS, Suffragette Susan B. Anthony advocated from Quinn's pulpit after being banned from speaking at the Columbian Exposition in 1893; and

WHEREAS, Quinn Chapel provides necessary services to the surrounding community through youth mentoring, societal reentry, and homeless outreach programs and initiatives, among others, as well as senior and supportive housing through its support of The Renaissance Collaborative and other housing providers; and

WHEREAS, Quinn Chapel is increasing its historic cultural service to the wider community through, without limitation, free historical education and tours by its Historic Preservation Ministry, community outreach through its Peace in the Streets Ministry, and by hosting cultural, educational, and social events through its External Hospitality Ministry; and

WHEREAS, Quinn Chapel is an integral and vital asset to the surrounding community as it evolves into a racially and economically diverse neighborhood and tourist hub; and

WHEREAS, Through congregational giving, along with multiple foundation and a few municipal and federal grants, Quinn has made significant progress on a comprehensive physical restoration that will further increase its ability to positively impact the surrounding community; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize the historic and cultural significance of Quinn Chapel; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we applaud the significant and ongoing effort made by Quinn Chapel in helping to preserve this tangible aspect of its heritage; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we encourage the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity's Office of Tourism and the Metropolitan Exposition Authority to consider including Quinn Chapel public tours and event space in their promotional materials for McCormick Square and Bronzeville; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Quinn Chapel as an expression of our esteem and respect.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1210

Offered by Representative Durkin:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to recognize the significant milestones of educational institutions in this State; and

WHEREAS, Fenwick High School was started by the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph and named after Edward Dominic Fenwick, O.P., the first Bishop of Cincinnati; it opened its doors to 200 students on September 9, 1929; and

WHEREAS, Since its opening, Fenwick High School has embraced a tradition of excellence in academics, as evidenced by the number of National Merit Scholars and Illinois State Scholars, high SAT and ACT scores, and large numbers of students matriculating to top universities throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, Since its founding, Fenwick High School has maintained a 100% college matriculation rate, and its graduates have been awarded millions of dollars in scholarships to universities throughout the country; it has been selected as one of the top 60 private schools in the nation by the Department of Education and was rated an "Outstanding American High School" by U.S. News & World Report; and

WHEREAS, Fenwick High School's devotion to excellence also extends to athletics; it has won numerous conference and state championships throughout its history; in 2007, Sports Illustrated rated Fenwick High School as one of the 50 Best High School Athletic Programs in the Country, and countless alumni have gone on to play for college and professional sports teams; and

WHEREAS, As Fenwick High School celebrates the start of its 90th year of academic, spiritual, and athletic excellence, that devotion to excellence can be seen throughout the State of Illinois and the country in the many talented alumni, including elected officials, an Olympic Gold Medalist, Rhodes Scholars, Pulitzer Prize winners, an astronaut, a Heisman Trophy winner, professional athletes, as well as CEOs of many national and international corporations; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare September 9, 2018 as Fenwick High School Day throughout the State of Illinois as a celebration of the start of the school's 90th school year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we congratulate Fenwick High School, its administration, faculty, staff, students, and alumni, on 90 years of academic, athletic, and spiritual excellence; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we wish the entire Fenwick Family many more years of great success in educating the high school students of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Fenwick High School's President, Fr. Richard Peddicord, O.P., and Principal, Peter Groom, as a sign of our congratulations and well wishes.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1212

Offered by Representative Davis:

WHEREAS, The Ford Heights Community Service Organization was founded on June 13, 1968 by Evelyn L. Fields, H.P. Davis Rockwell, and Luvert Listenbee; and

WHEREAS, The Ford Heights Community Service Organization was established to improve the quality of life for the underprivileged and to assist others in a time of crisis; and

WHEREAS, while providing services and leadership to thousands of individuals and families, the Ford Heights Community Service Organization has survived challenges brought on by economic downturns, increasing regulations, and a continually changing human services environment; and

WHEREAS, The Ford Heights Community Service Organization has been a cornerstone entity within Ford Heights through the past 50 years and has worked to expand its outreach to serve south suburban Cook County; and

WHEREAS, The Ford Heights Community Service Organization has set the standard for providing human services, along with comprehensive supportive services, through innovation, outstanding client service, and a continual focus on those in greatest need; and

WHEREAS, Everyone has a role to play in helping families succeed and communities thrive, including neighborhood organizations, businesses, nonprofit agencies, policymakers, and, of course, individuals and families themselves; and

WHEREAS, With the assistance and resources of agencies and organizations such as the Ford Heights Community Service Organization, a better future can be created for residents of our State; therefore, be it  
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare November 10, 2018 as Ford Heights Community Service Organization Day, celebrating 50 years of serving and enriching lives; and be it further  
RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Ford Heights Community Service Organization as a symbol of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1216

Offered by Representative Slaughter:

WHEREAS, In 2011, the Illinois General Assembly decided to begin to transition the Illinois Medicaid program from fee-for-service to a managed care program; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the transition to Medicaid managed care was to save the State money as well as coordinate care for Medicaid recipients; and

WHEREAS, Unfortunately, neither of those things have occurred; instead, the managed care organizations (MCOs) have instituted a "claims management program" rather than a "care management program", where the MCOs deny incredible amounts of Medicaid claims, resulting in significant harm to Medicaid providers throughout the State and billions of state funds being pocketed by the MCOs; and

WHEREAS, In 2018, the Auditor General published an audit as a result of HR 100 of the 100th General Assembly that showed billions of state funds being paid to the MCOs which were not passed along to providers; and

WHEREAS, The harm being caused by the MCOs is particularly damaging to providers who rely heavily on the Medicaid program, such as Roseland Community Hospital; and

WHEREAS, The average MCO denial rate for safety-net hospitals is 20%, which has resulted in significant layoffs in areas with the highest unemployment in the State and puts future health care services at-risk in the State's most vulnerable communities; and

WHEREAS, This incredible MCO denial rate is not unique to geography, affects communities throughout downstate Illinois as well as Chicago, and results in diminished patient care and lost revenues for local communities throughout Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Under the Rauner Administration, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services has not provided adequate oversight to prevent the abuse of the MCOs, resulting in billions of dollars being shipped to out-of-state for-profit corporations at the expense of Illinois providers and the Illinois residents who rely on healthcare services; and

WHEREAS, The MCO crisis has caused disproportionate harm to minority communities that rely on safety-net hospitals to provide quality healthcare services to vulnerable communities; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Auditor General is directed to conduct an audit of the average denial rate of hospitals throughout Illinois in both the fee-for-service and managed care programs, with at least 50% of the audit consisting of safety-net and critical access hospitals; the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and all managed care entities shall be required to participate fully, at the Auditor General's request; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services and any other State agency having information relevant to this audit cooperate fully and promptly with the Auditor General's Office; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Auditor General commence this audit as soon as possible and report his findings and recommendations to the General Assembly; and be it further

RESOLVED, That if the Auditor General's findings conclude that the average MCO denial rate for hospitals in the managed care program is 10% or more higher than the average denial rate of the fee-for-service program, then the General Assembly should consider sun-setting the managed care program; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution shall be delivered to the Governor, the Director of Healthcare and Family Services, and each of the four legislative leaders.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1218

Offered by Representative Jones:

WHEREAS, The Ford Heights Community Service Organization was founded on June 13, 1968 by Evelyn L. Fields, H.P. Davis Rockwell, and Luvert Listenbee; and

WHEREAS, The Ford Heights Community Service Organization was established to improve the quality of life for the underprivileged and to assist others in a time of crisis; and

WHEREAS, while providing services and leadership to thousands of individuals and families, the Ford Heights Community Service Organization has survived challenges brought on by economic downturns, increasing regulations, and a continually changing human services environment; and

WHEREAS, The Ford Heights Community Service Organization has been a cornerstone entity within Ford Heights through the past 50 years and has worked to expand its outreach to serve south suburban Cook County; and

WHEREAS, The Ford Heights Community Service Organization has set the standard for providing human services, along with comprehensive supportive services, through innovation, outstanding client service, and a continual focus on those in greatest need; and

WHEREAS, Everyone has a role to play in helping families succeed and communities thrive, including neighborhood organizations, businesses, nonprofit agencies, policymakers, and, of course, individuals and families themselves; and

WHEREAS, With the assistance and resources of agencies and organizations such as the Ford Heights Community Service Organization, a better future can be created for residents of our State; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare November 10, 2018 as Ford Heights Community Service Organization Day, celebrating 50 years of serving and enriching lives; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Ford Heights Community Service Organization as a symbol of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1225

Offered by Representative Martwick:

WHEREAS, Over ten million Americans are currently participating in multiemployer pension plans, which support over 9.1% of the United States workforce, or over 13.5 million jobs; in 2015, participants in these multiemployer pension plans received \$41 billion in benefits; and

WHEREAS, The Central States Pension Fund is the largest multiemployer pension plan in the United States and has 1,335 employers participating and over 378,000 individuals; and

WHEREAS, Current beneficiaries of the Central States Pension Fund receive over \$2.8 billion a year in benefits and pay over \$230 million annually in taxes; and

WHEREAS, Almost 25,500 participants in the Central States Pension Fund live in Illinois, and they receive almost \$166 million in annual benefits; the Illinois beneficiaries pay almost \$13 million annually in taxes; and

WHEREAS, As of August 2017, 114 multiemployer pension plans nationwide were underfunded by \$49.9 billion, affecting 1.3 million workers; and

WHEREAS, The Central States Pension Fund suffered massive investment losses in the 2008 financial crisis and is projected to go insolvent by 2026; the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation has a \$65 billion deficit and is likely to run out of money by 2025; and

WHEREAS, Should the Central States Pension Fund fail, there will be negative economic effects throughout the country and in Illinois, as the Fund's participants will lack sufficient resources for basic necessities, including housing and medical expenses; and

WHEREAS, The failure of the Central States Pension Fund will cause its participating employers to enter bankruptcy or go out of business; when the Central States Pension Fund fails, any attempt by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation to meet its obligations to the Fund will likely force the PBGC into insolvency; and



WHEREAS, The Chamber of Commerce has expressed its concern that should the Central States Pension Fund fail, other multiemployer pension plans would also become insolvent, producing a devastating effect on the economy; and

WHEREAS, The Butch Lewis Act, Senate Bill 2147, as proposed, would create the Pension Rehabilitation Administration, an agency of the U.S. Department of Treasury; and

WHEREAS, The Pension Rehabilitation Administration would provide financially distressed plans with low-interest loans guaranteed by the U.S. Government; the proceeds for these loans would be raised by the U.S. Treasury in the public debt markets and are not grants from the Federal budget; the loans for distressed plans, such as the Central States Pension Fund, would be interest only for years one through 29, with principal repayment in the year 30, and would mandate low-risk investment strategies that create a high certainty of repayment; and

WHEREAS, The Joint Select Committee on Solvency of Multiemployer Pension Plans, a Joint Committee of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, is devising recommendations and legislation that will significantly improve the solvency of multi-employer pension plans, including consideration of the Butch Lewis Act; the Joint Select Committee must issue a report with its conclusions by November 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, In developing its recommendations, the Joint Selection Committee is seeking input from all who may be impacted by the failure of the multiemployer pension funds, such as the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The Butch Lewis Act is supported by employers participating in the Central States Pension Fund, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Teamsters Joint Council 25, and many labor unions and employers; and

WHEREAS, The creation of the Pension Rehabilitation Administration would prevent substantial harm to the economy of Illinois; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the United States Congress to immediately pass the Butch Lewis Act and allow these vital portions of our country's economy to remain solvent; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to all members of the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1231

Offered by Representative Ammons:

WHEREAS, In 1867, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign was founded as a land-grant institution; it became a beacon of education and knowledge for the community, state, country, and world; and

WHEREAS, In the wake of the Civil War and the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln, the promise of unqualified access to the new university by Illinois citizens of all races remained a long-deferred dream for African American citizens; and

WHEREAS, Across the ensuing years, when the University of Illinois admitted African Americans they were not fully welcomed to the campus; and

WHEREAS, Following the assassination of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in 1968, African American students and community residents redoubled their commitment to the battle for civil rights, and they pushed the University of Illinois to significantly and rapidly increase the enrollment of African American students; and

WHEREAS, In 1968, through the groundbreaking Special Educational Opportunities Program (Project 500), 565 newly admitted African Americans joined the student body and earned a singular place in the history of the University of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The local African American community and church congregations opened their doors and their hearts just as quickly and warmly to these new students as they had done for all like them who had come to the University of Illinois in the preceding decades; and

WHEREAS, These community members and organizations throughout the cities of Champaign and Urbana deserve special recognition for their unwavering support of Project 500 students in their academic endeavors and in their lives beyond the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Today, as we celebrate 50 years of work in the struggle for racial justice, progress, learning, and achievement that was bolstered by Project 500, the cities of Urbana and Champaign publicly have

renewed their commitment to fostering communities that welcome and support all who come there to live and learn; and

WHEREAS, The Project 500 alumni, through their words and deeds, have fundamentally and forever changed the University of Illinois and the cities of Urbana and Champaign for the betterment of all of us; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare September 28, 2018 as Project 500 Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Project 500 as a symbol of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1253

Offered by Representative Yingling:

WHEREAS, It is of utmost importance that we honor those who have fought and served for the freedom of our nation; and

WHEREAS, Many veterans returning from service suffer from physical and psychological ailments, which makes finding and maintaining employment and consistent housing difficult; and

WHEREAS, Nearly 80% of homeless veterans suffer from mental health disorders, substance abuse, or co-occurring disorders, with Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) being one of the largest mental health challenges for returning veterans; and

WHEREAS, Since the American Revolution, over 2.5 million American women have served, or are serving, honorably in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, Currently, of the over 22 million veterans in the United States, 2.2 million are women; of the over 495,000 unemployed veterans in the United States, approximately 23,000 are women; of the over 47,000 homeless veterans in the United States, over 4,000 are women; and

WHEREAS, From 2016 to 2017, the number of homeless female veterans increased by seven percent, compared to the one percent increase of their male counterparts; women veterans are two to three times more likely to be homeless than any other group in the United States adult population; homeless female veterans are the fastest-growing demographic in the homeless community; and

WHEREAS, One factor that contributes to this discrepancy is military sexual assault; the rate of violent sexual crimes within the military has increased by 64% since 2006; while women constitute only 14.6% of the military, they account for 95% of reported military sexual assault victims; and

WHEREAS, Female veterans who are victims of military sexual assault are nine times more likely to develop PTSD and 6.5 times more likely to experience homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Many victims of military sexual assault do not feel comfortable seeking help through the military resource of the Department of Veterans Affairs; an estimated 82% of women veterans do not use the Department of Veterans Affairs, leaving over 1.8 million women veterans without access to homeless prevention services; and

WHEREAS, Other factors in homelessness among female veterans include the lack of access to affordable childcare services, limited access to gender-specific services at Veterans Affairs medical centers, and an increased risk for mental health disorders; and

WHEREAS, According to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, over 55,000 women veterans reside in the state of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, In Illinois, 13% of our veterans are homeless, including 1,100 women veterans across the state; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the number of homeless female veterans is a tragedy and disgrace for the women who have so honorably served and protected our nation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we pay honor to and recognize our homeless female veterans by designating October 7, 2018 as Homeless Women Veterans Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the Department of Veterans Affairs, all members of the Illinois General Assembly, and the Governor of the State of Illinois.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 1276

Offered by Representative Mah:

WHEREAS, November is American Diabetes Month, and approximately 1,325,000 people in Illinois, or 12.5% of the adult population, have diabetes; residents of Asian American heritage comprise 7.8% of the population of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Diabetes is the fifth leading cause of death among Asian Americans; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans are over 30% more likely to have diabetes than white Americans; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans are also at greater risk of developing prediabetes, diabetes, and associated risks, such as cardiovascular disease, at a lower body mass index (BMI) than whites, Hispanics, African Americans, or Native Americans; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans face a healthcare disparity in type 2 diabetes detection and diagnosis; this is due in part to general guidelines calling for screening at a body mass index of 25kg/m<sup>2</sup>; this current guideline misses 36% of diabetes diagnoses in Asian Americans over the age of 45 in Illinois, approximately 16,030 individuals; this also underestimates the prevalence of prediabetes among Asian Americans and the increased risk of both among younger Asian Americans; and

WHEREAS, Two out of three persons with type 2 diabetes die from heart attack or stroke, and adults with diabetes are at risk for developing end stage renal disease and kidney failure, blindness, and lower limb loss; and

WHEREAS, The per capita health care cost of direct medical expenses for diagnosed and undiagnosed diabetes, prediabetes, and gestational diabetes, along with associated indirect costs and productivity loss in Illinois, is an estimated \$8,981 per year; in 2017, the annual cost for diabetes in Illinois was estimated at \$8.7 billion in medical costs plus \$3.2 billion in productivity loss; and

WHEREAS, Early detection and treatment can mitigate diabetes-related complications, risks, and costs; and

WHEREAS, Interventions focusing on nutrition, physical activity, and healthy weight loss have been shown to reverse prediabetes, improve glucose function in diabetics, and reduce the need for multiple medications; and

WHEREAS, Screening Asian American patients aged 45 and older at a body mass index of 23kg/m<sup>2</sup> instead of 25kg/m<sup>2</sup> would unmask over 9,222 diabetes cases and many thousands more prediabetes cases and would lead to increased screenings among younger Asian Americans at risk for diabetes at BMI 23, thereby initiating treatment or early interventions to reduce negative co-morbidities like heart diseases, kidney diseases, and limb amputation; and

WHEREAS, The National Institutes of Health found that more than half of Asian Americans with diabetes are undiagnosed, greatly increasing their overall health risk; and

WHEREAS, According to community-based participatory research and studies on Asian American subpopulations, Asian Americans also have increased risk for diabetes and prediabetes; and

WHEREAS, Recent analysis of cross-sectional national data shows Asian Americans are the least likely ethnic group to receive recommended diabetes screening, with a 34% lower rate of diabetes screening than white Americans; and

WHEREAS, The World Health Organization recommends screening Asian patients at a lower body mass index than non-Hispanic whites, and the 2015 official guidelines of the American Diabetes Association recommend that Asian Americans should be tested for type 2 diabetes at a body mass index of 23; and

WHEREAS, The Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Diabetes Coalition has coordinated the Screen at 23 campaign with the support of over 40 national and regional health organizations; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois has the opportunity to join Hawaii, California, and Massachusetts as the fourth state to formally recognize and recommend screening adult Asian Americans for type 2 diabetes at a body mass index of 23, enabling thousands of individuals to get the early care and treatment needed to live healthier and happier lives; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we endorse and support the Screen at 23 campaign and urge the Illinois Department of Public Health to endorse and support the Screen at 23 campaign's efforts to increase awareness of diabetes among Asian American communities, including using appropriate screening measures for Asian American patients, and to eliminate disparities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Public Health is urged to actively encourage, via existing communication protocols and internal mechanisms, all public and private health providers and facilities to also participate in these efforts; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Governor and the Director of Public Health.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1280

Offered by Representative McSweeney:

WHEREAS, In late summer and the fall of 2017, sexual harassment claims nationwide began to come to light with a rapid pace; and

WHEREAS, The concerns regarding sexual harassment in Illinois politics came to the forefront following a letter signed by over 150 men and women that detailed sexual harassment over the years; and

WHEREAS, Legislation began moving through the Illinois Legislature that prohibited sexual harassment, increased requirements in personnel policies, required mandatory training, and required local governments to have sexual harassment policies; and

WHEREAS, This culture is not limited to state government; Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle learned in March of 2018 that her chief of staff had been behaving inappropriately towards women; and

WHEREAS, Toni Preckwinkle took no action until September of 2018 when she fired her chief of staff, alleging that she learned of the allegations only a few days before; and

WHEREAS, Toni Preckwinkle has stated that she has made the prohibition of harassment, including the prohibition of sexual harassment, a priority; and

WHEREAS, The egregious six month delay in action by Toni Preckwinkle is contrary to her statement that the prohibition of sexual harassment is a priority; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the Cook County Board to investigate Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle's six month delay in firing her chief of staff for inappropriate behavior; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to the Cook County Board.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 1283

Offered by Representative Bennett:

WHEREAS, The year 2017 marked 100 years since the Bolshevik Revolution in Russia which resulted in the world's first communist regime under Vladimir Lenin; this led to decades of oppression and violence under communist regimes throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Based on the philosophy of Karl Marx, communism has proven incompatible with the ideals of liberty, prosperity, and dignity of human life and has given rise to such infamous totalitarian dictators as Joseph Stalin, Mao Zedong, Ho Chi Minh, Pol Pot, Nicolae Ceausescu, the Castro brothers, and the Kim dynasty; and

WHEREAS, A National Day for the Victims of Communism was declared November 7, 2017, condemning communism as a political philosophy "incompatible with liberty, prosperity, and the dignity of human life"; and

WHEREAS, Communist regimes worldwide have killed over 100 million people and subjected countless others to the worst and most widespread human rights abuses known to history, with victims representing many different ethnicities, creeds, and backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, Communist regimes have, as a matter of government policy, robbed their own citizens of the rights of freedom of religion, freedom of speech, and freedom of association through coercion, brutality, and fear; and

WHEREAS, Many victims of communism were persecuted as political prisoners for speaking out against these regimes, and others were killed in genocidal state-sponsored purges; and

WHEREAS, In addition to violating basic human rights, communist regimes have suppressed freedom of conscience, cultural life, and self-determination movements in over 40 nations; and

WHEREAS, The Victims of Communism Memorial Foundation in Washington, D.C. is a nonprofit organization, authorized by unanimous Act of the United States Congress, that educates people about the ideology, history, and legacy of communism and honors the people who have suffered and died under communist regimes; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare November 7, 2018 as Victims of Communism Memorial Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Victims of Communism Memorial Foundation as a symbol of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 139

Offered by Representative Fine:

WHEREAS, Illinois and Chicago are known as the nation's rail hub, and pursuant to data provided by the Metropolitan Planning Council, the Chicago region serves as a national east-west gateway for six of the seven major Class I railroads that transport approximately 25 percent of all U.S. freight rail traffic and 44 percent of all U.S. intermodal "container" units, totaling more than 1.3 million loaded rail cars annually; and

WHEREAS, Metra operates 691 weekday trains, stopping at 241 stations on 11 rail lines in the Chicago region; and

WHEREAS, Amtrak operates a nationwide rail network, serving more than 500 destinations in 46 states, the District of Columbia, and three Canadian provinces on more than 21,400 miles of routes, with Chicago serving as a major hub for most of their interstate services; and

WHEREAS, These activities provide vital transit services for residents of Illinois, Illinois commerce, and the nation; and

WHEREAS, Actual and projected growth in rail freight, Metra, and Amtrak service continues to put pressure on existing Illinois rail systems, often creating higher congestion and reduced safety when passengers and freight share the same rail lines; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Department of Transportation participated in a nine-state planning effort that resulted in publication of the Midwest Regional Rail System (MWRRS) executive report in September 2004, which outlines steps to improve regional rail mobility and stimulate economic development at an estimated budget of \$7.7 billion, and it is unclear what impact has been achieved; and

WHEREAS, The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) mandates a process to use either an Environmental Assessment or a more comprehensive Environmental Impact Statement to collect data, evaluate impacts, review alternatives, and propose project solutions; and

WHEREAS, One of the current rail projects being studied is an Environmental Assessment of proposed improvements to the Chicago-Milwaukee Intercity Passenger Rail Program; the improvements are estimated to cost \$195 million plus the increased annual operating expenses of adding three daily round trips to the Amtrak Hiawatha service; and

WHEREAS, Several communities, including the Village of Glenview and the City of Lake Forest, have expressed strong concerns about this Environmental Assessment's lack of data and missing analyses of potential impacts of and alternatives to freight train holding tracks, noise, vibrations, releases into the air to adjacent residential areas, hospital, schools, and rare nature preserves; and

WHEREAS, It is in the public's best interest to fully evaluate the benefits and impacts of rail projects in Illinois prior to seeking public funding and agency permitting for such projects; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, That in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act and in support of potentially impacted communities in Illinois, all proposed Illinois rail projects with new freight train holding tracks adjacent to residential areas, including the current Chicago-Milwaukee Intercity Passenger Rail Program described above, shall receive full Environmental Impact Statement reviews; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation shall pursue options to eliminate or minimize the routing of bypass freight traffic through the Chicago metropolitan area, including prioritizing the review and study of rail bypass systems around Chicago that would ensure coastal rail traffic not destined for

Chicago could more efficiently bypass the Chicago region and significantly reduce the negative impacts of freight rail in the highest populated areas of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the members of the Illinois Congressional Delegation and the Illinois Department of Transportation.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 140

Offered by Representative McSweeney:

WHEREAS, In order to minimize the serious impact of all types of crime, especially violent crime, upon Illinois residents, it is necessary for Illinois to be protected by a crime lab that is operated by the Illinois State Police in a manner that complies with state-of-the-art specifications for the rapid processing of evidence and identification of criminal suspects; and

WHEREAS, In response to this need, the Illinois State Police has established a Division of Forensic Services, commonly referred to as the "State crime lab"; and

WHEREAS, It has been publicly known for several years that there is a serious backlog in the time required for biological evidence to be processed for the establishment of admissible forensic evidence after that forensic evidence has been recovered from crime scenes, processed by law enforcement, and transferred to the Division of Forensic Services; and

WHEREAS, This backlog in the examination process includes numerous cases where the processing of evidence collected following incidents of violent crimes, including murders, shootings, and criminal sexual assaults, is seriously delayed; and

WHEREAS, It typically takes at least one year for biological evidence to be processed by the Illinois State Police crime lab; and

WHEREAS, DNA evidence is critical to the solution of crimes, especially in murder cases and sexual assaults, where the biological evidence may be the last resort, the only thing tying a murderer or rapist to a crime scene and a victim in a way that can be proved in a court of law; and

WHEREAS, In today's climate where police and prosecutors are increasingly scrutinized about their procedures, DNA evidence is crucial to the successful prosecution of criminal cases in the courtroom; and

WHEREAS, Modern biochemistry has developed the Rapid DNA system, a system to enable the fully automated generation of a full DNA profile from a cheek swab without human intervention; the ability of Rapid DNA to carry out the efficient profiling of criminal suspects has led Congress to pass the federal Rapid DNA Act of 2017, which has been signed into federal law as P.L. 115-50; and

WHEREAS, This federal law directs the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to issue standards and procedures to create a nationwide police protocol for using Rapid DNA instruments to analyze DNA samples of criminal offenders and criminal suspects and to compile the data gathered therein within the Combined DNA Index System or CODIS; and

WHEREAS, The 50 states and their residents will not enjoy the benefits of Rapid DNA technology and the ability to conduct instant CODIS identification of criminal suspects who have already been taken into custody until they take steps to comply with the protocol outlined in the Rapid DNA Act of 2017 and implemented by FBI standards and procedures; and

WHEREAS, The usefulness of the CODIS system as a nationwide database will depend upon the relative compliance of local law enforcement throughout all 50 states; for reasons of both local criminal justice and so that our State can do its part, it is essential that Illinois law enforcement be granted the support tools they need to feed data into CODIS for nationwide access; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the Auditor General is directed to conduct a performance audit of the Illinois State Police Division of Forensic Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the audit include, but not be limited to, an examination of the Division's equipment, procedures, and staffing levels, with the goal of identifying and reporting to the General Assembly as soon as possible on barriers and choke points in the way of full Illinois State Police and local law enforcement compliance with the protocols created by the federal Rapid DNA Act of 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois State Police is directed to comply fully and promptly with all features of this audit, including elements aimed at identifying the increased personnel and budgetary support required for the Illinois State Police and local law enforcement to achieve full compliance; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Auditor General commence this audit as soon as possible and report his findings and recommendations upon completion in accordance with the provisions of Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois State Police and its Division of Forensic Services are directed to take all steps possible to achieve compliance, or partial compliance, on the statewide crime lab level with the federal Rapid DNA Act of 2017 prior to full implementation of any recommendations handed down by the Auditor General; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we express continued support to all of Illinois law enforcement, including but not limited to the Illinois State Police, for their tireless and courageous work to maintain public security in the face of growing challenges created by drug violence and other social trends; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to Governor Bruce Rauner, Director of the Illinois State Police Leo P. Schmitz, Col. Sean Cormier of the Illinois State Police Division of Forensic Services-Forensic Sciences Command, and Auditor General Frank J. Mautino.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 141

Offered by Representative Reick:

WHEREAS, It is the obligation of the Illinois General Assembly and the various executive agencies of State government to provide such public services as are necessary to ensure that every person in Illinois can maximize his or her own potential and to provide such services as are required to ensure that the most unfortunate among us can live in dignity and safety; and

WHEREAS, It is also the obligation of the Illinois General Assembly and the various executive agencies of State government to not unduly burden the taxpayers of the State by extracting any greater amount of tax revenue than is necessary to achieve those ends; and

WHEREAS, The budgeting process in Illinois all too often fails to examine the inefficiencies brought about by the existence of redundant and outdated programs; and

WHEREAS, State agencies may not be in compliance with adequate cost-control measures to provide efficient use of State appropriations or such measures may be outdated or non-existent; and

WHEREAS, The failure to examine measures to control costs leads to ever-increasing demands for revenue; and

WHEREAS, The taxpayers of Illinois are faced with high taxation which is hampering the development of business in the State and creating an exodus of productive, taxpaying citizens to other States, thus making it necessary to investigate ways by which Illinois government can reduce costs and yet fulfill its obligations in an efficient and cost-effective manner; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we urge the creation via legislation of the Illinois Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform, whose purpose shall be to examine the extent to which current practices of the executive agencies either conform to or fall short of established laws, regulations, and best practices, and to determine the fiscal impact which the State realizes as a result of falling short of compliance with such practices; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Commission should conduct a private sector survey on cost control in State government and advise the Governor, the General Assembly, and the executive agency heads with respect to improving management practices and reducing costs; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the heads of executive agencies should, to the extent permitted by law, and in a timely manner, be required to provide to the Commission and its staff units such information, including that relating to the structure, organization, personnel and operations of the executive agencies, as may be required for carrying out the purposes of the Commission's duties; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Commission's recommendations should focus on the following areas: (1) Discretionary State spending, (2) Specific areas in which State agencies could be required to reduce expenditures, and (3) State budget and accounting practices leading to the establishment and enforcement of guidelines and procedures by which executive agencies must demand and confirm accountability from such stakeholders who may seek or be granted appropriations of State funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform, as a body with responsibilities that cross over the chronological boundaries of this Illinois General Assembly, should be created by legislation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Speaker of the House, the House Minority Leader, the President of the Senate, and the Senate Minority Leader.

### VETO MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

August 19, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 126 from the 100th General Assembly, which expands the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act to mandate that local governments collectively bargain with any paramedics that they employ. Specifically, the Bill adds “paramedics employed by a unit of local government” to the definition of “firefighter” in the Act, making them “public employees” for the purpose of collective bargaining.

This Bill would operate as an unfunded state mandate on local governments. Local governments should have flexibility to determine benefit and employment conditions for their own employees based on local resources, needs and labor availability, including the categories of employees with collective bargaining rights. By forcing all local governments to collectively bargain with paramedics in their employ, the Bill limits locals’ ability to control and curb their operations and spending.

In addition, this Bill perpetuates the decades of political corruption that has plagued the State of Illinois for too long. Time and again elected officials have granted sweeping benefits and power to the unions in exchange for campaign contributions and political support, creating a system of entrenchment, waste and bad government. Today, Illinois has one of the highest percentages of unionized public employees in the country and offers extremely generous employment and pension benefits. These corrupt bargains are motivated more by the interests of the union leaders and politicians who benefit the most, than by the interests of the individual workers.

I have the utmost respect for paramedics in Illinois. Their work is extremely taxing and critical to the health and survival of many Illinois citizens and visitors. This Bill, however, continues the deep political corruption between union leaders and elected state officials that is debilitating this State. The Bill widens the already bloated union population in the public sector—increasing the union’s entrenchment and wealth—and puts a significant financial and administrative burden on local governments.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 126, entitled “AN ACT concerning government,” with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 19, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 127 from the 100th General Assembly, which amends the Public Safety Employee Benefits Act to mandate that local units of government provide expanded benefits to injured or deceased paramedics, emergency medical technicians and their families. Specifically, the Bill includes "a paramedic employed by a unit of local government" and "an emergency medical technician employed by a unit of local government" in the definition of "firefighter."

This Bill would operate as an unfunded state mandate on local governments. Local governments should have flexibility to determine benefit and employment conditions for their own employees based on local resources, needs and labor availability. By forcing all local governments to provide expansive health and education



benefit to an additional group of employees, the Bill limits locals' ability to control and curb their operations and spending.

I have the utmost respect for paramedics and emergency medical technicians in Illinois. Their work is extremely taxing and critical to the health and survival of many Illinois citizens and visitors. This Bill, however, puts a significant financial and administrative burden on local governments at a time when most local governments' resources are extremely constrained.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 127, entitled "AN ACT concerning government," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 17, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 1262 from the 100th General Assembly, which walks back the progress that was made on mandate relief for school districts as a part of last year's funding reform legislation.

This legislation would require that when the State Board of Education submits to the General Assembly requests of school boards or superintendents for relief from certain state mandates, the requests must be reviewed by the entire General Assembly, and not a panel of the four leaders.

Last year, Public Act 100-465 changed the process for how requests by school boards to have state mandates waived are handled. The new process allows the requests to be reviewed by the four legislative leaders as opposed to the entire General Assembly before the State Board is allowed to approve them. The purpose of this change was to streamline the waiver process and allow more flexibility when school districts do not believe that a given mandate serves the best interests of their students. Reintroducing categories of mandates that need to go to the entire General Assembly demonstrates a step backward and begins to unravel the incremental progress that was recently made on mandate reform.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 1262, entitled "AN ACT concerning education," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 26, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,

100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 2624 from the 100th General Assembly, which restricts the scope and operation of short-term limited-duration health insurance plans ("STLDs").

This legislation would impose numerous restrictions on these plans, which have historically been utilized to cover individuals who may be experiencing a gap in longer term coverage options, including strict maximum time frames and prohibitions on renewal.

I recognize concerns that certain STLDs have not always been clear in their terms and coverage, but ultimately broad restrictions such as those contained in House Bill 2624 will reduce consumer plan choice as well as the availability of STLD options in Illinois. The scope of STLDs has recently been debated at the

federal level, and we should look to be consistent with the regulatory structures of other states and the federal government, as further regulation will create barriers to Illinoisans' access to the health care plans that best fit their needs.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 2624, entitled "AN ACT concerning insurance," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 19, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today, I veto House Bill 3792, which would require school districts to enact a work ethic curriculum for students beginning in 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

While I recognize the value of instilling strong work-ethics into our students, I do not believe it is the role of the legislature to dictate to schools how and when this skill should be taught. Schools and teachers deserve the freedom to design their own curriculum, so that it is most impactful to the unique students in their classroom.

This legislation would put an undue burden on schools and educators, imposing restrictions without lending support or resources. Impactful classroom instruction and curricula should be developed in partnership with educators, not by legislators in Springfield.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 3792, entitled "AN ACT concerning education", with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 20, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 4096 from the 100th General Assembly, which would severely restrict the State's ability to effectively manage the pharmaceutical costs of its Medicaid program.

This administration is committed to maintaining an effective and efficient program of public aid to best serve Illinoisans who utilize it while also ensuring its long-term viability. To that end, we have launched a massive overhaul of the fee-for-service system that has shifted our Medicaid program to a managed care model. This process has achieved, and will continue to achieve, cost savings that allow the State to better serve both the Medicaid population and other citizens of Illinois.

Unfortunately, this legislation would undermine some of the innovative measures that were implemented to curb program costs by limiting the Department of Health and Family Services' (HFS) control over managed care organizations' preferred drug lists (PDLs). This legislation prohibits the Department from requiring that MCOs only cover certain pharmaceuticals as preferred and from requiring participation in a universal preferred drug list. Further, the Department would not be allowed to prohibit a health plan from negotiating with drug manufacturers for drug pricing concessions or rebates on any drugs on the classes of drugs on the preferred drug list.

One of the elements the State specifically sought in its procurement of qualified managed care organizations was willingness to participate in a robust drug rebating program that necessitates limiting preferred drug lists of health plans. This system ensures access to clinically effective and appropriate drug therapies while maximizing federal and supplemental rebates. Deviating from this program as conceived would cost the State tens of millions of dollars in lost rebating opportunities.

We are proud to be managing the State's resources and maximizing opportunities for cost savings while serving our Medicaid population to the greatest extent possible. It would be a disservice to taxpayers and participants to create barriers to the progress and potential of this recently reformed program with restrictions such as these.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4096, entitled "AN ACT concerning public aid," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 27, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 4165 from the 100<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, which explicitly prohibits the State of Illinois from applying for any federal waiver that would permit an individual or group health insurance plan to reduce or eliminate any protection or coverage that was in effect on January 1, 2017 or applying for any federal Medicaid waiver that would result in more restrictive standards, methodologies, procedures, or other requirements than those that were in effect in Illinois as of January 1, 2017. The State of Illinois would be wholly restricted from exercising its flexibility in pursuing insurance coverage options under the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971, Illinois Insurance Code, and Illinois Public Aid Code.

This legislation calls for the State to attain a joint resolution of the General Assembly before pursuing a federal waiver and would ultimately lessen the executive authority granted to me for my administration to use its discretion to adjust insurance coverage as allowed by the federal waiver process under applicable federal statutes such as the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Social Security Act, and Children's Health Insurance Program Act. This legislation purports to protect persons with pre-existing conditions and coverage for services identified as essential health benefits under the Affordable Care Act, but instead, runs afoul of the integrity of each of the respective branches of government and permits improper governmental overreach and heavy-handedness in picking clear winners and losers in the insurance marketplace in Illinois. The insurance marketplace should determine what the market will break regarding what coverages should or should not be offered to consumers, not our elected legislators.

It is my responsibility to ensure that the most competitive group health insurance plans are made available to all Illinois citizens. I cannot, in good faith, allow for any erosion of my gubernatorial charge in this regard. Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4165, entitled "AN ACT concerning healthcare", with the forgoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 19, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 4282 from the 100th General Assembly, which restricts the ability for a property owner to disconnect from a municipality.

Under current law, certain owners of property on the border of municipal limits are able to petition county courts to disconnect their land from the municipal territory. This ability to disconnect is limited by requirements that it cannot create a substantial disruption to the municipality's tax revenue, municipal services or zoning ordinances, among other limitations. This legislation would further inhibit property owners from disconnecting if their land is part of a redevelopment project area or otherwise subject to tax increment financing.

Tax Increment Financing (TIF) programs, while they may serve some legitimate blight-removal purposes, are vulnerable to corruption and abuse and contribute to the property tax crisis Illinois taxpayers struggle with every day. This legislation would allow municipal governments to use TIF districts to block property owners from disconnecting from the city and will likely promote the creation of more TIF districts. The legislature should be actively pursuing reform of the state laws that govern TIFs instead of further incentivizing their creation.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4282, entitled "AN ACT concerning local government," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 19, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 4284 from the 100<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, which unnecessarily prescribes appointment requirements for the State Board of Education.

The legislation dictates that three members of the State Board of Education must represent the educator community. However, there has historically been an abundance of educator experience on the board. Currently, there are four board members with education experience including a former superintendent, a former assistant superintendent with experience as a teacher and principal, a former teacher, and a former principal. At a time when there is such a wealth of education experience and expertise, there is no need to impose new restrictions on the composition of the State Board of Education.

Nationally, there is no precedent for this type of legislative oversight in board appointments. Out of the 38 states with Governor-appointed State Boards of Education, only five states require specific mandates for Board composition. Thus, this legislation would not only erode the Executive Branch's appointment power, and it would put Illinois at odds with national best practice.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4284, entitled "AN ACT concerning education", with the forgoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 27, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 4290 from the 100th General Assembly, which appropriates funds for state employee wages from prior years.

An appropriation for this purpose was incorporated into the negotiated budget, Public Act 100-586, and this standalone bill is therefore moot.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4290, entitled “AN ACT concerning appropriations,” with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 13, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 4572 from the 100th General Assembly, which expands the definition of “employer” for certain types of employment discrimination to impose further liability on Illinois small businesses.

The Illinois Human Rights Act prohibits unlawful discrimination in employment in Illinois, and, in most instances, applies to employers with 15 or more employees. This 15-employee threshold mirrors the federal definition of employer in Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and other anti-discrimination statutes enforced by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. This longstanding and well-reasoned threshold balances the need to foster fair, equitable and harassment-free workplaces across the State with the lopsided burden that discrimination claims impose upon small businesses and startups, in comparison to large organizations with in-house compliance, human resources, risk management, and litigation defense functions.

Additionally, for claims of disability, pregnancy, or sexual harassment, the Illinois Human Rights Act already covers employers who employ only one or more individuals. This administration has worked diligently to enhance awareness of sexual harassment and gender bias and to reform the investigation and adjudication of violations in this area. I signed Senate Bill 402, which declares that sexual harassment is unethical in Illinois for State officials and employees. It also required that registered lobbyists undertake sexual harassment prevention training. Executive Order 2018-02 mandated expedited sexual harassment investigations within State agencies and recognized the uniquely cultural and diverse issues that underscore our understanding of sexual harassment. And Executive Order 2018-08 requires a comprehensive reform of the adjudication of all anti-discrimination cases before the Illinois Department of Human Rights and Illinois Human Rights Commission to generate better and faster decisions for parties.

Moving away from federal best practices and Illinois’ own current practices will discourage business creation, while maintaining greater consistency with this standard provides small businesses with predictability in their compliance efforts, and recognizes the distinct challenges that liability may pose for them.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4572, entitled “AN ACT concerning human rights,” with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 10, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 4645 from the 100th General Assembly, which extends the repeal date of the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act by 10 years.

I appreciate the importance of improving access to quality care and ensuring public accountability. Competition in healthcare markets supports these goals. It drives innovation and leads to the delivery of higher quality and cost-effective healthcare. Stifling innovators and entrepreneurs while protecting well-established markets limits healthcare options and drives up costs. We need to develop policies that expand healthcare choices that will provide better care.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4645, entitled "AN ACT concerning State government," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 17, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today, I veto House Bill 4657, which would statutorily mandate the creation of an Emotional Intelligence and Social and Emotional Learning Task Force.

My administration believes deeply in the importance of supporting both the intellectual and emotional development of Illinois' children. However, by creating a Task Force without any substantive directives to address this issue, we will only add to government waste without any assurance of healthier outcomes for students.

It has been a priority of my administration to end the unfettered government waste that has plagued Illinois state politics for too long. To that end, I have eliminated 19 boards and commissions this year alone that were defunct, existing on paper, but in reality not serving Illinois in any meaningful way. Taxpayers deserve to know that when we create new governmental bodies, commissions, and task forces, we are equipping those entities with the support and guidance they need to investigate and address the most pressing issues facing Illinois. It is disingenuous to continue the cycle of establishing new groups on paper without the direction necessary to drive results from them.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4657, entitled "AN ACT concerning education", with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 3, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 4754 from the 100th General Assembly, which allows the balance of an ABLE account to be transferred to a designated beneficiary upon the death of an account holder.

I fully support this legislation, and have already signed a duplicate bill, Senate Bill 2660.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4754, entitled "AN ACT concerning State government," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 24, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 4882, which would expand the Grow Your Own Teacher preparation program. Illinois is facing an acute teacher shortage. Our administration has undertaken numerous steps to address the shortage, including signing HB5627 which changes teacher licensure requirements to make it easier for out-of-state, retired, and substitute teachers to become certified to teach in Illinois. The administration has also signed HB4742, HB5196, HB5754 and SB2658, all of which aim to address the teacher shortage by removing existing licensure barriers.

We must be rigorous in ensuring all teacher preparation programs are grounded in evidence, so that our taxpayers' dollars fund programs only of the highest quality. This administration is unwilling to experiment with the future of Illinois' children by sacrificing teacher excellence.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4882, entitled "AN ACT concerning education", with the forgoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 3, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 4922 from the 100th General Assembly, which prohibits retailers from offering rebate cards that charge certain types of fees.

This legislation creates an unnecessary limitation on consumer choice couched as a consumer protection. Rebate cards are issued by banks, and merchants use them as promotional tools to offer consumers rebates when purchasing certain products. Some of these rebate programs utilize post-issuance and dormancy fees as a way for the issuer to recoup the expenses of maintaining the rebate accounts until they are utilized. If this practice is completely prohibited, Illinois consumers and businesses will be harmed, not protected.

Currently, rebate programs need to conspicuously disclose their terms and fees associated with claiming the rebate so that consumers know the limitations of the offer. These reporting requirements are aligned with federal regulations on such products and create an appropriate balance between consumer protection and allowing businesses to offer these promotional products. Layering further restrictions on these cards within Illinois will put Illinois merchants at a disadvantage by barring them from utilizing the same rebate programs as businesses in other states to incentivize sales. Importantly, the ultimate harm of prohibiting a product that is allowable elsewhere will fall upon Illinois consumers, as card issuers are unlikely to adjust their fee structures, and Illinoisans will simply be excluded from participation in these rebate offers altogether.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4922, entitled "AN ACT concerning business," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 24, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 5175 from the 100th General Assembly, which, per my veto message earlier this year, would eliminate an appeals process for certain denial or closure decisions affecting charter school applicants and operators.

This legislation was vetoed in February, 2018, and still represents bad public policy. The Charter School Commission remains a proper venue to appeal these decisions of local school boards before sending parties to court, and the Commission has a history of thoughtfully evaluating appeals to ensure that all Illinois children have access to a high-quality education.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 5175, entitled "AN ACT concerning education," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 21, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 5221 from the 100th General Assembly, which would make full-time paramedics and firefighters who performs paramedic duties eligible for benefits under the Public Employee Disability Act (PEDA). PEDA entitles injured covered employees to receive their full salary for up to one year as a disability award.

This legislation would operate as an unfunded state mandate on local governments. Expanding PEDA eligibility to additional groups of employees imposes costs on local governments and thus local taxpayers. Local governments should have flexibility to determine benefit and employment conditions for their own employees based on local resources, needs and labor availability. This Bill limits locals' ability to control and curb their operations and spending.

The Workers' Compensation Act (WCA) is a more appropriate remedy for short term compensation of these injured employees. The WCA provides benefits equal to 66 2/3% of the employee's average weekly wage and are normally not considered taxable income. PEDA provides generous benefits to injured employees at 100% of their weekly salary. These benefits may not be considered taxable income under federal law, a situation that would potentially allow PEDA covered employees to effectively increase their take home pay while on a disability award, instead of just replacing it. This creates a perverse financial motivation to fraudulently claim a disability injury, which imposes additional unnecessary costs to taxpayers.

I have the utmost respect for paramedics in Illinois. Their work is extremely taxing and critical to the health and survival of many Illinois citizens and visitors. This Bill, however, puts a significant financial and administrative burden on local governments at a time when most local governments' resources are extremely constrained.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 5221, entitled "AN ACT concerning government," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR



August 17, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 5342 from the 100th General Assembly, which allows aldermen and city council members in Chicago who served as firefighters to elect to receive a firefighter pension rather than a municipal employee pension upon retirement.

This change will allow aldermen to keep participating in a more lucrative pension than they would otherwise be able to during their service in city council at Chicago taxpayers' expense. Changes like this further exacerbate the liabilities of our pension funds and will constrict the Chicago Firefighter Pension Fund's ability to pay its obligations to other deserving emergency responders.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 5342, entitled "AN ACT concerning public employee benefits," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 19, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 5481 which mandates that information regarding class sizes be reported to ISBE within 60 of the start of the academic year with the intention of setting goals to limit the number of students per class.

The link between smaller class size and improved student outcomes has indeed been proven. However, information about classroom populations is already published on an annual basis in school report cards, thus making the bill's proposed reporting requirement redundant. Additionally, current class size averages in Illinois do not differ vastly from the goals set forth in the legislation. As written, the bill limits kindergarten class sizes to 18 students while the current average is 19.1 students. It requires classes in grades 1-5 to be 22 students and classes in grades 6-12 to be 25 students, even though Illinois' overall average class size is 20.5. We are well on our way to universally achieving these standards, and do not need to create additional mandates on our schools in order to reach them. This bill would be yet another unnecessary directive from the General Assembly at the expense of local authorities who are in a better position to determine appropriate class sizes given local conditions.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 5481, entitled "AN ACT concerning education," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 17, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,

[November 13, 2018]

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100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 5595 from the 100th General Assembly, which accommodates building trade associations by extending the filing date for annual submissions of demographic information for apprenticeship programs from March 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup> every year.

House Bill 5595 is an exact duplicate of Senate Bill 2637, which I signed into law as Public Act 100-0797. Enactment of House Bill 5595 is thus moot.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 5595, entitled "AN ACT concerning finance" with the foregoing objection, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 17, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 5682 from the 100th General Assembly, which

This bill is a duplicate of Senate Bill 3191, which I signed into law as Public Act 100-0889, making this bill moot.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 5682, entitled "AN ACT concerning State government" with the foregoing objection, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 24, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 5750 from the 100th General Assembly, which appropriates funds to the State Board of Education for school district broadband expansion.

This appropriation was incorporated into the negotiated budget, Public Act 100-586, and is this standalone bill is therefore moot.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 5750, entitled "AN ACT concerning appropriations," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 20, 2018

To the Honorable Members of

The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100<sup>th</sup> General Assembly:

Today, I return House Bill 3418 with specific recommendations for change.

This legislation establishes Urban Agricultural Zones, empowering local governments to encourage the expansion of urban farming and livestock activities. This legislation allows local governments to establish Urban Agricultural Zones to offer some protections from particularly onerous regulations while allowing entities that supply services like water and power to offer farmers and partner organizations in these zones discounted rates and fees. This legislation will spur new types of business growth while encouraging local control over granting incentives to urban farmers, local growers and agricultural producers.

This legislation also utilizes property tax abatements as a tool to incentivize growing activity, which would continue a problematic pattern of shifting property taxes to other taxpayers who may or may not directly benefit from the creation of these Urban Agricultural Zones. Abatements like this simply redistribute property taxes, when homeowners are already struggling under the immense weight of their own tax burdens. Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 3418, entitled “AN ACT concerning local government,” with the following recommendations for change:

By deleting page 1, line 21 through page 10, line 15; and

On page 16, by deleting lines 6 through 23; and

On page 16, by replacing line 24 with: “A municipality may authorize an entity providing water.”.

With these changes, House Bill 3418 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

September 21, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,

100th General Assembly:

Today, I return House Bill 4163 with specific recommendations for change.

This legislation would prohibit employers from inquiring about previous salary and compensation of prospective employees.

House Bill 4163 substantially resembles House Bill 2462, which I vetoed in August 2017 with the same recommendations I make today. Since that time, the gender wage gap has remained. My position has not changed – I am committed to eliminating the gender wage gap and I strongly support wage equality. I noted in my prior veto message that Massachusetts already has established a best-in-the-country approach to the issue of employers inquiring about salary history. I recommended that Illinois model its legal regime on Massachusetts’ model. Unfortunately, legislators again refused to push forward a bipartisan approach that properly balanced the interests of the business community.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4163, entitled “AN ACT concerning employment,” with the following recommendations for change:

By replacing page 1, line 5 with “Section 10 and by adding Section 28 as follows.”; and

By replacing page 1, lines 12 through 13 with “on jobs the performance of which requires equal skill, effort, and responsibility, and which are”; and

By replacing page 1, line 23 with “Act.”; and

By deleting page 2, lines 1 through 6; and

By replacing page 3, lines 1 through 24 with the following:

“disclosing or discussing the employee's wage, salary, or other compensation. However, an employer may prohibit a human resources employee, a supervisor, or any other employee whose job responsibilities require or allow access to other employees' wage or salary or other compensation information from disclosing such information without prior written consent from the employee whose information is sought or requested.

(b-5) It is unlawful for an employer to seek the wage, salary, or other compensation history of a prospective employee from the prospective employee or a current or former employer or to require that a prospective employee's wage, salary, or other compensation history meet certain criteria. This subsection does not apply if:

(1) the prospective employee's wage, salary or other compensation history is a matter of public record;

(2) the prospective employee is a current employee of the employer and is applying for a position with the same employer; or

(3) a prospective employee has voluntarily disclosed such information.

An employer may seek or confirm a prospective employee's wage, salary, or other compensation history after an offer of employment, with wage, salary, or other compensation, has been negotiated and made to the prospective employee.”; and

By inserting on page 4, immediately after line 11 the following:

“(820 ILCS 112/28 new)

Sec. 28. Self-evaluation.

(a) An employer against whom an action is brought alleging a violation of subsection (a) of Section 10 and who, within the previous 3 years and prior to the commencement of the action, has completed a self-evaluation of the employer's pay practices and can demonstrate that progress has been made towards eliminating wage differentials based on gender for the same or substantially similar work on jobs the performance of which requires equal skill, effort, and responsibility, and which are performed under similar working conditions, in accordance with that evaluation, shall have an affirmative defense to liability under subsection (a) of Section 10. For purposes of this subsection, an employer's self-evaluation may be of the employer's own design, so long as it is, in light of the size of the employer reasonable in detail and scope.

A self-evaluation plan may include but is not limited to the following components:

1) An evaluation of the employer's compensation system for internal equity;

2) An evaluation of the employer's compensation system for industry competitiveness;

3) Examination of the employer's compensation system and comparison of job grades or scores;

4) A review of data for personnel entering the employer;

5) An assessment of how raises are awarded; or

6) An evaluation of employee training, development and promotion opportunities.

(b) An employer who has completed a self-evaluation within the previous 3 years and prior to the commencement of the action and can demonstrate that progress has been made towards eliminating wage differentials based on gender for the same or substantially similar work on jobs the performance of which requires equal skill, effort, and responsibility, and which are performed under similar working conditions, but cannot demonstrate that any steps were taken to address any identified deficiencies, shall not be entitled to an affirmative defense under this subsection, and shall be liable for any civil fine for a violation of this Act:

(1) up to \$500 per employee affected, if the employer has fewer than 4 employees; or

(2) up to \$2,500 per employee affected, if the employer has 4 or more employees.

(c) Evidence of a self-evaluation or remedial steps undertaken in accordance with this Section shall not be admissible in any proceeding as evidence of a violation of this Act.

(d) An employer who has not completed a self-evaluation shall not be subject to any negative or adverse inference as a result of not having completed a self-evaluation.

(e) An employer who uses the affirmative defense under this Section is not precluded from using any other affirmative defense under this Act.”; and

By deleting page 4, line 12 through page 6, line 19.

With these changes, House Bill 4163 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 26, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I return House Bill 4208 with specific recommendations for change.

This bill is intended to address rates of disproportionate disciplinary action in public schools by imposing explicit timelines on existing Illinois State Board of Education reporting requirements and by creating a new Safe Schools and Healthy Learning Environments Grant Program.

Illinois continues to grapple with startling disparities in the use of exclusionary discipline practices. It is our duty to provide students with a safe and fair learning environment, and I have consistently demonstrated my commitment to this issue as exemplified by my support of previous reforms such as those found in Public Act 99-456.

As presented, however, House Bill 4208 prevents schools from using grant funds to “increase the use of school based law enforcement or security personnel.” Localities should have the opportunity to pursue the best solutions to the disciplinary disparities in their own communities. This restriction undermines the value of law enforcement personnel who have dedicated their lives to keeping schools safe.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4208, entitled “AN ACT concerning education,” with the following recommendation for change:

On page 6, by deleting lines 6 through 9.

With these changes, House Bill 4208 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 17, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100<sup>th</sup> General Assembly:

Today, I return House Bill 4469 with specific recommendations for change.

This legislation commendably increases access to voting for individuals detained in county jails through the establishment of polling places and facilitation of vote-by-mail opportunities. Every citizen eligible to vote should be able to exercise that right, and I fully support this expansion of access to the democratic process.

However, this legislation also mandates that the Department of Corrections, as well as county jails across the state, take part in voter registration and education efforts that exceed the legitimate role of law enforcement, corrections and probation personnel.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4469, entitled "AN ACT concerning elections," with the following recommendation for change:

By deleting page 3, line 5 through page 10, line 21.

With these changes, House Bill 4469 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 13, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today, I return House Bill 4514 with specific recommendations for change.

This legislation would provide additional unnecessary bureaucracy concerning the use of the title "school counselor." School counselors already have a certification available, and schools already have the power to hire whom they choose for these positions. I share the concerns of the Obama Administration that this sort of new restriction on professional certification and licensing will only serve to lock the economically disenfranchised out of the labor market. Because of these concerns, both the necessity and impact of this change should be thoughtfully studied further before potentially adding new layers of regulatory mandates. Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4514, entitled "AN ACT concerning education", with the following specific recommendations for change:

On page 1, by replacing line 22 with: "requirements of this Section."; and

On page 1, by replacing line 23 with the following:

"The Illinois Department of Employment Security shall conduct a study and issue a report authored by a labor market economist that studies the labor market impacts of title protection of the school counselor profession. The study and report shall specifically examine the effects of requiring this certification on the historically economically disenfranchised and the potential for mandatory certification to act as a barrier to labor market mobility for women, minorities, the poor, veterans, and long-term unemployed. IDES shall publish the report by January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019".

With these changes, House Bill 4514 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 13, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today, I return House Bill 4515 with specific recommendations for change. This legislation creates a number of resources to advise and educate state regulatory bodies and the public on the evolving research and best practices concerning Lyme disease prevention and treatment. These important initiatives will address this growing public health concern and equip Illinoisans and health care professionals with the best possible information as it becomes available.

However, the bill also creates a disciplinary exemption for physicians who prescribe experimental treatments for Lyme disease or other tick-borne illnesses, including the prescription of long-term antibiotic treatment. This exemption from the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation's disciplinary oversight of physicians is very concerning. It shields physicians from discipline for prescribing a therapy that rigorous scientific research has been found to be harmful and even fatal. Importantly, this is a treatment that the medical community, including the U.S. Center for Disease Control and the Infectious Disease Society of America, do not recommend.

I appreciate the intent and hard work of those advocating for change on this issue. Therefore, I have instructed the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Responsibility to enact all aspects of this bill but for those that exempt physicians from medical discipline.

In order to promote prevention and awareness of Lyme disease, the Illinois Department of Public Health shall enact the following:

- (1) Establish the Lyme Disease Task Force consistent with the membership, duties, and responsibilities set forth in this bill;
- (2) Create a designated webpage with publicly accessible and up-to-date information about the prevention, detection, and treatment of Lyme disease;
- (3) Announce government guidance and recommendations of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Guideline Clearinghouse under the Department of Health and Human Services, and any other persons or entities determined by the Lyme Disease Task Force to have particular expertise on Lyme disease;
- (4) Share information for physicians, other health care professionals and providers, and other persons subject to an increased risk of contracting Lyme disease;
- (5) Make public educational materials on the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses for physicians and other health care professionals and providers in multiple formats; and
- (6) Publicize peer-reviewed scientific research articles.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4515, entitled "AN ACT concerning regulation," with the following specific recommendations for change:

By deleting page 8, line 6 through page 24, line 12.

With these changes, House Bill 4515 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 13, 2018

To the Honorable Members of

The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100<sup>th</sup> General Assembly:

Today, I return House Bill 4710 with specific recommendations for change that will improve the productivity of the proposed College Student Credit Card Marketing and Debt Task Force tasked with garnering relevant college student credit card debt information.

Student credit card debt is an issue of great importance to our young adult population and deserves further attention by a body that can examine its root causes and effects. However, I am concerned that the Task Force proposed by this legislation is ill-suited to properly study student credit card debt and debt in general.

The legislation as presented will set the Task Force up for failure instead of empowering it as it looks into this important issue. The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation has limited authority over most major credit card issuers, and these entities may refuse to turn over information to an Illinois task force. Furthermore, even within Illinois financial institutions, the proprietary nature of credit card information limits the accessibility of the information. Mandating the contours of the Task Force's inquiry to the current level of specificity could lead the group's report to be partial or inconclusive. Illinois should not proceed with a Task Force that will likely both produce an incomplete study and be burdensome on the participants' and the Department's time and resources.

Instead, Illinois should proceed with a Task Force that provides the flexibility and expertise to scrutinize appropriate informational sources that can contribute to better understand what can be done to mitigate the accumulation of student credit card and student debt in general.

The following changes are needed to promote productivity and usefulness of information gathered by the Task Force. The first change will add a representative of a credit card issuer to the Task Force. The second change provides the Task Force with the latitude to select which factors provide the most useful information for the study, including the addition of categories related to the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009, college credit card agreements and the consumer credit card market. Finally, this amendment will adopt a more realistic timeline for filing its report with the Illinois General Assembly on this laudable issue.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4710, entitled "AN ACT concerning education," with the following recommendation for change:

On page 1, by inserting immediately after line 22 the following:

"(4) there is value to the citizens of Illinois in investigating the availability and accessibility of information provided by credit card issuers to better understand factors in the accumulation of student credit card debt and factors mitigating the amount of credit card debt a student faces after graduating."; and

On page 2, by replacing line 26 with "designee:"

On page 3, by replacing line 3 with: "designee; and"

On page 3, by inserting immediately after line 3 : "(9) a representative of a credit card issuer."; and

On page 3, by replacing lines 18 and 19 with: "(e) The Task Force shall conduct a study that may examine any of the following factors as determined to be necessary and available by the Task Force:"; and

On page 5, by inserting immediately after line 13 the following:

"(15) Agreements between credit card issuers and higher education institutions or organizations affiliated with the institutions, including, but not limited to, trends, the number of credit card accounts covered by the agreement, the number of new accounts opened by year end under the agreement, the number of payments made by the issuer to the institution or organization during the year, and any Memorandum of Understanding between the issuer and institution or affiliated organization that directly or indirectly relates to any aspect of the agreement.



- (16) Evaluation of the effectiveness of the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009.  
(17) Other state actions taken to address the marketing of credit cards to students and the accumulation of student credit card debt.  
(18) Other factors the Task Force deems relevant regarding student credit card debt within the consumer credit card market.”; and

On page 5, by replacing line 20 with: “14, 2019, at which time the Task Force shall be dissolved. This”; and

On page 5, by replacing line 25 with: “(g) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2020.”

With these changes, House Bill 4710 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 20, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I return House Bill 4743 by extending its application to all racial and ethnic classes protected under Section 1-103(Q) of the Illinois Human Rights Act.

As presented to me, this legislation prohibits pay and wage discrimination against African-American employees in comparison to other employees for the same or substantially similar work under similar working conditions for jobs requiring equal skill, effort, and responsibility.

This is a laudable goal that acknowledges the long-reaching effects of unfair pay and wage practices. This bill works to address the harmful impact of this unequal treatment on African-American employees, their families, and the community. Notwithstanding clear progress that has been achieved by African-Americans employees in Illinois, I recognize that employers must do more to stamp out pay and wage discrimination based solely on the demographic makeup of employees.

The intent of this legislation is to put into place enhanced statutory mandates which would hold employers that engage in unlawful pay and wage practices against African-Americans accountable. However, wage discrimination is not limited to African-Americans, and other racial and ethnic groups are suffering similar harms in their employment. They, too, are subject to unequal compensation and salaries and are equally deserving of relief. I would be remiss if I did not extend the substantial benefits granted African-Americans under this bill to all racial and ethnic protected classes.

As one of the principles to be upheld in our governing and our lawmaking, we should always seek to see where what may be good for the few can be good for the many. Broadening this legislation sends a message of inclusivity and fairness that is clearly in keeping with the spirit of this bill.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4743, entitled “AN ACT concerning employment,” with the following specific recommendations for change:

By replacing page 1, line 23 through page 2, line 7, with the following:

“No employer may discriminate between employees by paying wages to an employee who is of a protected class that is based on race, color, national origin, or ancestry, against whom such practices would constitute “unlawful discrimination” under Section 1-103(Q) of the Illinois Human Rights Act, at a rate less than the rate at which the employer pays wages to other employees who are not members of a protected class that is based on that race, color, national origin, or ancestry under this Act for the same or substantially similar work on jobs the performance of which requires equal skill, effort, and responsibility, and which are performed under similar working conditions, except where the payment is made under:”

With these changes, House Bill 4743 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.  
Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 14, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I return House Bill 4771 from the 100th General Assembly with specific recommendations for change.

It is essential for Illinois to support people with disabilities and seniors who require nursing level care but do not have the resources needed to provide for that care. While I support a myriad of programs to help people remain in the community according to their needs and their choices, Medicaid funded nursing home care remains an important piece of our social safety net.

For many years, Illinois has struggled to process Medicaid applications for long term care quickly. For most Medicaid bills, the state pays for half of the cost and the federal government reimburses the state for the other half. Under this bill, the state would be on the hook for 100% of the costs of nursing home stays while an application is under review.

While I empathize with the desire to speed payments for clients who qualify for Medicaid long term care services, this bill as written would expose the state to unnecessary expenses. These include costs for individuals who do not qualify for Medicaid, costs over and above the amount individuals qualify to have covered by Medicaid such as “spend down” or “penalty period” amounts, and costs that would have been matched by the federal government if presumptive eligibility were not in place. In addition, this bill would incent applicants to prolong the review of their applications, exacerbating the current backlog, and inviting the filing of fraudulent applications.

This amendatory veto is intended to cure several issues with the legislation as it was initially approved. Specifically:

- It clarifies that the provisional eligibility applies strictly to long term care Medicaid cases.
- It clarifies that provisional eligibility only lasts until the state makes an eligibility determination. The original bill required payments for people even after they were found to be ineligible. This change will save the state millions in unnecessary expenses when compared to the original legislation. It also aligns the incentives for applicants to remain cooperative during the entirety of the review of their applications.
- It includes a sunset that is intended to repeal this law once the state has made significant progress eliminating the backlog of long term care applications.
- It includes a “claw back” provision so the state can recoup payments for those who are determined not to be eligible for the benefit. This change will save the state millions in unnecessary expenses when compared to the original legislation and will discourage those to seek to profit at public expense.

My administration is committed to eliminating the backlog of long term care applications. Over the last year, we have added nearly fifty percent more state staff assigned to processing applications and are in the process of a procurement to further expand our capacity to attack the backlog. The Departments of Human Services and Healthcare and Family Services have undergone a modernization process to identify and eliminate bottlenecks in the application process. They are implementing solutions internally and reaching out to external stakeholders to improve the rate at which complete applications are submitted. In addition, we have implemented a policy change to make it faster and easier to approve benefits for those applicants with the clearest need, and are exploring additional policy changes to further streamline the process.

Earlier this month, I signed two bills that will expedite long term care application processing. SB 2385 will make it easier and faster for applicants to provide the state with the financial records necessary to determine eligibility. SB 2913 enacts a number of reforms to improve the way the state processes long term care applications and communicates with stakeholders. These two bills combined with our other improvements to date and those coming soon will eliminate the long term care backlog.

In order to ensure further progress on this issue, I have directed the Departments of Human Services and Healthcare and Family Services to coordinate with each other to achieve the following objectives:

- They will collaborate with each other and external stakeholders to develop clear, easy-to-follow instructions, trainings, and checklists for applicants for long term care and those who assist them with Manage My Case and the Application for Benefits Eligibility.
- They will work to improve communication with applicants and providers by holding quarterly meetings with provider organizations and sending important notices to providers with applicants' permission. The Department of Healthcare and Family Services will coordinate with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to determine when *ex parte* redeterminations are appropriate in long term care settings.
- They will explore ways to streamline processing of income adjustments for clients already enrolled in long term care.

The current improvements to processing long term care applications combined with the efforts we are putting in place now will eliminate the backlog. I urge the legislature to adopt HB 4771 as amended by this amendatory veto to avoid the significant unnecessary expenses the original bill would impose on the people of Illinois.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4771, entitled "AN ACT concerning public aid", with the following specific recommendations for change:

On page 10, by deleting lines 2 and 3; and

On page 10, by replacing line 4 with: "(h) Beginning upon the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 100<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, provisional eligibility, in"; and

On page 10, by replacing line 7 with: "benefits, must be issued to any applicant who, due to delay by the State, has not received"; and

On page 10, by replacing line 8 with: "an eligibility determination on his or her application for"; and

On page 10, by replacing line 9 with: "Medicaid long-term care benefits or a notice of an"; and

On page 10, by replacing line 13 with: "enrollment status until an eligibility determination is made."; and

On page 10, by deleting line 14; and

On page 10, by replacing line 15 with: "The Department or the managed care"; and

On page 10, by replacing line 25 with: "fee-for-service system until the State makes a"; and

On page 10, by replacing line 26 with: "determination on the applicant's Medicaid"; and

On page 11, by replacing line 1 with: "long-term care application."; and

On page 11, by deleting lines 2 through 12; and

On page 11, immediately after line 12, by inserting the following:

“(3) Provisional Eligibility as enacted in this amendatory Act of the 100<sup>th</sup> General Assembly shall be repealed when the combined backlog of long term care applications and admissions has been reduced by 80 percent or more from its 2018 peak. When that mark is reached, the Director of the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall send a letter to the Governor and the leaders of the four legislative caucuses indicating that the backlog has been reduced by at least 80 percent. Provisional eligibility as enacted in this amendatory Act of the 100<sup>th</sup> General Assembly shall be repealed upon the date these letters are sent.

(4) The Department shall recover all amounts paid to a provider for any individual while provisionally eligible if the individual’s application is not approved. The Department shall recover money pursuant to this section either by set off, crediting against future billings, by requiring direct repayment to the Department, or by any process permitted by law.”.

With these changes, House Bill 4771 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 21, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today, I return House Bill 4811 with specific recommendations for change.

This legislation makes reasonable changes and cleans up the language surrounding Chicago pension funds by adjusting to whom certain annuity payments should be directed and pension boards’ liability for the actions of financial institutions that receive funds.

However, it also creates policies harmful to the accountability of these funds. This legislation would allow disability status to be examined less than annually, eroding the current accountability requirements. This would allow for unnecessary opportunities for abuse, which could affect the availability of funds for disabled participants who are deserving of them.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4811, entitled “AN ACT concerning public employee benefits”, with the following specific recommendations for change:

On page 11, by replacing line 23 with: “year by”.

With these changes, House Bill 4811 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 14, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today, I return House Bill 4923 with specific recommendations for change.

When the Secure Choice Savings program was implemented, there were valid concerns raised about the unintended consequences of mandating participation in the program. For example, there are legitimate issues raised that the program will result in fewer small retirement plans being offered by employers, the possibility that existing small plans may be terminated, and concerns about the viability under federal law of this program.

Rigorous economic analysis studying these effects has yet to satisfy concerns about unintended consequences. Furthermore, federal guidance on the relationship of state programs like this to federal ERISA law has changed since the underlying legislation was passed, and the Illinois Secure Choice program in particular has suffered from delays and poor implementation. While this legislation as passed makes some marginal beneficial changes to the reporting structure of Secure Choice to better monitor its investments and progress, a change that could actually provide some comfort about the uncertainty surrounding the program would be to make it optional for employers to participate in as a retirement option for their employees.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4923, entitled "AN ACT concerning employment", with the following specific recommendations for change:

On page 1, by replacing line 5 with "is amended by changing Sections 45, 60, 65, and 80 as follows:"

On page 2, immediately after line 24, by inserting the following:

"(820 ILCS 80/60)

Sec. 60. Program implementation and enrollment. Except as otherwise provided in Section 93 of this Act, the Program shall be implemented, and enrollment of employees shall begin in 2018. The Board shall establish an implementation timeline under which employers ~~shall~~may enroll their employees into the Program. The timeline shall include the date by which an employer ~~must~~may begin enrollment of its employees into the Program and the date by which enrollment must be complete. The Board shall adopt the implementation timeline at a public meeting of the Board and shall publicize the implementation timeline. The Board shall provide advance notice to employers of their enrollment date and the amount of time to complete enrollment. The Board's implementation timeline shall ensure that all employees are required to be enrolled into the Program by December 31, 2020. The provisions of this Section shall be in force after the Board opens the Program for enrollment.

(a) Each employer ~~shall~~may establish a payroll deposit retirement savings arrangement to allow each employee to participate in the Program within the timeline set by the Board after the Program opens for enrollment.

(b) Employers ~~shall~~may automatically enroll in the Program each of their employees who has not opted out of participation in the Program using the form described in subsection (c) of Section 55 of this Act and ~~shall~~may provide payroll deduction retirement savings arrangements for such employees and deposit, on behalf of such employees, these funds into the Program. Small employers may, but are not required to, provide payroll deduction retirement savings arrangements for each employee who elects to participate in the Program. Small employers' use of automatic enrollment for employees is subject to final rules from the United States Department of Labor. Utilization of automatic enrollment by small employers may be allowed only if it does not create employer liability under the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act.

(c) Enrollees shall have the ability to select a contribution level into the Fund. This level may be expressed as a percentage of wages or as a dollar amount up to the deductible amount for the enrollee's taxable year under Section 219(b)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code. Enrollees may change their contribution level at any time, subject to rules promulgated by the Board. If an enrollee fails to select a contribution level using the form described in subsection (c) of Section 55 of this Act, then he or she shall contribute the default contribution rate of his or her wages to the Program, provided that such contributions shall not cause the enrollee's total contributions to IRAs for the year to exceed the deductible amount for the enrollee's taxable year under Section 219(b)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(d) Enrollees may select an investment option from the permitted investment options listed in Section 45 of this Act. Enrollees may change their investment option at any time, subject to rules promulgated by the Board. In the event that an enrollee fails to select an investment option, that enrollee shall be placed in the investment option selected by the Board as the default under subsection (c) of Section 45 of this Act. If the Board has not selected a default investment option under subsection (c) of Section 45 of this Act, then an enrollee who fails to select an investment option shall be placed in the life-cycle fund investment option.

(e) Following initial implementation of the Program pursuant to this Section, at least once every year, participating employers shall designate an open enrollment period during which employees who previously opted out of the Program may enroll in the Program.

(f) An employee who opts out of the Program who subsequently wants to participate through the participating employer's payroll deposit retirement savings arrangement may only enroll during the participating employer's designated open enrollment period or if permitted by the participating employer at an earlier time.

(g) Employers shall retain the option at all times to set up any type of employer-sponsored retirement plan, such as a defined benefit plan or a 401(k), Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) plan, or Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees (SIMPLE) plan, or to offer an automatic enrollment payroll deduction IRA, ~~instead of having a payroll deposit retirement savings arrangement to allow employee participation in the Program.~~

(h) An employee may terminate his or her participation in the Program at any time in a manner prescribed by the Board.

(i) The Board shall establish and maintain an Internet website designed to assist employers in identifying private sector providers of retirement arrangements that can be set up by the employer rather than allowing employee participation in the Program under this Act; however, the Board shall only establish and maintain an Internet website under this subsection if there is sufficient interest in such an Internet website by private sector providers and if the private sector providers furnish the funding necessary to establish and maintain the Internet website. The Board must provide public notice of the availability of and the process for inclusion on the Internet website before it becomes publicly available. This Internet website must be available to the public before the Board opens the Program for enrollment, and the Internet website address must be included on any Internet website posting or other materials regarding the Program offered to the public by the Board.” With these changes, House Bill 4923 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 21, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I return House Bill 5104, an amendment to the Unified Code of Corrections, with specific recommendations for change.

It is essential that we ensure inmates in the Department of Corrections have access to health care for check-ups and for specialty care. Current law allows an indigent inmate to see a doctor or dentist without paying a co-pay and other inmates to see doctors for a \$5 co-pay. This legislation would eliminate the co-pay for every inmate receiving medical or dental treatment.

It is important to balance the need to provide medical services with potential abuses of a free medical system that could create significant backlogs in an already overburdened Corrections healthcare system. For that reason, I recommend reducing the current \$5 co-pay for inmates to \$3.90, the co-pay for Medicaid recipients in Illinois.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 5104, entitled “AN ACT concerning criminal law”, with the following specific recommendations for change:

By replacing line 20 on page 4 through line 21 on page 5 with the following:

“by the Department. The Department shall require the committed person receiving medical or dental services on a non-emergency basis to pay a \$53.90 co-payment to the Department for each visit for medical or dental services. The amount of each co-payment shall be deducted from the committed person's individual account. A committed person who has a chronic illness, as defined by Department rules and regulations, shall be exempt from the \$53.90 co-payment for treatment of the chronic illness. A committed person shall not be subject to a \$53.90 co-payment for follow-up visits ordered by a physician, who is employed by, or contracts with, the Department. A committed person

who is indigent is exempt from the \$53.90 co-payment and is entitled to receive medical or dental services on the same basis as a committed person who is financially able to afford the co-payment. For purposes of this Section only, "indigent" means a committed person who has \$20 or less in his or her Inmate Trust Fund at the time of such services and for the 30 days prior to such services. Notwithstanding any other provision in this subsection (f) to the contrary, any person committed to any facility operated by the Department of Juvenile Justice, as set forth in Section 3-2.5-15 of this Code, is exempt from the co-payment requirement for the duration of confinement in those facilities."

With these changes, House Bill 5104 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 21, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I return House Bill 5177 from the 100th General Assembly, which clarifies an issue in law that prohibited the transfer of service credits for Chicago police officers who retired from prior service with the Cook County Sheriff's Department.

This legislation would correct a misinterpretation of law caused by the Retirement Board of the Policemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of the City of Chicago, which in 1992 stopped crediting this group of officers for their past service. This is a considerate approach to ensure these hardworking men and women are recognized properly.

House Bill 5177 needs to be balanced, however, with correct principles of due process. As the legislation is currently written, it is not narrowly tailored to the officers who were adversely affected by the Board's decisions from 1992 to 2008. Instead, HB 5177 opens up for redetermination *all* of the Board's denial decisions made on these sheriff classes prior to 2008. This goes beyond fixing the problem the legislature sought to solve and unnecessarily allows for anyone to appeal who did not agree the Board's proper decisions before 1992 as well.

There should be, as much as can be achieved, finality to administrative decisions and clarity about the rights and privileges of those who come before the State's boards and commissions. House Bill 5177 unnecessarily introduces uncertainty about cases that closed before 1992. A narrow approach to resolve the obvious and defined problem that prompted this legislation is more appropriate.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 5177, entitled "AN ACT concerning public employee benefits," with the following specific recommendation for change:

On page 2, by replacing lines 16 through 19 with the following:

"civilian employee of the department. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the board shall reconsider an application for credit for service under this item (c) that was submitted after January 1, 1992 and before April 1, 2008 and was denied."

With these changes, House Bill 5177 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 21, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today, I return House Bill 5195 with specific recommendations for change.

This legislation creates an avenue for students who do not have access to school-sponsored transportation to obtain said transportation, if the student's route to school poses a safety hazard due to "a course or pattern of criminal activity."

As written, House Bill 5195 explicitly excludes Chicago Public Schools due to the fact that Chicago already has legislation governing the safe travel of students to and from school. That law, which includes Chicago's Safe Passage Program, only applies to Chicago Public Schools and utilizes a different process and set of criteria to guarantee the safe travel of students than is proposed in House Bill 5195.

All students in Illinois, regardless of zip code, have the right to safely travel to and from school, and our government has a responsibility to protect that right. However, access to safe transit for students across the state should be evaluated and granted comparably, without any exceptions or carve-outs for particular cities or jurisdictions.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 5195, entitled "AN ACT concerning education," with the following recommendation for change:

By replacing page 2, line 25 through page 3, line 1 with:

"Omnibus Prevention Act. Such transportation, if provided due to vehicular traffic or rail crossings, shall not be provided if adequate transportation for the public is available. Such transportation, if provided due to a course or pattern of criminal activity, may be provided notwithstanding if adequate transportation for the public is available."; and

On page 5, by deleting lines 6 through 9.

With these changes, House Bill 5195 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

August 17, 2018

To the Honorable Members of  
The Illinois House of Representatives,  
100th General Assembly:

Today I return House Bill 5689 to remove unnecessary and unwarranted language requiring employee class representatives on the State Mining Board and the Miners Examining Board to be union members.

As presented to me, this legislation makes certain safety standards utilized in underground mines in Illinois consistent with federal regulations. This legislation was intended to enhance safety regulations in mining in Illinois in a number of ways, providing for an optional walk test to determine a safe and appropriate distance between containers of breathing devices and refuge chambers as permitted by the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration. It also increases the number of Self Contained Self Rescuers that must be located throughout the mine in to conform with federal regulations. These enhancements were the product of lengthy negotiations between the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, coal mining industry, and safety regulators and I fully support making sure our miners are working in the safest possible conditions.

However, the language requiring employee members of the State Mining Board and the Miners' Examining Board to be union-affiliated does not speak to these core safety objectives and is unnecessary and, by creating an arbitrary restriction on membership, will filter out candidates for appointment who are best positioned to affect the safety goals of this legislation. The coal mining industry in Illinois has changed considerably over time, with the last union coal mine in Illinois closing in 2013. Appointments like these should be based upon



qualifications and expertise regardless of union membership. Moreover, membership on State boards and commissions should represent to the greatest extent possible the diverse experience of the people of Illinois, and this bill in its current form is in opposition with that goal. I am revising this legislation so that it can serve its intended safety purpose without being unnecessarily politicized.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 5689, entitled "AN ACT concerning regulation," with the following specific recommendations for change:

On page 1, by replacing lines 23 through page 2, line 10 with the following:

- “(3) Two mine officers from the employee class shall have 4 years' years experience in an underground coal mine and ~~shall hold certificates a first class certificate~~ as an Illinois mine examiner.
- (4) The third mine officer from the employee class shall have at least 4 years' years experience in a surface coal mine.”

On page 4, by replacing lines 11 through 15 with the following:

“the members of the Miners' Examining Board shall be employees of coal mines. Two of the members of the Miners' Examining Board shall be from the employing class.”

With these changes, House Bill 5689 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner  
GOVERNOR

#### **HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING**

Having been reproduced, the following bills were taken up, read by title a second time and held on the order of Second Reading: HOUSE BILLS 5983 and 5985.

#### **SENATE BILLS ON SECOND READING**

Having been reproduced, the following bills were taken up, read by title a second time and held on the order of Second Reading: SENATE BILLS 938 and 1469.

At the hour of 5:04 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.