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Speaker Lang: "The hour of 9 o'clock having arrived, the House will be in order. We shall be led in prayer today by Lee Crawford, the Pastor of the Cathedral of Praise Christian Center in Springfield. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off cell phones, and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Crawford."

Pastor Crawford: "Let us pray. Gracious and most sovereign God, who art the author and the finisher of our faith. You are the lord of lords and the king of kings and beside You there is no other that we humbly bow before. We reverence You, oh God, this day as a holy God and we ask of You Your blessings to be upon this august Assembly, upon the Speaker of this House, upon each one of its Leaders, and all of his Members, and all of their families. Bless them today, oh God, as they deliberate that Your infinite wisdom would grant them wisdom, that Your awesome power would grant them strength, that Your holy spirit would grant them direction and provide them guidance. God, may You allow them to see clearly in dark times, to hear from You more clearly during noisy moments, that during these times they may not compromise Your truth or their integrity, that they not forsake Your ways or lower their standards so that they would be willing to do that which is good, which is the most perfect will and most precious will of God, that You would be glorified and well pleased. This we ask humbly in Your Son's name. Amen."

Speaker Lang: "We will be led in the Pledge by Mr. Andrade."

Andrade - et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands,

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one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Speaker Lang: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representatives Drury, Gabel, and Hernandez are excused today."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer."

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representatives Bourne, Morrison, Phillips, Reis, Sauer, Sosnowski, and Spain are excused for the day."

Speaker Lang: "We shall miss them all, Sir. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. We have 107 Members answering the Roll and we do have a quorum. Mr. Harris on a point of personal privilege to tell us, I think, what's right about Illinois."

Harris, D.: "Well, Mr. Speaker, thank you very much and good morning to you. And as a point of personal privilege, I do rise. And I will tell you something that's right about Illinois. And you often hear news about how there's an exodus of people leaving our state, well I'll tell you there's also an infusion of people coming in to our state because tourism records... our tourism is setting records in the State of Illinois. The Mayor of Chicago said that in the first 2 months of this year, January and February, hotel demand increased by 12.5 percent. The city has held more meetings and conventions in the first months of 2018 than it did during the same period in many previous years. And that comes on the heels of unprecedented tourism numbers in 2017, when an estimated 55 million people visited the city. So we have lots of reasons

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for folks to come to Illinois and we welcome them all. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Sir. Sounds like a lot of people want to visit our great state. Mr. Swanson is recognized."

Swanson: "Good morning, Leader. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Swanson: "Thank you, Sir. I would like to introduce some constituents from my district up in the... my right side here in the gallery. If they would please stand. Jennifer Russell and her two children, Lauryn and Laryssa. Many of you probably received an email from Lauryn in reference to Lyme disease. Today I hope we take action on an act that will be referred to as the Lauren Russell Lyme Disease Prevention and Protection Act. They're here today to observe and watch our votes. Thank you very much, and welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Sir. Welcome to Springfield. We're glad you're here with us today. Mr. Butler is recognized."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to add a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Butler: "Another good one since Representative Harris talked about good things about Illinois. Celebratory fact on someone who moved to Illinois, who stands century and statue outside this very Body. One hundred and ninety-six years ago today Ulysses Grant was born. And he rose to prominence as an Illinoisan, as we all know, but it's as President he did some wonderful things that he did not get a lot of credit for. He championed the 15th Amendment which gave voting rights to African-American men, he signed the 1875 Civil Rights Act, he created

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the justice department. And today I introduced House Resolution 1031 that will designate November 3 of this year as Ulysses Grant Day in Illinois. It will be the Sesquicentennial, the 150th anniversary of Grant's election as President. And during this Bicentennial year we're honored to celebrate those of Illinoisans who've risen to prominence and make us Illinois proud. So today I say happy birthday to President Grant. Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "I'm sure he heard you. Thank you. Representative Finnie is recognized."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise on a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Phelps: "Thank you. Up to my left, in the gallery here, if you'll all stand. I have Matt and Ann Eisenhower and their two boys, Luke and Walker Eisenhower, 15 and 13 years old. I just met them this morning. They're from my district, a little old town called Harco. And I want everybody to know they're apart of the Team Pact Program which I knew nothing about until this morning. This allows teenagers to understand how government works and actually puts them in mock situations where they're able to debate bills and things. So this is a fantastic program and I hope that we can bring it. I think many of you probably knew about it and I didn't. I'm hoping to expand it in our district. So thank you all for coming and these are two really impressive young men. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you very much. Thanks for joining us. Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "Committee Reports. Representative Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules, reports the following committee action taken on April 27, 2018: recommends be adopted and referred to the floor is Floor Amendments 2 and 3 to House Bill 4643, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5272, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5345, Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5777 and Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 5832."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer is recognized."

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "You may proceed."

Demmer: "I'd like the House to join me in welcoming, I have two special guests here today who are serving as Pages on the House floor. My nephews have made a trip over from Marion, Iowa. Daniel and Noah Evans are here today. My sister, Erin Evans, in the gallery above us here. I just want to have everybody welcome them to the House chamber. If you've got any tasks for them they would love to be doing some work today in the State of Illinois. Thanks very much."

Speaker Lang: "Hey guys. Thanks for being with us today. Good to see you. House Bill 4594, Mr. Andersson. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4594, a Bill for an Act concerning fees, fines, and assessments. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1, 2, and 4 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Andersson."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 1 realigns a variety of the fees that are charged to the various agencies

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for purposes of the Criminal Traffic and Assessment Act. I would ask for an 'aye' vote on thee."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Andersson."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #2 is technical. When we did Floor Amendment..."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #4 is offered by Representative Andersson."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson."

Andersson: "Thank you. Floor Amendment #4 realigns a few more fees due to negotiations with the Attorney General's Office."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4594, a Bill for an Act concerning fees, fines, and assessments. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4594 is an important initiative that I've been working on for three and a half years at this point. This is a result of the Statutory

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Fees Task Force, which I think many of you have heard of in a variety of Bills this Session. It's a very important initiative. We were told, we being the State of Illinois and all the states of the Union, that our fee structure for fines and fees in criminal cases and civil cases is completely out of control. What has happened is we have... we have effectively charged a tax on all our residents that has nothing to do with the... the fines or the charges in the criminal courts that they have been charged with. So you end up with cases where a traffic defendant ends up being charged with something related to, you name it, firefighting so to speak. So what the task force... task force did, and it was a task force comprised of supreme... the Supreme Court assigning judges, the Illinois Legislator which included myself, Senator Mulroe, and retired Representative Elaine Nekritz, and members of the Clerks Association, along with the Executive Branch. We studied the issue to determine how best to resolve the issue. The result of that is House Bill 4594. The Bill fundamentally does three things. One, it makes all of our fines... or all of our fees, not fines... all of our fees consolidated... it consolidates all of our fees into unified schedules. So that now, at present, the clerks of the 102 counties currently collect the fees in 102 different ways. They're dispirit. They're out of control. This will make it transparent and uniform. Number two, it will realign them so we comply with Supreme Court's requirement to make this constitutional. And number three, and in my opinion probably most importantly, it will provide for waivers for low income individuals and the working poor, and the working poor. So we're going to do some

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very important changes. This will be a seed change in how we do criminal assessments in the State of Illinois. And we will lead the nation in this reform. It's important to understand also who supports the Bill. Interestingly enough I have in front of me a letter from the Illinois Supreme Court, somewhat rare. The Judicial Branch does not typically weigh in on pending legislation. They made an exception this time and uniformly recommended adoption of House Bill 4594 because of the importance and the need for it. And it comes with a little bit of an implicit threat. Which is that if we don't do this they will find a way to fix it but the way they fix it will not be how we fix it, they will declare the fees unconstitutional. So we need to address this. This isn't an option. But more importantly than that I have the support of a great number of social service agencies, too many to list. We also have the support of the fire marshal, who is actually voluntarily taking a reduction in fees because they know once the uniformity of this Bill comes in to play they will probably receive more money, even though individual defendants will pay less. We have the support of the Illinois Farm Bureau, a critical group. We have the... the support of the Illinois Truckers, again another important group. I could go on and on. The State Police as well support. This is an important Bill and an important initiative. I am very happy to answer any questions. And I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Members, we have a lot of Bills. It's Friday. It's deadline day. We need to keep the noise down in the chamber please. We need to keep our decorum. And we need to adhere strictly to the rules of the House. Additionally, the Chair

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would appreciate it if people in debate were not redundant. We would like to get through as many Bills as we can. The first speaker is Mr. Wehrli."

Wehrli: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Wehrli: "Representative, we've received a couple emails from groups that are opposed to this Bill, crime stopper organizations, things like that. Could you give some assurances that they're not going to be negatively impacted by this Bill?"

Andersson: "Absolutely. And I'm glad that you asked the question. One of... one of the concerns of law enforcement, at the local level, is what will this do. And they've largely been driven by the group called the Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board, a critically important organization. They provide the training to our local police. Their concern is will this impact us because it's such a major shift. We have done extensive analysis. Unfortunately, you can't get 102 different counties to agree on the numbers. So what we did is we took data from a variety of sample counties, including Cook County, the largest in the state, DuPage County, quite honestly the most advanced in the state for their clerk's computing system, Champaign County, Winnebago County, and a few smaller counties. And what we were able to do is come up with an average of what we believe the collections will be. We took the most conservative conviction rates we could find, most conservative. So these are low estimates. We also took the most conservative collection rates. As a result of that we were able to put together a spreadsheet to show that local

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law enforcement, in our most recent analysis, provides that they will receive more under the Bill, not less. Their concern is that they're going to receive less. They're not. They're going to receive more. But more... perhaps most importantly on that question is I understand their concern, I'd be concerned too. So we've backstopped that. And the way we backstopped that is the implementation date for this Bill, should it pass, will be July of 2019. But we've also provided a sunset clause and that is one year later. So that if we are... if are wrong, I don't think we are wrong on our estimates, but if are wrong there will be the requirement of this Legislature to adjust those fees. So we've got this covered."

Wehrli: "Representative, I thank you for your answers and your hard work on this. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Andersson: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Gordon-Booth."

Gordon-Booth: "Mr. Speaker, I'll be succinct. Moment of... excuse me. To the Bill. Thank you, Representative Andersson, for working on this important piece of legislation for the last three years. This... Bills like this are game changing in communities across this state for people that need this kind of relief. This was not an easy task, I know, but you were relentless in the effort to try to bring an opportunity for people who are suffering under the pressure of fines and fees which is... which have often acted as a backdoor tax to many people living in and around this state. The disparity that exists as it relates to fines and fees, it was specifically laid out in the task force. And again, I want to thank you

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for your hard work and your leadership. I encourage everyone to vote 'aye' on this important piece of legislation."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I just want compliment the Sponsor of this legislation. He worked hard with former Representative Elaine Nekritz and the other sponsors up there on the board. This was a really important issue to try to wade through all of those... those fines and fees that are out there in the court system. They did an absolutely fabulous job and I congratulate each and every one of them. And I hope it flies out of here with no... with no negative votes. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "That's three in support. Representative Ammons, do you rise in support or in opposition?"

Ammons: "I rise in the middle, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Do you have questions of the Sponsor?"

Ammons: "Yes, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed."

Ammons: "Thank you. Representative, I certainly acknowledge the work that you and the commission has done on this and it's a very difficult topic. But I do want to draw back to something that you said and get clarity on the point. If a body, a local body, after this reform is put into place, feels that it does not reach or meet their obligation how is that going to be addressed again?"

Andersson: "Yes. Thank you. So the way that that's addressed is through the sunset clause. In... January of 2021 the Bill would... would sunset all the fees. Obviously that is not possible. We can't allow that to happen. So this Legislature will, during

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the spring of 2020, have to review it and make sure that it's working correctly. If it does not, if we see signs that the funds are... are being reduced to any particular agency or local government, we can adjust them. And we will have to adjust them quite frankly because, again, the intent here is not to hurt any agency. We want in fact to continue supporting them the way that we have. And I know that the Bill will do that. But on the off chance that it doesn't you'll have the opportunity very directly to address that."

Ammons: "Can I... can I clarify something here? When the Court Fines and Fees Task Force was put in place the initiative was to review the impact of those court fines and fees on the community, on the agency but in particular from the experience of the poor and the minority community the court fines and fees had a constitutional question behind it. And what I'm hearing..."

Andersson: "Absolutely."

Ammons: "...unfortunately, I'd like for you to clarify, is that if an agencies budget is impacting they have the ability then to say I need more money therefore we can adjust these fees upward if we need to?"

Andersson: "Well I don't think it's so much of an upward because, again, you're going to have the chance as the Legislature to review the entire packet. So again, our goal is not really to increase any agencies budget. So if we find that some of them have benefited disproportionality and others have suffered then the adjustment could be made without impacting the individual people who are having to pay these fines and fees. And again, remember there's something critically important

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about this Bill for the poor and the working poor is the waiver system we've put into effect here. These folks who cannot afford this, who cannot afford this at all, will be able to not have to pay them. So that backlog of expungements that can't be expunged because of the fact that there's outstanding fees that's not going to happen anymore. And we're not talking a small amount. The people who will qualify for the waiver either completely or on a sliding scale goes up to 400 percent of the poverty level, 400 percent. We're really impacting the working poor here. And yet, in spite of that, our calculations show that we are able to balance it out. And some people might ask how do you that? The reason is because the disparity in the way that it's collected through 102 counties. By creating uniformity we can actually bring down the numbers and still deliver to the agencies and departments what they need."

Ammons: "Just final two thoughts, Mr. Speaker. Just one is that I'm wondering in this process, and I haven't seen it in this draft, but is there a process by which that is explicit in this language that would collect and track the data over the next few years until we get to the point to review prior to the sunset?"

Andersson: "Yes. We have a provision in the Bill providing for data collection. And quite frankly the clerks are anxious to do that. They've been working with us. Like I said it's been difficult to get the information because of the disparity in the 102 counties. In fact, I went to COGFA at the request of a number of Representatives in the State Government Committee that this went through to try to get better data and even

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COGFA had to acknowledge to me that they couldn't get the data. So we're very anxious get this data as we flow along. So..."

Ammons: "I thank you... I thank you for answering the questions. Just 30 seconds. To the Bill. This is probably one of greatest reforms that we will do out of this chamber in this Session. And for us as Legislators we have to make sure we keep our hands on the wheel on this system. The General Assembly, as well as the Supreme Court, is questioning the constitutionality of fines and fees today. So even if we pass this legislation there is still a question of the constitutionality of fines and fees being placed on a citizen who has demonstrated clearly they have no ability to pay. And so I hope that this Session we not only look at that but in... if there was a middle button, and there is called 'present'..."

Speaker Lang: "Please finish your remarks."

Ammons: "Ten seconds. I will certainly weigh clearly today through this debate which one of these buttons I'll push because my heart is there with you Mr. Andersson but my mind is certainly believing that this is unconstitutional. So I appreciate you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson to close."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I appreciate the former speaker's comments. I can assure you the Bill is not unconstitutional. The Bill is driven by the questions that the Supreme Court has asked of us. And... and I appreciate that although she wants a middle button what I... what I would argue is that perfect is the enemy of the good. And this is such a major undertaking that we cannot expect it to be perfect which

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is why we developed the stop gap of a review. This is the way we need to go, Ladies and Gentlemen. Without this what you could see is the Supreme Court on a given declaring all of the current system unconstitutional. For those agencies that fear the Bill because they're worried that it may work out they should be very afraid of that court order declaring all of the fees unconstitutional all at once. I would like to thank the number of people who have worked on this Bill with me for three and a half years. Quite honestly the list is too long, the list is too long. But in particular, former Representative Elaine Nekritz and her partner now John Andoor. Without their work, without their help we would never be at the point of calling this Bill. I also want to thank the Association of the Illinois Circuit Clerks. Again, without their data, without the relentless efforts in actually drafting the particular pieces of the Bill, again we could not possibly be here. And also I'd like to thank the Farm Bureau, the truckers, and every social service agency that has listed in support of my Bill. Without them we couldn't do this. This is a truly bipartisan effort to cure a constitutional issue. I ask for your support. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Flowers. Manley. Stewart. Please take the record. There are 89 voting 'yes', 17 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Members, there are over 60 Bills to call. If we're going to spend 15 minutes on each of them we're going to be

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here a very long time. So when you propose your Amendments do them fast and I may be cutting some of you off as you explain them. Please forgive me. We're going to try to move through this Calendar. So if anybody feels aggrieved you just march right up here and tell me. House Bill 5104, Representative Ammons. Please read the Bill. You have a Floor Amendment. Please put the Bill on the Order of Second Reading and please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5104, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 2 have been adopted. Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Ammons."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you. Floor Amendment #3 is a correction. DJJ, and DOC, and I have been working on this Bill for a few months. And it makes sure that each of those institutions are not charging our indigent inmates a copay."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor... Mr. Demmer, do you wish to speak on... thank you. Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5104, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ammons, did you already explain the Bill?"

Ammons: "Yes, I did."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer."

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Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Demmer: "Representative, we've adopted the third Amendment. With that Amendment do you know of any opposition?"

Ammons: "There is no opposition to this Bill."

Demmer: "Thank you, Representative."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Stay by your switches, Members. Have all voted who... who which... I'll get it. Burke. Please take the record. There are 106 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5978, Representative Bristow. Excuse me. House Bill 4578, Representative Bristow. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4578, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Bristow, can you handle this for Mr. Hoffman?"

Bristow: "I can."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Bristow: "There are two Amendments. House Bill 4578 is an initiative of the Secretary of State. It reduces the late filing fees on LLCs from \$300 to \$100..."

Speaker Lang: "Representative, on the Amendment. Are you going to handle the Amendment for Mr. Hoffman?"

Bristow: "Yes, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Just tell us what the Amendment does please."

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Bristow: "That is what it... that's what Amendment 3 does, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "I'm sorry. Proceed."

Bristow: "And Amendment 2 eliminates language that prohibited the use of the word Olympic in a business name. No opposition and has the support of the National Federation of Independent Business."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4578, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative, have you already described the Bill?"

Bristow: "I have, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Ammons. Guzzardi. Moylan. Please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Demmer is recognized."

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representative Fortner is excused for the day."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you. House Bill 5632, Mr. Mitchell. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5632, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Mitchell."

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Mitchell, C.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So this is a Bill addressing sort of a twofold problem. One in Chicago, one downstate with small municipalities where there's a feeling there's excessive use of sirens. We had an Amendment that addressed life safety concerns that removed... or moved the Ambulance Association to neutral. There may be still some work on this in the Senate but I think it's in pretty good shape. I welcome your questions but ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4495, Mr. Thapedi. Please read the Bill. There is a Floor Amendment. Please put the Bill on the Order of Second Reading and read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4495, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 2 and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Thapedi."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Thapedi."

Thapedi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #2 removes the opposition of the Illinois Board of Higher Education, the Illinois State Board of Education, as well as the Community College Board. It further garners the support of the Operating Engineers and the Illinois Manufacturers. I move for its adoption."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Thapedi."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Thapedi."

Thapedi: "I don't want to adopt that at this time, Mr. Speaker. Would you please move the Bill to Third Reading?"

Speaker Lang: "You wish to withdraw the Amendment?"

Thapedi: "I do not wish withdraw it. I just want to keep it where it is right now and move the Bill to Third Reading."

Speaker Lang: "There has to be some action. You can table or withdraw, Sir."

Thapedi: "Then I'll take it out of the record."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you. House Bill 5345, Representative Lilly. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5345, a Bill... Bill for an Act concerning health. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Lilly."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Amendment adds some information related to doing a study in reference to Illinoisans having access to healthcare."

Speaker Lang: "Representative, I think we have to wait 'til after 10:08 to do your Amendment because it came out of Rules at 9:08. So we'll get back to you. Thank you. House Bill 4515, Mr. Swanson. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4515, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Swanson."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Swanson."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move that we adopt Amendment 1."

Speaker Lang: "Well that's great but just tell us what it does, Sir."

Swanson: "Amendment 1 does become the Bill. Amendment 1 creates a Lyme Disease Task Force and also it amends the Medical Practice Act."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4515, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Swanson."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As mentioned earlier this Act is to be referred to as the Lauryn Russell Lyme Disease Prevention and Protection Act. What this Act does it requires the Illinois Department of Public Health to create a Lyme Disease Task Force. And also, as mentioned, it amends the Medical Practice Act that requires the treatment of Lyme disease in certain individuals."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr.

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Swanson, it's your Bill you want to vote for it? Thank you, Sir. Please take the record. There are 103 voting 'yes', 2 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Meier is recognized."

Meier: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Meier: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Today I'm very honored to have my sister, Linda Knolhoff and her husband in the gallery behind me with my nephew and my great niece, Victoria and my great-nephew, Jackson. And I don't know I can't tell if they're standing up back there or not. They're over there to the right of me now. So..."

Speaker Lang: "Hello. Welcome. Thanks for joining us."

Meier: "As you can tell... work getting done on the farm today we're all up here."

Speaker Lang: "House Bill 4781, Representative Kelly Burke. Kelly Burke. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4781, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4781, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Burke."

Burke, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4781 requires community colleges or universities to use their best efforts to hire a veteran of the armed services to fill the position of coordinator of veterans and military personnel student

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services. So this is a position that is currently in State Law. It's just asking them to use best efforts to hire a veteran for that position. I know of no opponents and I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Wallace. Please take the record. On this question, there are 105 'yes', no one voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4331, Mr. Connor. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4331, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 2 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Connor."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Connor."

Connor: "Floor Amendment #1 changes a reporting requirement to an electronic reporting requirement."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Connor."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Connor."

Connor: "Floor Amendment #2 takes the Illinois hospitals out of this particular reporting requirement as they are covered for this reporting requirement under another section."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4331, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Connor."

Connor: "This Bill requires coroners to report opioid overdose information to the Department of Public Health. The only issue that we're currently working on has to do with the Bureau of Vital Statistics already receives this information. We're trying to make it as... basically as least restrictive on coroners."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4686, Mr. Bennett. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4686, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4686, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bennett."

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Bennett: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4686 is an initiative of the Department on Aging. This Bill seeks to clarify statute in prohibiting a conflict of interest between guardians and wards that are built for persons with disabilities. Currently the Probate Act prohibits a court from appointing an agency as guardian of a ward who's also responsible for providing residential services to the ward. This Bill will also clarify that an employee of the residential service agency may not be guardian for a ward receiving its services. Court county courts have already interpreted statute to include employees of a residential service agency. This Bill will clarify the prohibition on this conflict of interest across the state. It's an important piece of legislation that protects a very vulnerable population from a conflict of interest. Basically this is going to pass out of committee eleven to zero. And it's supported by the Illinois Long-Term Care Ombudsman and several others. And I think I'll stop. I urge an 'aye' vote please, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "You should've just started with that. Mr. Guzzardi is recognized. By the way it's Mr. Guzzardi's birthday today. You are recognized, Sir."

Guzzardi: "Thank you. Thank you very much for the well wishes, Mr. Speaker. Question of the Sponsor."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed."

Guzzardi: "Lightening quick Representative, I see on our analysis AFSCME is listed as opposed. Are they still opposed and if so can you very quickly explain their opposition?"

Bennett: "AFSCME did put in a slip to oppose but they did not provide a verbal response. I did talk with them afterwards,

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not realizing they had done that, and they understood that we're trying to do is protect a very vulnerable group with the idea of a conflict of interest and they were okay with that. So I mean, the slip is still there but they understood what we were trying to do."

Guzzardi: "Okay. Thanks, Representative."

Bennett: "Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Conyears-Ervin. Evans. Gordon-Booth. Mitchell. Welch. Yingling. Please take the record. There are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5293, Mr. Costello. Mr. Costello. Out of the record. House Bill 5588, Mr. Crespo. Please read the Bill.

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5588, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Crespo."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Crespo."

Crespo: "Thank you, Speaker. The Amendment #1 to House Bill 5588 is a... is a negotiated Amendment with the IFT and other stakeholders that addresses some of the concerns that they have and adds some things to the Bill which I'll discuss during the... when we go over the Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5588, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Crespo."

Crespo: "Thank you, Speaker. This has to do with the Every Student Succeeds Act, which was signed into law in December of 2015, and replaces No Child Left Behind. It allows more flexibility for student assessments, performance standards, and interventions that the No Child Left Behind Program did before. Happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Harper. Thapedi. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Cavaletto is recognized."

Cavaletto: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #2..."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Cavaletto, were you recognized on a point..."

Cavaletto: "I want to be an 'aye' on the last vote please."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Sir. Record will reflect your intention. House Bill 4495, Mr. Thapedi. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of this Bill?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4495... Floor Amendment #3 has been approved for consideration, is offered by Representative Thapedi."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Thapedi."

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Thapedi: "Mr. Speaker, with respect to Floor Amendment #3 I'd like to withdraw that Amendment at this time and move the Bill to Third Reading."

Speaker Lang: "The Amendment is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. And you wish to hold this on Third, Sir?"

Thapedi: "Yes. I wish to hold it on Third."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you. House Bill 5777, Mr. Yingling. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. House Bill 4607, Mr. Cavaletto. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4607, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 2 and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Welter."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Welter. Mr. Cavaletto to handle the Amendment. Please proceed, Sir."

Cavaletto: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment 2 becomes the Bill. It provides that it is not a violation of the Kidnapping and Related Offenses Article of the Criminal Code of 2012 that the Department of Children and Family Services may not place a child in its custody or foster care on the basis that the child is transported to a hospital in another state if a person responsible for the child's welfare or reasonable believes that. And one, that the child needs emergency medical care or treatment because of the injury or illness. And two, the nearest health care facility that is capable of rendering sufficient medical care or treatment for that child's emergency medical condition is not in this state. And three,

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the failure to transport the child to another state will risk further illness or injury to that child. I see... and Amendment 2... 3 to the Bill adds that this removes exemption for the child's civil liability. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Welter."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Cavaletto on the Amendment. Did you already explain Amendment 3, Sir?"

Cavaletto: "Yes. Yes. Yes."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4607, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Cavaletto, did you already explain the Bill?"

Cavaletto: "I ask for an 'aye' vote, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Feigenholtz. Please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4420, Mr. Davis. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4420, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis."

Davis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill simply extends the sunset date of the Criminal Justice Task Force for another year."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Good work, Sir. Representative Ford is recognized."

Ford: "Mr. Speaker, point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Ford: "Mr. Speaker, will you please let the record reflect that I intended to vote 'yes' on House Bill 4515."

Speaker Lang: "Record will reflect your intentions, Sir. House Bill 5203, Mr. Davis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5203, a Bill for an Act concerning law enforcement training. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Davis."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis."

Davis: "Thank you very much. I ask for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2. And what Floor Amendment #2 simply does is that it makes specific references that in terms of police sensitivity training that there will be special circumstances given... or special consideration given to include victims who

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are 13 years of age or younger at the time the sexual assault takes place."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5203, a Bill for an Act concerning law enforcement training. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis, did you already explain the Bill?"

Davis: "Essentially yes."

Speaker Lang: "Those in... saved by Mr. Breen. You are recognized, Sir."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "And Representative, just so that I'm clear you're codifying current practice. So you're not adding additional mandates or burdens onto the... our police departments but you're codifying current practice really kind of directing to some of these trainings on the... subject of heinous crimes that are occurring?"

Davis: "Well the... the training process already exists. We're just asking for special sensitivity for victims who are 13 years of age or younger. And we specify in that in that. This is agreement amongst law enforcement. Ask for a 'yes' vote."

Breen: "Right. Okay. Good. It's all apart of the existing training..."

Davis: "Yes."

Breen: "...so not a new mandate?"

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Davis: "Yes."

Breen: "Thank you."

Davis: "Part of the existing training."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5286, Representative Feigenholtz. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5286, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, out of the record. House Bill 4416, Representative Fine. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4416, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 2 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Fine."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Fine."

Fine: "Yes. Floor Amendment 1 highlights the information necessary for drivers to apply to drive for transportation network carriers."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Fine."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Fine."

Fine: "Floor Amendment 2 takes away all opposition from the Bill."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4416, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Fine."

Fine: "The Amendment explained the legislation."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "Representative, many of us in the chamber are regular users of Uber, Lyft, and the like. What exactly is your Bill doing?"

Fine: "What the Bill says is what you need to give to receive a background check in order to be a driver for one of these services. We had a situation in Glenview where there was an Uber driver that was pulled over and unfortunately he was driving a passenger while he was drunk. And when they went to check on his credentials to become a driver they didn't realize there were aliases and that he had suffered from DUIs in the past. So what this does is it says exactly what they're looking for when it comes to doing a background check so if there are any aliases it will be found out in that check."

Breen: "And just so that I'm clear, so you're adding a penalty too if someone falsifies that... that application that Uber or Lyft are relying upon to run the background checks?"

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Fine: "Exactly. It would be... the penalty would be on the driver or the applicant and not on the company."

Breen: "Thank you. Sounds like a good Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Turner. Please take the record. There are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4795, Mr. Demmer. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4795, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Demmer."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer."

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 represents agreed language between the department and the industry."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4795, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Demmer."

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4795 is an initiative of the Department of Human Services. It rewrites the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse Dependency Act to update it, modernize it, and bring it up to current best practices in the clinical industry. I ask for your support."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Hays. Please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 2367, Mr. Ford. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2367, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 2367. This Bill amends the State Law to allow the expungement of certain cannabis convictions that are not currently eligible, specifically convictions for possession under 10 grams and possession of paraphernalia. That is if they happen to... today it would be a civil violation and would automatically be expunged. In 2016 Rep Cassidy and the General Assembly passed Public Act 99-697 which made possession of 10 grams of cannabis or cannabis paraphernalia a petty offense punishable by a fine of between \$102 or \$200. And a conviction is automatically expunged after the final disposition of the case. Prior to that the possessions of a misdemeanor that was not eligible for expungement. This Bill fixes the discrepancy in the law so that any individual who has convicted... convictions of possessions of 10 grams of paraphernalia or cannabis will be able to have those records expunged after 3 years and the conclusion of their sentence. I'm open for any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

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Breen: "Yield my time to Mr. Reick."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Reick."

Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Reick: "Representative, we talked about this and I just want to clarify what you're saying is that what is now a misdemeanor used to be a felony. And so what you're saying is that expunging the records of those who were convicted under a felony statute, which would now be a misdemeanor, is just conforming the treatment of those people who were on one side of the fence from somebody who is on this side of the fence. Is that correct?"

Ford: "And for a correction they've always been misdemeanors but now they are eligible for petty offense civil violations only."

Reick: "I'm sorry."

Ford: "Yes."

Reick: "Okay."

Ford: "We talked about it and I appreciate you making that clear for the record."

Reick: "So what you're saying is... thank you. Thank you. Never mind."

Speaker Lang: "Mr.... this Bill is on Short Debate, so I'll give Mr. Wheeler the remaining 57 seconds from Mr. Reick. Proceed, Sir."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Wheeler, K.: "Representative, our analysis shows that even with the seven Amendments you've put on this... the sheriffs still opposed this. Is that accurate?"

Ford: "You are right."

Wheeler, K.: "And is that because they are trying to see if the effects of the many sealing and other processes we've gone through for the last two or three years have actually taken the correct effect?"

Ford: "The sheriffs they're opposed because they believe that they want to know."

Wheeler, K.: "I'm sorry. They what?"

Ford: "They want to know everything about past records of people that may have had run-ins with the law."

Wheeler, K.: "Okay 'cause our analysis shows that they want... I just understand effects of what we've already done over the last two years before we keep on changing the process that goes through."

Ford: "No. I actually had a long conversation with the Sheriff's Department and they believe that it's their right to know whether they're..."

Speaker Lang: "Please complete your remarks, Sir."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Again, current analysis here we have done a lot of these criminal sealing processes. I've voted for I think all of them but I think it's time to slow down here and take a look and make sure we have this right. And so... if this were agreed Bill I'd be more in favor of it. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Ford to close."

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Ford: "Well I just want to make sure that it's clear that this Bill fixes the discrepancy in the law so that individuals who was convicted of a possession under 10 grams of paraphernalia or cannabis prior to the enactment of the 99th General Assembly would be able to petition. So it makes no sense for us to have a law in the book right now that allows people to be charged with a civil violation when we have people that have been convicted of a misdemeanor and they have a record on their criminal jacket. So the question is, can we fix that today by simply making sure that these nonviolent offenders, simply misdemeanors have an opportunity to have their records expunged? And that would do good for society and I urge and 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves, Members. Crespo. D'Amico. DeLuca. Rita. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 51 voting 'yes' and 52 voting 'no'. The Gentleman asks for Postponed Consideration. House Bill 2617, Representative Gabel's Bill to be handled by Representative Fine. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2617, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Fine."

Fine: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill would require health insurance coverage for evidence based treatment to preserve the fertility of women and men in their reproductive years who have certain diseases, predominantly cancer, in which

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lifesaving treatments for the disease are known to destroy their fertility."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Is this on Short Debate or Standard Debate?"

Speaker Lang: "This Bill is on Short Debate, Sir."

Breen: "Move to Standard Debate, please."

Speaker Lang: "No problem. Proceed."

Breen: "Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "Thank you. Representative, just to clarify what your Bill is doing you're adding a definition of iatrogenic infertility, I believe is the way you pronounce it, which would require the coverage of... for fertility type treatments including freezing of eggs, or freezing of embryos, or what have you when someone goes into a surgery that may impact their fertility. Is that correct?"

Fine: "That's correct."

Breen: "And there's no lower limits. So this would... this would apply both to... it's my understanding, under current law, fertility treatments are required to be covered on insurance plans where you've got companies of 25 people or larger or is that a current... do we have a current mandate on every insurance policy or just on certain ones... under current law... for fertility? 'Cause we... our analysis says that's a limited mandate today."

Fine: "The current mandate is for 25 or more in a group policy."

Breen: "A group policies but not individual's policies, not Medicaid?"

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Fine: "Correct."

Breen: "Okay. So this is a new mandate that would kind of disregard some of the old mandates. So you're taking some... some insurance policies that have no coverage for infertility and now mandating that they cover infertility treatments of... for those who may have some risk or a surgery that... that may impact their fertility?"

Fine: "Yes."

Breen: "Okay. And then as well you had said it works for women and men."

Fine: "Correct."

Breen: "How does it work for men?"

Fine: "To... for sperm for storage if they're afraid that they are going to lose their infertility. And it's just... it doesn't cover the storage that could be for years, it just covers the original treatment."

Breen: "The original treatment. Okay. And then I know there were some concerns early on that I had seen about the Bill that the standard for the surgery that would impact fertility what... it seemed like it was a relatively broad set of surgeries. What exactly in the final Bill has... how do you cabin a surgery that actually could impact fertility? 'Cause not any surgery, it's got to be a surgery that has something to do with the reproductive organs or what?"

Fine: "We're talking about things like chemo, radiation medications that are known to destroy fertility. And these are based on established medical standards of care."

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Breen: "Okay but those are... again, just for the purpose of the Bill, they've got to be surgery or surgical techniques that could impact the reproductive organs right?"

Fine: "I'm sorry. Can you repeat the question please?"

Breen: "They'd have to be surgeries or... or treatments that in some way impact the reproductive organs?"

Fine: "Yes."

Breen: "Okay. And then who are the opponents to the Bill as... I've got opponents to various versions of the Bill. Who are the final opponents to the Bill as amended today?"

Fine: "Currently as opponents I have the Illinois Insurance Association, the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, Illinois Association of Business Officials, Technology and Manufacturing Association, Illinois Manufacturers' Association, the Illinois Statewide School Management Alliance, the Illinois Insurance Life Council, and the American Health Insurance Plans, and CMS. But on the other hand..."

Breen: "So the school boards..."

Fine: "...Blue Cross Blue Shield is a proponent."

Breen: "...and Representative, I don't have a lot of time. Okay so Blue Cross no more but the school boards are opposed. Are the school management folks are opposed?"

Fine: "Yes."

Breen: "Is there some increase in school district insurance cost, is that the idea?"

Fine: "I don't know what their opposition is."

Breen: "Okay. And then Representative, I guess I do have a concern where we've got a health plan that doesn't cover fertility

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treatments at all now being mandated to cover fertility treatments. And so that... it just seems odd that you could literally have an insurance plan that doesn't cover fertility treatments at all but now we're adding a mandate that says well no, but you do have to cover them in this unique situation. Has that been addressed at all? Is that something that you're still working with folks on? 'Cause otherwise it just seems like we would... we should..."

Fine: "Right."

Breen: "...if that's a good policy we should do a broader mandate."

Fine: "So currently there are some insurance companies that typically require a year of unsuccessful attempts at conception before they're going to cover infertility services but in these cases, especially for cancer patients, they can't wait a year. And so this would just speed up the process for them."

Breen: "Okay. But, I mean their... again it's the... I'm trying to wrap my mind around it. You bought a plan of insurance that doesn't cover fertility at all but if you get into a particular circumstance then all the sudden fertility treatments then get added to it. And I'm just... I'm wondering because you might have purchased a plan that didn't have fertility treatments 'cause you don't have any..."

Speaker Lang: "Please complete your remarks, Sir. Are you waiting for an answer to a question?"

Breen: "Well, you know, actually Mr. Speaker, I just... could we get a... if we're going to have a timer can we have it on the board so we know where we're at because we're... the timers are not displayed."

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Speaker Lang: "I'm sorry, Sir. I thought the timer was on the board. Please excuse me."

Breen: "Okay. Thank you. And if I... if I may just very quickly."

Speaker Lang: "Very quickly."

Breen: "Again, to the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, I think we all can support those who are in this very tragic medical situation. I know there's still grave concerns about are we drafting the coverage correctly. So I know it's... but again, I hope that our debate has helped folks to make their own minds up about this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative McCombie."

McCombie: "Thank you, Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

McCombie: "I don't even know where she is. I had a couple of questions and concerns and luckily I... several of them were answered prior. But can you explain just a little more the... when you defined may directly or indirectly? Because when we're looking at the nine states that have this in place already I feel like it's pretty broad. And so I had concerns with that and I do see that that definition was added but can you just talk about that a little bit? Can we... and I can't hear very well either, Speaker."

Fine: "I'm sorry. I can't hear your question. I apologize."

McCombie: "Thank you, Sir. I've had a lot of questions on this and spent a lot of time discussing this with some folks but can you just talk about a little bit more about changing the definition to may directly or indirectly adding that definition? Can you talk about that because I feel that we're pretty broad here in this definition?"

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Fine: "From what I know the definition is to provide clarification to the original Bill. Over the 320 thousand U.S. women diagnosed with breast cancer each year, 29 thousand are 45 years old or younger and many are in their reproductive years. And the risk of permanent infertility after chemotherapy ranges from 20 to 70 percent depending on the patient's age, the type of cancer, and the treatment regime. And so this would just protect their fertility, especially for a young woman who might be in her twenties who might want to have a child in her future and needs to make that decision quite quickly."

McCombie: "And when I'm looking at several of the states and how they... I don't know if you can hear me again. When I'm look at the several states a lot of them did have age restrictions. Did you add an age restriction to this Bill?"

Fine: "I believe we put into the legislation your reproductive years. Because for some women they might have children younger, others might wait until they're 50 and so it all just depends on what your personal reproductive years may be."

McCombie: "Okay. And that's also a kind of a concern for me because that is so broad because in some cases that could be 10 and that could be 50. And I think that's a pretty broad range. Is this only in relation to cancer?"

Fine: "It's cancer or any other disease where the treatment might destroy your fertility."

McCombie: "Okay. And there's no listing of what that might be so that's also very broad?"

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Fine: "Well another disease that we've discussed is Lupus because the treatment for Lupus may destroy your fertility as well."

McCombie: "Okay. And then the other definition that was amended, standard fertility preservation services. Can you just talk about briefly what some of those might be?"

Fine: "I believe that is the standard collection and preservation of egg, sperm, or embryos."

McCombie: "I'm sorry?"

Fine: "The standard collection of eggs, sperm, or embryos."

McCombie: "Okay. All right. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Batinick: "Representative, does this cover ERISA or non-ERISA individuals? To the Bill. You should know who this covers. This is for non-ERISA individuals. This is not for the majority people in the state. This is for small businesses, 25 under, state plan who are paying sky high rates for insurance. We just add, and add, and add. If we're presenting a Bill like this we should know who it affects. Vote 'no'. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Fine to close."

Fine: "Yes. In the State of Illinois we have no control over what is covered and what is not covered in an ERISA or a federal plan. We only have control over what is... what is sold in Illinois plans. And so this would cover those plans. And this would help a lot of young men and women who are being faced with a life threatening disease and the possibility of full recovery but also the possibility of not knowing whether or

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not they'll ever be able to have a child one day. So I ask for your 'aye' vote on this legislation."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 82 voting 'yes', 21 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4897, Mr. Guzzardi. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4897, a Bill for an Act concerning liquor. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Guzzardi."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Guzzardi."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Amendment reflects an agreement between the craft brewers and the beer distributors."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4897, a Bill for an Act concerning liquor. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Guzzardi."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4897 is an initiative of the Craft Brewer's Guild which will enable craft breweries in Illinois to sell guest beers and ciders on premises. It's going to expand an already growing sector of small business in Illinois. It's of particular importance to

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me because, as of today, I'm officially old enough to buy beer. So I feel very excited about this legislation. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Halbrook. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 103 voting 'yes' and 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5777, Mr. Yingling. Mr. Yingling. Sam Yingling from Lake County. Mr. Clerk, please place this Bill on the Order of Second Reading and read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5777, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Yingling."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Yingling."

Yingling: "Thank you. The Floor Amendment #1 removes the opposition."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No Further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5777, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Yingling."

Yingling: "Thank you. This decouples the current existing municipal consolidation laws from the municipal annexation

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laws that were put in place in 1960. It clarifies that they are two different things. And I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Olsen."

Olsen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Olsen: "Representative, I know in committee we discussed this. Is the Municipal League has... have the removed their opposition with Floor Amendment 1?"

Yingling: "Yes. I believe they have. These changes came as a result of a meeting with them, Representative. And we've adopted the changes they have requested."

Olsen: "So effectively this is codifying the... what we are practice in currently in state..."

Yingling: "I'm sorry. What was that?"

Olsen: "This is our practice currently State Law we're just putting it in one place?"

Yingling: "That is correct."

Olsen: "That's right?"

Yingling: "Yeah."

Olsen: "Thank you."

Yingling: "You bet. Thank you."

Olsen: "I support this."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Lilly. Please take the record. There are 94 voting 'yes', 10 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4234, Representative Harper. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4234, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 2 have been adopted. No further Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4234, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Harper."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm pleased to present House Bill 4234 which would create the Farmer Equity Act and require the Department of Ag to include socially disadvantaged farmers in the development, adoption, and implementation of laws and regulation and policies. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Wehrli."

Wehrli: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Wehrli: "So our analysis says that the Department of Agriculture is opposed do to financial concerns. Have you addressed their concerns?"

Harper: "I am currently working with the Department of Agriculture to makes changes with the Bill. We're going to make the rest of the changes in the Senate. What we've come to realize is that what we're asking for in this Bill does not require creating a new position. And we just have to figure out what language we have to put in. So that was the opposition from the Department of Agriculture."

Wehrli: "So..."

Harper: "But like I said we're continuing to work on that."

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Wehrli: "They didn't give you a number they just said we think there's financial concerns?"

Harper: "They actually did give a number. Someone filed a note on it and the note came back as saying it would cost \$250 thousand. And we both believe that that price is over, is exorbitant, and does not represent what this Bill is asking it to do."

Wehrli: "All right. Thank you."

Harper: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 78 voting 'yes', 22 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4650, Mr. Zalewski. Skipping to the end of alphabet. Mr. Zalewski. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4650, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Mr. Speaker, I think there's an Amendment that's been adopted by the Rules Committee?"

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, do you have an Amendment on this Bill?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #1 has already been adopted."

Zalewski: "Good. I'm a step ahead. This is an initiative of the pharmaceutical benefit managers, Mr. Speaker, that lets them comply with the PMP. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

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Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "Representative, I know you have Floor Amendment 1 that was adopted. Did that get rid of the objections of the Illinois Pharmacist Association and the Illinois Council of Health System Pharmacists?"

Zalewski: "So, I was told when I filed the Amendment it removed all the objections, Peter. Subsequently, yesterday, I was told that the pharmacists were no... were now back to being opposed. I would say to you that my commitment is to walk this Bill over to the Senate and try to remove the objection of the pharmacists. But at one point I was... it was indicated to me they were neutral and now they're back to being opposed. That's the best answer I can give you."

Breen: "And your Bill merely changes the access to the Prescription Monitoring Program?"

Zalewski: "Correct for PBMs, for pharmaceutical benefit managers."

Breen: "Okay. So it's not a major change. I don't even know. What's the nature of their opposition?"

Zalewski: "Staff indicates that the pharmacists have raised the potential concern that down the line if the PBMs have access to the monitoring program they may use it as a vehicle to deny coverage. Now that I've been made aware of that I consider that to be a little bit of red herring but that's the concern as told to me by staff."

Breen: "Okay. Maybe they're... it's a little extra regulatory reach on them, is that the issue maybe as well?"

Zalewski: "Yeah. That..."

Breen: "Okay."

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Zalewski: "I'm being told, yes."

Breen: "Okay. Fair enough. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Chair recognizes the Majority Leader."

Currie: "Thank you. Just to add to the excused list, Representative DeLuca will be excused the remainder..."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Representative. House Bill 5005, Mr. Wheeler. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5005, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Wheeler."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5005 is initiative of IDJJ to improve the hiring process of teachers in all juvenile justice facilities. Urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Carroll. Please take the record. There are 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 127, Representative Willis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 127, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Willis."

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Willis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is the final and third one of the series on making sure that we have those six locals as part of the... they'll be in the PSEBA this time. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 96 voting 'yes', 7 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5494, Representative Williams. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5494, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Williams."

Williams: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is an agreed Bill which is survivors centric and provides for survivors of human trafficking to waive the wait period before sealing a criminal record if they can show the crime was a direct result of being trafficked. We... again, as I stated, we have no opponents. I'm happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Leader Currie. Please take the record. There are 103 voting 'yes' and 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5198, Mr. Walsh. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5198, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this House Bill."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Walsh."

Walsh: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. 5198 basically... creating a process... a manufacturing process within the Environmental Code that would allow the process of paralysis or gasification to be used in recycling plastics. Be happy to answer any questions. Ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Members, vote your switches please. Bristow. Burke. Finnie. Martwick. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 81 voting 'yes', 20 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5047, Mr. Welch. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5047, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Welch."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Welch."

Welch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 is an agreed Amendment... an Amendment that makes this Bill agreed."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5047, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Welch."

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Welch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5047 is a trailer Bill to a Bill that I filed when I first joined the General Assembly in 2013. It is a cleanup Bill. It is an agreed Bill. I'd ask for approval."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Burke. Please take the record. There are 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Moeller is recognized."

Moeller: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to record that my vote on House Bill 5198 is... was intended to be a 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention. Representative Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Please record me as a 'yes' on House Bill 5198. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention. Representative Stratton."

Stratton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please record me as 'no' on House Bill 5198."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention. Senate Bill 351, Representative Wallace. Representative Wallace. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 351, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Wallace."

Wallace: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a Bill that addresses the overwhelming issue of hunger amongst our college students"

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and it addresses the Amendatory Veto of Governor Rauner. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "Representative, just to be clear you accepted the Governor's Amendatory Veto language on a similar Bill that I believe you had passed in a prior year?"

Wallace: "Yes."

Breen: "Okay. And this is really... it's something. There are no opponents that I can see on the analysis. Is that consistent with your analysis?"

Wallace: "That's correct."

Breen: "All right. Thank you much."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Andrade. Arroyo. D'Amico. Flowers. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 101 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Andersson is recognized."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would ask that the record reflect that on House Bill 5198 my switch must have malfunctioned. I wish to be recorded as a 'no' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Sir. Your... the Clerk will note your comments and we'll send someone right over to check your switch. Representative Williams is recognized."

Williams: "Clearly there's a floor wide malfunction. I also meant to be a 'no' on House Bill 5198."

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Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention, Representative. Representative Feigenholtz, I think I know what you're going to say."

Feigenholtz: "Speaking of Representative Williams she will be celebrating a very big birthday tomorrow. So let's give her applause."

Speaker Lang: "Happy birthday, Representative."

Feigenholtz: "And next week when we're gone our Majority Leader, Barbara Currie, will also be celebrating a birthday. Let's give..."

Speaker Lang: "Happy birthday, Majority Leader. Mr. Bennett is recognized. Do you have a birthday too, Sir?"

Bennett: "Once a year, Sir. Once a year. But not recently. Mr. Speaker, if I may please, I'd like to have my vote recorded on House Bill 26... as a 'no'..."

Speaker Lang: "Go ahead, Sir."

Bennett: "I'm sorry. I'd like to have my vote on House Bill 2617 as a 'no' please. And also on House Bill 4234 as a 'no' please. If you would."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intentions, Sir."

Bennett: "Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "House Bill 4811, Mr. Zalewski. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4811, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Zalewski."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

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Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. It makes several changes to the fund... for the Municipal Fund. I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4811, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski. Members, can we hold down the noise in the chamber please? Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4811 is an initiative of the Illinois... or the Chicago Municipal Fund designed to make some changes with respect to health care visits. And it also makes some fixes to the fund that was included in a previous piece of legislation. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "And Representative, I... I see this... this particular pension change appears to be a savings to the fund instead of cost to the fund. Is that right?"

Zalewski: "The Bill in chief is, correct."

Breen: "Okay. I like that. It's just... we always seem to be adding things to the fund instead of saving them money. As well, just for the folks on the Republican side, we have listed as

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an opponent IML but I am told that that is not accurate that they slipped accidentally in committee in opposition."

Zalewski: "That sounds accurate to me, Peter."

Breen: "Okay. So there are no opponents to your Bill?"

Zalewski: "Correct."

Breen: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Mitchell. Please take the record. On this question, there are 103 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Mah is recognized."

Mah: "I would like to... the record to reflect that I intended to vote 'no' on 5198."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention. Representative Burke."

Burke, K.: "Mr. Speaker, let the record reflect I intended to vote 'no' on House Bill 5198."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention. Mr. Breen is recognized."

Breen: "Mr. Speaker, I'd just like to say that I voted 'no' on House Bill 5198."

Speaker Lang: "Very well said, Sir. Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to have the record reflect a 'no' vote for me on 5198."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention. House Bill 1443, Representative Willis. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1443, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Willis."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Willis. Members, shh. Representative Willis."

Willis: "I'd like to adopt the Amendment. And it just is a technical Amendment really."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1443, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Willis."

Willis: "This is just a cleanup Bill from a Bill that we did earlier. Basically what it does is allow clinical social workers in social work practice to be part of the Social Work Practice Act."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "And Representative, I've got on my analysis that this Bill allows 12 year olds to get psychotherapy without their parent's knowledge or consent. It doesn't sound like a cleanup but, I mean, maybe I'm... maybe my analysis is wrong."

Willis: "That... that analysis is something that is already been passed into law. All this does is allow the social workers to be under the Clinical Social Work Act. So it just expands the

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definition of who can offer that. That has already been offered in a previously put forth Bill."

Breen: "Hang on. No. But you... House Bill 1443, at least as I read Amendment 1, it creates a new Act called the Right of Minors to Consent to Counseling Services or Psychotherapy on an Outpatient Basis Act."

Willis: "So what this... let me go through a little bit. What this does is the cleanup already to the Act that was already put through. So it was already put in as a Public Act 100-196 and it pertained to the counseling of minors in the absence of parental notifications. What this does is it expands that to allow clinical social workers to be part of that."

Breen: "And what was the Public Act, Representative?"

Willis: "100-196. So what was done when that Act was passed already somehow or other clinical social workers were not written as part of the group that could be part of that. And so we're making sure that was the intent of the Act to include clinical social workers. And that's what we're doing now."

Breen: "And we're not repealing the section of the Mental and Disability... Developmental Disabilities Code change. We're creating a new Act though that... so we are creating a new Act, we're not repealing the old Act though? So we're kind of doing a duplicative action here. I mean, you're not repealing the old section that we changed I guess earlier in this General Assembly."

Willis: "So what... what was done is when the old Act was put in it was really... it... it appeared to be that it was only for children that were admitted. And this... that was not the intent

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of the law. And so this is clarifying that... that it is for all children under that age... at that age."

Breen: "Okay. And so just for the sake of the Body's indulgence, this was House Bill 3709 at the beginning in last year's General Assembly which passed out of the House 93 to 0. Okay. And then Senate 37 to 18. So that... that is... that's the same... you're doing the same Bill essentially, stripping it out, making it a separate Act, and adding clinical social workers to the Bill?"

Willis: "What... what we're... yes. We're doing the same thing just clarifying, making sure that the intent is clarified to all of those."

Breen: "Fair enough. Okay. Thank you, Representative, for the answers to my questions."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Wallace."

Wallace: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Wallace: "As you stated before this is a Bill that was introduced by someone we know, who previously is on therapy, and it's about providing access?"

Willis: "Correct."

Wallace: "Nothing more. This particular Bill doesn't change what we did last year which is provided thousands of adolescents and children with access to mental health care coverage?"

Willis: "Correct. And all it really does is add clinical social workers because they were inadvertently left out of that previously wonderfully filed Bill."

Wallace: "Absolutely. Thank you. To the Bill. This a measure, as I stated, that will allow for thousands of young adults to

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gain access to the mental health care coverage that they need. They already have the opportunity at 12 and up to be able to access services on their own and this just makes sure that all behavioral health care specialists are able to provide those services to these young adults. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ives."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Ives: "Representative Willis, as the Act is currently stated who actually can provide these sessions to minors? Who actually is authorized?"

Willis: "School counselors, professional counselors, licensed clinical counselors."

Ives: "And you are now adding?"

Willis: "Clinical social workers."

Ives: "And where would clinical social workers operate?"

Willis: "So social workers were listed in there before but it was not clarified enough that it was part of their scope of practice and this clarifies that."

Ives: "Okay. And where would you find a clinical social worker? Are they in schools? Do they have independent practices?"

Willis: "They are in schools. They have private practices. They could be in clinics. They could be in hospitals. They could be all over the place."

Ives: "Okay. Thank you."

Willis: "You're welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all

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voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Cassidy. Flowers. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. There are 93 voting 'yes', 9 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Feigenholtz is recognized."

Feigenholtz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to... I want the record to reflect I intended on voting 'no' on House Bill 5198."

Speaker Lang: "Record will reflect your intention. Mr. Welch."

Welch: "Mr. Speaker, please let the record reflect that Welch, Ford, and Hurley all intended to vote 'no' on House Bill 5198."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your joint intentions. House Bill 4768, Representative Barbara Wheeler. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4768, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4768, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Wheeler."

Wheeler, B.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm very appreciative to be able to present this Bill today at this time. So thank you. This Bill adds to the school board oath, which already describes the taxpayer as one of the most important items for the school board member to take into consideration when becoming a school board member, but it... this Bill adds a couple of things. One being the importance of the responsibility to provide quality education, to work with the

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community to formulate goals, to create an environment for all students to obtain the highest potential, and to work together with school leadership to foster excellence. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Scherer. Please take the record. There are 97 voting 'yes', 4 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Andrade is recognized."

Andersson: "Mr. Speaker. Please let the record know that I intended to vote 'no' on House Bill 5692."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention, Sir. House Bill 4774, Representative Kifowit. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4774, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4774 is an initiative to support small businesses in communities, small businesses are the individuals that support the Kiwanis Clubs of Rotary, give donations, and help the economy. This helps protect small businesses in local areas."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "Representative, I think this was... this was an issue that came up previously where... is Cook County still exempted from this... this Bill as amended?"

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Kifowit: "Cook County has their own program already in effect. So it would be duplicative to include them in this Bill."

Breen: "But as I understand it the purchasers... do they have to be in the county or can they be in the next door county?"

Kifowit: "We... we opened it up to... to recognize that the definition of local could theoretically be in a neighboring county. For example Aurora, the City of Aurora, is in four separate counties. So we did open it up to allow some discretion with regards to counties."

Breen: "But what that also means is that a Cook County company could come into any of the collar counties while the collar county companies couldn't go into Cook County? I mean, I know we do everything in the chamber to help Cook County but still that just seemed a little strange. Even more than usual."

Kifowit: "That would only happen if there's not a local... a lowest bidder in that county. So that only happens if there's not anybody present in the town or in the county which it resides that would bid on it."

Breen: "Except that... as I read your Bill it says defines local company as a company or business entity located within the contracting county or any contiguous county. So where in your... in your language, specifically, does it somehow limit it so that the Cook County folks can't just go in shop in all the collar counties while the collar counties folks... it's already conceited can't go into Cook County."

Kifowit: "I don't think it's conceited they can't go into Cook County. This is a preference program. So it's to give preference to the local community..."

Breen: "Right."

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Kifowit: "...the local county."

Breen: "But it's... it's not..."

Kifowit: "That instance would..."

Breen: "...it's preference requiring. This is a mandate that as long as you are within in 10 percent you half to take the... they have to take this... this vendor. I mean that's not a preference that's a mandate. That's a mandate of even if you're not the lowest bidder we have to take you. And that's a mandate on the municipalities and units of government."

Kifowit: "Well the point is the local company... and for example, Rockford just came to me they're excited about this Bill because they had a \$2 million bid that went out of state because this was not available to them and their local company lost it by less than 1 percent. So this is a local preference to allow local companies to be able to bid. The point being, and again, we can I... I acknowledge the point and we can certainly look into that fine distinction, the point between the Chicago preference and everybody else, but the point being is that this is a Bill that will help local businesses that pay local taxes that support our local schools and local communities to get a bit of a fair shake versus this multinational multistate companies..."

Breen: "To the Bill."

Kifowit: "...that come in."

Breen: "Ladies and Gentlemen, we have lowest responsible bidder because we are responsible for the taxpayer's dollars. Ten percent is not a small amount on these contracts. And the problem is if there is an out of state company that is able to come into Illinois and underbid, out of their jurisdiction,

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then we've got an issue with our local business. And we've had it raised, this is not the first time this topic has been brought forward. You've got folks... Cook County companies can go out into the collar counties. The collar county companies can't come into Cook County. So pretty much we're going to waste taxpayer dollars. This is something that's just another giveaway to certain parts of the state not to others. And we haven't even raised the issue of what are we going to do to improve our business climate all together to help our companies instead of doing little, you know, game Bills like this which really don't get the work done. And again, always advantage Cook County, exempt Cook County when there's no reason to do so. Please vote 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Andersson."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I commend... I rise in support of the Bill. I've got to tell you. I've been... I've represented local communities for 25 years and this is something they have begged for. Understand this isn't a mandate this is an option. This gives them the ability to pick the almost low bidder who happens to be local. My local village presidents and city mayors have asked, look I want to help our local community, I want to help our local economy, why can't I pick the local guy? Well the law doesn't allow it. But this Bill would make that possible. Please vote 'yes'."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Ammons: "I want to go to the definition of local and give example to the Sponsor of 4774. How does this apply to minority businesses, specifically African-American businesses that may not be in the contiguous county that the bid is going out on?"

Kifowit: "What... what we did is we tiered it. So it's... they're going to look at their local businesses first and then they can look at the adjoining counties and then statewide. The point is to keep businesses within the counties, within the communities, then within statewide. In fact, there are many small businesses that aren't minority owned. In fact I'm a member of the Quad County African-American Chamber and they have procurement process programs all the time to try to get individuals to get the lowest bidder. This actually would allow a local business that's minority owned to be able to competitively compete."

Ammons: "So let me clarify just the language that is presented in the Bill itself. It says that if the local company bids will be deemed lower than the non-local companies lowest bid if the local company bid is no more than 10 percent higher but they have to be within the county for which the bid is going out or the city. Now this is the scenario and problem that I experience right now. African-American businesses don't exist in Champaign County under contracting service or providers as they do in Peoria County. And so those who may be in Peoria County are not local to Champaign County, under your legislation, they would not have an opportunity and they currently don't have an opportunity to participate. And that's the problem that I see in this Bill. The numbers

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reflect that demographically in Champaign County at the university currently contracting is a struggle for us for minority firms and in many cases they cannot compete with the lowest bid. And in this legislation it would actually make this worse for black businesses under the local preference guidelines that you are demonstrating."

Kifowit: "I'm not familiar with those counties if they're contiguous or not. We did make it contiguous and we did also make it to be encompassing for the whole State of Illinois. So if the local community wants to, you know, have a low bid and they come in as a low bid they can certainly pick that county. This is saying that they can have preference to give to a local bidder, the local company that pays taxpayers money in that company and in that county. I know that the Senate Sponsor, Senate settlement and we can continue to work on that particular individual issue but as a whole this is to support the local companies in the county and to support the local businesses."

Ammons: "I appreciate your effort, your work on this. Let me just go to the Bill real quickly. This Bill provides a difficulty from my own experience serving on city council, county board, and now State Rep. As a county board member and a city council member the response that I've frequently received as to the why the black business could not participate is because they were not local. They were not local, they decided to give contract to the local lowest bidder. And that exists in Champaign County already. And so when we pull the demographic numbers on minority business participation it was dismal under the current performance and preference guidelines. And

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I believe that this will simply add to the difficulty black businesses are experiencing unless this definition says that local includes within geographic State of Illinois. I cannot support this legislation and I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ives."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. Let's be clear here.. here this is not an option, this is a 'shall'. Read page two of her Bill. It says the county board 'shall' follow the determination of the lowest bidder. You must do this. You must comply. You have no choice. But really what this does is it automatically gives that local bidder a 5 to 10 percent profit margin. They don't have to actually responsibly bid to be the lowest bidder and try and win the contract based on price. They can safely overbid 5 percent at a minimum and some of these contract are enormous. You're just embedding a profit margin of 5 to 10 percent in every single bid and that's not fair for taxpayers. We have lowest responsible bidder requirements for a reason, it's to protect taxpayers from being scammed by paying more than they should for a project. This embeds, again, an automatic profit margin, an extra profit into the project. Please vote 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "We've already had three speakers in opposition. Representative Jesiel, are you in favor of this Bill or speaking in opposition?"

Jesiel: "I'm in the middle."

Speaker Lang: "You're in the middle."

Jesiel: "Like Representative Ammons. Yes."

Speaker Lang: "I think this is a new thing people are saying to fool the Chair. You have five minutes."

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Jesiel: "It's a very quick question of the Sponsor please."

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Jesiel: "Representative, I just had a quick question. You said that this applies to contiguous that includes contiguous bidders for contiguous counties. Does that apply to out of state counties? Because my... obviously my district is on the border. So would that..."

Kifowit: "No."

Jesiel: "...would they if it's a bidder from the other side of the border would they be included in this?"

Kifowit: "No. It's just for the State of Illinois."

Jesiel: "Okay. And the other quick question is why was construction removed from this or exempted from this?"

Kifowit: "Well exactly what the previous speaker said, we felt that construction projects being very specific in nature and being very competitive were removed. So contrary to what was portrayed this does not pertain to the very large construction processes... the very large contracts. So the previous speaker was incorrect."

Jesiel: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Sente, do you rise in favor or in response to this Bill?"

Sente: "I have questions. I'm not in favor of this Bill. Can I proceed?"

Speaker Lang: "No. But thank you for asking. Sponsor to close."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. When we talk about supporting local businesses I don't believe it's a waste of taxpayer money to allow them to have a seat at the table to try and bid out companies. Companies come in from all sorts of states.

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What was previously said, right now the State of Illinois is lowest bidder point blank. So right now if you're not a local business you don't have any kind of seat at the table. What I have seen out of the city council is good outstanding local companies get bid out because of this just mandate to go with the exact lowest bidder and good money going out of state, out of our economy. So it is not a waste of taxpayer money to support small businesses in our community. I do want to point out that the Senator is willing to work on this and this Bill will get adjusted to a degree in the Senate and it will come back for a concurrence."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves, Members. Please record yourselves. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 42 voting 'yes', 46 voting 'no', 8 voting 'present'. And the Bill fails. House Bill 4077, Mr. Turner. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4077, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. This Bill was read for a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Turner, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Turner."

Turner: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the Body. House Floor Amendment #1 is a gut and replacement Amendment which becomes the Bill. The Amendment provides that if a person is sentenced to conditional discharge of probation for a Class 4 felony or a misdemeanor on or after January 1, 2019 he or she will receive credits toward the probation or conditional discharge

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for the amount of time he or she served in the county jail for that offense. This is an initiative of the Cook County Sheriff's Department. Some defendants remain in jail for a number of days, get released and sentenced to conditional discharge and probation but the time that he or she served while waiting in jail is not credited to the term of conditional discharge or probation. I move for the adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Pritchard, do you rise on this Amendment? No. All right. Leave your light on, Sir. Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4077, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Turner, did you explain the Bill?"

Turner: "Yes, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Pritchard. You're not speaking on the Bill at all? Leave your light on anyway. Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 64 voting 'yes', 39 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Now, Mr. Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise for a point of personal privilege..."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

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Pritchard: "...to introduce to the Body a group of Girl Scouts up in the balcony who have come to watch us in action today. They're from Sycamore, Illinois. Please give them a great Springfield welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome aboard. Thank you for joining us today. Mr. Davidsmeyer."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A quick point of personal privilege, please?"

Speaker Lang: "You go right ahead."

Davidsmeyer: "You'll notice a lot of Girl Scouts coming through today..."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir. Sorry."

Davidsmeyer: "I've got a small group behind me from Winchester that includes Kati Borgens, Isabella Borgens, Carolyn McGee and Brylee Vestle. If we could give them a warm Springfield welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Hello. Thanks for being with us today. Mr. Meier."

Meier: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Meier: "I, too, have a group of Girl Scouts here from Troy. If they'd like to rise, up here to the left behind me. With their leader Kristi Connelly, Leah Connelly, Abbi Cocran, Haley Pokorny, Alissa Polorny, Mari Lowe, Brylee Proffitt, and Lexie Sidwell. Welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Lang: "Hello. Thank you. Enjoy your day here. Mr. Long."

Long: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record reflect that I meant to be a 'no' on HB4077. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "The House will reflect... the record will reflect your intention. Mr. Butler."

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Butler: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Go right ahead, Sir."

Butler: "Thank you, Sir. I'd like to introduce, on the Abraham Lincoln side of the gallery over here, my friends from Hartsburg-Emden High School. They're here to visit today and they... a wonderful junior class that I visited. They have written me a bunch of notes that I'm going through as well. So welcome the Stags to the Illinois State Capitol, please."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thanks for joining us. House Bill 5308, Representative Lilly. Out of the record. House Bill 1447, Representative Manley. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1447, a Bill for an Act concerning health. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Manley, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Manley."

Manley: "Mr. Speaker, I rise... this is a very important Bill, House Bill 1447. Do we need to adopt the Amendment and then... or are we ready to go?"

Speaker Lang: "Just tell us briefly."

Manley: "Briefly. The Amendment allows the hospice homes in Illinois to raise the cap from sixteen beds to twenty."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill. Is that the whole Bill?"

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1447, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "The Lady has already explained the Bill. Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Andersson. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Unes is recognized."

Unes: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Unes: "Mr. Speaker, I, too, would like to welcome one of the Girl Scout troops. It's Girl Scout Troop 7400 from Lewistown, Illinois. Melinda Reed and here group are here. Welcome to the Capitol."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Enjoy your day here in Springfield. Returning to House Bill 5308, Mr. Clerk. Representative Lilly. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5308, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. This Bill was read a second time a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Lilly, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Yes. I would like to adopt the Floor Amendment. It brings clarification and clarity to the Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. You do not wish to do this on Third?
Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 4932, Mr. Welter.
Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4932, a Bill for an Act concerning
government. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No
Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by
Representative Welter, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Welter."

Welter: "Mr. Speaker, Amendment 1 becomes the Bill. With minor
language change and moves it to the correct section. I can
explain the rest of the Bill on Third Reading."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed
'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr.
Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4932, a Bill for an Act concerning
government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Welter."

Welter: "Mr. Speaker, this Bill's an initiative of my local
sheriff's office. It amends the Freedom of Information Act.
Under current statute and practice if someone makes a FOIA
request for an arrest report or criminal record and the body
that they're making that request to did not create the record
and simply maintains a copy, an example would be a shared
database, they must pull the record and redact the appropriate
information. After that they then have to send it to the
originating agency where they then have to look for further

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redactions or possibly approve it for the release to the public. So what this Bill does, if someone were to submit a FOIA request for an arrest record or a criminal history record, and that body that they're making the request to did not create the record and simply maintains a copy, that body is able to direct that requester to the public body that created the record. I look at this like as a streamline process. This will cut the back and forth between departments. This Bill does not restrict in anyway any public information from being shared. This Bill has bipartisan support. And I'd respectively request a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Breen: "And Representative, I just want to make sure this is a... solely covers a... an arrest report, arrest record?"

Welter: "Correct."

Breen: "Okay. And I see there's a list of opponents on here, the Press Association, Broadcasters, Better Government. Are they still opposed or are they... have their... is their opposition been handled?"

Welter: "Well I heard from the Press Association before it went through committee and talked with them. The Broadcasters I reached out to and I did let them know in the Senate that we're willing to work on language that may be aggregable to them. But based off my conversations with them I think they have a different interpretation of what this does. I tried to explain to them again this does not restrict anybody's

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information. The same information that's available for FOIA today will be available for FOIA after this Bill is passed."

Breen: "Because there's no new record being created here?"

Welter: "Correct."

Breen: "Okay. Thank you, Representative."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Guzzardi."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Guzzardi: "Representative, we talked about this Bill at some length. Just again reiterating, we're going to make sure that the public has continued access to these records we just want to make sure that they're requesting it from the appropriate agency?"

Welter: "That is correct."

Guzzardi: "Thanks, Representative."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Greenwood. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. There are 97 voting 'yes', 5 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Chair recognizes Representative Gordon-Booth."

Gordon-Booth: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Moment of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed."

Gordon-Booth: "I also have a group from Peoria, Illinois, Girl Scout Troop 7300. If you all could please stand. This phenomenal troop is led by a phenomenal young woman by the name of Jessica Thomas, who will soon be the Peoria County

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Auditor. Please give them a warm General Assembly welcome from the Girl Scout Troop from Peoria."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome aboard. Thanks for being here with us today. We appreciate it. House Bill 1595, Representative Stuart. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1595, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. This Bill was read for a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Stuart, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "The Amendment becomes the Bill. Can I talk about it on Third?"

Speaker Lang: "Let's do that. Representative Ives, do you need to debate the Amendment? Lady does not wish to debate the Amendment. Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1595, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "Thank you. This Bill will just become an update of the Nursing Mothers, in the Workplace Act which was put into law in 2001. It will provide further protections for nursing mothers making sure that they are not docked for taking time to express the breast milk that they need for their children."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ives."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

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Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Ives: "Representative Stuart, could you kind of explain how this Bill came to be?"

Stuart: "Sure. In some school districts in our area we had some teachers who were being docked for taking the time that they needed to pump breast milk for their children. And they were being subject to having to do things like pumping in the bathroom or some type of closet or something that was really unacceptable."

Ives: "And do you know was there any business entities that for which this Bill... they had a problem with? Was there any other instances other than the school district? Was there any businesses that were... or doing this as well?"

Stuart: "So I got specific letters from teachers. I have heard anecdotal stories of women having these problems in businesses. But I have to say that most private businesses have taken it upon themselves to take these steps and actually be supportive of nursing mothers since it's such an important part of raising healthy children."

Ives: "Yeah. I think that's fantastic. And I guess I want to highlight that to the Body that really this came from a public sector perspective where they were not granting nursing mothers this time off to actually pump on the job site. This is not something that you find necessarily happening in business. Businesses actually pretty... although they are opposed to this Bill because it's another mandate on them, I think they're in general very supportive of mothers in their workplace. So I just wanted to highlight that. Are... have you

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talked to the business community though in any way to alleviate their opposition to this?"

Stuart: "Yeah. We have talked and there... there could be a slight language change when we bring this into the Senate. I do want to point out that Indiana already does have paid break time which is what I'm asking for."

Ives: "Okay. And..."

Stuart: "So other states are doing this."

Ives: "And... there's obviously restrictions in here that it's what only every two and a half hours?"

Stuart: "Right. Yeah. And, you know, those things will change as..."

Ives: "And that's Federal Law?"

Stuart: "...the child ages the mothers needs fewer break times during that time."

Ives: "And is there a time limit for the amount of break that they would actually have? Is it set for 15 minutes or not?"

Stuart: "No. We did not put that in there because every woman and every baby has different needs and I was afraid to put a minute countdown on that."

Ives: "Okay but this... this is actually more for a mother who would be pumping not necessarily bringing her child to work to breast feed correct?"

Stuart: "Yes. But every woman's experiences with pumping can be very different. And what some women can accomplish in 5 minutes, some women need 25 to get the same number of ounces of milk."

Ives: "I understand. I just wanted to make sure that we're not allowing... we're not saying that this is... allows babies to

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come to the work environment to breastfeed or anything like that? This is..."

Stuart: "No. It doesn't do that."

Ives: "Okay. So yes businesses oppose but I think it's alarming that the school district is actually the ones for which this Bill is written because they are not being supportive of nursing mothers. We supported the Bill in committee. We're hoping that maybe you could work with business on the Senate side to clarify some of the language and remove all their opposition. Thank you very much."

Stuart: "Thank you. We've..."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Fine. Please take the record. There are 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4319, Mr. Unes. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4319, a Bill for an Act concerning property. This Bill was read a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Unes, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Unes."

Unes: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #2 simply changes the proceeds to the property sell."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4319, a Bill for an Act concerning property. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Unes."

Unes: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4319 gives Peoria County more control over of a blighted piece of property area for economic development. I know of no opponents. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Welch is recognized."

Welch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Welch: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, I'd like to welcome a Girl Scout Troop from my district, from River Forest, we have Girl Scout Troop 45219. A lot of dynamic young ladies, Zara Bachner, Isabella Vasquez, Sadie Ward, Linnea Berg, Kiki Mattes, Lucy Nash, Catherine MacCarthy, and Brownie from Oak Park, TaNiyah Scott. They're up in the gallery waving at us. Please give them a warm Springfield welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Hello up there. Enjoy your day in Springfield. Thank you for being here with us. House Bill 4659, Mr. Martwick. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4659, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. This Bill was read a second time

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previous day. Amendment 3 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4659, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Martwick."

Martwick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 4659 is a Bill that addresses a weird cork in the law with Chicago Police and Chicago Fire pension systems. So decades ago when the statute was drafted for Chicago Police and Fire Pension Funds, the... the COLA determined not by your years of service or by your... the day that you started working but rather by the day that you were born on. And what it did was it... for people born before the date they received a three percent simple COLA, people born after the date received a one and a half percent simple COLA. However, over the course of the last 30 years the Legislature has regularly, on a handshake agreement, moved that date forward so that all of the Chicago Police and Firefighters have always received a 3 percent simple COLA, even though the statute is written at one and a half if you're born after a certain date. We just did this last year for the Fire Fund... or two years ago for the Fire Fund where we moved again the date forward. What this would do is this would eliminate that provision in the law. It would codify what has been the practice throughout the history of these funds is that the firefighters and the police officers of the City of Chicago, like every other tier two firefighter and police officer in the State of Illinois, will receive a three percent simple

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COLA. I'd be happy to answer any questions. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is a \$47 million hit to the City of Chicago Policemen's Fund. Now one might take the more cynical view that those pensions are never going to be paid anyway so who cares how much a hit we through at them each year on, and on, and on. But at least to make some attempt to be fiscally responsible to sit there and put any further burden, any further benefit increase onto these pensions is widely irresponsible with the funds being so ill... just so sick. You know, they don't have the funding that they need to pay out their benefits. We all know that in, I don't know, 4 years, 8 years, 10 years we're going to be talking about the bankruptcy of the City of Chicago or one or more of its Pension Funds. So why would we add to it here? But hey, you know, we could just keep piling on, make ourselves feel good in the alternative. So I'm going to vote 'no'. Certainly urge everyone else to do the same until and unless we fix the pension problems in Chicago and across the state."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ives."

Ives: "Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. When are we going to stop the pension nonsense around here? We are, once again, enhancing benefits, benefits we already cannot pay for, benefits for which Chicago is at 20 percent unfunded liability. Twenty percent. These plans are headed to insolvency. Stop the nonsense. Stop increasing benefits. The taxpayers are fed up. And in four years when this all goes to hell in a handbasket

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in Chicago just watch what's going to happen. And oh by the way, let me not mention that the Illinois Supreme Court now overruled the Appellate Court in the Harvey decision on the intercept. Which means as cities refuse or cannot afford to quite frankly pay their actuarially required amount of money... well now the Pension Funds are going to intercept the state revenues that are due at municipality simply to pay for pensions. So in this State of Illinois pension payments are number one, they're the first thing that's going to be funded, the first thing that's going to be paid by the taxpayers. And it doesn't matter if we're going to have to layoff police and fire to do so we're going to pay for pensions and for benefits that we gave out 30 years ago and escalated throughout. On the state side we've had benefit increases over the last 30 years of 1,061 percent at the same time personal income only rose 127 percent. This is a pension sweetener. This is a benefit increase and they can't afford it. They cannot afford it. They're 20 percent funded because everything with these Pension Funds have been mismanaged and Chicago is the poster child of it, the poster child. So when they actually have to go to their actuarially required amount which starts in FY2020, which oh by the way is less than 2 years away. Wait for the intercept to happen into Chicago. Wait for that to happen. Pensions get funded first. Services to taxpayers get funded last. Vote 'no'. No more pension sweeteners. No more enhanced benefits until we correct this system once and for all."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Martwick to close."

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Martwick: "So Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, to correct a couple of misstatements. This is not a pension enhancement. It is not a sweetener. The Chicago Police and Fire Funds have been at three percent simple. It's just by weird cork of law it was written that if you were born after a certain date then you got at a one and a half percent. Now think about that for a second it's not the date that you were hired right. So someone could be hired and then someone hired six months later and the person who was hired six months later would be entitled to a three percent simple COLA and the person hired six months earlier would be at one and a half percent simple COLA. Which is why the Legislature has seen fit every three, five, eight years to come in and move that date forward. This is the silliest nonsense I've ever seen in my life. They all get a three percent compounded COLA. The hit that is... is calculated is not really a hit because they're going to get the three percent simple COLA, not a compounded COLA, they're going to get a three percent simple COLA no matter what. They're calculating the number off of the false one and a half percent simple COLA that they're not going to get anyway. This is just codifying what we're already doing and it's taking the nonsense out so we don't have to come back here and explain this Bill every five or eight years. It's the right thing to do. It's not an enhancement. It's not a sweetener. It doesn't change the finances of the system. Please vote 'yes'."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?"

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Crespo. Thapedi. Williams. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 60 voting 'yes', 42 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4332, Mr. Swanson. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4332, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Swanson."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I believe there is an Amendment."

Speaker Lang: "Mr.... Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Floor Amendment #1 has already been adopted."

Swanson: "Okay. Thank you. What this Bill does it authorizes a veteran to receive the veteran identification card... or identification on their driver's license using the new Federal Veterans ID Card. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Evans. Please take the record. There are 103 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5144, Representative Mayfield. Out of the record. Representative Mayfield on House Bill 4883. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4883, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Mayfield, has been approved for consideration."

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Speaker Lang: "Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Floor Amendment 1 just makes technical changes."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4883, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Yes. This Bill has no opposition. Basically what it says is that for cosmetologists, esthetics, barbers, and other technicians that they will be allowed to take their test prior to graduation so that their areas where they need help they can get it while they're still enrolled in school. There's no opposition."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? D'Amico. Please take the record. There are 103 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 52... excuse me 5231, Mr. Stewart. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5231, a Bill for an Act concerning law enforcement officers. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative McAuliffe, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. McAuliffe on the Amendment."

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McAuliffe: "The Amendment will become the Bill. So this would allow so municipalities can't force peace officers to have FOID cards. I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5231, a Bill for an Act concerning law enforcement officers. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Stewart."

Stewart: "I think Mr. McAuliffe explained the Bill perfectly. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. There are 103 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5176, it's for Mr. Sosnowski. Mr. Harris is handling. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5176, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Sosnowski, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr... thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Amendment #1 becomes the Bill. This deals with the publication of notices dealing with property

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in a judicial sale. The Amendment addresses some concerns that were expressed by the Chicago Law Bulletin. Those have been addressed with the Amendment. And I ask for your support. And again, the Amendment becomes the Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5176, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "I explained the Bill. I'm more than happy to answer any questions you may have. And I ask support of the Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Gordon-Booth. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 103 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House... Mr. Halbrook is recognized."

Halbrook: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Point of personal privilege, please?"

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Halbrook: "I'm proud to recognize a Girl Scout Troop from Champaign County, the great town of Philo. Over here to my... they're waving on the east side of the gallery. Girl Scout Troop 2119. Let's give them a great warm Springfield welcome."

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Speaker Lang: "Welcome. We're happy to have you here with us. House Bill 5150, a Sosnowski Bill to be handled by Mr. Stewart. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5150, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5150, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Stewart."

Stewart: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill provides that the State's Attorney shall report the use of a consensual eavesdropping devices on February 1 of each year to the State Police. This requires eavesdropping reports by the State Police to be filed with the General Assembly on March 1 of each year. I know of no opponents."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves, Members. Crespo. Davis. Please take the record. There are 102 voting 'yes', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Mitchell is recognized."

Mitchell, B.: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

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Mitchell, B.: "Some place in the Capitol there is a group of Girl Scouts from Cerro Gordo, Illinois in Pike County. So give them a big welcome."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Sir. And welcome to that group. House Bill 4953, Mr. McAuliffe. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4953, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative McAuliffe, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Amendment #1 takes the opposition away from IDFPR to adopt the rules for the... to implement this legislation. And I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4953, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House and Mr. Speaker. This Bill would allow for professions getting continuing education to be trained on sexual harassment. And I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the

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record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 103 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5596, Representative Moeller. Please read... out of the record. House Bill 5147, Representative Mussman. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House... House Bill 5147, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Mussman, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Mussman."

Mussman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 5147. Our goal is to create protections for the salaries of child models, actors, and other performers by creating what is called a Coogan account so that 15 percent of their pay will be set aside for them in a trust fund they can access at age eighteen. Our proposal is based off a strong Coogan law that's already created in California, New York, New Mexico, and Louisiana. We think this is an important step to take in Illinois as Chicago in particular continues to see increased activity in the film and TV production. I'm happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5147, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative, did you just explain the Bill?"

Mussman: "I really did."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Wheeler is recognized."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Wheeler, K.: "Representative, I want to thank you for your work, and across the aisle, and with the department and such. This doesn't remove the opposition we had originally heard about, is that correct?"

Mussman: "Not entirely. The Motion Picture Association came forward at the last minute and asked for us to include a few more details which we have already lined up a Senate Sponsor to assist us with handling. So we're... we're just moving forward."

Wheeler, K.: "Okay. Thank you for your hard work, appreciate it."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Zaleski. Williams. Rita. Chapa LaVia. Please take the record. There are 102 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4272, Representative Winger. Please read the Bill. That Bill is 5272, Mr. Clerk. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5272, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Winger, has been approved for consideration."

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Speaker Lang: "Representative Winger."

Winger: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5272 requires the Illinois EPA to conduct a study of the air and waste pollution created by the activity of O'Hare Airport. The report shall be due by October 31, 2020. And there are no elephants nor poodles in this study. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Amendment say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5272, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Bear with us a moment, Representative. Representative, we need to take this out of the record. We will get back to you. Please... that Bill's on Third Reading, is that correct, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "That is correct."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you. House Bill 5551, Mr. Pritchard. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5551, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5551, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Pritchard."

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Pritchard: "Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, when we reformed some of the CILA the licensing requirements a year ago we unintentionally eliminated the State Fire Marshal from being able to do the inspections on the CILA homes. This Bill would correct that and add them back in to the approved licensing agency. I have a situation in my district where this was a critical factor. And I'm pleased to bring this legislation. Would ask for your support."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Riley."

Riley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Riley: "Representative Pritchard, why is IRF opposed to this Bill?"

Pritchard: "Excuse me?"

Riley: "Why is IRF opposed to this Bill? Illinois Association of Rehabilitation Facilities, I believe it is."

Pritchard: "I'm not aware that they are."

Riley: "Okay. You know, maybe we have some issues with the systems or something. But on my analysis it shows that they're in opposition the Bill. I don't know why but that's why I'm asking the question. But as far as you're..."

Pritchard: "So..."

Riley: "...as far as you know they are not opposed to the Bill?"

Pritchard: "Our records say they aren't opposed. And what this Bill does is simply saying that the facility has to be inspected by either a local fire department, if they are properly licensed, or the State Fire Marshal. The prior legislation removed the fire marshals ability to do that and they put it at the end of their list of things they could do

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and this is simply allowing them to take more of a priority improving these facilities. Had a resident that waited well over a year to get the inspection because the fire marshal had been removed from that process. So this is going to help those in such living facilities."

Riley: "Well it seems like there was some concern by that group that the fire marshal could not or had not been responding in a timely basis with regard to inspections. So..."

Pritchard: "So... so that's because they were taken out of having that as a required activity. So they put it at the end of all the things that they could do and if they had time they would inspect it. What this is doing is saying it is one of their required duties. And hopefully we'll have a more timely inspection."

Riley: "Okay."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill... Representative Turner in the Chair. Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5551 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 100 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5551, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5253, Representative Sente. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5253, a Bill for an Act concerning government. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No

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Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Sente, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Sente."

Sente: "I'd like to adopt House Floor Amendment 1 which becomes Bill. The Amendment just simplifies the original Bills expectations of the state agencies."

Speaker Lang: "Lady moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5253. All in favor say 'aye', all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 5253."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5253, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Sente."

Sente: "This is a Bill brought to me by the SBAC. It's supported by NFIB and IMA with no opponents. The Bill gives small businesses earlier notice of JCAR rule and rule changes by consolidating all rule notifications onto DCO's website. And it also asks state agencies to identify the business industry affected by the rule and the impact category."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5253 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 102 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5253, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House

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Bill 5349, Representative Scherer. Out of the record. House Bill 4907, Representative McAuliffe. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4907, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. This Bill was read a second time previous day. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative McAuliffe, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative McAuliffe on Floor Amendment #2."

McAuliffe: "Floor Amendment #2. This would add from five members to six members to the Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Committee. And I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4907. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, House Bill 4907."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4907, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This would move from to five to six members for the Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Committee. This would simply allow it then is to be on that board. I ask for its passage."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4907 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all

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voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 102 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4907, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Bryant, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Bryant: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would you please let the record reflect that I wish to be a 'no' vote on 5104."

Speaker Turner: "The record will reflect your request, Representative. Representative Crespo, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Crespo: "Thank you, Speaker. House Bill 5551, I'd like the record to show that I shall be recorded voting 'yes'."

Speaker Turner: "The record will reflect your request, Representative. Representative Meier, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Meier: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Meier: "I'd like to welcome the Okawville Girl Scouts from my home town up here to the left of us. Wish them a good day in Springfield. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, and welcome to your Capitol. Keep standing, Representative. House Bill 5635, Representative Meier. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5635, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Meier."

Meier: "House Bill 5635 is about recording wrecks while you're driving down the interstate. It's already illegal to do it."

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People are driving by in the wreck scene with the State Police there and our first responders, who take off from their jobs to go and try to save lives, and they're recording, they're running off the roads. Our firemen are having to jump out of the way because they're holding their cameras out of the windows trying to record the wrecks. It makes it a \$500 fine. Trying to protect the lives of the people who are out there trying to save ours."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5635 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 97 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present', House Bill 5635, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5110, Leader Lang. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5110, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As amended this Bill deals with expedited licensures in the area of mental health folks, social workers, family therapists, et cetera. And the final Amendment was an agreement with IDFPR."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5110 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 100 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5110, having received

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the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared... declared passed. Representative Keith Wheeler, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representative Wheeler is excused for the rest of the day. Representative Barbara Wheeler that is."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. House Bill 5111, Representative Lang. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5111, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. This is also an agreed Bill among all the stakeholders. It creates a task force to study the issues of professional shortages in mental health care professions. I ask your support."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5111 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 100 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5111, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5245, Representative Unes. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5245, a Bill for an Act concerning health. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Unes, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Unes."

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Unes: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 changes some training hours and makes a few other additional changes with timing."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Hammond, do you rise on Floor Amendment #1? Okay. Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5245. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, please... Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 5245."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5245, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Unes."

Unes: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am very, very proud and pleased to be able to present House Bill 5245 to this Body. This is a Bill that has been massively worked on for over two years now. A Bill that brings compassion and care to survivors and to children that have gone through unbelievable trauma. This is a Bill, as I said, that we have worked on with so many different entities, with ICASA, with the AG's Office, with the hospitals, with the med society, with children advocacy centers, with pediatric physicians, with rape crisis centers, with law enforcement, with States Attorneys. This Bill has been debated and discussed now for a long time and this is landmark legislation. This legislation is making comprehensive changes to CCITA and, for the very first time, it is separating and making differences between an adult survivor and a pediatric survivor. And it's setting up

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protections and distinguishing the differences between those survivors. It also is allowing for the differences between transfer... transfer facilities and treatment facilities to be defined so to ensure that the most qualified professional is treating the most vulnerable survivor. I am happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate... excuse me. Representative Hammond is recognized."

Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have a few questions of the Sponsor for legislative intent."

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Hammond: "Representative Unes, what is going to be required of the hospitals if there is not a rape crisis center in the area which could provide this medical advocacy?"

Unes: "Thank you, Representative Hammond. For legislative intent a hospital or an approved pediatric healthcare facility providing medical forensic services is only required to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the rape crisis center for medical advocacy services if these services are available to the treatment hospital... treatment hospital with approved pediatric transfer or approved pediatric health care facility. If services are not available because there is no local rape crisis center or because a local center does not have the capacity or resources to provide services to a hospital or pediatric facility then an MOU is not required."

Hammond: "And must a hospital or approved pediatric health care facility pay a fee to have the rape crisis center provide the medical advocacy services?"

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Unes: "No. No. The Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assaults Policy and Procedure Manual states under its services standards that a center may request an honorarium or a fee from an organization or institution where in it provides its services. A center will not with hold any ICASA funded services to a non for profit or government entity based solely upon that entities decision not to pay."

Hammond: "And then finally, Representative, are hospitals required to complete the sexual assault evidence collection kits on prepubescent children who are brought to a hospital with a complaint of sexual assault or sexual abuse having occurred in the last seven days?"

Unes: "Thank you, Representative. Again, for a legislative intent, evidence collection is encouraged for prepubescent sexual assault survivors who present to a hospital or approved pediatric health care facility with the complaint of sexual assault within a minimum of 96 hours after the sexual assault. This does not create a new medical standard of care."

Hammond: "Representative, I want to thank you for all of the work that you have done on this. And I'm going to miss seeing Mary Morrissey from the State... from the Attorney General's Office quite so often but appreciate everything done on this. And appreciate and support your Bill."

Unes: "Thank you, Representative."

Speaker Turner: "The Chair recognizes Representative Ives."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

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Ives: "Just wanted some clarification about who was actually opposed to the Bill and what is the nature of their opposition?"

Unes: "Thank you, Representative. As I've said in debate, we... or in my opening, there's been a lot of discussion about this Bill. It's been going on for a long time. In committee, with the Amendment that we just adopted, the Hospital Association did slip in in opposition along with the emergency room physicians. However having said that, not all the hospitals are opposed. As a matter of fact, we had hospitals in committee that slipped in as proponents and actually spoke on the record on behalf and in support of the Bill. There is still negotiations, ongoing discussions that are happening. Mainly around the... the topic of the amount of hours of training and the time allotted for when this... when a treatment facility has to be up to speed. Those discussions are still ongoing as well as the qualifications for an emergency room physician. Those conversations are still happening. I'm very confident that those can be addressed. And as I've said for almost two years now have been having these discussions with all those entities and we have adopted an Amendment that took care of a lot of those concerns. Admittedly there's still some that we're still having those discussion on. But like I said, it's not all hospitals because we do have proponents that slipped in in support and spoke on behalf of the Bill, too."

Ives: "And do you intend to continue that conversation in the Senate or is this going to happen in a trailer Bill to address their concerns?"

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Unes: "I have had conversations with the Senate Sponsor and have indicated that I would like those discussions to continue and she has agreed."

Ives: "Okay. Thank you."

Unes: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The Chair recognizes Representative Williams."

Williams: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. Just a quick note. Thank you so much Representative for your... literally your years of hard work on this critical issue. This is not a new issue. This is something that the Attorney General has been working on literally for years and has come publicly out numerous times to say that she had reached agreement and commitments with various hospitals and health systems. And it's very exciting that this is coming to fruition now but the time is now to make this happen. We have, unfortunately, survivors both children and adult that need the specialized services that this Bill will provide. So again, we have no more time to wait. No more time to plan. No more time to talk. The time is now for action on behalf of these survivors. Thank you so much, Representative."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Unes to close."

Unes: "Well thank you. I appreciate the discussion and the questions. There's a few people that I have to thank very quickly on this Bill. One... one being Dr. Channing Petrak from the Pediatric Research Center in Peoria. She's a forensic evidence, sexual assault pediatrician and she is really a godsend to central Illinois as she covers, I think, over 20 counties on these specialized services. I also want to say thank the OSF Saint Francis Children Hospital of Illinois. I

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want to thank all the discussion and work that's been done on this with the AG's Office over the years, all the advocates. This Bill, again Mr. Speaker, will ensure that a child that has been through unthinkable trauma is able to be seen by the most qualified professional. This is landmark legislation and I urge a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5245 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 101 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5245, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Davidsmeyer, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Davidsmeyer: "I would like to welcome some young friends from my district from Jerseyville, Illinois. I'd like to welcome Troop 632. They're right behind me. If they could stand up and wave. Look at those smiling faces. If we could give them a warm Springfield welcome I'd appreciate it."

Speaker Turner: "Welcome to your Capitol. House Bill 4433, Representative Rita. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4433, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Rita."

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Rita: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4433 is the annual transfer of funds for the Auditor General to perform.. it's just the transfer. Gives the authority to the Comptroller to transfer all these funds so they can perform their audits and their function. Be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "On that Representative Wehrli is recognized."

Wehrli: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Wehrli: "So Representative, who audits our auditor?"

Rita: "What's that?"

Wehrli: "Who audits our auditor?"

Rita: "I guess us."

Wehrli: "How we doing on that?"

Rita: "We're doing a good job."

Wehrli: "Do you know... do you know if our Auditor General is still under federal investigation for campaign finance violations?"

Rita: "I believe it's in the... it's going through its process as it's been for the last couple of years."

Wehrli: "So could you speak up I couldn't hear you?"

Rita: "It's going through its proper process."

Wehrli: "It's going through its proper process. To the Bill. I understand that the Auditor General's Office has a job to do but it is unconscionable that in a state that is in such a fiscal crisis, has a financial watch dog.. our position of Auditor General that is supposed to be our fiscal watch dog, is currently under investigation by the FBI and IRS. There's a Resolution that I filed quite some time ago, I filed it multiple times, asking for his removal. If any state in our Union is in a position where we need somebody that's actually

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watching the finances of each and every department in a highly ethical manner it's the State of Illinois. This office has a job to do but we have the wrong person in charge of that office."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Rita to close."

Rita: "I ask for a favorable vote. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4433 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Members, please record yourselves. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 92 voting 'yes', 6 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4433, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 175, Representative Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 175, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Hoffman, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Hoffman on Floor Amendment #1."

Hoffman: "Yes. I ask that Floor Amendment #1 be adopted. It will become the Bill and then we can debate it on Third Reading."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 175. All in favor say 'aye', all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, House Bill... Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, House Bill 175."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 175, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 175 is similar to a Bill that was passed, I believe yesterday, by Representative Hammond. It is a result of a bipartisan, bicameral group of meetings concerning long term care and the eligibility of Medicaid and making sure that the 15 thousand people who are on backlog are caught up and are made eligible and that the 11 thousand... the 11 thousand patients that are awaiting approval... reapproval are taken care of. I'd like to pass this to the Senate where we can begin... continue work on this matter."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, I wanted to see... I've got a number of conflicting reports of who is opposed to the Bill. So who is still opposed to the Bill with your Floor Amendment 1 on... on... having been adopted?"

Hoffman: "I don't know of any known opposition other than possibly the department who hasn't been doing its job. The Comptroller's Office has some concerns regarding the priority of payment. We have agreed with the Comptroller's Office that we won't move the Bill ultimately until they are taken care of. That commitment was made in a... in the committee. I believe that Representative Hammond also made that commitment with regard to her Bill. This is an initiative of the long term

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care of individuals. Senator Mulroe and Senator Syverson have worked on this, as well as myself and Representative Hammond."

Breen: "And just to... for the indulgence of the Body, the 45 day requirement is that... isn't a federal requirement or there's some tie in with the feds on that right?"

Hoffman: "Yes."

Breen: "And we're just not meeting it. And so then your Bill is ensuring that folks are able to get their reimbursements even if we don't meet the 45 days?"

Hoffman: "Yes."

Breen: "Fair enough. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Hoffman to close."

Hoffman: "I ask for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 175 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 99 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 175, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Ammons, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to correct the Roll Call on House Bill 5635. I intended to vote 'no' on 5635."

Speaker Turner: "The Journal will reflect your request, Representative. Representative Mayfield, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Mayfield: "I'd like the Journal to reflect that I intended to vote 'no' on House Bill 5635."

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Speaker Turner: "Journal will reflect your request, Representative. Representative Davis, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Davis: "Mr. Speaker, I'd like the Journal to reflect that I intended to vote 'no' on House Bill 5635 as well."

Speaker Turner: "It will do so. Representative Welch, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Welch: "Mr. Speaker, my switch didn't work. Please let the record reflect I intended to 'yes' on 175."

Speaker Turner: "The record will reflect your request. Representative Greenwood, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Welch: "Mr. Speaker, please let the record reflect that I intended to vote 'no' on 5635."

Speaker Turner: "The record will reflect your request. Representative Martwick, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Martwick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to correct the record on two Bills. House Bill 5198, please let the record reflect that I meant to vote 'no'. My switch was not operating. And House Bill 5692 I also meant to vote 'no'. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The record will reflect your request. Representative Wallace, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Wallace: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that I intended to vote 'no' to House Bill 5635."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Lilly, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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Lilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect I...
I intended to vote 'no' on 5635."

Speaker Turner: "Record will reflect your request. Representative
Stratton, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Stratton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect
I intended to vote 'no' on House Bill 5635."

Speaker Turner: "The record will so reflect your request.
Representative Harper."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect
that intended to vote 'no' House Bill 5635 and 5198."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. The record will
reflect your request. House Bill 274, Representative Mussman.
Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 274, a Bill for an Act concerning
regulation. This Bill was read a second time previous day.
Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 has
been adopted previously. No further Amendments. A fiscal note
has been requested but not filed at this time."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Mussman."

Mussman: "Are we good to go or do we need to address the fiscal
note?"

Speaker Turner: "We would have to address the fiscal note and
move it back to Second."

Mussman: "So I would like to rule that inapplicable. It didn't
come out within the five day time limit."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I believe there is going to be a
fiscal impact to this... this particular measure. So we object

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to the lifting of the fiscal note. Ask for a Roll Call vote on the same."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Bellock, for what reason do you... Representative Mussman moves to deem the fiscal note inapplicable. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 57 voting 'yes', 45 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', this Motion having received more 'ayes' than 'nays' carries. And the fiscal note is deemed inapplicable. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further notes have been requested."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 274."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 274, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Mussman."

Mussman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and Members of the House. House Bill 274 will allow pharmacist to dispense hormonal contraception. Sixty percent... sixty-seven percent of women using contraception use hormonal methods and proactive family planning will require a women to consistently utilize some form of contraception for roughly three decades over the course of her child bearing years. Inconsistency of access leaves women exposed to unplanned pregnancies. More than half of... more than half of the pregnancies occurring in Illinois are unplanned at this moment in time. We believe that puts them at a significant health risk and we think this is an

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important step in increasing access. I am certainly happy to answer questions as necessary."

Speaker Turner: "On that, the Chair recognizes Representative Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield."

Breen: "Thank you. And Representative, just for the indulgence of the Body, your Bill would allow pharmacists to prescribe and distribute hormonal contraceptives. Is that what... is that the extent of your Bill?"

Mussman: "They would not be allowed to prescribe, they would be allowed to dispense under a standing order, which they already do for vaccines and for nalaxone."

Breen: "All right. And then is there any age limit to the individual to whom the pharmacists are dispensing the... the drug?"

Mussman: "There is not an age limit. It is not medically necessary."

Breen: "For people under the age of 18, for instance, to continue to see doctors on a yearly basis or however, whatever basis is appropriate?"

Mussman: "There is nothing that impedes a minor from seeing a doctor on an annual basis for any other reason."

Breen: "When you say standing order what does that mean?"

Mussman: "It means that a prescribing doctor or authority gives them permission to dispense specific items. In this case it would be the hormonal oral contraceptive, the pill, a ring, or a patch."

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Breen: "See and... and when you a standing order, you see, that doesn't necessarily have to go to a specific person. It can be just a whole... just a standing order that allows the pharmacists to do everything from the self-screening risk assessment tool and all of that?"

Mussman: "Yes. That's correct. In... in over 100 other countries around the world oral contraceptives are just available over the counter. That's actually the direction the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists would like to go but the FDA is a little behind in doing that. So this creates another step for that. So pharmacists would voluntarily go and have enhanced training to be able to have better understanding of how to dispense this more authoritatively. So what they would also have to do is they would, as part of this process, sit down and have a one on one private consultation with the client about all forms of birth control that are available to them. And then upon filling out the health assessment tool they would be allowed to dispense, as long as the woman met the terms of the health assessment tool."

Breen: "And just for the sake of the debate I'd like to move formally for Standard Debate."

Speaker Turner: "Standard Debate, Sir."

Breen: "Thank you. Just because we've got a little... we're running out of time. To the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, the Illinois Insurance Association is opposed to this. Blue Cross is opposed. The health insurance plans are opposed. This is not merely... I know there is some issue of morals here but really the primary issue is the fact that, I mean... and the objection

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there is this is a standing order that would allow a pharmacist essentially to prescribe, on their own, various contraceptive methods that currently are.. are dispensed, they're prescribed under the supervision of a licensed physician who is trained. There is no lower limits. So this is young people, as young as.. you know, just as soon as they start going through puberty. There's no requirement for parental involvement. There is a whole range of reasons why this is not the right way to go. But as well, I would like to yield my time to Representative McCombie from here."

Speaker Turner: "Representative McCombie is recognized."

McCombie: "Thank you, Speaker. Just a couple questions. Will you yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor will yield."

McCombie: "Okay. This may.. this Bill may appeal to many different pharmacists, and I know we talked about this, but do you think that it's a good idea for young women to not have any physical exam? I mean..."

Mussman: "No. I think it's important for all people to follow a regular health care routine and see doctors as appropriate. I do not believe that it is medically necessary for a woman or a young girl to have a pelvic exam in order to access birth control. And the American College of Gynecologists and Obstetricians are in favor of this proposal. They are the ones to whom people most often would go to for this kind of dispensation and they believe that it is safe and important to allow pharmacists the ability to do this. And the Medical Society is not in opposition either. It is not unsafe for this to occur."

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McCombie: "Okay. Do you think there's an opening open up of liability to the pharmacists when the young girl has a serious allergic reaction to whatever form is prescribed to her?"

Mussman: "So that would be part of the prescreening tool. And again, if she..."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Mussman: "...if she were to answer in the affirmative to an of the questions on the questionnaire, which is basically very similar to the same form that she would be filling out in the gynecologist's office, the pharmacist's would not be able to dispense at that time and he would refer her back to a doctor."

Speaker Turner: "Representative McCombie, would you like to make your final comment? Go right ahead."

McCombie: "Thank you. I have to oppose this Bill. I appreciate your intent completely but I really think it's important for young women especially to be seeing a doctor and have it prescribed in this nature. I think it just really could open up a huge can of worms. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Bellock is recognized for five minutes."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Bellock: "So I know there's been a lot of talking and I couldn't hear everything exactly. My concern is the pharmacist as of... I don't even remember if it was a years ago or two years ago that we gave them the right to prescribe."

Mussman: "They do not have the right to prescribe."

Bellock: "So that is not in the Bill?"

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Mussman: "That is not in the Bill."

Bellock: "Who is prescribing them the birth control pills?"

Mussman: "So again, it behaves as a standing order. Just like vaccines and naloxone now. So it..."

Bellock: "A standing order particularly just to pharmacists?"

Mussman: "No. I'm sorry. I will step back. The actual prescriber is the Department of Public Health, DPH, our own DPH as written in the rules."

Bellock: "So now our Department of Public Health has taken the executive decision to, upon by themselves, prescribe to any girl in the State of Illinois who goes into a drug store to get birth control pills?"

Mussman: "Right. So DPH will issue the prescription but the pharmacists will have the enhanced training, right they have to go through this extra training situation, and then they have to... then they have to assist the client with filling out the health questionnaire to make sure that it is appropriate for them to dispense one of those hormonal options at that time."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Representative. But I'm going back to the initial question that I asked. So the Department of Public Health is giving the executive order that all girls in Illinois may get birth control pills through their... any pharmacy they want to go to. Is that correct?"

Mussman: "No. That is not correct at all."

Bellock: "Well who's giving the prescription then?"

Mussman: "The prescription goes to a specially trained pharmacist a young girl..."

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Bellock: "No. I'm saying who makes the prescription for the medication? Not the dispensing. Who makes the prescription?"

Mussman: "The Director of Public Health..."

Bellock: "Okay. That's what I asked."

Mussman: "...authorizes a specially trained pharmacist to have the ability to dispense. Based on the filling out of the health questionnaire the pharmacist would assist a young girl should she present, to the trained pharmacist, her questionnaire he would assist her in deciding what is appropriate for her to take. So he would use that professional ability and authority to do that."

Bellock: "I understand the rest of that."

Mussman: "Just as the doctor would do that."

Bellock: "Thank you very much. I appreciate that. I just object to... and I'm a big supporter of Dr. Shaw and Public Health but I object to, whatever you want to call this, an executive order by the Department of Public Health to be able to prescribe to any pharmacist, you know, this..."

Mussman: "It's not any pharmacist..."

Bellock: "Okay."

Mussman: "...they have to be specially trained."

Bellock: "I understand that. All right. A specially trained pharmacist. I think it sets a precedent that is frightening of what other decisions one agency in Illinois is going to make on what prescription they're going to give to a specialized pharmacist. And that would be my objection. Thank you. Oh I'm going to give some of my time to Representative Wehrli. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Wehrli is recognized."

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Wehrli: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Should this Bill receive the required number of votes I request a verification. And with that I would like to yield the balance of the time to Representative Ives."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ives is recognized."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To... questions of the Sponsor."

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Ives: "Is the pharmacist going to be able to object? Do they have the right to object to giving this prescription?"

Mussman: "It's... so just as it is with the right of Consciousness Act, right, if they... if they choose not to do this or they don't have the ability to do this they would be able to direct the client to another facility that would offer that service."

Ives: "Well what if they just absolutely say I'm not... I don't feel comfortable prescribing this because I don't have enough knowledge about the recipient of the drug?"

Mussman: "So again, the pharmacist would need to be specially trained to do this. I'm going to presume that if it's not... if it's not something that pharmacist would like to pursue for themselves they're not going to get that extra training. So then they're not going to have the ability to prescribe this."

Ives: "So we're essentially taking what used to be something that the doctors could... actually have to be trained to do and we're telling pharmacists, who are only supposed to distribute drugs, that you are now going to be a prescriber?"

Mussman: "No they are not a prescriber..."

Ives: "It says so in your Bill."

Mussman: "...they would dispense under standing order..."

Ives: "And the prescribing."

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Mussman: "...as they already do for a number of medications and they would specially trained to have this skill set and it would be done in conjunction with a questionnaire that a woman would fill out also."

Ives: "Are the... are the pharmacist required to do any sort of high blood pressure screening?"

Mussman: "That is no apart of this, no. It is not necessary."

Ives: "Okay. That is..."

Mussman: "According to the gynecologists that is not a necessary step in prescribing."

Ives: "Mr. Speaker, to the Bill. That is very essential when you're prescribing contraceptives. There's a number of people that have problems when it comes to high blood pressure. And that that can be an absolutely a conflict when you're taking both that type of medication and having high blood pressure. This Bill is not at all ready for... for main stream pharmacists to be prescribing to young adolescent girls. I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Demmer is recognized."

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representative Cabello is excused for the day."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Wallace is recognized."

Wallace: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Wallace: "Thank you. So you've mentioned several times that this is a procedure that's already done with vaccinations."

Mussman: "Yes."

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Wallace: "So am I to... am I correct when I think about you can go into like a CVS or a Walgreens and receive like a flu vaccine or other vaccinations? You don't have to bring in a prescription, you walk into the clinic. Is this very similar to that?"

Mussman: "Yes."

Wallace: "And as you stated the pharmacist doesn't have to participate. Those who are already trained as they standardly are trained if they don't voluntarily go through additional training."

Mussman: "Right."

Wallace: "And in fact they can't participate unless they go through that additional training."

Mussman: "Correct."

Wallace: "Correct. And are there other medical uses for hormonal birth control?"

Mussman: "Yes. Some young women will take them for skin conditions like acne. A lot of women will take them to help regulate their cycle, especially if perhaps they have a concern with like endometriosis. So there are many reasons why a woman would want to have access to a hormonal contraception and seeing that interrupted as they struggle to make routine doctor's appointments can... can seriously impede their health."

Wallace: "Thank you. And this is very similar to a Bill about two years ago to provide consistency in access through prescriptions by giving... by saying women don't have to constantly go back to the pharmacy every few months to fulfill that prescription correct?"

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Mussman: "Correct."

Wallace: "Thank you, Representative. To the Bill. I think so often when we begin to talk about hormonal birth control or any form of birth control in this chamber we automatically jump to ideas of promiscuity which came up in the last debate from a couple years ago when we did this, questions of morality, questions of who's having sex and who's not. But really there are other medical reason why this would be necessary. Endometriosis has already been mentioned but there are a number of complications from polycystic ovarian syndrome, some women have debilitating menstrual cramps where for a young woman that means missing class time or work time because of the pain associated with her period. There may be issues of preserving their fertility, so stabilizing their hormones so that they don't go into early ovarian failure. There are a number of medical reasons as to why this necessary and I would hope that we would think about those medical reasons, especially in light of the Bill we just discussed in terms of preserving fertility. We do this in terms of public health with access to vaccinations and other medications. This is just one step for young women to be able to have uninterrupted medical treatment of whatever their issue may be. And also, again, uninterrupted access to planning their families because we know if they are able to choose when they enter into motherhood their trajectory of life is very different than if they're one of the young women who falls into that category of 50 percent of unplanned pregnancy. I encourage an 'aye' vote on this particular Bill. And I'll yield my time to Willis."

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Speaker Turner: "Representative Willis is recognized."

Willis: "Thank you very much. Will the Sponsor yield, please?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Willis: "So my... I just have a very... most of my questions have already been answered by the previous speaker but one of them that I want to bring up that was brought from some Members on the other side of the room. To your knowledge does a young man have to go and see a doctor to be able to purchase condoms?"

Mussman: "No."

Willis: "Do they have to know or reveal or be questioned if they may have a latex allergy?"

Mussman: "No they do not."

Willis: "Okay. So this is really calling upon fairness. A young woman should be able to have access to birth control without having to go and go through a number of hoops and this what this Bill is doing. As the previous said, we already allow these pharmacists to do injections for flu shots, pneumonia shots... I had one for shingles shots. So I was able to do that at my local pharmacy without having to see the doctor. I think you very clearly stated that yes everybody should be able to have an annual physical but in this day and age it may not be economically available to you or you may just not have the time to be able to do it 'cause your life just doesn't allow that to happen. But that does not mean that you should not have access to the basic health things that you need and part of that may be to have a basic access..."

Speaker Turner: "Please make your final comments, Representative."

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Willis: "My final comment is I urge an 'aye' vote. This is just a... a vote to make sure that we equal access to birth control. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Guzzardi, this Bill is on the Order of Standard Debate. Do you rise in opposition or support of this Bill? Please proceed. You will be the final speaker in support."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Guzzardi: "Representative Mussman, are you a medical doctor? Do you have an MD?"

Mussman: "No."

Guzzardi: "Do you know if any of the previous speakers are MDs?"

Mussman: "Not that I'm aware of."

Guzzardi: "Okay. Yeah. I didn't think so either. I'm also not an MD, I'm pleased to report. It's my impression the way that things go in Springfield usually is that MDs tend to be relatively jealous of their territory if you will. Wouldn't you say so? That they... they are very reluctant to allow other practitioners to impinge upon the duties that they normally practice wouldn't you say?"

Mussman: "I would agree wholeheartedly. This was a... a long time in the making as we negotiated them what was an appropriate way of making this happen."

Guzzardi: "Right. So yeah. In Bills that I've seen in this chamber, and Bills I've seen my colleague work on, when we try to allow other people who are not medical doctors to take over a role a medical doctors typically play there tends to be very opposition from the community of doctors. But I notice

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that the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists has a position on your Bill don't they? What's their position, Representative?"

Mussman: "They are in very firm support."

Guzzardi: "And are they medical doctors?"

Mussman: "Yes they are."

Guzzardi: "Yeah. So it seems..."

Mussman: "They came to testify in committee."

Guzzardi: "I heard them speak actually, Representative. And I was glad to see them there. It seems to me like we have a very unusual situation here in Springfield where doctors are saying that it is medically appropriate to allow pharmacists to dispense this kind of medication. Is that correct? Is that your assessment of the situation?"

Mussman: "That is indeed correct. Thank you."

Guzzardi: "Thank you. To the Bill. I think that this is a very unusual moment here in Springfield and one that I'm very grateful for. The medical community has determined that this is not the kind of medication that requires a screening and a checkup every time before it can be dispensed. And I don't think that it should be our job, as nondoctors, to speculate about what kinds of medical reasons there might be for requiring a checkup. The doctors are saying you don't need it. The doctors are saying please do not come to us for this checkup just go to your pharmacy and get the medication. It's very simple, Ladies and Gentlemen. We here in this chamber are not doctors. We should listen to what the doctor's say about this Bill. They say it is a sensible and responsible

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piece of legislation. I urge an 'aye' vote and I yield the remainder of my time to my colleague Representative Manley."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Manley."

Manley: "To the Bill. So once in a while when we ask for a verification on things, you know, you might cringe a little. I can't wait for this one. This needs to be done. My daughter had one of the conditions that Representative Wallace mentioned at a very early age. She had to submit to a pelvic examination, was horrifying for her, this was bad. She didn't need it. She wasn't taking birth control because of what... what gets conjured up in your mind right away. It was a medical necessity and she had to submit to this examination. And so when we think about, we have to think in a broad sense about what good this does. It wasn't the money. It wasn't trying to make an appointment. It was the fact that her condition she was no way for to get the medication without it. This is really important for women. We want women to be responsible. We talk... we preach responsibility on this floor constantly and yet we put barriers to having them do that for themselves. I don't know many women that can't make decisions on their own. I don't know many women that don't know what's the right path for themselves. I don't even know a time in history when that was the case but here we are. So this... this legislation, Representative Mussman, thank you. Thank you to all of the young women out there and some of their moms who had to watch these things happen and participate in them... horrified participating in them and when it could have been avoided by this simple thing. I thank you. I want to express my personal thanks. It's conjured up a lot of bad memories

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for me and I think it's a good thing to for other families to have to avoid. And I fully intend to enjoy this vote. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Bryant, do you rise in opposition to this measure? You will be the final speaker in opposition. You are recognized."

Bryant: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Bryant: "So I... just a couple questions and then a few statements possibly of the speaker... or of the Sponsor. Do you need a prescription for Sudafed? I know this came up in committee but..."

Mussman: "You do not need a prescription for Sudafed."

Bryant: "For... you do not need a prescription for certain forms of cold medications?"

Mussman: "You do not need a prescription."

Bryant: "Do you need a prescription for certain forms of cold medications?"

Mussman: "I would presume that you might. Some of them I know are maintained behind the counter and you have to sign into a book that you received them."

Bryant: "Okay. So but a 12 year old could... on some... I can tell you. Some cough medicine, some cold medications you do have to have a prescription for. So a 12 year old might be able to go into a pharmacy and get a birth control pill but would not be able to get a cold medication that requires a prescription, right?"

Mussman: "Well if that's what's medically necessary, yes many of those cold medications have codeine and other chemicals in

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them that would not be deemed to be safe. This has been deemed, by the med society and the gynecologists, to be safe for consumption according to the completion of a health questionnaire for people of all ages."

Bryant: "But if a..."

Mussman: "It is not medically necessary."

Bryant: "...but if a 12 year goes in and fills out the health questionnaire by themselves they could get a hormone pill but they couldn't get... go in and get a prescription cold medication?"

Mussman: "That would be correct. And for those of who are concerned I'm also going to point out this is..."

Bryant: "To the Bill."

Mussman: "...already available..."

Bryant: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill."

Mussman: "...online."

Speaker Turner: "To the Bill."

Mussman: "That same..."

Bryant: "So a couple of other things in regard to a previous speaker who indicated that she was uncomfortable because her daughter had to get a pelvic exam. Seems to me that it would be a little bit better for us to be approaching the fact that if a doctor thinks that an individual should be able to get a particular kind of medication, and the pelvic exam is not needed rather than have someone who is not a physician prescribe or allow the issuance of a hormone... a hormone pill, it would be better for the doctor to just not to do the pelvic exam. So maybe that's approach that we need to be taking. I would like to... to express that this is actually a risk to

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patient safety. It's an issue of a minority... I'm sorry... a young person under the age of 18 being able to go in and get a... which should be a prescription medication. And I yield what time is left to Representative McCombie."

Speaker Turner: "Representative McCombie is recognized."

McCombie: "Thank you. Just a couple of questions. As nondoctors, as we were pointed out to, did a doctor write this Bill?"

Mussman: "Yes. The gynecologists and the Medical Society was very instrumental in writing this Bill over the course of two years."

McCombie: "Okay. And as stated previously, women have the ability to make their own decision. So do young girls have the ability to make the decision to buy condoms as well?"

Mussman: "Yes. They would."

McCombie: "Okay. And as a fact of the matter, consumption may be okay but if a young girl is having sex she needs to have a pelvic exam. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "We have heard from three Members in opposition and three Members in support. Representative Mussman to close."

Mussman: "Thank you. I really appreciate the... the spirited debate. This is certainly a very sensitive issue. I would point out that we know that planned pregnancies have the best possible health outcome for the woman and the child. If you want to reduce unplanned pregnancies, and the negative consequences of those, we need to increase access and affordability for all forms of contraception, which the pharmacist would educate these young consumers on. It would also... you know, I want to point out that access is an issue in rural

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communities, in urban communities. Lack of transportation, lack of insurance can be a huge problem. And lack of consistency, again, leads to unplanned pregnancies. I'm glad to continue this conversation as we move forward. I appreciate the support. I think this is a very valuable health and money saving step that we can take right now."

Speaker Turner: "Members, a verification has been requested by Representative Wehrli. Please be in your seat to vote your switch. The question is, 'Shall House Bill 274 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 55 voting 'yes', 43 voting 'no', and 0 voting 'present'... Representative Wehrli, do you wish to proceed? He withdraws his Motion. And Representative Mussman..."

Mussman: "Place..."

Speaker Turner: "...moves to put this Bill on the Order of Postponed Consideration. Thank you. House Bill 4643, Representative Burke. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. Mr. Clerk, please move this Bill back to the Order of Second Reading and read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4643, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read for a second time previous day. Floor Amendment #1 was adopted previously. Floor Amendments 2 and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Daniel Burke."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Burke on Floor Amendment #2."

Burke, D.: "Thank you, Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. As this matter had been considered yesterday, I believe

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that the Body is familiar with the intent of this legislation that would provide that every physical therapist in our state be given the opportunity to treat patients without doctor's referral. Amendments... both 2 and 3 will address concerns that were raised by both the chiropractic profession and the dental profession. I must insist to you at this point that this is an agreed Bill. We are going to be the 45th state in our country to permit physical therapists to treat patients without MD referral. And I would be very happy to answer any questions you may have."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4643. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Daniel Burke."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Burke, did you just speak on..."

Burke, D.: "Mr. Speaker, ditto on Floor Amendment #3."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 4643. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 4643."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4643, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Burke."

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Burke, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I stand here on behalf of 13... over 13 thousand physical therapists in our state who have been left unrecognized, I guess, in this country because we are, as I suggested a moment ago, we will shortly become the 45th state that will permit physical therapists to treat their patients independently without doctor referral. This is an agreed Bill. There is no opposition to this matter. And I think this profession for their entire history deserves our consideration. These are hardworking individuals, who treat patients everyday who are healers, who make a difference in our society. And I would ask for your favorable consideration. Please vote 'aye'."

Speaker Turner: "Members, this Bill is on the Order of Standard Debate. Leader Durkin is recognized for five minutes."

Durkin: "To the Bill. Leader Burke, thank you. Thank you so much for listening to our priorities and our concerns you're your legislation and taking them to heart, putting them into the Amendments, and bringing it back here. I hope we can do more of this over the next month and a half. 'Cause we will have plenty of time to have controversies but this is a perfect example where we can actually work together, resolve our problems. And thank you for doing what you did... which yesterday I know was a bit of a challenge but you acted in a very professional manner. And I want to thank you again for bringing this to resolution. And I encourage all Members to... to support this Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative McAuliffe is recognized."

McAuliffe: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

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McAuliffe: "I was just standing up to congratulate you, Representative Burke, on moving Amendment #2 and 3 which removes all opposition. But I do have one question for you. Could this by chance be your last Bill on the House Floor?"

Burke, D.: "I don't think so, Representative McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Okay. All right. Then I say vote 'aye'. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Burke to close. The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4643 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 95 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4643, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Demmer, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representative Frese is excused for the day."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. House Bill 1469, Representative Burke. Out of the record. House Bill 5183, Representative Burke. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5183, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Daniel Burke."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Burke on Floor Amendment #1."

Burke, D.: "Well, Representative McAuliffe, maybe this is my last Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, House Bill 5183 will address the issue of increasing the minimum retirement annuity for

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certain firemen and minimum widow's annuity to 150 percent of the federal poverty level instead of 125 percent. We're asking that this annuity be increased by 25 percent. And I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5183. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Daniel Burke."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Burke."

Burke, D.: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Floor Amendment #3 would add minimum annuities for police officers as well as firemen."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 5183. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 5183."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5183, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Burke."

Burke, D.: "Thank you, Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen. I think the committee had considered this matter diligently and appropriately. And it's not a big ask. There is a very definite society that would be affected. This will be

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diminished over time. And I'm certainly at your disposal to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen is recognized."

Breen: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. I think we could... we can increase benefits in the Chicago Police Fund, Chicago Fire Fund, their Labors Fund, all of the rest. We can do all we want. Until we actually do something to prevent them from all going bankrupt in short order it really doesn't matter. We can't... we can't print money, which is a really good thing. Sometimes we wish the Federal Government couldn't print money. But boy it's an especially good thing the Illinois General Assembly can't print money. So again, you know, this is all happy stuff and I'm sure there are perfectly good reasons to do it for a solvent Pension Fund but in this particular case this Pension Fund is going down. It's just a matter of time when. And as soon as we start talking about municipal bankruptcy and all the other things that we'll be talking about... again about four... somebody was asking whether it's going to be four years for municipal bankruptcy or it'll be a little longer. I think it'll be closer to eight 'cause these things linger a little longer than you... than you expect all the time. But again, we can vote 'yes' on all this stuff all day long, doesn't really matter. I'll be voting 'no'."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ives is recognized."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. Since my colleague brought up the idea of municipal bankruptcy, truthfully that's what we really need to start looking at. We have a serious discussion about it. I appreciate the fact that Representative DeLuca has allowed me to actually have a

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discussion on this hopefully when we get back after our break here next week. But make no doubt about it this is a serious matter. You're dealing with people's lives. You're dealing with taxpayers. You're dealing Pension Funds that are on the brink of insolvency and there's no way out. I got a letter the other day from the Danville Mayor. He basically flat out says he needs bankruptcy. The cost to their Pension Funds have increased 112 percent over the last 5 years. They have \$105 million in debt. They have no idea what they're going to do. So Chicago is actually much worse off than that. But you guys are avoiding talking about the real problems with these Pension Funds and the real insolvency that lurks in the near future. So you're the ones who are jeopardizing the futures... pensions of the police and fire that you think that you're protecting with this Bill. This Bill is nothing more than an avoidance of the serious conversations we have to have surrounding bankruptcy and pensions in this state. I urge a 'no' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Burke to close."

Burke, D.: "Thank you again, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen. On behalf of those that risk their lives every single day in their career we're talking about a very minor adjustment in this Pension Code that will offer fairness and parity. And I would ask the Body's favorable consideration."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5183 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 56 voting 'yes', 40 voting 'no', and 0 voting

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'present', Representative Burke moves to put this Bill on the Order of Postponed Consideration. House Bill 5139, Representative Olsen. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5139, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Olsen, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Olsen."

Olsen: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Amendment 2 is an Amendment from the Trial Lawyers. It clarifies that this Bill does not limit remedies provided under the Code of Civil Procedure."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 5139. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 5139."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5139, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Olsen."

Olsen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is an exciting initiative of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. It creates a regulatory sand box in order to bring financial products that were previously unregulated into a limited regulator space that can work collaboratively.. the companies can work collaboratively with the Department to ensure appropriate regulation, ensure appropriate safety for

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consumers. This will help our state remain a financial hub of the world, especially our great City of Chicago. I would ask for your support and be open to your questions."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5139 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 93 voting 'yes', 4 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5139, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5749, Representative Phelps Finnie. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5749, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Phelps Finnie, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Finnie."

Phelps Finnie: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a gut a replace Amendment that becomes the Bill. Allowing our farmers to haul there ag commodities at 10 percent above axel and gross weight."

Speaker Turner: "Lady moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5749. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. But a state mandates notes has been requested but not filed at this time."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Finnie."

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Phelps Finnie: "Yes. As I said this allows our famers to haul their ag commodities 10 percent above the gross weight..."

Speaker Turner: "Do you want to rule the state mandates note inapplicable?"

Finnie: "I'm sorry. We have... I know there's fiscal notes. I'd like to render those inapplicable."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen is recognized."

Breen: "I think the Representative asked to hold the Bill inapplicable but if assuming she's holding the note inapplicable we object and ask for a Roll Call."

Speaker Turner: "The Lady moves to deem the state mandates note inapplicable. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 59 voting 'yes', 34 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', there being more 'yes' votes than 'no's' the state mandate note is deemed inapplicable. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further note requests."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 5749."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5749, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Finnie."

Phelps Finnie: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think we're ready now. So this does allow for farmers to allow... to haul their ag commodities at 10 percent above gross weight. This mirrors our harvest emergency Bill that was passed a couple of years ago. Be glad to take any questions."

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Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate.
Representative Breen is recognized."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, would you give us... what's the nature...
I see some opposition here. I'm not quite understanding why
they're opposed. Can you give us the nature of the
opposition?"

Phelps Finnie: "Absolutely. Of course IDOT is opposed as concerns
to the roadways and also the Association of County Engineers
for the same reasons."

Breen: "And your Bill though allows for axel weight and gross
weight to not exceed 10 percent above the maximum. So that's
really the only change here. So it's just they'll get to a 10
percent above the current the maximum. Is that right?"

Phelps Finnie: "That's correct. There is going to be some minor
language change and I've already spoken with the Senate
Sponsor on this to make sure we're not... we're not going to
have some unintended fines that are going to be allowed here.
So we're going to tweak that a little bit. But essentially 10
percent above the gross weight is correct."

Breen: "Okay. And there's still... still allow other restrictions
on the standard permits and the units of government can... the
applicable units of government can still put conditions on
the permits but that's so that they still maintain their other
powers?"

Phelps Finnie: "So that's a great a question. Actually as it goes
over to the Senate our hopes and what we've agreed upon is
that this will become a state permit. So we're going to forget

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the jurisdictions. It becomes too complicated. This will be a state permit and it would actually be higher than \$500 to allow... make sure our county units get their money."

Breen: "Fair enough. And to the Bill. I know there's some concern about will we tear up the roads or not. Those are... those are legitimate concerns and ones to think through as you decide to vote on the Bill. Thank you for the answers to the questions."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Davidsmeyer is recognized."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I'm up there are a chief cosponsor. I understand the need for... for something like this but when we do things like this we have to ensure... and I want to say thank you to the speaker. She is continuing to work on this. I talked to Farm Bureau, they're continuing to work on it and make a few changes as well. The concerns from the County Engineers and IDOT are real. You know, probably... I don't know maybe 10 years ago they passed a law here requiring all roads to handle 80 thousand pounds. And those roads still cannot handle 80 thousand pounds now we're increasing that to 88 thousand. Last year the budget was passed that didn't have enough money that shifted other costs into the Road Fund which took more money away from local roads. So I do... I have a huge concern when we talk about this issue but I believe that the Sponsor is going to continue to work on this in the Senate. And at this point I'm going to support it but I hope... I hope we can get some... some good changes over there. I'd like to yield my time to Representative McCombie."

Speaker Turner: "Representative McCombie is recognized."

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McCombie: "Thank you. Just one question for the Sponsor please. Do you believe that this would decrease the number of trucks on the county roads because of the increase?"

Phelps Finnie: "That's a great question. Absolutely. So that farmers are allowed to haul heavier loads, that's fewer loads, that's fewer trips.

McCombie: "Great. Thank you. I support the Bill."

Phelps Finnie: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Costello, do you rise in opposition or support of this Bill?"

Costello: "Support, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "You will be the final speaker in support."

Costello: "Thank you. I'd just like to make the Body aware of the fact that this puts us in parity with the surrounding states. It's from a competitive aspect for our farmers this is something that is extremely important. And also the Governor currently has emergency powers to do this. So I... I recommend an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Long, do you rise in opposition or support of this measure?"

Long: "Support."

Speaker Turner: "We have heard from all of the support. Representative Finnie to close."

Phelps Finnie: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So as we've heard this is going to allow our famers to haul more efficiently this means fewer... less fuel, fewer man hours. Also I think... which I think is the most important point here is this creates parity with the surrounding states as... as Costello just testified to. We are always talking about in this chamber how all the states

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around us have better... they're more friendly to business. Farming is our greatest business. And this is a real chance we have to be competitive with the other states. Representative McCombie's already spoken but she... she was great to help me. And I have in front of me, and I won't read all of them, but every single state around us allows 10 percent increased hauling at no charge, at no charge. So I think we're being fair in asking this at a cost of a permit. Thank you. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5749 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 92 voting 'yes', 2 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present', House Bill 5749, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Moylan, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Moylan: "Point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Moylan: "Can we have a warm Springfield welcome to the children and kids from the 8th grade class from St. Paul of the Cross from Park Ridge, Illinois."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, and welcome to your Capitol. House Bill 5345... excuse me. House Bill 5308, Representative Lilly. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5308, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Lilly."

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Lilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. House Bill 5308 amends the Illinois Public Health Code and provides that the Department of Health and Family Services shall not require a person committed to the Department of Corrections to pay fees or copays for services. I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen, this Bill is on the Order of Short Debate. You are recognized."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, just... just for clarification we just earlier today passed House Bill 5104 from Representative Ammons which amended the Code of Corrections. Your Bill is part of the same idea... does the same thing but amends the Public Aid Code which has similar provisions to what the department... the Code of Corrections has correct?"

Lilly: "That is correct."

Breen: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Lilly to close."

Lilly: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5308 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 62 voting 'yes', 30 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5308, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Keith Wheeler is recognized."

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Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representative Jesiel is excused for the rest of today."

Speaker Turner: "The record will reflect your request. Thank you. House Bill 5551, Representative Pritchard. Out of the record. That Bill was already taken care of. Thank you, Representative. House Bill 5547, Representative Andrade. Mr. Clerk, please take this Bill out of the record for a moment. House Bill 1439, Leader Gordon-Booth. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1439, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Gordon-Booth."

Gordon-Booth: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Amendment 1 is a gut and replace Amendment that actually becomes the Bill. This Amendment amends the Electronic Products Recycling and Reuse Act. And the initiative is meant to replicate a similar exemption that is in place in Iowa that allows for CR2 glass.. CR2 glass to be stored.. to be stored in facilities that require accreditation to operate as a recycler or refurbisher. This piece of legislation actually passed out of this chamber last year unanimously. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Butler, do you wish to be recognized on Floor Amendment #1?"

Butler: "Nope. No.. no. Sorry."

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Speaker Turner: "The Lady moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 1439. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 1439."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1439, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Gordon-Booth."

Gordon-Booth: "I explained the content of the Bill. I ask for you 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "On that Motion Representative Butler is recognized."

Butler: "I would just like to thank Leader Gordon-Booth for her support on this. This is a Bill that has passed unanimously in the past and I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no further debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 1439 pass? All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 95 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 1439, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5341, Representative Gordon-Booth. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5341, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #3, offered by

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Representative Gordon-Booth, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Gordon-Booth."

Gordon-Booth: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Amendment 3 is a gut and replace Amendment that also becomes the Bill. This Bill is in respect to some of the negotiations that have been going on with the Clerk's Association. The Amendment it simply clarifies that circuit clerks will actually have access to expunged or sealed records. The intent of the Bill is to create an opportunity so that when individuals are seeking expungement and sealment the... the expungement and sealment relief that fines and fees that we already talked about today will not be a hindrance in terms of individuals being able to move forward with their expungements or sealments. I move to have House Amendment 3 adopted."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen, can we adopt the Amendment and discuss it on Third or would you like to speak to the Amendment? Representative Breen is recognized."

Breen: "Just one question. Are the State's Attorneys and Clerks still opposed with the Amendment or not?"

Gordon-Booth: "What was the question?"

Breen: "Are the State's Attorneys and Clerks still opposed with the Amendment or not?"

Gordon-Booth: "Yes."

Breen: "They're still opposed? Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The Lady moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 5341. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read this Bill for a third time."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5341, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Booth. Representative Breen..."

Gordon-Booth: "I'm going to hold this Bill on Third."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, please take this Bill out of the record. House Bill 5572, Representative Ives. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5572, a Bill for an Act concerning education. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Ives, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ives for Floor Amendment 1 on House Bill 5572."

Ives: "Mr. Speaker, I request we adopt Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 5572 and debate it on Third."

Speaker Turner: "Lady moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5572. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 5572."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5572, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ives is recognized."

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Ives: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5572 updates the definition of school debt. It defines actually debt to include principal interest premium issuance cost. It qualifies that the refinancing of the debt cannot be longer than the initial period of the debt. It reiterates the debt... cannot be serviced for more than 20 years. That's already in statute. It keeps current the debt control... the debt limits that are already in statute. It updates the floor of debt computation to the 2017 EAV. And it protects school districts that have already passed a referendum that they still may continue to issue debt under the old rules if they had not yet been able to go to the bond market for that issuance of debts."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Lang is recognized."

Lang: "Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Lang: "Representative, why are so many people opposed to your Bill?"

Ives: "Well... what you see who is opposed to this Bill are basically your school districts who want to continue to spend a lot more than taxpayers want them to on... on debt. So I'm updating the definition of debt which currently does not include interest. And they don't like that aspect of the Bill but taxpayers like my Bill."

Lang: "Well which taxpayers would those be? Who testified in committee in favor of the Bill?"

Ives: "I testified in committee in favor of my Bill and others have slipped in support of it."

Lang: "What was the last part?"

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Ives: "And other entities that look out for taxpayers have slipped in support of this Bill."

Lang: "I see. How many?"

Ives: "I believe Americans for Prosperity and..."

Lang: "Americans for Prosperity?"

Ives: "...Illinois (unintelligible) . Yes. They're very good about their... protecting taxpayers."

Lang: "So Representative, are there portions of this Bill that fly in the face of the Bill that I sponsored last year that you and I had some discussion about?"

Ives: "Actually this... the original Bill that... that we had... and Amendment 1 took out duplicative language that you actually had inserted in one of your... your Bills. So I appreciate the fact that you have added transparency to the debt referendum process. And so this updated Amendment deleted that language 'cause it would have been duplicative. But there is no conflict with what you did. You did a special carve out for your district to allow them to exceed their current debt limit. That would still be allowed under this school but when you're running a normal referendum you would now have to include all the costs of a bond... that referendum debt."

Lang: "Actually in the final version of my Bill we did more than a carve out for a school district we created a whole new system under which school districts have to jump through lots of hoops and do lots of transparency before they can do any bond debt. Isn't that right?"

Ives: "That is correct. But what you... but what you... what we still need to do is define debt. And we have not done that in previous Bills. And that debt, just like when you take out a

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mortgage your mortgage company doesn't simply look at the price of the home they look at the interest associated with that... the purchase of the home, they look at your tax bill at that home, they look at your insurance cost of that home, and they decide rather or not all in you can afford that home. So there's nothing different here. We're just including all the elements of debt in the description of debt. For example, last year my school district attempted to run a referendum, they put out to the folks that is was a \$132 million referendum. In reality that referendum would've cost \$206 million. Now currently as it sits there are 73 school districts in the State of Illinois that exceed their debt limitations. Seventy-three schools. And that's not even including the full cost of the debt. So this is actually transparency for taxpayers. This shows them exactly what they're going to have to pay and it restricts the school districts from overleveraging people's homes. People's homes where we have the second highest property tax rate in the nation. A place where people are getting forced out of their homes because of their... the cost of their property taxes. So this helps control that cost to the local property tax owner."

Lang: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. I rise in very strong opposition to this Bill. Last year I had a Bill that went through this General Assembly, signed by the Governor that dealt with many of these issues and dealt with them in a way that creates transparency for taxpayers but still allows school districts to have local control then make decision on their own. That's why we elect them to make decision on their own. If Springfield wants to get in the business of telling every

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school board how to handle every issue we then don't need the school boards. We elect them locally to make these decisions. Now we knew last year that there was not a lot of transparency. And so we took the time, in the Bill that I had that started out as a carve out for a single school district, and created lots and lots of hoops for school districts to jump through, including transparency to taxpayers, posting on websites, adding up what it's going to cost, and the like. That Bill, that new law is barely a year old, even if it's a year old. We ought to let that work. We ought to do... take the advantage of what we passed last year and make sure that's working before we start going off in other directions. There's lots and lots of opponents to this. The IFT, the IEA, the City of Chicago, LUTA, ED-RED for those of you who live in the suburbs. This Bill goes way off the rails. This Bill does not respect the work we did last year. And I strongly urge Members to vote 'no' on this Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Carroll."

Carroll: "I'm good. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ives to close."

Ives: "So you can either side with your school districts or you can side on the behalf of taxpayers. And I appreciate that Representative Lang adopted my language on debt transparency, my language that I had in my original version of this Bill and he adopted it in his Bill. I appreciate that he recognized my good work on transparency but we have not done enough in this state to protect taxpayers from overzealous school boards that want to indebt them to the hilt. And when I talk to the hilt we're talking that against a principal amount

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debt usually costs 50 percent in addition. So just in 2017, in the last consolidate election, there were 35 bond referendum totaling \$680 million throughout this state. The real cost of that is not \$680 million. The real cost of that is over a billion dollars, a billion dollars. And additionally, right now, you have over \$20 billion that school districts are indebted in this state. And of those who have already exceeded their debt limit the truth is that they're over on principal alone 2.7 billion when reality that... that should add up to another 1.5 billion if you include interest costs. This is a debt limitation Bill to include the true cost of debt which also includes interest. So just because you're being transparent on the referendum doesn't mean that you should also limit this to the taxpayers. Taxpayers... the beleaguered taxpayers that have excessive property taxes, excessive property taxes. And that's what this is about. So you can side with taxpayers and give them... give modest improvements to the debt limitation or you can side with school districts intent on punishing taxpayers even more by taking on excessive debt and not telling the truth about how much it really is. So it's your choice. I urge a 'yes' vote to protect taxpayers in this state."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5572 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 13 voting 'yes', 77 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present', House Bill 5572, having failed to reach the

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Constitutional Majority, has failed. Representative Meier, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Meier: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Meier: "Up on the right side today I have students here from Trinity St. John's School at Nashville. And I'd like you to recognize them and give them a big welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Lilly, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Lilly: "I would like the record to reflect I vote 'no' on HB5198."

Speaker Turner: "The Journal will reflect your request. House Bill 5137, Representative Martwick. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5137, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. This Bill was read for a second time previous day. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Demmer, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Leader Durkin is excused for the remainder of the day."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Mr. Clerk, House Bill 5137. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5137, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Martwick."

Martwick: "Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, this Bill creates... it actually requires the Teacher Retirement System to create a

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defined compensation program to offer to teachers throughout the state. This is designed to provide a low cost, uniform, high performing, supplemental retirement savings for teachers across the state. This is... does not cost any money on behalf of... there's no government or employer match share it's... there's no contribution. This is just giving teachers a high quality vehicle to supplement their retirement savings that they'll be getting under their rather austere Tier 2 pensions. I know of no opponents. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate. And Representative Breen is recognized."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, your Bill has nothing to do with the Tier 3 that was in the budget package correct?"

Martwick: "So... well Tier 3 was authorized in the budget package, it has never been implemented. However, what TRS told us in committee was that by establishing this defined contribution this would help them speed up their implementation of Tier 3 when the General Assembly gets around to passing that legislation."

Breen: "So this is... okay. So this is part of authorizing or implementing that Tier 3?"

Martwick: "It's not. It's separate. So..."

Breen: "But you said it would help them implement Tier 3?"

Martwick: "It would. So Tier 3 will have an employer contribution to both the DC and the DV component. This is supplemental. It is deferred compensation. And so currently the... all of the deferred compensation for teachers is handled on a school

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district by district basis. There's a myriad of plans offered. Some of them have very high fees. This would just create a quality vehicle for... for teachers and school districts to use."

Breen: "All right. And so all of these... each school district already has the power to establish a 527 plan?"

Martwick: "I believe it is... I believe it is a 503 that they're offering at the school district level. And as I said, there is wide disparity between the cost and the performance. Some school districts offer as many as 80 different plans, teachers don't know what to do. This is a way of offering one uniform, high quality, low cost plan that teachers can rely on to compare against the other offerings that they're getting. And as I said TRS said once they've established this they can use this same structure to structure their defined contribution portion of Tier 3 when we go to that."

Breen: "But this... okay. But again just... this will... this will not establish Tier 3?"

Martwick: "It will not. No."

Breen: "Okay."

Martwick: "We still need to adopt the implementation language for that."

Breen: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Batinick is recognized."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm going to go straight to the Bill. It's late. This is a good Bill. We see, you know, pension, retirement, all that stuff on the board and we're late. It's tired. This is something people on our side of the

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aisle have been wanting for a long time. I rise in strong support and expect to see a lot of green. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Reick, do you rise in opposition or support to this measure?"

Reick: "I believe support, Sir."

Speaker Turner: "Go right ahead, Sir."

Reick: "Representative Martwick, this is similar to what SURS already has is that correct? Where they have a defined contribution option that several of their people can opt into?"

Martwick: "That is correct."

Reick: "Okay. My one concern is the fact that since we are now basically in a pay as you go system for pensions because we have... the Pension Funds have got to collect every single nickel they can to collect... to pay the benefits that we have promised over past number of years, how do replace the money in that pay as you go system with money that is not going to be contributed into it under the defined contribution plan? And I'm not against defined contribution plans I want you to know that. But I want to know where is the money going to come from to supplement the pay outs that are going to happen with our ever increasing debt on Tier 1 and Tier 2 pensions?"

Martwick: "Yes. So this money would... is completely and totally separate. This is optional retirement savings. So these Tier 2 teachers will still be contributing to their Tier 2 pensions, as will their employers. But this is optional savings so that when they get to retirement they have a quality supplemental savings plan."

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Reick: "So this like an A, B plan if you want to say. You know, they're still contributing into Tier 2 as part of their A and part... and then they're contributing in a part of a B as defined contribution?"

Martwick: "That is correct."

Reick: "Now let me ask you one final question, Sir. Is... there is a question as to whether the Tier 2 satisfies the requirements of ERISA or social security, you know, because of that. Will this allow that then to become compliant with any concerns that we may have?"

Martwick: "I don't know how this would affect Tier 2. I don't think it does. I think because it is entirely separate it is just a supplemental savings vehicle, pretax savings vehicle. I don't think it fixes that ERISA challenge. I think that's something we still need to address. But again, this is just... it just simply supplemental retirement savings."

Reick: "Thank you. Thank you. I urge an 'aye' vote on this Bill."

Martwick: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Martwick to close."

Martwick: "I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5137 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 94 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5137, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4658, Representative Manley. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4658, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Manley."

Manley: "Thank you, Mr... thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Floor Amendment 1 that we adopted previously is now the Bill. And what this does now is expands existing training, rather than originally we had new training, but it expands existing training for the identification of warning signs of mental illness and suicidal behavior for personnel who work with pupils in grades K-12 rather than 7-12. It also adds replacements that this training occur at least two... once every two years. And clarifies the training applies to licensed school personnel and administrators. It also removes a requirement of school boards to have a policy which identifies and addresses mental health issues. The School Management Alliance was concerned with this and the Amendment we put through took care of that."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate. And Representative Breen is recognized."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, I saw one other opponent the Illinois Alliance of Administrators of Special Education. Are they still opposed with your Amendment and what's the nature of their opposition?"

Manley: "I don't show that on my analysis. I've not spoke to... I've not spoken to them."

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Breen: "Okay. And then just so that we're clear your... the School Management Alliance has pulled off and what... what exactly caused them to go neutral on the Bill?"

Manley: "That I worked with them and agreed with their fix for their objection. And that was to pull out the part where we had to come up with a policy for the school boards."

Breen: "Okay. And is it... is it your understanding that this... that your Bill is bringing the training in line with the current mental health in service training mandate? Is that... it's kind of making it more uniform."

Manley: "Yes, Representative. All we are doing is asking that the training include... be included once every two years. And it just... what was in law was it would be applied to those personnel whether they're teachers or administrators that worked with 7-12 now are taking kindergarten through 12."

Breen: "Fair enough. Thank you."

Manley: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Manley to close."

Manley: "Please vote 'yes'."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4658 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 91 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4658, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5463, Representative Mussman. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5463, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. No... no Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. House Bill 5463. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5463, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Mussman."

Mussman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 5463 amends the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Administrative Act to provide that persons living in a CILA shall receive an annual client assessment as they already do. And that DHS shall make changes to their administrative code to move in the direction all of those assessments being done with a web based tool instead of a paper one. It's time to move into the modern age and I would appreciate your support."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate. Representative Breen is recognized."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Breen: "Representative, I'm told by my staff that this Bill was Representative Feigenholtz's Bill previously?"

Mussman: "Yes."

Breen: "And that she had had... at least made some indication that she was going to hold this and work for a negotiated solution."

Mussman: "So we had talked to the Members of the committee about the fact that we had originally intended to hold the Bill."

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There is a small Amendment that needs to be adjusted for in the language but there was a mix up in LRB and we weren't able to get it out in time and they agreed that we were allowed to move the Bill forward and simply make that adjustment in second... or in the Senate."

Breen: "And who exactly agreed? Just so that I'm clear."

Mussman: "I talked to the Members of the Special Needs Committee because that is where the Bill was heard and that is where Feigenholtz made that commitment."

Breen: "Okay. Mr. Speaker, I'll move for Standard Debate. Just so we can clear this up."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill will be moved to the Order of Standard Debate."

Breen: "Okay. And if I may yield my time to Leader Brady."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Brady is recognized. Just get your mic straight first, Representative Brady. Representative Brady for five minutes."

Brady: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Brady: "Representative, as a Member of the Committee of Special Needs, I'm trying to recall and I couldn't hear exactly what you were saying... the dialogue of... could you help refresh my memory that day in committee that there was some commitment made to hold the Bill if we got the Bill out to be worked on? Is that... I just heard parts of what you're saying. I'm sorry. Could you repeat that?"

Mussman: "Yes. I'm sorry. So we had originally agreed that we were going to move the Bill and hold it on Second for an Amendment but there was a mix up with the Amendment and it

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wasn't ready. And I had gone back, and I apologize if I'd missed you I had thought I had gotten everybody, and we asked if we would have permission to just move the Bill as it was and make the repair in the Senate because it was a minor modification."

Brady: "Okay. I'm just having trouble recalling this discussion. You said you talked to people... you mean talked to the people on the committee by just saying that at the time of the potential vote or you talked to us individually? Because I don't remember being approached about it."

Mussman: "So like I said, I apologize if I had missed you. We had the discussion this week when it became clear that... that the Amendment wasn't going to come out in time. So that's what happened."

Brady: "Okay. So it wasn't that we had individual discussions? I just want to make sure I didn't miss something here with you then."

Mussman: "Yes. I had gone and talked to people individually on the floor."

Brady: "Okay. But I don't remember it... you discussing it with me."

Mussman: "I apologize if I missed you. I know it's been a little chaotic with people coming on and off."

Brady: "Sure. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Mussman to close."

Mussman: "Again, we're just looking to move the tool to a web based tool instead of only a paper tool. And we will make the language adjustment in the Senate as has been discussed. And I do apologize for any confusion."

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Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5463 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 64 voting 'yes', 25 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5463, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4821, Representative Fine. Please take this Bill out of the record for a second, Clerk. Representative Demmer is recognized."

Demmer: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representative Wehrli is excused for the day."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. House Bill 4821, Representative Fine. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4821, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Fine."

Fine: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill allows for doctors to bypass the Fail First or Step Therapy Program to prescribe medications for cancer patients who are at stage four."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate. And Representative Breen is recognized."

Breen: "Representative, I... I want to make sure. Did your Amendment get rid of the opposition? Who's still opposed?"

Fine: "I believe the Amendment takes away the opposition from Blue Cross Blue Shield because it was Blue Cross that we were working with on the Amendment."

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Breen: "But still the Department of Insurance, America's Health Insurance Plans, the Pharmaceutical Care Management Association, they're still opposed?"

Fine: "To my knowledge."

Breen: "Okay. Let's see. So what exactly does your Bill do again?"

Fine: "So if you are a cancer patient and stage four that... what it says is... are you familiar with the Fail First, the Step Therapy process that says..."

Breen: "Right."

Fine: "...you have to try and fail at a particular drug before you can start on another drug? Because their time could be so short what it says is the doctor could bypass the Step Therapy process and prescribe for them an FDA peer reviewed medical... medication that they could take instead of having to go through the process to get right to that medication."

Breen: "Fair enough. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Fine to... Representative Fine to close."

Fine: "I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4821 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 92 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4821, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Demmer is recognized."

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representative Welter is excused for the day."

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Speaker Turner: "The Journal will reflect your request. Thank you, Representative. House Bill 4324, Representative Welch. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4324, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Welch, are you going to handle the Amendment offered by Representative Hoffman? Okay. Representative Welch is recognized for Floor Amendment #2."

Welch: "Floor Amendment #2, Mr. Speaker, is an Amendment that becomes the Bill. It's an agreed, heavily negotiated Amendment. I would ask for adoption and argue the Bill on Third Reading."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4324. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read this Bill for a third time."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4324, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Welch."

Welch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 4324 is a very important initiative that gives low wage workers protection in cases of possible wage theft. This is a Bill that has been heavily negotiated. I want to commend all of the folks that came and sat down and worked on this for most of Session. We worked through spring break. I really

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want to commend Representative Jay Hoffman, and the AFL-CIO, and IRMA, Rob Carr. Everyone came together. We recognized that there was an issue with low wage workers getting paid in certain instances and we really got it done. This Amendment would ensure that a person would get a day's work for a day's pay. We've... right now under current law it could take up to a year or more to resolve a wage claim dispute. This will get it done within 30 to 45 days, create an escrow system, and after the claim is adjudicated they would have a right to a lien. I would ask for approval of this agreed, negotiated Bill."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Standard Debate.

Representative Keith Wheeler is recognized for five minutes."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you. Representative, in the original version of this Bill that went down party lines, we did not have an agreement there at all. Is that accurate?"

Welch: "That is correct."

Wheeler, K.: "But then you worked, Representative Hoffman worked to be able to get this to a point where business, and labor, and all stakeholders were in the same place. Is that accurate?"

Welch: "We worked very hard with the business community."

Wheeler, K.: "And the result of that Bill is it came out of committee unanimously. Is that accurate?"

Welch: "That's correct."

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Wheeler, K.: "Thank you for you work on this, I appreciate that. There was, some give and take and the business and labor side of this. Wish we'd see more of this. Thank you."

Welch: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Welch to close."

Welch: "This is an agreed Bill. I'd ask for your approval."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4324 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 88 voting 'yes', 3 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4324, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4424, Representative Crespo. Take your time, Representative. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4424, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 4424."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4424, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Crespo."

Crespo: "Thank you, Speaker. This is an initiative of the Secretary of State's Office as a cleanup Bill. It does three things. It clarifies that standard IDs issued to a person 65 or older are permanent and will not expire. It also clarifies that standard person with a disability identification card

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expire 10 years after the issuance. And removes a two dollar surcharge fee which was not used anymore."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4424 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 91 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present', House Bill 4424, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4208, Representative Welch. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4208, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Welch."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Welch on Floor Amendment #1."

Welch: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. Floor Amendment #1 and 3 are actually the agreed negotiated Bills. I would ask for adoption of both Amendment 1 and 3 and then argue the Bill on Third Reading."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4208. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Welch."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 4208. All in favor say 'aye'; all

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opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 4208."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4208, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Welch."

Welch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4208 is a Bill that we've worked very hard on for the last couple of years. It was brought to me by the Voices of Youth in Chicago Education, the Voice group. We built a coalition that included the National Association of School Social Workers the Illinois chapter, the Illinois Association of School Social Workers, and a number of other coalitions. And we actually worked with our Illinois Association of Police Chiefs, the Illinois Sheriff's Association and we were able to make significant changes to the Bill that addressed most of the opposition. I do want to say on the record that I have some wordsmithing to do, some language concerns with some of the legislative findings that I still have in the Bill. And I have promised the Sheriff's Association and the School Management Alliance that I will work with my Senator, Senator Lightford, to address the wordsmithing issues over in the Senate. I do not... we no longer have opposition from law enforcement on this very important initiative that would provide wrap around services to students in our schools all across this state. Placing an emphasis on mental health services, I think, is

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something that's important to all of us. And I would ask for adoption of this very important Bill, House Bill 4208."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate. Representative Breen is recognized."

Breen: "Move for Standard Debate, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill will be moved to Standard Debate. And Representative Breen is recognized for five minutes."

Breen: "And... and will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, the... the purpose... so this is a new grant program and the original purpose was to get rid of the armed police officers in schools and move to some sort of alternative staffing. And now you've changed that so that you don't have to get rid of your armed law enforcement officers but you still can only use the money on the alternative non law enforcement individuals?"

Welch: "That's correct."

Breen: "Okay. So it's subject to appropriation or what?"

Welch: "It is subject to appropriation, Rep."

Breen: "Okay. But to provide non law enforcement officers in schools?"

Welch: "The monies, if they apply for the grant, they would commit to using it for wrap around services, school social workers, mental health professionals."

Breen: "And just so that I'm clear, your findings include that the General Assembly recognizes that many schools, or at least some schools, have become overly reliant on law enforcement personnel to handle routine school disciplinary procedures... or matters. I know you've... you've adjusted that language a

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bit but there's still findings in there that some of our schools are overly reliant on law enforcement."

Welch: "We... we did make some changes already based on conversations with law enforcement. The Amendment did change the language a bit. We have committed to continuing to work on that language over in the Senate to address any... any remaining concerns."

Breen: "To the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, this was a Bill that has been put forward as... I understand maybe that some of the opposition has been negotiated away but I don't know that there was a need for negotiation in the first place. This Bill should never have been brought forward. We need to be supporting our law enforcement personnel. All of the shootings and things that have been happening in our schools show us very clearly that we need law enforcement personnel in our schools, able to protect our children, and able to stop these terrible threats happening. We don't have any money to do the things we've already committed to do now. And I understand this is subject to appropriations but the problem is if the program is put into statute then there is going to have... you know, then it's all going to be a part of the budget process and then we're going to be accused of not be concerned about our students if we don't fund this program, which really doesn't need to be in place in the first place."

Welch: "Speaker. Speaker, may I respond to that?"

Speaker Turner: "You may."

Welch: "Speaker, I just want to respond to that by first of all saying that law enforcement no longer opposes this Bill. They worked with us to get to this point here. This was a very

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difficult negotiation. We got there. Everyone worked in good faith to get to the point that we're at today. And we're committed to continuing to work with whatever the remaining concerns are. But one of the things that we do know is that mental health services in our schools should be a priority. This Bill would do that. And we have done some research to show that there are school districts all across the state that would benefit from a program like this. The first district that popped up in our research that would benefit from this was Glenbard Township High School District 87, which is in the district located by the Floor Leader who just spoke against this Bill. One of his districts will be the first ones to benefit from this Bill. Not understanding the opposition from the Representative but understand that law enforcement no longer opposes this Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Pritchard is recognized for five minutes."

Pritchard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Pritchard: "Representative, I compliment you for trying to address an issue that is a problem in many school districts and you've identified many of them. And you've also taken some of the more onerous provisions out of this Bill now. But what is that we now have with these three Amendments? Is it just recognizing that there's an issue, or are you providing grants, or what kind of encouragement for school districts?"

Welch: "Thank you for the question, Representative. We... one, it's recognition. Two, it's creation of the Safe Schools Healthy Learning Grant Program that would be subject to

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appropriation. And hopefully during the budget process we can come together and agree on an amount to fund this... this program."

Pritchard: "I would just indicate for the Body that with a new school funding formula we are going to be funding many of the services that the Representative is trying achieve with this Bill. And that by having it available to all school districts I think we'll have more people available taking advantage of this rather than having a limited grant program that doesn't address these needs everywhere. I would also indicate that there is a Bill that is moving in the Senate that more directly addresses the issue that the Representative is trying to deal with, and that's adequate training for school safety officers so that they are more concerned with student support and encouragement rather than the arrests that the Representative has identified. So while I think this is a very worthwhile effort, I think it's premature and would ask the Representative to consider that if it does succeed and moves forward that there are many things that we have to change."

Welch: "Leader... Leader, I wanted to just mention that the Sponsor of the Bill you just mentioned is the same Sponsor of this Bill. And we believe that two Bills actually go hand in hand, focusing on mental health services for those local districts that want to apply for this grant and go down this route. Also the other Bill that would require those districts that want to continue the use of law enforcement in their school to be properly trained. I think both of those Bills, would show a commitment by the Illinois Legislature that we are

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seriously trying to address the issues that face our school districts today and we want to keep our schools safe and free from violence in the State of Illinois."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Keith Wheeler is recognized. Sorry, Representative... we've got technical difficulties. Just a moment."

Wheeler, K.: "Sure."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Keith Wheeler."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Leader Chad Hays is excused for the rest of today."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Stratton is recognized. Representative Stratton is recognized. Representative Stratton."

Stratton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Stratton: "Representative, I just wanted to clarify something that you said in one of your opening statements. Did you say that under this Bill you would have to replace law enforcement or law enforcement personnel would still... or could still remain in the school under this Bill as written?"

Welch: "Under this Bill, as amended, school districts are still allowed to use law enforcement in their schools. They're not prohibited. There's no requirement to decrease the number of law enforcement officers used. You know, we wanted to make sure that focus is where it should be and that's on the mental health services that our students need."

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Stratton: "Thank you for that clarification. And to the Bill.

First of all I'd like to commend the Bill Sponsor for working on this Bill for so long with all of the organizers and the advocates, who mostly as I've seen are young people who are lifting their voices to say this is something that's really important to them. That they are in the schools every single day. That many of them can represent either for themselves or for their peers in the school. That mental health challenges or just mental health in general is something that they want more attention paid to. And because a school is an environment where we have young people gathering on a daily basis this is an opportunity to make sure that some of those mental health needs are met. You've worked... the Sponsor has worked on this Bill. Law enforcement no longer opposes this Bill. There will be additional work that is being done on the Bill in the Senate. The grants are subject to appropriation. And contrary to what was mentioned by a previous speaker this is not an effort to try to remove law enforcement from the school based upon the Amendment. Now one of the previous speakers also talked about how we have to show that we are concerned for the safety of children or safety of students and it really is sad when we think that the only way that we can show concern for the safety of students is through the use of policing. We've already indicated that police are in the schools. And through this Amendment we're just saying that we want to see mental health services. And providing wrap around services, providing mental health services, addressing the needs of student's who may be facing threats of suicide, addressing the needs of students who are living

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through domestic violence, addressing the needs of students who are homeless, addressing the needs of students who have seen or experienced violence, that is showing that we care about the safety of students. By making sure that we step up as adults and Members of this Legislature and do what we can and recognize that policing is not the only way that we show concern for children's safety. We should be concerned with the entire child. We should be concerned about their physical health, their mental health, their emotional health, and any other type of expressions of health that we can identify for young people. That's what our concern is. So I thank you, Representative, for bringing up this Bill and continuing to fight for this Bill. I thank the students of Voices and all of the others who have been tireless advocates for not only themselves but for their peers to say that we can take a stand right now and show that caring for our young people and caring for their mental health is one of the exact ways that we show that we care about their safety. I strongly urge an 'aye' vote. And I strongly... strongly recognize that when you work on a Bill and you get law enforcement to remove any opposition that that shows that you've made the effort and this a good faith effort that we can show our support through our 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative McCombie, do you rise in support or opposition of this measure?"

McCombie: "Question. Not sure yet."

Speaker Turner: "I need an answer."

McCombie: "I believe... I believe in support."

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Speaker Turner: "Okay. Then you will be the final speaker in support of this measure."

McCombie: "Okay. Thank you. The previous speaker answered a couple of my questions. So the intent of the Bill now is not to replace our resource officers it's going to be an addition, correct..."

Welch: "That is..."

McCombie: "...to help with the cause of our issues?"

Welch: "That is correct, Representative."

McCombie: "Okay. I would... I would recommend to continue... I agree with the previous speakers as well to continue to working on this on the Senate side and also some things..."

Welch: "I'm... I'm committed to that."

McCombie: "Thank you. One of the things that I'm hearing from my districts is that maybe we can look at taking this out of a line item for the torte out of their levies compared to out of our education funding. So maybe that's something that can be looked at. I'm not sure how that would work or what changes would have to be made to the Bill to allow that but that would open up the dollars that we're needing."

Welch: "I'm really glad you mentioned that because it is my understanding the Governor's Task Force on Public Safety has identified a couple of line items that may be available to actually fund this initiative."

McCombie: "Yeah, because I think it's very important, you know, with the changes of the evidence based funding monies coming in. And in the addition we can't be continuing to not... we talk about providing a better education. We can't continue to add personnel unless they're needed and these services are

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obviously needed but maybe there just another avenue that we can fund. So I would ask you to look at that as well in the revision."

Welch: "Will do."

McCombie: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Welch to close."

Welch: "Mr. Speaker, I would first like to begin in closing by recognizing the hardworking youth from Voice. They are up in the balcony and I ask them to stand. And if we can give them a round of applause 'cause they've been working very hard on this. They've talked to all of us multiple times. And I... I have to thank them for having faith in me to go to bat for them. In the spirit of collaboration we took out the section about reallocating funding from school resource officers. That was hard for them to do but they did it. With Amendment 3 the Chief of Police and other law enforcement agencies have removed their opposition. We feel that we have made this a Bill that everyone can support because it was a true compromise. The Bill would create a grant program that is subject to appropriations that would expand or create restorative justice programs, hire school psychologists, social workers, and other mental and behavioral specialists, provide drug and alcohol treatment services, wrap around services for our youth, and training for school staff on conflict resolution and trauma informed approaches to meeting student's developmental needs and other strategies for creating safe and healthy learning environments. These funds would help districts all across the state. Some represented by those on... on the right. Some in districts by those

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represented on the left. This would help everyone. This is not a partisan issue. So I would ask that we all come together and reward their hard work by voting 'yes' on House Bill 4208."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4208 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 64 voting 'yes', 25 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4208, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Chapa LaVia, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Chapa LaVia: "Point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Chapa LaVia: "So as we come to close of a week I want let the rest of the Body know that a letter was sent out to the Governor of the state asking him to make sure that he... we were requesting the follow information be released to us no later than the close of business today 27, 2018 as we agreed in a hearing that we've been having over... the hearing was on April 19, Joint Veterans Affairs Committee hearing regarding the Quincy Veterans Home. And we had requested for the last month, myself, Senator Cullerton, Representative David McSweeney, and Senator Sam McCann that the... the special advisor that he has hired to take this over, and he said in committee he would give us the information, and we've yet to receive it. Now the close of business day for us will probably be in a couple of hours or an hour hopefully. But we also ask

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for additional... additionally that he would, the Governor himself, reach out to United States President Donald Trump to ensure that Illinois Veterans Home at Quincy received expedited federal assistance to complete all the construction and improvement on the campus. We hope that in good earnest, as we discussed in that committee, that we'd be getting that information before the close of day. Now we need to understand that there were 13 veterans that were killed by us because of the water quality in the facility and that is one of our locations. So what we'd like to make sure that the Governor does is give us information before we leave today on what kind of legislative recourse we need to take so we can get this done, expedited because otherwise they're going to leave us in a clutch where we're not going to have enough time to make sure Quincy gets the dollars that's needed. I'm sure I have another Member that would like to discuss, because I brought his name up just in discussion. But Governor this is a very serious matter. We're hoping that your advisor... senior advisor is true to his word. He said he would have it to us by the end of this day and that's what we're requesting. Thank you, Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative McSweeney."

McSweeney: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

McSweeney: "Thank you, Chairman Chapa LaVia for your leadership on this effort. We could all agree this is bipartisan. We have 13 dead veterans and spouses and it's time for leadership right now. We need to enact a number of laws that will facilitate building a new facility at Quincy, we need

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expedited permitting but we need a plan. We've asked for it by the close of business tonight. Sixty-five percent of the money should be coming from the Federal Government or the program. That's why we asked the Governor to speak to the President of the United States. So I urge the Governor, I urge his staff to get us the information because I think all of us are ready to act to protect our veterans and our heroes. The time for action is now."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Crespo, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Crespo: "Thank you, Speaker. I'd like for the record to reflect the that on House Bill 4424, which I presented to this Body in past, my intention was to vote 'yes' and not 'present.'"

Speaker Turner: "Thank you. The record will reflect your request. Representative Andrade, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Andrade: "Mr. Speaker, point of information."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Andrade: "Mr. Speaker, point of information. May I place a Motion to Reconsider on all Members' Bills that have left the day after they have passed their Bills and call for an immediate Motion to reconsider their votes?"

Speaker Turner: "Ask the staffer next to you."

Andrade: "Pardon me?"

Speaker Turner: "We'll have to check with staff for you, Sir."

Andrade: "Okay. Thank you very much."

Speaker Turner: "Representative... no. Excuse me. House Bill 4789, Representative Breen. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. Mr.

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Clerk, can you please move House Bill 4789 back to the Order of Second Reading and read the Bill?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4789, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Breen."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen on Floor Amendment #1."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 reflects technical change from the State Board of Education as well as a little more... giving a little more cushion to one of the line items based on some of the feedback I received from the State Board."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4789. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, House Bill 4789."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4789, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And House Bill 4789 is a Bill that is about 21 years too late. In 1997 we enacted an administrative cost limitation and we set a 5 percent escalator on it in 1997. The problem is the rate of inflation was much lower than five percent. And so, unfortunately, our administrative cost levels have gone way up and the rate of inflation has not. And so what we're trying to do with this Bill is do two things: number one, get ourselves back to the place, the same place we are with our property taxes, where

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it's either the lesser of five percent or the rate of inflation; and then number two, to reflect the fact that those costs have gone way too... way too far, way too high, way too quickly and so rebase line where we're going to start our administrative cost limit from. I know there have been some concerns but the problem is this, right now in terms of some of our line items we're spending nearly two and a half times the national average for administrative costs in our school districts. What I hope to do with this Bill is to get that money out of administration and move it back to the classroom. That's what we've been talking about doing. That's what this General Assembly promised. And that was the promise of the administrative cost limitation from 1997. We've just gotten away from it. And again as well, so either the money comes back to the classroom or it goes back to property taxpayers. The current administrative cost law has waivers built in so that you can use the typical waiver process to the Board of Education and as well there are exemptions if you are in the 25 percent best percentile in the state. So I'm glad to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate. Leader Lang is recognized."

Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, I rise in very strong opposition to this Bill. In a similar way to the Bill we had earlier from the Lady from Wheaton. This is a Bill that takes away power and authority from elected officials. It's not our job to do that. Local school boards should have the ability to do whatever it is they need to do with transparency and other controls over them of course. But

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in particular this Bill goes back to a census from 2001 and attempts to provide retroactive punishment to school districts that don't hit the mark based on a... on new numbers that come from old numbers. In other words, if you're not complying today with numbers from way back then you're to be punished. Something wrong with that. If we did that in the criminal law it would be unconstitutional to say to someone after they've committed an act well you can't do that and we're going to punish you for it. Shouldn't be any different here. I recognize what the Gentleman is trying to do and perhaps if he set his base line and his numbers in a different place we might have a different conclusion. But we can't tell elected officials, who are elected locally by your constituents, that they are doing something wrong for something that is beyond their control. They can no longer do what they should've done in 2001, or 2002, or 2013, or '14, or '15. This provides a punishment to these school districts who in 2018-19 have to go back in time and deal with a census that's almost 20 years old. This is wrong. Please vote 'no'."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Bennett."

Bennett: "Thank you. Sponsor yield, please."

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield."

Bennett: "Thank you. Representative, I appreciate your efforts. Controlling costs is something we've got to be very concerned about. And I understand that we talk about the two and a half times in the survey, do you know the population you're talking about, the geographic area, the city, any details?"

Breen: "So here's the thing the United States Census every single year puts out a national survey of the states. The national

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average... so we've got... and there were a couple issues that we were addressing here. One was that we weren't capturing all of the administrative costs in our law and so we really corrected some of the line item issues. But the 2,300 line item, which is the general administration, so that's the school boards and things like that, the national average... so this... we're talking all 50 states, all 50 states the national average is \$218 per student. In Illinois our average is over \$500 per student. And so when we look at Illinois our demographics, our state is really reflective of the whole country. We're very proud of that that our demographics are very similar to the rest of the country. So I had said well the national average is where we should set it. It was brought to my attention by the state board that we had some unique features of our law. And so that's why I instead said well wait why don't we go back and say if we had drafted our administrative cost limitation with the inflation rate in there along with the five percent where would we be today? And so instead of the 218 national average we go to about 350. So that gives us a little more breathing room but still respects the fact..."

Bennett: "Excuse me."

Breen: "...we're just spending too much."

Bennett: "If I may. To the Bill. It's shortened time here. I appreciate your understanding on this but I, too, stand in opposition to this. I talked to the several school superintendents in my districts and in my area there are number of superintendents that wear a number of hats. You talk about a number of costs and administrative issues around

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this. Well part of the rising... that there is a rise in administrative costs how about that comes from Springfield as far as the unfunded mandates that we continually ask for more and more from our schools and from our administrators to do. In my district I have administrators that wear a number of hats, HR resources, chief CFO, business officials, and sometimes they're also principal, they're also involved as transportation director. And so these are also involved with the policies and legal issues, curriculum issues, the list goes on and on and on. And so as far as those issues go I think we need to be aware of what we're really asking of our folks to do. And it does go back, as I heard Representative Lang mention just a moment ago, about the idea of school boards and they're the ones voted on by the folks in the local the district to help make those important decisions. So let's not tie the hands of the board members there. Let's let them do their job. So if I may to the Bill... and I guess I'm zero, zero, zero. So I do rise in opposition this. So I urge a 'no' vote please."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate. We have heard from one opponent and one supporter. Representative Breen to close."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Again this is something... this is a project that began 21 years ago and we set the limit at 5 percent, we should've set it at 5 percent or CPI. In 1997 5 percent was probably about the rate of CPI so we didn't think it was a... a problem. And there are plenty of escape valves for this so if we're having problems in individual districts. But again this is something that we have had in our State Law

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for quite some time. And look if we find more issues and we can figure it out we'll continue to work on it in the Senate. But right now we all know we need to put more money into the classroom, we're spending too much money on administration at the state level. Again we put more money in the classroom if we can get those administrative costs down. So respectfully request an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4789 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 20 voting 'yes', 66 voting 'no', 3 voting 'present', House Bill 4789, having failed to receive the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared failed. Representative Greg Harris, for what reason do you rise?"

Harris, G.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the record reflect that Representative Thad Jones is excused for the rest of the day?"

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. House Bill 5547, Representative Andrade. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5547, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Andrade."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andrade on Floor Amendment #1."

Andrade: "Yes. I move to accept Floor Amendment #1 and debate it on Third Reading."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5547. All in favor say 'aye'; all

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opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, House Bill 5547."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5547, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andrade."

Andrade: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5547 requires a general auditor to conduct a... well actually just codifies what he does preexisting right now. And it requires that under this section that a minimum assess the following the effectiveness of state agencies cybersecurity practices, the risks and vulnerabilities of the cybersecurity systems used by state agencies, the types of information that are most susceptible to attack. So what this Bill would do is just codify his current annual practice that he does now."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5547 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 91 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5547, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4736, Representative Crespo. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4736, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Crespo."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Crespo on Floor Amendment #1."

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Crespo: "Thank you, Speaker. House Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4736 is a gut and replace Amendment that retains the underlying Bill, which provided that the Medicaid fragile technology dependent population be exempted from the MCO program and adds to the list the nursing personnel care services also known as MPCs group. These are folks that authorized by HFS to receive in home shift nursing services as required by Federal Law. And I move for its adoption."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4736. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And then Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read this Bill for a third time."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4736, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Crespo."

Crespo: "And I think I did explain the Bill with the Amendment. But I want to take a moment and thank Representatives Tom Demmer, Patty Bellock, and Greg Harris for working with me on putting this Bill together. And a shout out to two young ladies in my district that are part of this population Guilianna Anderson who's 6, lives in streamwood and the beautiful Michelle Kish who's 21 from Bartlett."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate. Representative Breen is recognized."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

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Breen: "Yes. And Representative, could you let us know... at least on my analysis it says that HFS is opposed. Is that still true or has your Amendment taken care of their opposition?"

Crespo: "Now there were conversations with HFS as we've progressed through this Bill they are still opposed as I would expect them to be. They're opposed to any reform or any changes to the MCO. But I would like to add something, Representative Breen, there is a recent audit conducted on the whole MCO program for a program that was worth over \$7 billion and the audit was perhaps the worst audit I've ever read and HFS agreed with the audit... with the findings that there is no oversight from HFS on the MCO. So we couldn't figure the MLRs. We couldn't figure out how they came up the capitation rates. They can't even explain how much they've paid in administrative costs. So they were doing a very poor job in overseeing the MCOs and I don't trust that the MCOs are going to do a very good job in taking care of this population."

Breen: "And so this just ensures that those medically fragile children are able to maintain their same standard of medical care?"

Crespo: "And the fee for service. Correct."

Breen: "Fair enough. Thank you."

Crespo: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Crespo to close."

Crespo: "I just ask an for 'aye' vote. Again, I just want to thank Representatives Demmer, Patty Bellock, and Greg Harris for their help on putting this Bill together."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4736 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting

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is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 90 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4736, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5342, Representative Martwick. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5342, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read House Bill 5342 for a third time."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5342, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Martwick."

Martwick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 5342 would allow a member of the Chicago Municipal Fund to purchase service credit in the Chicago Firefighters Pension Fund, Firemen's Annuity Benefit Fund. So this situation arose out of a unique circumstance where a Chicago firefighter ran for Alderman in the City of Chicago after serving 18 years as a firefighter. While he was serving eight years as an Alderman he was stricken with a medical condition. And after serving 26 years for his municipality, as a firefighter and Alderman, he would be entitled to no social security and no pension because there was no reciprocity between the funds. Any other city worker, who worked a front line worker or who was in the Municipal Fund, their pension benefits would continue to accrue in that same

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fund. This simply allows any firefighter who serves as a... as an Alderman and specifically this one person right now, to get the refund of their municipal contributions and purchase service credit in the same amount of time in the Firefighters Fund for the full value of those contributions. So there would be no lost to the systems. There's no enhancement to benefits. There's no sweeteners. This is just simply allowing the fundamental fairness of someone who has served their city for 26 years to be entitled to the same pension benefit that others who have served for 26 years would have. It's a fundamentally fair Bill. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate. Representative Ives is recognized."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor will yield."

Ives: "Is this Bill written for... obviously this Bill is written for one individual. Who is that individual?"

Martwick: "So Representative Ives, it would... it would affect one individual but is not written for one individual. This would affect now and in the future anyone, any firefighter that finds themselves... so any firefighter that runs for office. Currently now if a firefighter runs for office they would have to take a leave of absence and accrue separate time. This allows them like the other... like again a city worker who would just continue on in service it allows them to continue their service credit."

Ives: "So obviously this affects one particular firefighter, correct?"

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Martwick: "Right... right now. There is a second firefighter who is serving as an Alderman but his time in both systems is less. So it could affect that person in the future. Yes."

Ives: "So when we come back in two weeks are you going to run one that effects a policeman who maybe serves as and Alderman and then wants to go back in the Police Pension Fund?"

Martwick: "Well I think that there should not... so first of all, I think that first responders who wish to serve at... wish to be public servants and run for elected office should not have barriers to that. Again, if you were a... a clerk at the city clerk's office and you ran for Alderman..."

Ives: "Okay."

Martwick: "...you would not be negatively affected..."

Ives: "Mr. Speaker, to the Bill."

Martwick: "...but if you're a firemen or police officer you do."

Ives: "To the Bill. Obviously you're writing a Bill for a particular institution or situation. But I will tell you this, to solve this problem you simply move people, new hires to a 401k style program where they can move in and about systems regardless of where they were working previously. That is the answer. That is the solution we should be working towards. And I urge this Body to look at that as a solution so we don't have to do these one off Bills again. I suggest a 'no' vote because certainly this is going to add to the unfunded liability of the Firefighters Fund simply because the terms of service, the amount that you're going to receive out of the fund is dramatically different then what the persons going to receive as an Alderman and you can never... they're never buying it at the same cost level. So I urge a 'no' vote."

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Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate. We have heard from opponent and one supporter. Representative Martwick to close."

Martwick: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. This does not add to the unfunded liability of the system. The Alderman will be paying in his full contributions that he has to pay or would've had to pay if he had continued service. And the City of Chicago is committed to adding all of the employer contributions as necessary so there is no costs to the systems. And the City of Chicago is not opposed. I request an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5342 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 71 voting 'yes', 17 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5342, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 5136, Representative Slaughter. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5136, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Slaughter."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Slaughter on Floor Amendment #1."

Slaughter: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. I'd like to adopt House Floor Amendment #1 to HB5136. This Amendment adds language pertaining to the Open Meetings Act and removes all opposition."

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Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1... Representative Pritchard, would you like to speak on... Gentlemen moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5136. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, House Bill 5136."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5136, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Slaughter."

Slaughter: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 5136 is a Bill regarding teacher evaluations in the states ongoing efforts to implement the objectives of the Performance Evaluation Reform Act that passed in 2010. If you recall this Act required school districts to create joint committees. These committees are made of school administrators, management, and teachers. This Bill is requiring the joint committees to meet at least once per year to assess and review the effectiveness of the districts evaluation plan for the purposes of continuous improvement. Obviously this is an area that certainly lends itself to evolving best practices. And we want to ensure our school districts joint committees are meeting to discuss the most effective approaches and strategies. Keep in mind many of our joint committees throughout the state already do this. This won't be a big change for them. We added an Amendment to make these meetings not subject to the Open Meetings Act and it did remove all opposition. I urge a 'yes' vote."

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Speaker Turner: "This Bill is on the Order of Short Debate.
Representative Breen is recognized for two minutes."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Breen: "Yes. And Representative, as I understand it this... so you've got a current into the Open Meetings Act. There's nonbinding opinion from the Attorney General that this joint committee would be a public body and is subject to the Open Meetings Act and so needs to have the proper posting requirements and the access by the public. And so what you would is make this... by exempting it from the Open Meetings Act it would then be a closed meeting there's no need for a public notice. Is that right?"

Slaughter: "That's accurate."

Breen: "Okay. And now I see that the Chicago Teachers Union is a proponent as is the IFT. The School Management Alliance has gone neutral. What about... are there any other groups that have weighed in one way or another on your Bill?"

Slaughter: "No. Mainly IFT, Statewide School Management Alliance, CTU and they're all supportive. As you've stated Statewide School Management Alliance moved to neutral with the Amendment."

Breen: "Okay. So if we vote for your Bill then these joint committee meetings would be closed meetings, no postings? If we vote against your Bill then these meetings would be posted to the public, they'd be open to the public? That's... I mean that's pretty much the difference from 'yea' or 'nay'. And I guess I've been asked to move this to Standard Debate if that's okay, Mr. Speaker."

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Speaker Turner: "In the requisite of number of hands this will be moved to Standard Debate. You can finish out the rest of your time, Representative."

Breen: "Sure. So is that... I mean that's accurate. So it's either today..."

Slaughter: "Well... yeah. Just to follow up on your question. So currently these joint meetings are not subject to the Open Meetings Act. It's also my understanding back in 2010 the intention was not to have these be subject to the Open Meetings Act."

Breen: "Well but..."

Slaughter: "And what's being discussed..."

Breen: "...the AG did fund it."

Slaughter: "...in these meetings are different from your quote, unquote regular collective bargaining meetings."

Breen: "Right but I mean you've got... the idea is that if you got more than two school board members in a meeting that then becomes an opening meeting. As I understand it September 8, 2016 the Attorney General issued the nonbinding opinion finding that the joint committees are public bodies or at least the joint committee of school district 46 that was at issue in that opinion. So..."

Slaughter: "Right, Representative. So..."

Breen: "But it's again it would be open..."

Slaughter: "...it's a grey area..."

Breen: "...it's going not."

Slaughter: "Yeah. It's a grey area but in practice these meetings have not been subject to the Open Meetings Act. So this is more or less a clarification in that regard."

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Breen: "All right. Fair enough. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Pritchard for five minutes."

Pritchard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Pritchard: "Representative, there seems to be some confusion here about what this Bill does and that it might be a change in practice. Can you elaborate a little bit more on what has been the normal practice when we deal with reduction in force and the teacher evaluation system?"

Slaughter: "Again, most joint committees are doing this. It's my understanding there's a very, very small percentage of joint committees throughout the state that are not doing this. I know for instance up in Chicago they actually meet, I think, monthly to discuss this. So there isn't a big change in... in practice. Most of your joint committees are meeting at least once a year as they should. We're talking about teacher evaluations. Representative, you know how important this is. These joint committees should be able to meet once a year to discuss this."

Pritchard: "So the concern that the Management Alliance has raised is that this has also been a closed session because you're talking about the future of certain professionals. And that's why they are especially concerned with the interpretation that the Attorney General's Open Meetings Act officer had given in this particular case. Now your Bill also deal with the fact that several board members, which normally would require an open meetings notification, are meeting in these

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negotiation sessions and that your Bill would allow that to occur?"

Slaughter: "Yes. That's accurate."

Pritchard: "So Ladies and Gentlemen, these are fixes that the Management Alliance has supported and tries to correct a misinterpretation that is creating a lot of confusion. Compliment the Sponsor on his legislation. And would urge support."

Speaker Turner: "The Chair recognizes Representative Skillicorn for five minutes."

Skillicorn: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that he will yield."

Skillicorn: "Thank you, Representative. I'll be extremely brief. It's been a long day and I want to respect everyone's time. So this Bill only has to do with the annual joint meeting correct? With the evaluations is that correct?"

Slaughter: "That's correct."

Skillicorn: "So here is my question is, how do closed secret meetings benefit the public in this case?"

Slaughter: "Again, you're talking about in some cases individual teachers, the process in which they should be evaluated. I believe the thought is that there should be some level of confidentiality in regards to those discussions."

Skillicorn: "But couldn't that be handled through redaction of something of record.. is this something we really don't want to have evaluations available? Do parents and community members.. do they not an interest in knowing about the evaluation of, you know, of our teachers?"

Slaughter: "What was the question? Is there a question?"

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Skillicorn: "Don't the... doesn't the community, don't parents have a say in this? Don't they have an interest?"

Slaughter: "I don't know, they might. I mean collective bargaining is exempt. Again, there is a bit of a grey area here. We're inserting the language from the Statewide School Management Alliance to make that clarification."

Skillicorn: "Okay. To the Bill. So collective bargaining agreements after the fact, after they're approved are open records. People can examine them, read them and see what that is. I don't see any difference in something like this. I don't like the idea of closed secret meetings on especially something as important as evaluation. So I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Slaughter to close."

Slaughter: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I urge a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5136 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 76 voting 'yes', 16 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5136, having received the Constitutional Majority, is declared passed. Representative Thapedi, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Thapedi: "Mr. Speaker, with respect to House Bill 5635 may the Journal reflect that I should be recorded as 'no' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The Journal will reflect your request, Representative. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Bolin: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 1022, offered by Representative Yingling. House Resolution 1023, offered by

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Representative Stewart. House Resolution 1026, 1027, and 1028, offered by Representative Long."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Currie moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolutions are adopted. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Currie moves that the House adjourn until Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at noon. Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at noon. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House is adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Member statement, offered by Representative Bellock, concerning the Human Trafficking Task Force."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to bring attention to our ongoing battle against human trafficking in the State of Illinois and across the entire nation. Unlike many of the issues that come before this Body, the issue of human trafficking does not divide us along partisan or geographic lines. It knows no barriers whatsoever. A startling figure is that 300 thousand children under the age of 18 were forced into trafficking this year in the United States. I repeat that figure, 300 thousand young children. Our fight against this threat took a major step forward in 2016, I introduced and sponsored legislation with colleagues on both sides of this aisle and in the Senate that created the Human Trafficking Task Force. Our goals were number 1) help policy makers and law enforcement more effectively target and combat forced sexual exploitation in the State of

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Illinois, 2) was to raise public awareness on the challenges associated with treating human trafficking victims, and three 3) was to prevent future cases of sexual exploitation. The average age of American minors into the sex trade is 12 to 14 years old. I repeat that, 12 to 14 years old. I wish to call attention to one tragic example of the devastating toll human trafficking takes on the lives of families here in Illinois, as reported in the April 3 edition of the *Chicago Tribune*. Sixteen year old Desiree Robinson was found beaten, strangled and her throat slit in a parking garage in south suburban Markham on Christmas Eve 2016, while a pimp whose prosecutors contend trafficked her for a month before her death waited outside that garage in a nearby car. While others in her neighborhood were celebrating the joys of Christmas she laid dead in that garage. The records obtained by the FBI showed that Desiree wanted to escape the life of sexual exploitation she had become subject to. In a private Facebook message sent to a friend on December 15, Desiree said 'I'm in a situation where I'm being pimped.' Nine days later, she was killed. The man who originally brought young Desiree to that garage several weeks earlier had expected to be paid a \$250 finder's fee; illustrating the grisly financial incentive cultivated among sex traffickers who profit from the exploitation of victims, mainly underage girls and young women, even though boys are still included. That man pleaded guilty in federal court earlier this month to one count of sex trafficking conspiracy for recruiting Desiree into a life that led to her murder. Desiree's story is just one tragic example of how many that have taken place right here in Illinois and across

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this country. This story along with others, we as the Task Force, took into testimony from members throughout the State of Illinois. And we had shock and tears in our faces when hearing the testimony that was given. One was a grown woman who was trafficked by her father since she was nine years old. This is in the State of Illinois. A woman whose boyfriend got her hooked, in a suburban area, on heroin and then continued to traffic her to keep up his profits. We heard many shocking stories and these are some of the facts that are disturbing as well as they are startling. Human trafficking now has surpassed the illegal sale of firearms. Human trafficking is on pace to surpass the illegal sale of drugs within the next few years. This is a \$32 billion a year industry and it is on the rise in all 50 states in the United States, with Illinois being considered a national center due to our geographic location and being a hub of transportation. 4.5 million of trafficked persons are sexually exploited. Up to 300 thousand Americans, as I've said before, under the age of 18 are lured into the commercial sex trade every year. The largest group of at-risk children are runaway, thrown away, or homeless American children who use survival sex to acquire food, shelter, clothing and other things that they need to survive on America's streets. According to the National Runaway Switchboard, 1.3 million runaway and homeless youth live on America's streets every day. Five thousand of these children, runaways die each year. I repeat that, 5 thousand of those children die each year. It would not be surprising to learn that the number of children trafficked in the United States is actually much higher than those numbers I just

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quoted, the 300,000 number. The National Human Trafficking Hotline reports that there were 198 cases reported to the hotline in Illinois in 2016. This is a 64 percent increase over 2015. Although really very few cases are actually reported to these hotlines and really are not indicative of the crisis in our state. Back in 2005 the FBI designated Chicago as one of the 13 highest locations and of high intensity for child prostitution. We here have a responsibility and a great opportunity to reverse this dangerous and tragic reality. We are making strides to combat human trafficking in Illinois and protect future victims from falling prey. Our Human Trafficking Task Force conducted hearings across the State of Illinois from Chicago, to the College of DuPage, to Champaign, to Springfield and all around this state. We have been given an opportunity to listen to the testimony of the victims who have been carried on by traffickers around this entire state. We engage service providers and law enforcement agencies as well to collaborate on ideas to effectively combat the forced sexual exploitation of women and children. We have a Law Committee within our Task Force of which House Bill 2063 came out of. And this Bill is what gives victims civil action against their traffickers in the court. We have had several other pieces of legislation introduced by the Members of our Task Force also during this legislative period. This issue has never been more timely or more important. Other Members of the Task Force are very engaged in carrying on even after we give our report. Our report is required to be submitted, with its findings and recommendations, to the General Assembly on or before June

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30. I would like to thank the students of SIU who are compiling the data for that report to submit. We look forward to completing our work this spring and moving forward together as a Body to prevent future victims from falling prey to sexual exploitation, while at the same time strengthening our law enforcement agencies as they pursue justice for those who have already been victimized by human trafficking and providing adequate support services to those victims. There are several areas just in the City of Chicago where there are vans that go up and down the streets at night giving subsidies of toiletries, anything that women need and then offering them the chance to come in and get protection. The fact is that human trafficking is happening right here and right now in Illinois. And a person's life, liberty and fortune can be under the absolute control of another and be sold, bought or used at the will of that owner. 12.3 million people in the world are trafficked in labor or sex. This is not only a state crisis, not only a national crisis but it is a worldwide crisis. And we are starting here by trying to address that in our Capitol. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Turner, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary-Criminal, reports the following committee action taken on April 26, 2018: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #4 to House Bill 1471, Floor Amendment 2 and 3 to House Bill 2607. Representative Martwick, Chairperson from the Committee on Personnel & Pensions, reports the following committee action taken on April 26, 2018: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 5183. Representative Riley,

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Chairperson from the Committee on State Government Administration, reports the following committee action taken on April 26, 2018: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendments 1, 2 and 4 to House Bill 4594, Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 5593. Representative Mayfield, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary Secondary Education: Licensing, Administration & Oversight, reports the following committee action taken on April 26, 2018: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1930. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 1024, offered by Representative Flowers. House Resolution 1029, offered by Representative Welch. House Resolution 1030, offered by Representative Welch. And House Joint Resolution 124, offered by Leader Durkin. First Reading and Introduction of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 336, offered by Representative Cassidy, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 405, offered by Representative Feigenholtz, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 564, offered by Representative Guzzardi, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 2378, offered by Representative Cabello, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 2589, offered by Representative Halpin, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 2834, offered by Representative Demmer, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3010, offered by D'Amico, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3047, offered by Representative Connor, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3120, offered by Representative Welch, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3131, offered by Representative Butler, a Bill

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for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3135, offered by Representative Bennett, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Senate Bill 3186, offered by Representative Evans, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 3236, offered by Representative Olsen, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3255, offered by Representative Bennett, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3263, offered by Representative Welch, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3508, offered by Representative Gabel, a Bill for an Act concerning care for persons with developmental disability which may be referred to as the Community Disability Living Wage Act. First Reading of these Senate Bills. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."