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Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come in to order. Committee Reports. Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on May 23, 2018: recommends be adopted, referred to the Floor is Floor Amendment #5 to House Bill 4100, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 65, Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 486, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 5444, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2407, Floor Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 3445; approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading is House Bill 3793, House Bill 4918; approved for consideration, referred to the consideration of Postponed Calendar is House Bill 5344."

Speaker Turner: "Members are asked to be at their seats. We shall be led in prayer today by Lee Crawford, the Pastor of Cathedral of Praise Christian Center in Springfield. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance."

Pastor Crawford: "Let us pray. Gracious and most sovereign God, who art the author and the finisher of our faith, we pray that Your goodness, Your mercy, and Your love be present amongst us this day. We pray, oh God, that You would bless this august Assembly, the Speaker of this House, its Leaders and all of its Members with the spirit of unity, a spirit of hope, and the spirit of Your vision. We pray today, oh God, for unity and ask that You build us all a deeper respect for one another so that we would be, even as You are, we would be one. We pray today, oh God, for hope and ask that You stir Your hope within our hearts, and renew our faith, and renew

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within us a right spirit. We pray today, oh God, for vision and ask that Your vision fill our lives, that we see this life and all that it involves as You would see it through Your eyes and not ours, that we would embrace this life not as ours but as Yours. We ask all of these things in Your precious name that we will find ourselves doing that which is the most perfect and that which is the most precious will of God. This we pray. Amen."

Speaker Turner: "We shall be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit - et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record reflect the excused absence of Representative Zalewski."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Keith Wheeler."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representatives Fortner and Jesiel are excused today."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Wheeler. With 114 Members present, a quorum is established. On page 2 of the Calendar under House Bills on Second Reading we have House Bill 4290, offered by Representative Costello. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4290, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Second Reading of this House Bill. No

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Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 211, offered by Representative Moylan. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 211, a Bill for an Act concerning gaming. This Bill was read a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 585, offered by Representative Walsh. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 585, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1453, offered by Representative Mussman. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1453, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1628, Representative Moeller. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1628, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. But a fiscal note has been requested and not filed at this time."

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Speaker Turner: "Please hold this Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Senate Bill 2469, Representative Moeller. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2469, a Bill for an Act concerning aging. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2471, Representative Cavaletto. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2471, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2562, Representative D'Amico. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2562, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. But a fiscal note has been requested but not filed at this time."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, please hold this Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Senate Bill 2619, Representative Willis. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2619, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. But notes.. notes have been requested but not filed at this time."

Speaker Turner: "Please hold this Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Senate Bill 2693, Representative Pritchard. Representative Pritchard. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2693, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2713, Representative Bennett. Out of the... Representative Bennett. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2713, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2752, Representative Stewart. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2752, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2875, Representative Bennett. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2875, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Representative Hurley, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Hurley: "I would like to introduce my Page for the day. We have Amber Payne. She is the student council president at Kellogg Grammar School. I met her at our student council breakfast, talked to her and her mom, they talk politics all the time."

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I invited her down and her she is. So if we'd give her a nice round of applause from Springfield."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, and welcome to your Capitol. Leader Bellock, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Bellock: "I'd like to introduce three very special children that have come down today to Page from me. My roommate from college, these are her grandchildren and they're from Libertyville, Illinois. And they have come down today to see what is going on in Springfield, how bills are made. And I would ask that... it is Luke, Jake, and Dottie who are here today and they are thrilled to be here. And I'd ask everybody to give them a round of applause welcoming them."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Grant Wehrli, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Wehrli: "So just yesterday the Fourth Circuit of the Illinois Appellate Courts remanded back to the State Board of Elections a case against our Auditor General, Mr. Frank Mautino. It is not only alleged that Mr. Mautino spent over \$200 thousand at a gas station for miscellaneous services, he also walked in and out of Spring Valley Bank cashing checks totaling north of \$100 thousand with no receipts. He is now our fiscal watch dog of the State of Illinois and he is not capable of doing that job. He can't even keep his campaign finance report

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straight, and yet he's supposed to look out for the books for the State of Illinois. It's an embarrassment that that man remains in office. Time for him to go."

Speaker Turner: "Senate Bill 3015, offered by Representative Welch. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3015, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3049, offered by Representative Scherer. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3049, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3134, Representative Olsen. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3134, a Bill for an Act concerning flood control. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Olsen, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Olsen."

Olsen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 2 merely is the Amendment we agreed in committee that would come to the floor to clarify the appointment from the Will County and also to add a department from the Illinois Emergency Management Agency... add a member to the commission. I ask for your support."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to... to Senate Bill 3134. All in favor say 'aye';

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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. Senate Bill 3135, Representative Bennett. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3135, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3138, Representative Welch. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3138, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third... Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3214, Representative Bennett. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3214, a Bill for an Act concerning solar sites. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3222, Representative Hurley. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3222, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3249, Representative Moeller. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3249, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee

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Amendments. No Floor Amendments. But notes have been requested and not filed at this time."

Speaker Turner: "Please hold this Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Senate Bill 3255, offered by Representative Bennett. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3255, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3261, Representative Smith. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3261, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3263, Representative Welch. Representative Welch. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3263, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3411, Representative Barbara Wheeler. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3411, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3491, Representative Greg Harris. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3491, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendments... no Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 2 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Greg Harris."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Harris."

Harris, G.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is a trailer Bill to clean up some issues for the insurance industry in the Network Adequacy and Transparency Act. The corrections are technical in nature. I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 3491. 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 #2, offered by Representative Greg Harris, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Harris."

Harris, G.: "This is a correction to the correction. I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 3491. 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. Senate Bill 3504, Representative Stewart. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3504, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3388, Representative Gordon-Booth. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3388, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3046, Representative Gordon-Booth. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 3046, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1829, Representative Gordon-Booth. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1829, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2619, Representative Willis. I'm sorry this... I think we already addressed this Bill. Representative David Harris, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. While there's a short break in the action I'd like a point of personal privilege, if I may?"

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Harris, D.: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, for the past couple of days we've made note of several airports of

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distinction in Illinois, the Rockford Airport and the Capital Airport here in Springfield. And I just want to make note that the O'Hare Airport was voted the most connected airport in the United States beating out Hartsfield-Jackson in Atlanta and Charlotte Douglas in Charlotte. Now that means you can get more connections to other places through O'Hare than any other airport in the United States. Having said that, the customer service for O'Hare may not be the most satisfactory, especially in the winter time but you can still get to where you need to go through the most connected airport in the United States which is O'Hare. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Great airport. Thank you, Representative. Mr. Clerk, House Resolution 949, offered by Representative Butler."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 949, offered by Representative Butler."

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Trey Hild on winning the IHSA Class 1A 145 pound-State Wrestling Championship, and we admire his grit, drive and commitment to excellence; we wish him the best of luck in the future."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Butler."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. There's a saying that goes, champions aren't those who don't fail, champions are those who don't quit. And today I'm honored to have Trey Hild here... here today to join us on the Abraham Lincoln side of the chamber. Trey's a wrestler at PORTA High School just up the road in Petersburg. He's a PORTA... PORTA Blue Jay. In Trey's

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freshman year he made the state championship match in wrestling and finished second. Trey's sophomore year he made the state championship match in wrestling and finished second. And after his second, second place finish he talked to a reporter and said, second sucks, second sucks. Trey, you're looking at a lot of politicians down here and we all know that second sucks when it comes to... comes to things. So he put a sign up in the wrestling room at PORTA High School for his junior year that said second sucks. He made it to the championship match again his junior year and finished second again. But this year, in Trey's senior year, he made the state championship match four years in a row and he finally won his state title. Trey... Trey beat Zach Haley of Quincy Notre Dame. And Zach was the only kid who beat Trey all year. Trey had one loss it was to Zach and he beat him in the state championship meet this year. Trey's going to wrestle D-2 at Wisconsin Parkside. It's great to have he, and his family, and his coach here. Trey, thank you very much for what you've done for the community of Petersburg and Menard County in PORTA. Go get them in college and congratulations on your state championship, man."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 949. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Congratulations, Trey. Mr. Clerk, House Resolution 1004, offered by Representative Andersson."

Clerk Hollman: "House Resolution 1004, offered by Representative Andersson. Be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the St. Charles North High School Mock Trial Team for their past and present achievements, and we wish them continued success."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andersson."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Appreciate that. I rise to introduce them and ask for passage of House Resolution 1004. This is for the St. Charles North Mock Trial Team. It's a wonderful group of students who are up in the Speaker's Gallery on the right hand side. They are here because this is their second straight year of winning the Mock Trial Program for the Illinois State Bar Association. So they're the statewide champions two years in a row. I had the opportunity to speak with them for about the last hour about their experiences, and I'm truly impressed. And it always makes me joyful for the future of our state when we have young people like this who are passionate about what they do and really engage with the world. And I have no doubt about their future and their abilities. One of the best things though, that they told me, was the fact that the one part that they enjoyed was the fact that in every case they argued they had to be prepared to argue either side, either side. Which means that you have to be able to recognize the flaws in your argument, no matter which side you're on, and be prepared to use those. And to do that means they have to develop an open mind. That's a really great skill, one I think we all use here, and it's one that they're developing. And it's something that's going to serve them every day, whether they become lawyers or not,

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they'll always have that ability. So it is with my great pleasure and pride to introduce them to the chamber. I'd ask for a round of applause and that the Resolution do pass."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 1004. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Congratulations. Representative Sommer, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Sommer: "I also... I would like to introduce my Pages for today. I have Mike Hartnett and Molly Loudermilke who both graduated Sunday from Morton High School, along with my youngest daughter Megan. Mike is going to be joining the Army Reserves. And Molly is going to be going to Illinois State University and become an educator. Please welcome them to their Capitol."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, and welcome to your Capitol. Members... Mr. Clerk, House Resolution 804, offered by Representative Jones."

Clerk Hollman: "House Resolution 804, offered by Representative Jones. Be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of David Schwarz and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Jones."

Jones: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of this great Body. Today is a day of celebration, day of sadness, and a day of action. We stand to honor the memory of David Schwarz, a tollway

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worker. And not only was he a tollway worker he was a husband, a father, and he also gave his dedication to this state for 25 years or more. This past September David was fatality struck and killed while picking up debris on the side of 294, carrying out his duties as a maintenance operator, a career that he had since 1992 and continued for 26 years. In the Speaker's Gallery, above us, we have his wife Hope, his son Jacob, his son Zachary, David's parents, friends and family, and members of the tollway. Today I joined not only the tollway authority, but Governor Rauner when I say a day of action and a campaign that the Governor started not only with the family in mind, the Give Them Distance campaign. So we want to make sure that Members, not only of this Body, are aware of what this campaign calls for but it's in memory not only of David but also of the... of the family. And David not only was a tollway worker but he also was a Cub fan. So for all of us in this chamber that are Cubs fans I only want to point to Hope providing me, as a season ticket holder of the Cubs, Cub fan, but this hat in memory of David which I will wear at games and I would ask that all Members who are Cubs fans to make sure you honor him when you go to games as well. But this family not only recognizes and, you know, epitomizes what we ask of our state workers but also what we ask in family. We know that there's a hole in the heart. I experienced that tragedy when I lost my dad at eight and I know that God is not only shining on this family but He's giving them the comfort and the hope to move forward. It was a great message today from Pastor Lee Crawford when he mentioned hope. And you should know that not only does this

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General Assembly stand with you but all the members of the tollways as well. Mr. Speaker, I would ask that all Members of this Body be added as sponsors to this Resolution and join me in celebrating the life of David Schwarz and the family as they continue to celebrate his life and also continue to honor his commitment as a state worker. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "The Body will take a moment of silence. Thank you. And seeing no objection, all Members will be added as cosponsors on the Resolution. And the Resolution was previously adopted on another day. Thank you. Members are asked to be at their seats. Mr. Clerk, please read House Resolution 1119."

Clerk Hollman: "House Resolution 1119.

WHEREAS, In accordance with the established tradition of the Illinois House of Representatives, it is fitting that, for Memorial Day, we honor our brothers and sisters who have given their lives in service to our country as the guardians of our long-held freedoms; and

WHEREAS, No better words have been written to honor those brave souls who were sacrificed long ago or pay tribute to the those brave men and women of today who have continued that fight for freedom than the Gettysburg Address; let us now recite those words so humbly said by our 16th President, Abraham Lincoln: "Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield

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of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But, in the larger sense, we can not dedicate - we can not consecrate - we cannot hallow - this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us - that from those honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion - that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain - that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom - and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."; and

WHEREAS, Those words from long ago still speak to those brave men and women of today who we now honor; it is all together fitting and appropriate that we, with heavy hearts, again accept the honor of reading the Roll Call of those American soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines from the State of Illinois who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the preceding year since the previous tribute; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that a copy of this resolution and a copy of the ceremonial honor roll and

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program of the May 23, 2018 reading of names be presented to the families of these fallen heroes.

Speaker Turner: "Representative Currie moves for adoption of House Resolution 1119. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Representative Scherer."

Scherer: "Petty Officer 2nd Class Logan S. Palmer, United States Navy, died August 21, 2017, Decatur."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Gordon-Booth."

Gordon-Booth: "Private Jamanni M. Gibson, United States Army, died March 20, 2018, Peoria."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Moeller."

Moeller: "Sergeant Marcos L. Gudino, United States Army, died March 25, 2018, Elgin."

Illinois State Police: "Plays Amazing Grace."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Chapa LaVia."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you, Speaker. If you could add all Members to that Resolution. I'm just humbled to be able to be the Sponsor of this every year but this actually is owned by all of us. It's with deep respect I have for the families that have lost our heroes too soon. And I... I just... just in my heart of hearts I hope that people understand always the sacrifices our men and women make not only once they pass from this earth but also everyday of their lives and how much time they spend away from their loved ones. Kind of like us at times but they put themselves in harm's way because they... they believe in this country like we do. And I'd ask any Member would like to say a few words, please. But I am extremely humbled. Thank you."

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Speaker Turner: "Representative Ives is recognized."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On behalf of all the veterans in the state I sincerely thank those who plan and participate in the memorial service today. We must never forget it is the American... fighting men and women who have kept us free from tyranny and protected our interests around the world by winning battles in the air, and on the land, and the sea. We ask much from our military and many of them have responded by giving the ultimate sacrifice. It is our military and those of our allies who have been the peacekeepers as well. There is much anticipation after 68 years of North and South Korea facing off between a two-mile deep line of demarcation at the 38th parallel. There's much anticipation as to what may happen in June and whether or not those two will meet and finally peace will come. And there has been all sorts of rumor mongering about who may or may not get a Noble Peace Prize out of such an occurrence if that were to happen. But let me remind you, it is the military that deserves any peace price, it is the military that has been the instrument of peace throughout our history, and it is those that we should recognize when peace is kept. The politicians may make the agreement but the military is the instrument for peacekeeping. Last night I lost my uncle who served in Korea. And while he was there... and I was very fortunate because I happened to go home about 10 days ago and on my way back I stopped in Denison, Iowa and I visited my uncle Joe who is a Purple Heart veteran from Vietnam. And I took Joe out and he said you know your uncle Leo wouldn't mind you him stopping by to see him. So I stopped by to see my uncle Leo and at his

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house was my cousin Mike who actually lives in Bloomington and works for State Farm. And Leo passed 10 days after I saw him. So I want to remind this Body that it is not too late and that you should spend the time to listen and to talk to your members who have maybe served in the... in the military because when I went to talk to Leo I found out something I hadn't known. You see, Uncle Leo served in Korea at the same time as my father and those two were actually able to get together once in a while even while serving in the military theater. And I had not known that little tidbit of information. But I encourage you... all of you to collect the stories of the military that are in your family, to hold those dear, and to pass them on to your children as well. So again, on behalf of veterans I appreciate this ceremony, I appreciate all that serve and I ask you to keep the history of what the military has done for our freedom alive. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "At the... Representative Scherer is recognized."

Scherer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Having been a friend of Logan Palmers family ever since grade school, and having played on the playground with his aunt, and having listened to his grandma sing at church, we just never imagine what brave loss lies ahead. And it was one of the saddest funerals I've ever had attended. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor has requested that all Members be added to the Resolution. And seeing no objection all Members will be added to this Resolution. Thank you all. Representative Willis, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Willis: "Point of personal privilege, please."

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Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Willis: "Up in the gallery I have a group of students that came out here today. This group of students is from DuPage District 88 High Schools both from Villa Park and from Addison. So Representative Conroy shares this group with me. These students put on a tremendously wonderful program a couple of months ago dealing with gun violence in their schools. And they invited over 30 other schools throughout the area to come with them. These young people are the leaders... the future leaders for us. And I will be very proud to turn over my microphone to them one day so that they too can advocate against gun violence throughout our communities. So I would ask this Body to applaud the courage of these young men and women before us."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Manley, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Manley: "For a point of personal privilege, Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Manley: "Thank you. In the gallery behind me on the Democratic side are a few of the members of the Illinois Women... Democratic Women of Will County. Up in the gallery serving as one of our county board members in Will County is Lauren Staley-Ferry, and would like to welcome them to Springfield."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Kifowit, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the gallery. I would like to acknowledge and welcome to Springfield some very

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important people. The Illinois Nurses Association is here today with several nurses that work very hard to keep us healthy, keep us safe, and be there for us in the emergency room. They're on the Republican side by the Speaker's Gallery and I'd like to welcome them to Springfield. Thank you very much."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, and welcome to your Capitol. On page 13 of the Calendar, under Senate Bills on Second Reading, we have Senate Bill 486, offered by Leader Currie. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 486, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Currie."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker, Members of the House. It's a technical Amendment from the Department of Revenue having to do with... this is the Bill that deals with the evaluation of solar... commercial solar systems. I'd appreciate your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Lady moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to Senate Bill 486. 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. Senate Bill 1531, Representative Greg Harris. Mr. Clerk, please... out of the record. Senate Bill 65, Representative Williams. Out of the record. Senate

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Bill 2407, Representative Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2407, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment... House Floor Amendment #2 is identical to House... Committee Amendment #1 which for some reason was tabled. And it stipulates that the line items for the child deaf review team shall not be reduced. This would ensure that the budget making decisions are made yearly as opposed to a continuing budget."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 2407. 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. But a fiscal note has been requested and not filed."

Speaker Turner: "Please hold this Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Senate Bill 65, Representative Ann Williams. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 65, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Williams."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Williams on Floor Amendment #1."

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Williams: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Amendment simply makes a very technical correction in language and doesn't have any substantive impact on the Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Lady moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 65. 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. Representative Kelly Burke, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Burke, K.: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Burke, K.: "I'd like the Body to be aware that the Council of State Governments annual conference will be in Chicago next year and Senator Elgie Sims and myself are the official CSG cohosts I suppose. And we're having a kickoff reception this evening at the Sangamo Club from six to eight. We'd love to have stop by and also keep you aware of all the events and activities planned for the CSG conference."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Senate Bill 2952, Representative McAuliffe. Out of the record. House Bill 4100, Representative Kifowit. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4100, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. The Bill was read for a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendments 2, 4, and 5 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Kifowit."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Kifowit."

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Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We will not be adopting Floor Amendment 2."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, please withdraw Floor Amendment #2."

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

Speaker Turner: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We will not be adopting Floor Amendment 4."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, please withdraw Floor Amendment #4."

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #5 is offered by Representative Kifowit."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am honored today to present House Bill 4100 Amendment #5, which is a comprehensive Amendment that is presented for the safety of all health care workers in the State of Illinois. Amendment #5 was a collaboration work between the Illinois Nurses Association... Amendment #5 was a collaboration between the Illinois Nurses Association, the National Nurses Organizing Committee, the National Nurses United, the Illinois Health and Hospital Association, the American Nurses Association of Illinois, the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice, the Illinois Department of Corrections, the Illinois Department of Financial Regulations, the Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs, the ACLU, AFSCME 31, SEIU, the Illinois Sheriff's Association Center for Developmental Disabilities, the Association of Rehabilitation Facilities, and the Illinois Merchants Association, which is why you can imagine we're on Amendment #5. We have an agreed Bill. We have no active

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opposition. What this Bill does is pertain to training providing a work place that is... addresses violence that our nurses face every day. In addition to all our health care workers it does set up parameters for many different safety aspects in addition to a violence prevention committee, in addition to some parameters with law enforcement. And I ask for the adoption of Amendment #5."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Wheeler, would you like to speak on Amendment #5? Please proceed."

Wheeler, B.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Question to the Sponsor."

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Wheeler, B.: "Thank you. Representative, thank you for the hard work that you've done on this and all of the meetings that you had. And thank you to the departments who have also... have been very busy in helping you with this. I just want to confirm that Amendment 1, 2, 3, and 4, that were passed out of Committee, they don't supplement 5... is there... was it a gut and replace the work that you did in all of the Amendments?"

Kifowit: "Correct. Amendment #5 is a gut and replace and should become the Bill."

Wheeler, B.: "Okay. Thank you very much."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ammons on Amendment #5. Please proceed."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. First I want to thank Representative Kifowit for working to make this a better Bill to ensure that all people's rights are protected. House Bill 4100 Amendment 5 really speaks to the concerns that I raised when we saw the first Bill, and I just wanted to thank

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her for working with ACLU and DJJ to make this a better Bill.
Thank you very much. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Lady moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #5 to House Bill 4100. 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 the House Bill 4100."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4100, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Kifowit, did you already explain the Bill?"

Kifowit: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I ask for the adoption of the ground breaking legislation to provide health care workers with a violence work place."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen is recognized."

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

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, you could just... it's a little loud here in the chamber. So if you could give us just a quick rundown of the changes that you are making in your... in this particular piece of legislation."

Kifowit: "The changes for Amendment 5 specifically or since we've adopted Amendment 5 do you want an overview again?"

Breen: "Just this Bill. What does your Bill do?"

Kifowit: "What this Bill does is a comprehensive plan to reduce violence that occurs in the health care profession specifically to nurses but all-encompassing to health care

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front line workers. What it does is it sets out a series of parameters in which the hospital will work with the nurses to create a violence prevention plan. In addition to that it has whistle blower protections for individuals who wish to report violent situations. In addition to that it does have a mental health component to allow nurses or health care workers that are subject to violence to seek health care professionals because we want nurses to focus on providing health care and not being afraid to go to their job."

Breen: "And tell me about... I see there were opponents on your Bill at various points in the Amendment process. Who are the current proponents... or really more importantly who are the opponents right now with your Bill now as amended by Floor Amendment 5?"

Kifowit: "Well thank you, Representative. We discussed this Bill today in committee. We have, to the best of my knowledge, all the opponents are neutral and we don't have any active opponents at this time. The proponent list is extensive. A lot of the organizations I talked about that we are working today are supportive of this. And Amendment #5 was the last Amendment to eliminate opposition."

Breen: "All right. Thank you, Representative for the answers to my questions."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Keith Wheeler is recognized."

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

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Wheeler, K.: "Representative..."

Kifowit: "Yes."

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Wheeler, K.: "You and I are both at the gathering at Delnor, last August I want to say it was, and heard from so many concerned people that were involved in the situation that happened there and it's been a long road. And I want to commend you for the work you've done and being open to those and so many different stakeholders, so many people that had issues and attention with what was going on. And the heart of the Bill still stays the same as the goal is to protect our health care workers who are put in harm's way unnecessarily by things that they have no control over. And this is a good and comprehensive approach and a good step in the right direction. So I just want to say thank you and I appreciate your work with all the different stakeholders who came to both of us at different times with the issues. So thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Kifowit to close."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Again I am honored and humbled to be presenting this Bill to the Body today. I have the upmost respect for those that give care to us that need care. And I... I truly in my heart believe that this is bringing us to a point where violence against health care professionals and nurses shall not be tolerated and our health care professionals can work and focus on providing the best quality care for us all. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4100 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 112 voting 'in favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4100, having received the

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4890, Representative Davis. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4890, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. The Bill was read for a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Davis."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Davis."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. So just to be clear, Representative Breen as I know you're looking, while the title says that this was a TIF Bill for the Village of Posen, the Amendment is a gut and replace Bill for the Midlothian Park District. So they can ask for a debt limit extension for bonds to do some park district improvements. They went to referendum. Their community voted in favor of allowing them to pass... pass these bonds. And the reason why this Bill is necessary they're looking for a special consideration to be able to issue all of the bonds at once as a cost saving measure versus what their current requirement is that they would have to issue them in \$5 million increments. So there would be additional fees to go back after the 5... every 5 million once they've been paid off. So this is an effort to give them an opportunity to issue all of the... all of the bonds, \$13 million worth of bonds, all at once as a matter of cost saving. What we learned in committee is that the Midlothian Park District is virtually debt free and what the... otherwise they would be asked to do issue a \$5 million pay them off, issue 5 million more, pay them off, and then go back to issue the other 3. They are good stewards so they are

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asking for the opportunity to issue all \$13 million at once to try to help them save costs on what are the fees associated when to go to a bond issuance. I'd like for the adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen is recognized for Floor Amendment #1."

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

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

Breen: "And Representative, just so we're all very clear, we're allowing the park district of... Midlothian Park District they're going to be exempted from the code limitation of aggregate principal indebtedness of 2.85 percent. But they're going to be able to exceed that for these \$13 million of bonds that you were mentioning that were approved during a referendum during the general primary on March 20 of this year?"

Davis: "Correct."

Breen: "Okay. What's wrong with the Village of Posen?"

Davis: "Nothing is wrong with it. In an effort to try to help Midlothian we were able to put the TIF language on another Bill and this freed up the Bill to be able to do this because they came to me after the deadline."

Breen: "Fair enough. Thank you, Representative."

Speaker Turner: "Representative David Harris is recognized on Floor Amendment #1."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just a quick question of the Sponsor."

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

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Harris, D.: "So Representative, as I understand this, this allows the park district to issue all the bonds at one time rather than having to come back a year later, do another charge for bonds and a year after that do another charge for bonds which would add to the expensive of the issuance. So now they can do it all at once saving them money. Is that right?"

Davis: "Correct."

Harris, D.: "Sounds like a good Amendment and certainly in support. Thank you."

Davis: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4890. 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 Resolution 1101."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 1101, offered by Representative Ammons, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTAIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Reverend Dr. James Cone, and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Body of the Illinois General Assembly, I stand to recognize the passing of a great hero, religious scholar, and a historian of black history, culture, and theology. The passing of Dr. James H. Cone... passed away April 28, 2018 is relevant to the people of

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Illinois because Dr. Cone spent a great deal of time as a student at Northwestern University here in Illinois. What is significant about Dr. Cone, is Dr. Cone is known as a father of black liberation theology. What does that mean? That means for the 40 years of Dr. Cone's life he taught a Union Theological Seminary dealing with issues pertaining to religion and black culture. Dr. Cone's legacy is known throughout the... not only academic world but in the general world when it comes to black history, black thought, science, and academics. Dr. Cone has written numerous books, been recognized by numerous academic institutions, and has spoken world over. Dr. Cone was an ordained minister who came out of the African Methodist Episcopal Church which is the oldest church of African religious culture in America. He's listed in the *Directory of American Scholars, Who's Who in America* and many other notable institutions. He's written 12 books and 150 lectures and articles. The reason why I did not want the people of Illinois, and specifically this General Assembly, to not know about Dr. James H. Cone is because he has contributed greatly to religious thought for black cultural experience and his contributions to the world as Union Theological Seminary is recognizing him with memorial services and other community based services in New York City. I wanted Illinois to join in the reflection of Dr. James H. Cone's life. We thank him for his service. We thank his family, who's not here. And I've prepared a suitable Resolution to be sent to New York City on behalf of the Illinois General Assembly for the recognition of Dr. James H. Cone's life. And we ask for a moment of silence for him."

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Speaker Turner: "The Body will take a moment of silence. Thank you very much. This Resolution was adopted on a previous day. Representative Connor, what reason do you seek recognition?"

Connor: "Apologize, Mr. Chairman. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Connor: "I'd like to piggy back on what Representative Manley extended earlier by way of invitation to a group that's currently up in the gallery. The Illinois... the Democratic Women of Will County. Previously the entire group was not present, now they are. So I would ask the... this august Body to give this group a warm Springfield welcome."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Wallace, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Wallace: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise for a point of personal privilege. Thank you. I rise today not only to speak about the Equal Rights Amendment but to let the record of this Body reflect that protections from discrimination based upon sex and gender must be examined from an intersectional perspective. On Saturday, I had the pleasure of being at an event about Black revolutionary women. And a revolution or revolutionary is defined as being involved or causing a complete or dramatic change. I submit that the..."

Speaker Turner: "Excuse me. Members, can we please bring the noise level down in the chamber? Thank you very much. Representative Wallace you may proceed."

Wallace: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Revolution or revolutionary is defined as being involved in or causing a complete or dramatic change. I submit the very presence of the women of the Black

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and Latino caucuses, as well as the fact that Illinois fairs better than 35 other states in female representation, is indeed revolutionary. Black women are the descendants of women who were forced to work alongside their male counterparts without pay or recognition of either's humanity. We are the descendants of women who suffered the most vile abuse and assault and in modern history that abuse and assault still occurs at the hand of men in positions of power. We are descendants of women who bore the children of their rapists and the women like Fannie Lou Hamer who suffered through a Mississippi appendectomy which, if you don't know, is forced sterilization. We are the contemporaries of women assaulted or even killed during traffic stops or prison and jail incarceration. We are the contemporaries of women with high maternal and fetal mortality rates and other disparate health outcomes. The realities of living a dual existence, being as Ntozake Shange stated, being both colored and a woman is a metaphysical dilemma, and also psychological dilemma that that persists or exists among Black women is our reality. It is a reality in which as a Black woman you earn 67 cents for every dollar a white man earns. And when citizens are denied rights it's Black and Brown women and our children who face the most extreme consequences. So I beg the same question that abolitionist Sojourner Truth asked in 1851 at the women's convention, 'ain't I a woman?'. She goes on to state, well, children, where there is so much racket there must be something out of kilter. I think that 'twixt the Negroes of the South and the women at the North, all talking about rights, the white men will be in a fix pretty soon. But what's

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all this here talking about? That man... that man over there says that women need to be helped into carriages, and lifted out of ditches, and to have the best place everywhere. Nobody ever helps me into a carriage, or over mud puddles, or gives me any place! And ain't I a woman? Look at me! Look at my arms! I have ploughed and planted, and gathered into barns, and no man could head me! And ain't I a woman? I could work as much and eat as much as a man - when I could get it - and bear the lash as well! And ain't I a woman? I have borne 13 children, and seen most all sold off into slavery, and when I cried out with my mother's grief none but Jesus heard me! And ain't I a woman? Then they talk about this thing in the head; what's that they call it? Intellect. What's that got to do with a woman's rights or Negroes' rights? If my cup won't hold but a pint, and yours holds a quart, wouldn't you be mean not to let me at least let me have my half measure full? Then that little man in the back over there says women can't have as much as rights men, 'cause Christ wasn't a woman! Where did your Christ come from? Where did your Christ come from? From God and a woman! Man had nothing to do with Him. If the first woman God ever made was strong enough to turn the world upside down all alone, these women together ought to be able to turn it back, and get it right side up again! And now they is asking to do it, and the men better let them. Obligated for hearing from me, now old Sojourner ain't got nothing more to say.' That was speech was given in 1851 and we stand here in the Illinois House of Representatives in 2018 and we have yet to ratify the ERA. But as we continue to quest for the ratification of the ERA I ask that we center

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the voices of women of color. The discussion has gone on for far too long ignoring our existence in this struggle and ignoring the fact that in plain sight our own U.S. Constitution does not guarantee the other part of our identity, black with any constitutional rights. And so I ask that as we continue to move forward that we think of this from that intersectional perspective because that respect is long overdue. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Members, we're going back to Senate Bills on Second Reading. Please be prepared to present. Senate Bill 574, Representative Cassidy. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 574, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2332, Representative Lilly. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2332, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. But a fiscal note has been requested and not filed."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, please hold this Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Senate Bill 2546, Representative Guzzardi. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2578, Representative Martwick. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2578, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2631, Representative Sosnowski. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2631, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2951, Representative Feigenholtz. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2951, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3048, Representative Cassidy. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3048, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Cassidy."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 1 addresses concerns that were unintentional on the part of the drafters of the Bill but addresses concerns from the disability community to ensure that their needs are met appropriately and removes most of the opposition to the Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Lady moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 3048. 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. Senate Bill 2954, Representative Martwick. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2954, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 2546, Representative Guzzardi. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2546, a Bill for an Act concerning education. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. A state mandates note has been requested and not filed."

Speaker Turner: "Please hold this Bill on the Order of Second Reading. Senate Bill 3156, Representative Mitchell. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 3156, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 3404, Representative Mitchell. Out of the record. Members, we will be moving to Senate Bills on Third Reading beginning on page 5. Please be prepared to present. First we have Senate Bill 335, Representative Feigenholtz. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 335, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Feigenholtz."

Feigenholtz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 335 establishes lien rights to protect small business owners in the interior design profession from legal proceedings do to nonpayment for work performed. It makes some technical updates to the current Design Act. There are 12 hundred registered interior

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designers in this... in our state, 95 percent of them are women.

I'm happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen is recognized."

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

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, we... this was a follow up from a Bill that you ran last year, it was Amendatorily Vetoed by the Governor. I understand that your language is and adoption of the Amendatory Veto. Is that accurate?"

Feigenholtz: "It is."

Breen: "Okay. Are there still... I noticed on the original Bill the Illinois State Bar Association is opposed. Is that accurate?"

Feigenholtz: "I believe they are. Yes. I'm not sure exactly why. It wasn't clear to me, they didn't testify in committee."

Breen: "Fair enough. So you... do you know of any other opposition to your measure?"

Feigenholtz: "I do not."

Breen: "Okay. And of... and there was no opposition expressed in committee at all?"

Feigenholtz: "Everybody was very happy."

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

Feigenholtz: "You're very welcome."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Feigenholtz to close."

Feigenholtz: "I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 335 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 103 voting 'in favor', 8 voting 'opposed', and

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0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 335, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 405, Representative Feigenholtz. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 405, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Feigenholtz."

Feigenholtz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 405 is a Bill that requires bidders for state contracts under the Procurement Code to provide a copy of their sexual harassment policy to the contracting state agency upon request and also for EDGE tax credits. I'm happy to answer any questions. There's not opposition to this Bill. Came out of the Senate unanimously."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen is recognized."

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

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, it's... we already have the requirement that every party to a public contract is required to have a sexual harassment policy. Does this... this merely requires that they now submit as part of their bid process? Is that what we're doing?"

Feigenholtz: "The agency can request it."

Breen: "But that's... okay. That's really the main change then?"

Feigenholtz: "Yeah this is the... the Department of Human Rights certifying that they follow all of the human rights laws and certification laws for harassment."

Breen: "Right. Okay. Thank you, Representative."

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Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 405 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 104 voting 'yes', 7 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present', Senate Bill 405, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 427, offered by Leader Currie. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 427, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This is a measure that would give people who serve on the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority the opportunity to serve for three terms rather than two. It doesn't require the Governor or the Mayor to make any reappointments among these individuals but it does give the Governor and the Mayor the authority to appoint one of these members to a third term if that individual is making major contributions to the success of this enterprise. I would be happy to answer your questions and I'd be grateful for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen is recognized."

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

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Breen: "Representative, I feel like it's Groundhog Day, this Bill keeps coming up over and over again. The point of the Bill is to raise the term limit from 8 years to 12 years for the Metropolitan Pier and Expansion Authority Board. So the

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Governor vetoed it previously. Has there been any change to the Bill since the intervening time since the Governor vetoed it?"

Currie: "It was a good idea the last time we passed the Bill. It will be a good idea this time when we pass the Bill."

Breen: "Fair enough. Okay. But we're... all right. Well again... so but... but it is accurate the Bill extends the allowable from 2 terms totaling 8 years to 3 terms totaling 12 years for this particular board?"

Currie: "Again, if the Governor doesn't want to appoint somebody to a third term the Governor is not required to do so nor is the Mayor required to do so. The people who are in those positions will retain total opportunity to appoint a person of their... of their liking. They're not required to extend anybody's term by yet one more four year term. But this Bill would give them the opportunity to do so should there be somebody who they feel is making the kind of contributions that help make a success out of the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority."

Breen: "Thank you, Representative. To the Bill. Just again, this was something that the Governor noted that extending term limits was the antithesis of good government. It was not in the public interest. Nothing has changed from this Bill from the last time it went to the Governor's desk and he vetoed it. So it seems that this is something of a... an activity here that we're just wasting time because the Governor is going to veto it again, presumably when we send it to him on partisan lines once more. So... I'll be voting 'no'. But again, it's just kind of a useless exercise. Thank you."

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Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Wehrli."

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

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Wehrli: "Thank you. Leader, in your opening remarks you mentioned that this is if somebody is making a major contribution to the board. Can you define what a major contribution is as opposed to maybe a minor contribution?"

Currie: "A major contribution would be in the eye of the Governor or the eye of the Mayor. All this Bill does is to say that either the Governor or the Mayor has the opportunity to appoint someone to a third term. And I don't understand why the Governor would veto that Bill. He doesn't have to exercise that authority. If this Bill were to become law he doesn't need to appoint someone to a third term. But why he would deny that opportunity to the mayor and to any future Governor makes zero sense to me."

Wehrli: "So when you're saying major contribution you're talking about work product and not financial contributions in some way. Is that correct?"

Currie: "What I said is it depends on what the Mayor or the Governor wants to do. This is permissive. This doesn't require them to use my standard, your standard or anybody else's standard. It just says that they have that opportunity."

Wehrli: "To the Bill. One of the things that this state desperately needs is term limits pretty much everywhere. And this would extend term limits in an area that apparently we're not having a problem of people volunteering to serve on this board. So I... I don't understand why we shouldn't stay with the current term limits. I urge a 'no' vote."

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Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative David Harris."

Harris, D.: "Thank you... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Question of the Sponsor."

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Harris, D.: "Representative, how many members are on the board?"

Currie: "Nine."

Harris, D.: "And does that include the executive director?"

Currie: "I don't think so."

Harris, D.: "Okay. So..."

Currie: "I'm sorry. It does include the executive director."

Harris, D.: "Does include the executive director. And how... how are the appointments made and whom makes the appointments? They're not all appointed by the Governor."

Currie: "The Mayor and the Governor make the appointments and there are some... some qualifications. So there is somebody representing labor, broadly speaking, the convention tourism industry, and so forth. So there are some constraints today on how those slots are filled."

Harris, D.: "So the... it's not just the Governor making..."

Currie: "Yeah. So four... the Governor has four appointments. The Mayor has four appointments."

Harris, D.: "And the executive director is..."

Currie: "It is the actually the eight who appointed by the Mayor and the Governor who choose the ninth."

Harris, D.: "I'm sorry. Say that again, please?"

Currie: "So the Mayor appoints four, the Governor appoints four, and those eight people among themselves decides who will be the ninth appointee."

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Harris, D.: "I see. So it's really not just the Governor who's making the appointments but also the Mayor of the City of Chicago also gets to make appointments?"

Currie: "Right. Right."

Harris, D.: "Okay."

Currie: "And of course the Senate..."

Harris, D.: "So and his appointments could be then for... conceivably for 12 years as well?"

Currie: "Right."

Harris, D.: "Okay. Is there... is there a sense of a problem that... and they don't all serve terms at exactly the same time. Don't their terms come up at different times?"

Currie: "I think there is some staggering depending on when people started but I can't give you the complete breakdown."

Harris, D.: "So they have some turnover now, right?"

Currie: "Yes."

Harris, D.: "And they're doing a pretty good job, are they not?"

Currie: "Well how do you know? I mean I hope so. I count on you... I count..."

Harris, D.: "McPier and McCormick place seem to be pretty successful."

Currie: "I'm counting on you Representative to read us a statement tomorrow morning or the morning after explaining how very successful this organization is..."

Harris, D.: "Well they are very successful..."

Currie: "...and what a boom to the State of Illinois."

Harris, D.: "...and they are certainly one of the best tourist attractions in the State of Illinois. So my sense is the board is doing a very good job. There is rotation on the board now."

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And I'm not sure why extending that length of service from 8 years to 12 years if that really gets us anything when you have the very appointments from both the Mayor and the Governor. So I understand you might like to have that long... length... that length of service but I'm not sure it really helps the board that much. And I recommend a 'no' vote on this one."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Currie to close."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. It's a simple Bill, all it does is authorize the Mayor or the Governor to appoint someone to a third term on the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority. They don't have to do it if they don't want to but in order to make sure that we continue to have a highly qualified, very successful board I urge you to vote 'yes' on Senate Bill 427."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 427 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', 48 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 427, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Kelly Burke, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Burke, K.: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Burke, K.: "On behalf of myself and the rest of the White Sox Caucus, we'd like to invite all White Sox fans, Cubs fans, Cards fans, whoever to the annual White Sox Caucus gathering

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at D. H. Browns tonight from 7 to 10. We'll have great food and drinks and we'd love to see you there."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Mr. Clerk, Senate Bill 544. Will you please move this Bill back to the Order of Second Reading and read the Bill?"

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 544, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. The Bill was read for a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Andersson."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Andersson on Floor Amendment #1."

Andersson: "Floor Amendment #1 is technical."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 544. 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. Senate Bill 558, Representative Connor. Out of the record. Senate Bill 779, Representative Martwick. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2298, Representative Butler. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2298, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Butler."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2298 would create the Industrial Hemp Act here in Illinois. It would allow the Department of Agriculture to issue licenses to farmers in order to grow industrial hemp and instructs the Department to promulgate rules to come up with that program. This Bill passed out of the Senate unanimously. It passed out of the

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House Ag Committee unanimously. And I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Swanson."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you for bringing this Bill forward, Representative Butler. Some of the analysis I did reviewing Kentucky's agriculture department, where they've been very successful in growing hemp for the past three years, has brought additional revenue and business to the farming community in Kentucky. For example, in 2018 they've grown from a little over a couple hundred acres in 2013 to now well over 12 thousand acres in 2018. The return per acre, which is very important to any farmer, is somewhere between \$700 to \$1200 per acre depending upon the type of hemp they're growing, whether they're taking it as a seed crop or round bailing it to use it as a fiber crop. As mentioned before, in Kentucky there are basically three types of license. Farmers have to have to have a background investigation made for their license, the manufacturer at that hemp plant has to have a background investigation to purchase their license, and even the universities that do some of the studies require licensing. I very much support the idea of allowing our agricultural community an additional diversified crop. The THC level on this is very low it's at .3 percent. Part of the testing of the crop, it's tested several times throughout the growing season. If at any time it exceeds a .3 percent THC value the crop is destroyed. It's also a very organic type crop, no insecticide, no herbicide usage. And as I said, it's proved to be very beneficial to the farming community. In Kentucky.. Kentucky, as I said, in

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2018 they now have 243 growers, 14 processing plants to date. So I'm very much in favor of this type legislation. Please consider an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to make very clear that while I am incredibly proud to cosponsor this Farm Bureau initiative, I don't want folks to confuse this with any other legislation that I might be known for in this chamber. And I strongly encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Costello."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. This is a Bill that in the past I had voted against. Last year was actually the first time I voted for this Bill. Prior to last year it had been federally illegal. Since the Farm Bill... the new Farm Bill last year this is now legal in the United States. So I recommend an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Butler to close."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I had the opportunity to meet a gentleman at the farmer's market here in Springfield this morning, who lives in Morgan County just west of here, who sells wares at the farmer's market and he is actually looking forward to growing hemp and becoming a hemp farmer here in Illinois and we had the opportunity to discuss this Bill. I think that underscores some of the comments we've heard. Our ag community wants this Bill and it will be good for the economy of Illinois. And I will urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2298 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 106 voting 'in favor', 3 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2298, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2299, Representative Pritchard. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2299, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Bill amends the Township Code and provides that a person elected to any township position shall not be employed by the township in any other capacity other than his or her elected position. This was... been general practice and it's been reinforced by our Attorney General, but there have been some exceptions in recent years which is why we need to modify our Code. I would ask for your support."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2299 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 108 voting 'in favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2299, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2303, Representative Severin. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2303, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

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Speaker Turner: "Representative Severin."

Severin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is a simple Bill that's an TIF extension for the City of Marion. There's no opposition and I ask for an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2303 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', 9 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2303, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2304, Representative Frese. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2304, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Frese."

Frese: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2304 is a TIF extension for the great City of Monmouth, Illinois. I know of no opposition and encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2304 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. With 101 voting 'yes', 8 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2304, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2309, Representative Welch. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2309, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Welch."

Welch: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2309 is a Bill that brings us in line with recent Illinois Appellate Court decision in Mendelson v. Mendelson. It is meant to clarify the requirements set forth in PA 99-0743. And specifically, it amends the Trust and Trustees Act, the lease language requiring that a conveyance of real property to a trust include evidence of acceptance by a trustee. I am not aware of any opposition to this Bill. It passed the Senate unanimously, came out of committee unanimously. I ask for support."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2309 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 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2309, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2328, Representative McDermed. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2328, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative McDermed."

McDermed: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Nonhome rule municipalities, when they hire an architect, engineer, or land surveyor, have to use the qualifications based system. This has been in place for quite a while and it applies to any projects that are..."

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that will cost 25 thousand or more. Over time that value has eroded. This Bill would change the time when that... or the value at which this project kicks in to \$40 thousand and it indexes it to inflation. This is an agreed Bill. I'll be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Andersson."

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Question of the Sponsor."

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Andersson: "Representative, with regard to this, even with the waive sections for these projects it still means the firm is being chosen primarily for and by their qualifications. Is that correct?"

McDermed: "That's correct. This Bill does not change the qualification based selection process at all. It merely changes the value, the dollar value, at which this process kicks in in order to protect the value of the process."

Andersson: "Excellent. Thank you."

McDermed: "I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2328 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 86 voting 'yes', 20 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2328, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 2306, Representative Moylan. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2306, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

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Speaker Turner: "Representative Moylan."

Moylan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2306 is similar to Senate Bill 872 of the 100th General Assembly. Senate Bill 2306 only provides for probating disabled veterans homestead exemption, while Senate Bill 872 provides for probating the disabled veterans homestead exemption. I respectfully ask for an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall 2306 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 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2306, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Don't go anywhere, Mr. Moylan. Senate Bill 2343. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2343, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Moylan."

Moylan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2343 amends the Criminal Code..."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, out of the record."

Moylan: "Okay."

Speaker Turner: "Senate Bill 2363, Representative Will Davis. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2363, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Davis."

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Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. Senate Bill 2363 is an attempt to establish aspirational goals for the Treasurer to use businesses owned by veterans, service disabled veterans, minorities, women and persons with disabilities for not less than 25 percent of investor related activities. That's the gist of it. Is to again to put aspirational goals on investments on under the State Treasurer's Office. Be more than happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Breen."

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

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

Breen: "And Representative, just to be clear you said something about 25 percent is what your Bill is doing in terms of the State Treasurer investing it's... his resources or the state's resources. Is that what your Bill is intended to do?"

Davis: "As I'm reading his analysis of the Bill, yes, that's what it says."

Breen: "Okay. So that's funds of any type, public funds that the Treasurer can now look at and adopt a policy to incorporate preferences in the scoring process for minority status, female... women status, disability, veterans, service disabled owned businesses. And so these are all new criteria that currently the Treasurer is not allowed to look at when investing the state's dollars. Is that correct?"

Davis: "Well again, reading their analysis, although the Treasurer's Office has set internal aspirational goals, this legislation is an effort to codify existing policies to formally establish these goals. Again, authorizes the

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Treasurer to incorporate preferences into the procurement process for businesses owned by veterans, service disabled veterans, minorities, women, and persons with disabilities as well as for businesses with a record of supporting increased corporate diversity."

Breen: "And so that particular... these issues then you would be... even if the particular good, or service, or the investment return may have dictated a different business to do business with the Treasurer will then use these other criteria and may then... or as it least being called upon to invest not less than 25 percent or use not less than 25 percent of these businesses. So it's not less than 25 percent of the total dollar amount of funds under management, purchases and investment securities, and other contracts. So we're talking billion... the many, many billions of dollars the Treasurer has in hand needs to be invested over 25 percent... at least 25 percent in these businesses?"

Davis: "Yes. I would agree with that."

Breen: "All right. Interesting, Representative. And I'll go to the Bill. I understand what the Representative is trying to do and certainly we all support trying to ensure that our investments, that the businesses we use have a... a broad base but at the same time the purpose of the State Treasurer using our funds is not to make particular social statements or advance particular social causes but to make money, to make the most money available to him. At least that would be the normal way in a state like ours particularly that's many, many hundreds of billions of dollars in debt that that should probably be the first criteria. And so to add a Bill, where

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we've got certain items where we are now instead of the current practice where the Treasurer is supposed to protect the public monies and to make more of them as best he or she is able, we would then add preferences that have nothing necessarily to do with the generating of revenue. That... while these are very worthy goals to actually change our way of scoring to add these new items in would seem to detract from the way that we... what we want the Treasurer to do which is to make more money for us when we have so little money in the till as it is. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Ives."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I'll tell you what as a veteran I don't want the Treasurer to invest with veterans simply because they're a veteran. As a woman I don't want them to invest with women just because they're women. The only thing I want the Illinois Treasurer to do is invest our money in those products and in those investments that will give us the greatest rate of return. Now as we sit here today we have a problem with College Illinois that previously had to be shut down and now is at risk of going into default. And there's a Bill I'm looking at right now as to how taxpayers should bail out College Illinois because it has not gotten enough on its investment returns. What you have here is a mechanism that is not going to reward those who are best at investing our money. That is wrong. That is wrong. We've had problems getting our best investments before, we do not need to add anymore language that carves out particular people that receive investment dollars ahead of others. All I want the Treasurer to do is to get the best rate of return year,

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over year, over year. This is a really bad idea this Bill.
Please vote 'no'."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Wallace."

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

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

Wallace: "Thank you. So this is a Bill that will create.. I hate
to use the word preferential but additional points, right,
for those who belong to those categories that you described?"

Davis: "Yes."

Wallace: "To invest public dollars. Is that correct? These are
our public dollars?"

Davis: "Yes. They are."

Wallace: "And are these individuals taxpayers as well?"

Davis: "I'm sorry."

Wallace: "Are the individuals in the Bill taxpayers as well?"

Davis: "Well.. I presumably they are. They are business owners in
the State of Illinois. So yes, they're not just random people
as was appeared to be characterized before just because
they're a veteran. These are business owners..."

Wallace: "Right."

Davis: "...who are looking to do business with the state."

Wallace: "Okay. And do you think that it is part of the state's
duty to invest so that it can drive growth in the economy
around it thereby creating more revenue for the state?"

Davis: "And more jobs. Absolutely."

Wallace: "All right. Thank you. To the Bill. I find it very
disturbing that as we continue to talk about issues of
economic equality and equity, racial equality and equity,
gender equality and equity, we are constantly having

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discussions around that issue as if those inequities don't exist. This idea that investing the money is a social statement. It is not a social statement. Minorities, veterans, women, individuals with disabilities are citizens of our state, they pay taxes in our state. And there is an every growing wealth gap in our nation that is based not only on race but also on gender, and then we understand obviously as well individuals with disabilities. So it's not a social statement, it's an economic justice issue and it is the people's dollars and they are the dollars that also belong to those individuals. So let us not continue to have ongoing conversations about equality and equity but ignore the fact that in order to create equity you must sometimes be very intentional about the investments that you make. So I encourage an 'aye' vote on this Bill. So that we can address the wealth gap in our state. So that we can address the job issues in our state. And so we can be able to grow the revenue and the economy of our state. These are businesses that will pay taxes back to us. Thank you, Representative Davis and the Treasurer for bringing this Bill. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Davis to close."

Davis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So some of the characterizations that were previously made, in order to business... in order to do business with the State of Illinois a business has to meet certain criteria. So if I were a veteran or if I was a woman owned business I might be a little offended by what was stated earlier that I'm just trying to... that we're just trying to do business with random businesses. In order for that to happen businesses have to meet a certain criteria. And I've always

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stated in previous Bills that I've carried like this before that if we were doing these kind of things then the idea of needing legislation to make it happen would not be necessary. And then for the Leader... the Floor Leader on the other side almost made it sound like... like it was doing... like we were doing something bad by trying to give opportunities to businesses. Again, why would this be characterized as trying to do something bad? I just cannot understand why it would be put in that vein. We do this on a number of other areas. So why is investing, which is a business, should be exempt from creating opportunities for minority, veterans, women owned businesses, disabled businesses just like we do for any other area. So I respectfully disagree what was said from the other side and respectfully ask for an 'aye' vote from the chamber. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2363 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 73 voting 'yes', 37 'opposed', and 0 voting 'present', Senate Bill 2363, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Leader Currie in the Chair."

Speaker Currie: "Thank you, Leader Turner. It is my great pleasure today to introduce to the Members, Aviv Ezra, who is the Consul General of Israel to the Middle West. Mr. Ezra got his undergraduate degree in economics and political science from Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He has spent more than 20 years in the ministry of foreign affairs for the State of

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Israel including postings to Egypt, to the southern part of the United States, but for the last 8 years before he came to us, he describes himself as having been the quarterback for Israel with the United States Congress. No mean feat, no mean accomplishment. So he was appointed a year ago to the post of Consul General for the Midwest to... from Israel and he is... he lives in Chicago but he's responsible for nine states across the Middle West. And it is my great honor to introduce to you, and to ask to you say with me, shalom, Aviv Ezra."

Consul General Ezra: "Thank you so much. Thank you so much for the kind introduction. Speaker Madigan, Leader Durkin, thank you for welcoming me and honoring Israel with opportunity to express our deepest appreciation to all of you on the floor today. Dear friends, as the Consul General of Israel to the Midwestern United States, I feel fortunate and honored to be based right here in the great State of Illinois for many reasons. First, I'm proud to serve in the Land of Lincoln, one of the first Presidents that supported the creation of a Jewish State and whose last words expressed a wish to visit Jerusalem, our undivided capital. Second, I'm also honored to be the first ever Israeli Consul General in the history of the State of Israel to witness the Cubs win the World Series. And I take some credit for it too, as divine intervention. Just for the record of bipartisanship, I also had an opportunity and honor to serve a first pitch... to pitch the first pitch at a White Sox game. Thank you. And thirdly, on a more serious note, Illinois has been and continues to be a true leader in enhancing the extremely valuable U.S.-Israel strategic partnership. Illinois has once again demonstrated

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their leadership and I'm here to express our deep gratitude and appreciation for the Resolution that you have signed last month in honor of our 70th year of independence. This Resolution not only stands firmly with Israel, but it also highlights the great Illinois-Israel relationship and sets an example for the rest of the country that together we are better and together we are stronger. Furthermore, today is not the first time that this chamber has taken a leadership role legislating in support of the truth and in favor what is just and right. Because when evil forces were attacking my country, the sheer legitimacy over our country, the only democracy in the Middle East through means like boycotting, divestment and sanctions, Illinois was the first state to enact an anti-BDS legislation. And today, half of the states have followed your lead and 25 states have legislated similar laws. Once again, I want to thank the Illinois Legislature for your leadership and for standing with Israel and for recognizing the great value of the Illinois and Israel strategic partnership. Moreover, our great relationship extends way beyond just Resolutions. Our relationship is based on mutual investments and interest between our two great States on the economic, governmental, b2b, municipal and academic levels that span to various innovative fields. Many of these great partnerships were enhanced during some of my recent visits to Israel with the Legislative Branch and with major decision makers from the Executive Branch including the Governor, the Mayor, Illinois Treasurer, Illinois State Comptroller and many more friends from this chamber and the Senate. The partnership that created before, after and during

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these visits of delegations are fostering a win-win environment for both States, proving once again that the great opportunity and the great potential. Let me briefly mention just a few of these arenas for these cooperating win-win programs that are currently in the pipeline. In academia, Illinois has more research agreements with Israel than with any other State. During my recent trip to a few... Israel a few months ago with the University of Illinois President, President Tim Killeen, we signed a research agreement with four Israel academic institutions that will focus on agri-tech, health care and data science. These agreements are in addition to others that are already in place with such as the ones with the University of Chicago and Northwestern and many more. Additionally, Illinois is building a Discovery Partners Institute with Israel as a major international component and as experts in the fields of medicine, high-tech, ag and more, Israeli academics will be able to work together with the great minds of Illinois colleagues and together to make further on the potential. In the social innovation arena, Illinois has recently implemented an Israeli model of treating victims of terror to treat victims of gun violence on Chicago's south side. During a trip to Israel, Pastor Chris Harris of Chicago's Bronzeville neighborhood visited NATAL, one of Israel's leading trauma centers and recognized an opportunity to replicate Israel's success in PTSD treatment to improve lives right here in Illinois. The collaboration continues in the public safety arena. Illinois and Israel are cooperating with partnership between Illinois National Guard and Israel's Home Front Command in a program named Operation Shared Future

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that spearheads information and training exchanges center... centered on chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear threat. In the economic field, Treasurer Frerichs has traveled to Israel to further enhance the collectivity and thank you all for the faith in Israel's strong and flourishing economy and for investing in our mutual goal and for demonstrating that an investment in Israel delivers a high ROI for Illinois citizens. In the business exchange, there are currently many Israeli companies that have operation in Illinois and vice versa. And I have visited recently one of these great Illinois companies that even plays a role in saving lives and preventing war. This company, R.A. Zweig creates about 150 jobs here in Illinois and produces parts for Israeli companies that provide for the Iron Dome, Israel's missile defense system. From creating jobs to saving lives, together we are better and together we are stronger. And finally, on the municipal level, we are working together to create innovative smart cities and next month, I'm going to be bringing here numerous Israeli companies to travel to Illinois for a smart cities roadshow in Chicago, Aurora and Peoria. All these great components are aligned to put the Israeli-Illinois relationship at the forefront of the U.S.-Israel relationship. The Illinois Legislature has played a major role in all of these achievements and for that, we are forever grateful. Earlier today, I had opportunity of speaking with Speaker Madigan about possibly initiating an Illinois-Israel Friendship Caucus and hopefully to further cement this great relationship. I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to visit Israel, to see firsthand

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these opportunities for collaboration and the groundbreaking innovation. We, at the Consulate to the Midwest, are committed to working closely with each and every one of you and to make sure that we can get you to Israel sooner rather than later. Especially, I want to thank the Chicago and the Springfield Jewish community for assisting in connecting the dots between the two sides. In summary and in conclusion, it gives me great honor to be the Israeli representative in a state that not only expresses such a superb and an ongoing bipartisan pro-Israel support but other... that also is a leader in the U.S.-Israel relationship and proves that together we are better and together we are stronger. I want to thank you on behalf of the government of Israel. I want to thank you on behalf of the State of Israel. And most importantly, I want to thank you on behalf of the people of Israel. God bless Israel. God bless the great State of Illinois and God bless America. Thank you very, very much."

Speaker Currie: "Thank you very much, Consul General. And Mr. Ezra has graciously agreed to stand over here close to the well so that those of you who are about to join the Illinois-Israel Caucus may shake his hand and have your pictures taken with him. And mazel tov, Mr. Ezra. Representative Turner back in the Chair."

Speaker Turner: "Members, on page 4 of the Calendar under House Bills on Third Reading, we have House Bill 2354, offered by Representative Willis. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. Mr. Clerk, please move House Bill 2354 back to the Order of Second Reading and read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2354, a Bill for an Act concerning orders of protection. This Bill was read for a second time previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Willis, has been approved for consideration."

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

Willis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 2 does become the Bill. It is the bipartisan agreement from this committee. I would like to discuss it on Third Reading if you don't mind."

Speaker Turner: "Lady moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 2354. 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 2354, offered by Representative Willis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2354, a Bill for an Act concerning orders of protection. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Willis."

Willis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This has been a work in progress for me for a number of years, from colleagues from the other side of the aisle for a number of months. We have worked really hard to come through with a bipartisan agreement. This is what the Bill has been changed to, it is now changed to the firearm restraining order. It also reduces the amount of time that the guns can be put into this restraining order, for one year down to six months. It raises the burden of proof from granting a firearms restraining order, for the emergency

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orders the standard is raised from reasonable cause to probable cause. Where a six month order the standard, again, is raised from preponderance of evidence to clear and convincing evidence. It shortens the time that a court may order for a full hearing from 30 days down to 14 days. It also limits the liability of law enforcement. This was at the request of law enforcement. It allows for the firearm restraining order to be revoked by a petition of court, one time in there they.. defendant can go and ask for it. If.. also it goes and allows the records to be expunged. If the request for an order has been denied the record will be expunged immediately. If the order is granted the records will be sealed at the end of three years after the expiration of order. It also allows the State Police to suspend the FOID card as opposed to revoking the FOID card. And it allows the court to extend an order by agreement of the parties. There are some clarifying languages also in here. And I do believe that this has become a work that has.. I want to commend Members on the other side of the aisle, specifically Mr. Reick and Mr. Breen for their hard work in this. And I do hope we can get an 'aye' vote on this."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Breen."

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

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, I just wanted to go through some of those terms you.. you've laid out, the various terms of the firearms restraining order. And I wanted to check on the proponents and opponents. Who.. who is still opposed, if anyone, under your understanding of the Bill?"

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Willis: "At this point we have no official opponents and I am proud to say that the NRA and the ISRA are neutral on this, which is pretty big to do."

Breen: "All right. That's... that's what our analysis shows as well. And the Governor's Office is neutral as well?"

Willis: "I am hoping that the Governor's Office will be 100 percent in support of this as this was one of the topics they brought up in their Amendatory Veto."

Breen: "Fair enough. And to the Bill. Ladies and Gentlemen, the Representative has laid out some of the terms here and certainly there can be good faith agreement or disagreement about the specific terms. What I would tell you about this particular Bill is that we have negotiated it extensively, we have done everything possible to protect legitimate Second Amendment interests and to protect the interests of the public. It is a balanced piece of legislation. I would contend, and I think I do so pretty... with good support, that if we enact this into law of any Firearms Restraining Order Act in the country ours would be the best. Certainly the best thought through, the most protective of everyone's rights. And so again, understanding that some folks may feel that they cannot support this measure, I understand that. But if this is the sort of concept that your constituents in your district do support, this idea that if folks show signs of doing physical harm to our communities, to our schools, or to themselves that there should be a measure, a way to intervene. If the people of your district agree with that sentiment this Bill is the best Bill of its type in the country to carry forward that sentiment. And so for that reason I was proud to

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be able to negotiate this. Very much thank Representative Willis for being so amenable to that negotiation process and all of the various stakeholders. And so I was willing to put my name on it as well because of this fact that this would become a national model. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Reick."

Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. To the Bill. I'm also pleased to add my name as a chief cosponsor to this Bill because I found in Representative Willis an honest broker and an honest negotiator on an issue that is very important to both me, my district, and the people of Illinois. She's to be commended for what she has accomplished with this Bill and I'm proud to join her in it. We spoke about... we've spoken about gun violence and those who would say that the Second Amendment is at risk because of Bills such as this I would like to... I would just like to say this, our Second Amendment rights are under threat. They're not under threat because of random gun violence because that's going down in this country, the statistics prove it that the thing that's going to kill the Second Amendment is the outrage that comes when we see things like happened in Parkland, that possibly happened in Dixon, that happened in Texas, and all across this country. Those are the things... those are the things that are going to ruin the liberty that we have to possess weapons. It's going to come from that. Those people who did those shootings gave off signals. They let us know that there were... that there was danger there. Family members see that, they need a tool. They need the ability to go and say please give us the tool to... to separate these people from their weapons during the time of

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their urgent need. This isn't a gun Bill, this is a mental health Bill. I strongly urge you to consider it in that light. It is not a gun Bill. Yes, it does deny access to firearms to those who will... who do harm to themselves and harm to others. But there are civil liberties protections built into this Bill that go far beyond anything that we could see in any of the other bills passed around the country, and certainly more than we're in the Bill when it came over from the Senate. I'm proud of this Bill. The civil liberties and the Second Amendment rights that we protect in this Bill will probably not deter all random acts of violence but you know something if it deters just a couple. If a family member stands up and says, my son, or daughter, or loved one is a danger, is giving off signs that there are going to be a reason why I have to worry about them and firearms, they're going to have the ability to do that but the liberties of the person who's guns are being taken away from them are protected because the... because of the provisions of this Bill. Your FOID card is not confiscated and removed, it is suspended. Your firearms are kept safe. Please don't look at this as a Second Amendment Bill. This is a mental health Bill that has, yes, it has some components in it, but I believe that the passage of this Bill will do more in the long term to protect the Second Amendment rights of everyone while keeping mass shootings... while doing what we can to keep mass shootings from happening in Illinois.

I strongly please urge you vote for this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Skillicorn."

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

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

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Skillicorn: "Thank you, Representative. Just a few questions. I don't know every detail. I've read my personal analysis here, but I don't know every detail of negotiations that came... that went through so if you don't mind, you know..."

Willis: "Not at all."

Skillicorn: "...going through this a little bit. So let's say that, you know, I see that the term petitioner in here, family members or someone like that. Walk me through. They... they file a petition that they're worried that their son, daughter, family member is having a mental break or... walk me through that please."

Willis: "So this is... in the easiest way to look at it is we would call this a red flag Bill. So a family member, somebody that's cohabitating with a gun owner sees some warning signs, the person seems to be going into a deep depression, maybe they're going through a really rough time at work, maybe they're no longer taking their medication... are a little bit unstable, but not enough that you would say they need to be institutionalized but probably enough that they shouldn't have a gun on their nightstand or in their possession because they might harm themselves. So a family member can then petition to a court to have those guns removed temporarily, and that's the keyword, it's temporarily done and the FOID card is temporarily suspended for up to a six month period. The guns are taken out of the home by law enforcement and they are held by law enforcement to keep them safe so the person can then get the help that they need. At the end of six months, if they get the help they need, their guns and their FOID card are returned to them no harm, no foul."

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Skillicorn: "And Representative, you mentioned that the petitioner would cohabit with them. Is that only case?"

Willis: "It needs to be a blood relative, or someone that cohabitates with them, or local law enforcement can do it also."

Skillicorn: "And then you mentioned that... so there isn't sufficient evidence to institutionalize someone but is it..."

Willis: "It never would require institutionalization. It would be if there is not sufficient evidence to deem that they are a threat to themselves or others then they would still be able to hold onto their guns."

Skillicorn: "So how do we... how we protect it so it's not subjective?"

Willis: "Well it would be both parties would go before a court, before the judge and they would determine what the... what the issue is. If there was... let's say there were Facebook posts that showed that he was threatening something, if he... if they could show that he had gone and gotten into scuffles, if he had lost work, if there were some way they could have a doctor come forward to say look he's showing definite signs of depression that would be it and then obviously the other person would be able to state also. It's the same way we do with any type of order of protection when you're going through it, if the judge makes his best determination from both... information that both parties give to him."

Skillicorn: "And then do you get... does someone that has a petition filed against them have the right to confront their accuser in front of court?"

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Willis: "Yes. Yes. Unless there's an ex-parte that... put into there which is an emergency thing and then they do have time within 14 days to go and before that person again."

Skillicorn: "So if this does include a provision that ex-parte could happen..."

Willis: "Yes, it does."

Skillicorn: "...someone could petition the court without the actual person's knowledge?"

Willis: "They could in an emergency order. Yes. The same way we have emergency orders of protection right now for anything else."

Skillicorn: "And they.. their weapons that they own would be seized for 14 days?"

Willis: "The judge would determine that. Yes."

Skillicorn: "And is there any, you know, liability or protection if they're lost, damaged, stolen, you know, sitting in a humid storage locker where they rust?"

Willis: "Well that is, you know, that is something that we have not put into there because it is a short period of time and the liability is limited for law enforcement on that. As long as they do their best efforts that's all we are asking them to do that. Now I will tell you one thing, that let's say that the order is put through, the guns are seized by the law enforcement, as the gun owner you can ask somebody else that is another member to request to take custody of those guns but there are provisions in here and that is limited up to the judge's decision because we don't want to have another Waffle House incident. So the judge would have to make the determining factor if that person is worthy to have it. They

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have to have a FOID card and they also have to sign an affidavit that under no circumstances during that six month period would they allow you access to those guns."

Skillicorn: "So that part I can probably agree with other than it doesn't sound like someone has ex-parte action has that option. Can you give me a little bit of detail on the... I see here this one year order. Give me a little bit of... walk me through that."

Willis: "It's no longer one year we reduced it down to a six month..."

Skillicorn: "Six months."

Willis: "Yes. We reduced it to six months."

Skillicorn: "And so someone still could pass the, you know, the background check for a FOID card but they still would get flagged in this case? You know for a six month order?"

Willis: "I don't quite get what you're saying. I mean if they..."

Skillicorn: "Well... so I mean as FOID card owners have to go through 360 background checks a year. So is this... I mean there's no..."

Willis: "This person's FOID card would be suspended for that six months. So at the end of six months they would get their FOID card reinstated as long as it is not extended. So once it's... it's suspended during that time... and the reason it's important to suspend the FOID card, along with taking the guns, is we've heard of cases where family members have gone and convinced people to give them all their guns and then they go out the next day and they buy another gun and they have a gun available to them in that period of time while they're still

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depressed and we want to avoid that from happening. So it's very important that we also suspend the FOID card."

Skillicorn: "Well thank you for answering my questions. I want to thank you for working with our side a little bit. And to the Bill. I'm still going to argue that this is a little bit too restrictive. You think of a vindictive spouse or a vindictive ex-spouse that could turn you in to a judge. This ex-parte order, I mean, you wouldn't give the confronter, accuser. There's significant challenges I have there with the Fourth Amendment. And the idea that just because someone's depressed... you look at surveys a majority of adults that could be of FOID card age might be prescribed anti-depressants is that something that push someone over the edge? I think that might be too much. This won't be something... this is something that we should address. This is something that we need to police ourselves. This is also something that we have to look over family members and keep other people safe. And but I still think there is a burden of proof that is not reached here. And I'm still going to say that this needs a little bit more work and it needs a little bit more civil liberties that need to be involved. Thanks."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Davidsmeyer."

Davidsmeyer: "I'd like to yield my time to Floor Leader Breen."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Breen is recognized."

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

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor indicates that she will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, when did we finalize the language on this roughly? Do you recall how long ago it was we pretty well reached agreement on the language on this?"

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Willis: "When we were on break in March, I believe, we finalized the language right around Easter time. During that break period time was one we came through, had a round table hearing, and worked on it. And then last week we did move it out of committee unanimously I believe."

Breen: "Right. But that language was final and then it was provided to the various interest groups?"

Willis: "About three weeks ago."

Breen: "About three weeks ago the language was provided to all of the relevant interest groups?"

Willis: "Yes. Yes."

Breen: "Right."

Willis: "It has been filed since then."

Breen: "And we were informed of the neutrality of certain groups including the NRA several weeks ago?"

Willis: "Yes. Actually I look here and we filed this it looks like 4/26 was the Amendment that got filed."

Breen: "And Representative, I just... I want to clarify something that in our debate we referenced the neutrality of the NRA which was our understanding coming in to today on this Bill."

Willis: "Correct."

Breen: "We have been informed as of roughly 3:00 p.m., during the debate on this Bill, that the NRA is now opposed to this language."

Willis: "I have heard that just now myself..."

Breen: "And I just want to clarify..."

Willis: "...and I am shocked at that."

Breen: "Well. And I just want to clarify on the record. I know that's important to a number of Members who were considering

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the Bill. But again that is clarification that as of 3 o'clock today the NRA has changed their position from neutral to opposed to the language. But thank you, Representative."

Willis: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Ives."

Ives: "Thank you very much. Will the Speaker yield for a few questions?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield."

Ives: "Okay. So I have couple questions here. When I'm looking through our committee analysis I am trying to figure exactly what would be some of the causes for getting a lethal order protection here. It says here for actions, for example, if you're using a controlled substance, if you have made threats, if you have a pattern of violent acts or violent threats. Is that some of the... I guess the actions that would cause that this to come into effect?"

Willis: "It could be. It could also be that you are talking about suicide. I actually think this Bill is going to be used much more in suicide prevention than anything else. So if you were talking about killing yourself, saying that your life isn't worth living, that they're making those kind of things, putting up Facebook posts that said that you're going to end it all and life isn't worth anything anymore, those are the kind of things that we're seeing and those are red flags. They're definitely things that family members, people that are close to individuals see and oftentimes feel powerless and this is something that can enable them to help convince a person to get help."

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Ives: "Okay. I... I totally agree with you. Those are absolute red flags. And name the number... who actually can go to the courts and say we want to go through this process and have these guns taken away? It has to be somebody who is cohabitating and family member or just a family member or what is..."

Willis: "It could be someone who is cohabitating, or a family member, or local law enforcement. So we also have gone to that extent too. So if there is somebody that is not cohabitating and is not a family member but sees concerns they can talk to local law enforcement. And local law enforcement, if they feel that it's warranted, then does have the right to go forward with it."

Ives: "So a school..."

Willis: "The idea behind this..."

Ives: "...a school counselor could go to local law enforcement?"

Willis: "A school counselor?"

Ives: "I'm just asking."

Willis: "They could go to local law enforcement. Yes, they could."

Ives: "Okay. I guess... I guess I'm thinking about this and I'm thinking if I have somebody in my family, that I know has made a threat against me, I'm taking their guns myself. My son makes a threat against me, guess what... well first of all our weapons are locked up but I'm taking that gun. He will have no access. If it's somebody who is cohabitating with me and he makes a threat... like let's say there's, you know, you got two roommates living together one makes a threat against the other. If it's serious enough I'm going to... that is something... or does a violent act that's something that you could take to law enforcement right then and there and law

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enforcement could arrest the person for the threat or the violent act. Is that correct?"

Willis: "They could. But also we also have a lot of time when people don't necessarily want their loved one arrested they just want them to get help and just taking the guns away often times is not enough. Like I stated before, that's... that part of suspending the FOID card is very important also because we don't want that to allow them that go through."

Ives: "I... I agree. They should have that FOID card suspended and I think that they should be getting mental health. So is this Bill an instrument to suspend a FOID card or is this Bill an instrument to almost let family off of the hook when they should be asking for that person to be arrested, they should be taking it upon themselves to get them help, they should be taking the guns away and locking them up, they should be saying this guy committed a violent act and I want him locked up, this person is using controlled substance and I want them arrested, and I want to go through a court system at which point then you could have the FOID card stripped from them? Is this... I mean I don't understand why we need this given our strong, strong FOID card requirements. And I feel like you're using the court system to be the cudgel against family members who don't want to go as far as they already can in law."

Willis: "Okay. So a couple of quick things in there. Currently if somebody goes and does something... does get arrested to the point where their FOID card is revoked that is something that their FOID is revoked for a minimum of five years. So if they... along that same line if they are institutionalized because of a mental health issue their FOID card is revoked for a minimum

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of five years and it's very difficult then to even get it back. They do have to go through quite a lot of... of standards and I would say hoops to be able to get it reinstated if that is the case. So this is really something that takes into that there are a whole area of different levels of mental illnesses or mental health breaks that could fall into that that are not to the point where that you should never be able to own a gun again. And I think this is what we do we recognize that everybody has sometime in their life where they may need help and this is getting them. It's a proactive thing it doesn't wait until they do something violent. It's when we have the threat of violence being there. And we've raised that area up to that the evidence has to be clear and convincing, it no longer just has to be a preponderance, it has to be clear and convincing before the judge. So we have risen that threshold up there."

Ives: "I honestly think that this... I understand what you're saying. I agree with what you're saying. I want families and other people who are aware of folks that have problems to take the guns away. If people are being violent, using controlled substance, not... you know, lashing out in other ways, if there's threats of suicide, if you see the Facebook posts you should report it immediately. And we already..."

Willis: "And I agree."

Ives: "...have a process to do that."

Willis: "I agree with you totally."

Ives: "And you're actually lessening the standard from five years to six months for a FOID card of which would be a FOID card violation. So I have my concerns about the Bill but I

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wholeheartedly support what you're trying to do. I just think you're taking what could be... what really should be parents and cohabiters responsibilities to look out for those in their midst."

Willis: "Well and... and..."

Ives: "And... and you're instead using the force of the courts to do what should happen anyway when we require personal responsibility and that is my concern."

Willis: "In all due respect Representative..."

Ives: "I'm just a little worried."

Willis: "...if you ask somebody to turn over all their guns to you because you're worried about them, if they're ill rational they're not going to necessarily do that and that's why we need to have this here. And if they say no you're going to have an argument that may become violent right there and that's what we want to avoid from happening. I agree the family should take responsibility, and in many cases they do, and they take care of it and they will not need to use this. This is just another tool for those families, those households that don't feel that can get those guns in a safe manner away from somebody that could harm them self or others."

Ives: "Okay. I will continue to listen to the debate. I have strong reservations that were put in place though a court system to handle something that the families and the cohabiters should do and that is really my concern. Thanks."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Fine."

Fine: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First, I would like to thank the Sponsor of the Bill for all the work that you have put into this legislation and looking forward all the lives that this

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legislation will save. I just want to talk for a few minutes about suicide. Statistics show that thousands of people kill themselves with a firearm each year. Suicide by a gun is the leading cause of death. Nearly 20 thousand people die by a gun in their own hand every year. Nearly half of the suicides committed every year are by gun. More people kill themselves with guns than all other intentional means combined. According to the CDC about 90 percent of suicide attempts with a firearm end in death. Drug overdose, the most widely used method of suicide attempt, is fatal in less than three percent of situations. Guns are an irreversible solution to what possibly could've been a passing crisis. Once you pull the trigger there's no turning back. According to the Harvard Youth Violence Prevention Center in places where exposure to guns is higher more people die of suicide. The Harvard School of Public Health has found that suicide rates among men and women and children are higher in states where more households have guns. Experts say if you reduce a suicidal person's access to firearms it's likely to save his or her life. This Bill helps us reduce that access to guns for people who may be in crisis. Again, I want to thank you for bringing this Bill forward and allowing us to help our loved ones, our family members, our friends who may be in a crisis that could be resolved if given the opportunity."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Olsen."

Olsen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to yield my time to Representative Reick."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Reick."

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Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like speak to the recent revelation that the NRA has come out in opposition to this Bill, primarily because of the issuance of an ex-parte order. I think it's important for us to understand that an ex-parte order can be issued in this case but only under certain evidentiary rules a preponderance of evidence and that preponderance of evidence is subject to a finding of the guilt of perjury and few come in for a reason that is found to be wrong or lying. I would go to my friend from Wheaton and say to her that I understand your concern that the family should be the first one to take action on these types of things but in a situation where you have someone who is of age... let's say you have a 25 or 30 year old child living in the home who's acting the way they are they have rights, they have civil liberties, they have a Second Amendment right to own a firearm. Without a mechanism by which we can take and go to an independent and objective third party to determine whether or not that person is a danger to himself, herself, and others. I don't see... I understand, and I don't disagree with what you're saying, but the problem is that the person on the other side whose... whose guns are being taken away by whomever have a right to them. They have civil liberty... they have civil liberties that unless a court can come in and say this is why we are doing this those civil liberties are violated and those civil liberties are precious and they must be preserved and we do it through the court system, we don't do it by private action. So I would urge you please reconsider your objection to this Bill because of that particular... because of that particular reason. We have to think of both parties in this.

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We have to think of not just the people who are seeing the possibility of violence in a person but we have to think of the rights of the person whose rights are being.. are being suspended or are being taken into account. That can only happen in the court system. That cannot happen in private action. Because then if that happened what would happen if somebody.. if you did exercise private action and you lost? You lost and that person grabbed the gun and did what he or she threatened to do. I don't think you would feel very good about it. This provides a mechanism by which this can be done in a way that protects the civil liberties of the person who's... who is the respondent in this case. And I would say please understand the fact that we're not dealing with guns here, we're dealing with a mechanism of self-destruction. We're dealing with people who don't have the capacity to understand what it is that they're going to do to themselves or others. Let's give them the time to get the treatment, to get the... to get the help that they need while at the same time protecting themselves and protecting the rest of society. This is a balance. No it's not perfect, ex-parte orders are legal, they've been given out all over the place, but what we've done is we've created a standard of proof that says if you issue an ex-parte order you got to come into court within 14 days and prove it. Well by God I think that a 14 day maximum limitation on an ex-parte order to a person who is imminently in danger of doing harm to themselves or someone else is the price that we have to pay in order to not only protect ourselves, that person, but the liberties that we have. Please don't look at this as a gun Bill. Don't look at

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who is against this Bill. Take a look at... take a look at what this Bill does, not what you think it's going to do. Don't let the good... don't let the perfect be the enemy of the good here. And parenthetically I will add, while the NRA is now opposed to those who are concerned about their NRA score the NRA is not going to score this Bill. So vote your switch, vote your conscience but for God's sakes vote for some... vote for an actual bipartisan effort in this House to do something to get the ball moving forward on the issue of mass violence. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative McCombie."

McCombie: "Thank you, Speaker. To the Bill. I have several thoughts. And I'm just going to keep it short. I don't want to disrespect anybody that has spoke before, but I agree with a lot of the points and I certainly agree with the intent of... of the author. It bothers me to have people negotiate my Second Amendment rights quite a bit. If you truly want to keep children, and keep people safe, and take away guns then punish people that are giving guns to people that are killing children. I have a Bill, HB4588, that would increase and enhance penalties, yes, to people that are not keeping their guns locked up, not keeping them in a safe, keeping them disarmed and out of the hands of people that are going to use them. I have family members, I have people that have been close to me that have utilized other sources and not guns that have unfortunately tried to commit suicide. They do not need a gun to do so, is just an instrument. So if you're serious about gun control and you want to have a Bill that's going to take guns off the streets come after responsible gun

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owners like myself and require and discipline me if I'm not locking up my guns, and disarming them, and keeping them out of the hands of people that have mental issues. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Willis to close."

Willis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you very much for this very robust discussion. One of the things I want to say is this Bill is meant to not be punitive, it's to be preventative. That is our goal. Today I'm actually wearing a green ribbon that goes against suicide prevention, it's to promote suicide prevention. Many of you have them here on the House Floor. This is what this Bill is going to do. While I agree with many of your points and your statements, yes, we do need to make sure guns are properly locked up in our homes but do you know what? If you're an adult you know where the key is and maybe that's a person that's going to have that gun. Yes, we need to keep them away from children. We need to do a lot of things. This is just one more tool in the toolbox that I think is going to make a difference. We have four other states that have done this, California, Oregon, Washington... I'm sorry five other states, Washington, Connecticut, and Indiana. They also have done this already and they have found success. They have been able to save people's lives. Is it perfect? Nothing's going to be perfect but if we can save some lives that's what we want to do. I am so proud of the hard work that I saw by Members from the other side of the aisle, from other interest groups that were able to join me to make the original Bill so much better. This is the best Bill that we can put together at this point. I think it's going to do a lot of good. This is just something we need to

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do now and we need to take action. And if we could have families do it without this that'd be great but this is another tool we need. I urge this Body to work with me, continue to work with me in this bipartisan manner, and please vote 'yes' for this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 2354 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 80 voting 'yes', 32 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present', House Bill 2354, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Leader Currie, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Currie: "Point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Currie: "Earlier today, in a discussion about a Bill, I inappropriately used... extremely inappropriate, intemperate language in describing one of colleagues whom I enjoy, admire, and respect. So I apologize and I certainly hope that Representative Wehrli will accept this apology in the manner in which I offer it which is to say with deep sincerity and I hope that you will still be my friend."

Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Wehrli."

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

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Wehrli: "Thank you. Leader, thank you for your apology. I warmly accept it. I look forward to continuing our work collaboratively on solutions for the great State of Illinois. Thank you very much."

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Speaker Turner: "Chair recognizes Representative Ives."

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

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Ives: "I'd like to thank Representative Guzzardi for those delicious lemon bars you made on my behalf. I really appreciate it. They're wonderful. If there's any of them in the back room please enjoy them. This is a little project that Representative Cassidy, Representative Bourne, Representative Guzzardi do. They pick out your favorite cookie or bar and make it if you are leaving. So thank you so much for that gesture. I appreciate it."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Leader Currie in the Chair."

Speaker Currie: "The next Bill is Senate Bill 2368, Representative Hoffman. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2368, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This deals with the Metro East Sanitary District which controls and maintains the levee system of the Mississippi and Madison of Saint Clair County. The Mayor of the largest municipality in Madison County is currently not a member. This would basically say that they would be a member and they could have the right to vote. That would be the Mayor of Granite City."

Speaker Currie: "Any discussion? Representative Breen."

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

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Speaker Currie: "He will."

Breen: "Thank you. And Representative, I... what's the current composition of the Metro East Sanitary District Board?"

Hoffman: "There are... the current composition is... the way it's set up is the county with the largest equalized assessed valuation has three members and the other county has two members. The three members are from Madison County. This would say that one of those members would be the Mayor of the largest city and that would be Granite City. And that they pay almost 40... over 40 percent of the entire budget of the Sanitary District yet have no say in how the levees or where the funding goes."

Breen: "And is there any opposition to the... to the measure?"

Hoffman: "I've heard no opposition."

Breen: "And then would the... if the Measure were implemented would it change the partisan make up in any way of the Sanitary District?"

Hoffman: "Well it would say whoever... whoever is the member... whoever's the Mayor of the largest city, who runs... I don't believe it's the Mayor's election is partisan, they would be the Mayor... or would be on the board and then the make-up will be similar... the make-up of the other two would be similar to Saint Clair County which you would have one Republican and one Democrat."

Breen: "Okay. 'Cause normally when we get Bills like this usually they're trying to move a Republican out for a Democrat or something along those lines. So that's why I ask if that would occur. So thank you for the answers to my questions."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Hoffman to close."

Hoffman: "I just ask for a favorable Roll Call."

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Speaker Currie: "All in... Gentleman moves passage of Senate Bill 2368. All in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, please take the record. On this measure on the Motion there are 107 (Sic 101) voting 'yes', 7 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having achieved the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The next Bill is Senate Bill 2376, Representative Ford. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2376, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I move for the passage of Senate Bill 2376. With House Floor Amendment #1 that was adopted yesterday, the Bill is agreed. I move for adoption and passage of Senate Bill 2376."

Speaker Currie: "And on that Motion for discussion Representative Breen."

Breen: "And Representative, could you explain a bit more about what your Bill does?"

Ford: "Yes. Leader Breen, the Bill simply sets up a mechanism for Maywood, Ford Heights and other Cook County communities to have a fund for infrastructure improvements, a grant fund. And of course that is if there's a capital Bill we would be prepared to provide grants to those communities."

Breen: "And... but we already have a program to do this sort of activity don't we that's apparently very successful within the IEPA?"

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Ford: "That's not true because the program that we have is a finance program and it will allow for municipalities to borrow money. This is a grant mechanism."

Breen: "So this is giving the money to folks instead of allowing them to be borrowing it?"

Ford: "I think this is helping communities in need with poor infrastructure in communities like Ford Heights, Maywood, and other communities that have poor infrastructure. And they would have to apply for grants, nothing is given to them, they would have to earn those grants. And there is no opposition to the Bill and it is subject to appropriation. We can agree on this."

Breen: "Representative, I'm... I just... I'm wondering about the need for it especially when we don't have any money to... we barely have two nickels to rub together and we're 200 plus billion in debt. So I just... I'm... as much as I don't want to oppose your Bill I'm just worried... subject to appropriations sounds like something that will never occur at least in our lifetime. So if it does then it's taking money from something else that might also be a very much needed, especially in terms of debt of reduction."

Speaker Currie: "For further discussion, Representative Butler."

Butler: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Will my friend yield for a question?"

Currie: "The Sponsor will yield."

Butler: "Thank you. La Shawn, I know we had discussion on this in committee but could you tell me a little bit about what your Amendment does that's different from what passed in committee?"

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Ford: "The Amendment itself?"

Butler: "Yes. Please."

Ford: "The Amendment made it subject to appropriation."

Butler: "I got you. And this is specifically a grant program for these communities correct?"

Ford: "That's correct."

Butler: "Are they not eligible for the Revolving Fund? I mean we have the Revolving Loan Fund already through... I realize that's... that's not a grant program but they have access to that correct?"

Ford: "They would have access but the communities that I'm speaking about they wouldn't have the capacity to... win the loan program. They just don't have the capacity to afford it."

Butler: "It's my understanding that, you know, through the Revolving Fund that these grants are made at a pretty good rate to these communities. You have 20 years to repay them. I mean I think all of us have great needs when it comes to infrastructure across the state. A lot of my communities would love a grant program as well. But I kind of agree to the previous speaker, I think if this would get appropriation we would have a hard time with it and the fact that it's just for a few communities I... I you know..."

Ford: "Well..."

Butler: "...I just kind of a hard time with the fact that there's worthy communities throughout the entire 102 counties in Illinois."

Ford: "Representative Butler, now that's not fair because what I realize is that this Bill was in committee and if you felt

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that your community needed it you could've said please add my community."

Butler: "I can introduce my own Bill right?"

Ford: "No. You could've even added it to this one but you didn't want it. Now you want to be an obstructionist and that's not fair."

Butler: "I'm happy to be an obstructionist any day so that's good to know. I just... I just think this is not a good idea. And I understand where you're going with but I think it kind of opens up a can of worms that we don't need to open up here. And I appreciate your... your work on this, La Shawn, but I'm going to be a 'no' vote."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Ford to close."

Ford: "Thank you very much. This Bill is very necessary. It looks for... it's looking forward for communities like Maywood, Ford Heights, and other Cook County communities to have a mechanism in place for grant funds for infrastructure improvement. These communities are not able to bond. So they would not be able to apply for the loans that are available through the EPA Revolving Fund. So I just urge an 'aye' vote. And it is subject to appropriation, and there is no opposition, and the EPA is in support of the Bill. There's no reason to vote 'no'. Please vote 'yes'."

Speaker Currie: "All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, take the record. On this measure, there are 60 voting 'aye', 43 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having reached the appropriate Constitutional requirement, is hereby declared

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passed. Representative Cabello, you're up on Senate Bill 2378. Clerk, please... no. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2380, Representative Winger. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2380, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Winger."

Winger: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. SB2380 aims to increase lifesaving of dogs, cats, and other animals within animal control facilities and animal shelters. The Bill addresses various parts of Animal Welfare Act including electronic reporting of inventory and better microchip tracking procedures. This is an agreed upon Bill and there's no known opposition. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Currie: "Any discussion? Seeing none, all in favor of the Bill vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, please take the record. On this measure, there are 110 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having reached a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Lang, are you ready on Senate Bill 2385? Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2385, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Lang."

Lang: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. As we know when people go into nursing homes they have to spend down their money. All this Bill does is create a form for use by the... a standardized form to be used by the nursing home so

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the financial institutions can provide the information that needs to be provided to DHS. I know of no opponents."

Speaker Currie: "Any discussion? Seeing none, all in favor of the Bill vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, please take the record. On this measure, 107 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having reached a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Mussman, Senate Bill 2386. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2386, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Mussman."

Mussman: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Members of the House. SB2386 is known as the Justice for Buddy Act. It adds the determination of reckless dog owner to the Animal Control Act. So that if it is demonstrated via clear and convincing evidence in a circuit court that owner has... is the owner of a dog determined to be dangerous for having killed another dog, not own their own property, and has a proven history of negligence they will have to forfeit all dogs in their ownership and will be denied the ability to adopt new dogs for a period of one to three years as determined by the court. The forfeited dogs will be taken to a shelter and evaluated by a qualified behavior analyst with the intent of seeing them adopted out to a more appropriate home. This Bill has no opposition. It passed committee unanimously and I would appreciate your support."

Speaker Currie: "Any discussion? Representative Breen."

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

Speaker Currie: "The Sponsor will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, I see that we're going to be taking dogs from folks for at least 12 months, not more than 36 months for the first violation. We've got a fine of \$500 per animal. What other really consequences here are we imposing or adding to I guess the government's power as to these reckless dog owners?"

Mussman: "So the fine only comes into play if you refuse to forfeit the dogs. So for everyday that you keep the dogs in your possession that is where the fine comes in. Otherwise you don't pay the fine if you simply follow the courts directive."

Breen: "Okay. So currently there is no fine for refusing to forfeit your dog?"

Mussman: "I believe that there is if you an animal that is deemed vicious. If you have an animal that is deemed vicious, and you are supposed to turn the animal over, there is a fine associated for that but we are creating the reckless dog owner as a new statute."

Breen: "Great. And so would you agree, Representative, that we should also maybe create new fines or penalties for people that do violence or reckless as against human beings in addition to dogs?"

Mussman: "So that is not a Bill that we're debating today and we can debate that at another time."

Breen: "Right. You see so you're enhancing the penalties on those who are reckless with dogs but we do nothing about those who are reckless or harmful to humans?"

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Mussman: "Again..."

Breen: "Is that really fair?"

Mussman: "...those are Bills heard in a different committee and I don't have control over those Bills being released."

Breen: "Fair enough. See I'm all for this penalty enhancement but there are plenty of other places when this General Assembly lets out Bills where we do harm to dogs, which obviously we're very much against, and then we don't do anything about harm to humans. So thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion? Representative Flowers."

Flowers: "Representative, really how does one determine the... the dangerousness of the dog?"

Mussman: "So there's already provisions within statute that determine what equates a dangerous dog. We are not creating that and I can read them off to you if you like but that is not a new portion of this Bill."

Flowers: "Okay. So if an animal control agency... no. You're saying that an animal control agency has the right to impound a dangerous dog?"

Mussman: "No. So what the Dangerous Dog Act has different provisions. A reckless owner would be determined if you have a dog that is declared dangerous 2 times within in a 24 month period for having killed another dog not on the owners own property. So those are part of the determinations for determining what equates dangerous. Again, we're not creating that, it exists."

Flowers: "So the dog, in order for it to be deemed dangerous, must have killed another dog off the private property?"

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Mussman: "A dangerous dog determination can be made in two ways: One, while the dog is off the owner's property and unleashed, unmuzzled, or otherwise not under the control of its owner's, the dog behaves in a way that would make a reasonable person believe there is a serious threat of injury or death to a person or animal. Or two, an unprovoked dog has bitten a person without causing serious injury. There would need to be an investigation that would prove the dog is dangerous by a preponderance of the evidence. Again, that is already in statute."

Flowers: "And so what... what is your Bill doing then?"

Mussman: "So my... my Bill is creating a history, a pattern of negligent ownership. So the owner has dogs that are either killing other dogs, most likely because they have been allowed to run off the owners property, they're not securely tethered, they're not fenced, the owner knowingly allows the dogs to be loose and unsupported. You have to be able to prove that that has occurred at least twice more within 12 month period along with the dog being declared dangerous in order for you to be determined reckless."

Flowers: "Well..."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Flowers, are you finished?"

Flowers: "Yes. Rep... thank you, Speaker. I appreciate that. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Mussman to close."

Mussman: "Again, this was a... for those of you heard the testimony in committee this is a really big issue for a lot of families who do find that there are negligent owners within their communities, especially larger dogs that attacked small

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precious loved ones. This is something that I think will really help us monitor the security of our pets and honestly our children and other adults in the community in the future. And I would appreciate your support."

Speaker Currie: "On Senate Bill 238... 86, all in favor vote 'aye'; opposed 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Hurry up, Mr. Batinick. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, please take the record. On this measure, there are 105 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the appropriate Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Burke, are you ready on Senate Bill 2419? Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2419, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Burke."

Burke, D.: "Thank you, Madam Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This very... this matter is very simply codifies that surgical assistants practicing in our state must have maintained their national certification in order to maintain their license with our state. Be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Currie: "On Senate Bill 2419, Representative Breen."

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

Speaker Currie: "Sponsor will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, I see on my analysis that IDFPR is opposed to this particular... particular measure. Could you give us a little sense of the nature of their opposition?"

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Burke, D.: "Well, I'm not too surprised. They opposed this matter in the Senate and as the record would indicate the matter passed unanimously in that Body. When the representative of the agency presented herself before the committee I was frankly confused. I didn't understand what their objection would be. Let me give you a little background with this particular profession. We don't license them per say. There are only 450 practitioners in Illinois and no other state licenses surgical assistants. So for our state to insist that there be some measure of competency maintained by virtue of the national certification I think is most appropriate for a public safety measure."

Breen: "And just so that I'm clear... and there was a tabled Committee Amendment 1. Is there some intent to do a Floor Amendment that fell of or what happened with that?"

Burke, D.: "No, Sir. No. There is no Amendment on this matter."

Breen: "Okay. And the idea... as best I can tell, the idea is that you've got have to this national certification when you start to apply but your Bill would add the requirement that you have to be recertified with a continued national certification? That's the point?"

Burke, D.: "That... that is correct."

Breen: "That's the point. Okay. And as I understood it the Department had some concern over whether it had the ability because it is not doing any sort of... it's not doing any sort of regulation over the surgical technicians and surgical assistants it was more just a title protection. Is that the idea here that they don't have the means to go after you if you don't recertify? Is that their concern?"

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Burke, D.: "Well as I suggested they are not licensed per say. They are given a certificate and the only thing that's substantiates the value of that certificate is the fact they have achieved a national certification."

Breen: "And you said..."

Burke, D.: "So they are not... there's no enforcement practices. There is no requirement that Illinois imposes in terms of continuing education or many of the other matters that would be imposed on other professions. This is a kind of unique situation in the sense that they are not given a license per say. So our only means to be assured that they are in compliance with national standards, and safety, and up to date measures for CPR, and everything else is to insist that they have national certification maintained."

Breen: "Fair enough. I think I have other colleagues that want to speak more specifically to the Bill. So thank you for the answers to my questions."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion. Representative Keith Wheeler."

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

Speaker Currie: "Sponsor will answer your questions."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you. Representative, I'm looking through some notes, I know we had this in committee and actually voted to get it out of committee, but I wanted to clarify some things on the floor here. I think you just mentioned to my colleague that this will be the only lever we have in order to be able to keep these certifications moving forward. Is that accurate and reflection of what you said?"

Burke, D.: "That is, yes. Yes."

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Wheeler, K.: "I guess I look at it now, as I've studied it some more from another perspective, and that would be that these are surgical assistants but the surgeon who's leading that operation could determine whether or not a person would be eligible to be in that room with them. And that would be a lever which could be used to say you have to... if you're going to be in my room you've got to be able to demonstrate this certification. Not doing the state level but rather doing it in the market level in those rooms done by those professionals."

Burke, D.: "I would say yes. And I would also suggest that there would be insurance implications if these individuals that are in a surgical suite were not qualified by some measure."

Wheeler, K.: "Right. But that qualification doesn't necessarily have to come from the State of Illinois and IDFPR that could come from the procedures and policies of that institution. Is that correct?"

Burke, D.: "That is correct."

Wheeler, K.: "So I just want to say we're going to walk that back a little bit, Representative, that there is a way and that way may exist already. This would maybe enhance that as another approach. However, we are adding some more bureaucracy and another requirement in order for this registration to take place. To the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "To the Bill."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, I think that this is a well-intentioned process and I certainly, along with all of us, support the best educated workforce especially in an operating room. I know I had a procedure recently, and I trust

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that all of those there were properly qualified and certified, but I leave up to the professionals who are dictating what happens in that room, those who understand the insurance liability, all the other aspects that go on with it. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Currie: "The Sponsor will yield."

Batinick: "Representative, I'm catching up to speed on this Bill a little bit it was not in my committee. But one of the things that caught my eye that I'm concerned about is the cost of surgical assistants now. So, you know, our analysis shows that this is going to cost surgical assistants, which I'm assuming don't make as much as doctors, like up to \$700 per year for the national certification?"

Burke, D.: "I take your word for it. I'm not real familiar with what the cost of the certification is."

Batinick: "Okay. And then..."

Burke, D.: "But they're delighted to pay that. And I said there's only 450 of them in the state."

Batinick: "They're delighted to pay it?"

Burke, D.: "Yes."

Batinick: "All 450? Okay. Is there an issue? Has there been problems with our current system? Kind of that the Representative from Oswego talked about the fact that, you know, the surgeons in the rooms are kind of the experts. I'm assuming they're not going to want inferior helpers."

Burke, D.: "Did I understand that you suggested that you were not in the committee when this matter was considered?"

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Batinick: "Yes. Yeah, I'm not on Health Care Licensing."

Burke, D.: "Well had you been in the committee you would have learned there are over 260 supporters of this initiative all representing professions within the medical community. Whether they be hospitals, surgical associations, the medical society, the list goes on and on and on. The only opponent to this matter is the Department of Professional Regulation and frankly I cannot understand their opposition."

Batinick: "All right. I'm going.. I'm going to go to the Bill. Thank you, for your thorough answers. You know the proponents we see is just the Surgical Association. My concern is we have a list of proponents that are special interests and I'm concerned about the nurses that.. the surgical assistants that are going to be paying a \$700 bill every year and maybe.. I haven't heard that there's a problem that we're trying to solve here that there's been issues. So I urge a 'no' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Seeing no further discussion, Representative Burke to close."

Burke, D.: "Thank you, again, Madam Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, as I said, this is a matter that passed the Senate unanimously. Those that were in the committee understood that there is no opposition aside from the Agency, the Department of Professional Regulation. Every organization medically affiliated has supported this measure. And I would certainly encourage your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Currie: "All in favor of the passage of Senate Bill 2419 vote 'aye'; opposed 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk,

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please take the record. On this measure, there are 85 voting 'yes', 25 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The next Bill is Senate Bill 2428, Representative Wallace. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2428, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Wallace."

Wallace: "I believe there is a technical Amendment. House Floor Amendment #1 I'd like to adopt."

Speaker Currie: "I believe that Amendment has already been adopted."

Wallace: "Okay. Excellent. So that Amendment just changed the name to offset. So this is the Hunger Free Students Bill of Rights Act. It just simply allows for schools to provide a meal to students who may not have dollars or money that day at school. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Currie: "On this measure, Representative Breen."

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

Speaker Currie: "The Sponsor will yield."

Breen: "And Representative, this... could you explain how exactly you are going to be... how exactly your new Bill, which is the Hunger Free Students Bill of Rights Act that's what it creates, what is it exactly going to do for the particular individuals and to the particular school districts?"

Wallace: "What this Bill will allow for is a child who may not have dollars on their... for lack of a better phrase their books it will for the school to provide a lunch to them regardless of their ability to pay. The Bill of Rights portion is that

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if there is already a student who receives free or reduced lunch that we will not prevent... or we wouldn't have stigmatizing activity around that free or reduced lunch such as a wrist band, or entering the cafeteria through a separate line, a number of things that schools do to stigmatize students with free or reduced lunch."

Breen: "And so now, just so that I'm clear, is a student who wouldn't otherwise be entitled to a federal... under the federal program for free and reduced lunches can they also request a lunch?"

Wallace: "Technically the answer to that question is, yes. But their parent or guardian that lunch will still be part of the students account. And this does provide an opportunity for districts to recoup costs should that account accrue I believe \$500."

Breen: "So if it's under 500 though there's no ability to recoup the cost, 500 is where we trigger the ability of a school district to get the money back?"

Wallace: "Yes. But this Bill also does provide for the school district to ask or seek out free and federal reduced lunch for that student if they believe that the parent has an inability to pay, the school can assist that parent with applying for free or reduced lunch. In that case the Federal Government would assist with recouping the costs... or covering the costs."

Breen: "And then normally with mandates like these onto a local school district than we normally. As I understood it, the State Mandates Act it requires us to pay them back for all the costs but I don't see anything in here. I see something

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about an offset with the Comptroller but that's against the parent if it's more than \$500. So the school district is not getting any additional funds from the state to pay for the extra lunches that they would be putting out here potentially."

Wallace: "So let's not think of this as an extra lunch. I'd like to share a story of someone near and dear to me. This little guy named Isaiah. When Isaiah was in the sixth grade his mother was too busy to update her debit card on the automatic system for payment for school lunches. She was busy here in Springfield trying to help other hungry children throughout the state. And so when that debit card did not renew they weren't able to add more money to his account for student lunch. And when he went to lunch one day there were no dollars there and as a result of that he was given miniature Ritz crackers with peanut butter on them and an apple juice. A totally insufficient lunch for the nutritional needs of a child. This Bill would allow, should that have ever occurred again, would allow the school to give him a real lunch. So that he did not go hungry for the rest of the day through no fault of his own. So I would hope that this is how you will look at this measure. It is about making sure that our children do not sit in school hungry regardless of their, or their parent's, or their guardian's ability to pay."

Breen: "To the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "To the Bill."

Breen: "Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, I think we just need to be clear what we're saying here. This Bill would require every local school district in the state to provide a full free

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lunch to any student who requests it. There are minimal ways to recover the costs of those lunches from the parents and there's no money coming from the state, at all, to cover all of these various lunches. There are certainly some issues that appear to have been raised by the Representative but we're using a sledge hammer to deal with an issue that probably should be better dealt with a scalpel. And this... I mean this being opposed by pretty much all over school districts, all of our major school... you know, Ed-Red and the Illinois Statewide School Management Alliance, those folks. So again, there was nice intention here but as they say the road to hell is paved with good intentions. And so this particular Bill is not... you're handing a free meal at no cost to the student to anyone who asks regardless of whether they have the ability to pay for the meal and without any reimbursement for the state. So again it just seems on its face to be the sort of thing that we can't support and, you know, it's an irresponsible piece of legislation financially. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "This Bill is on Short Debate. The Chair has not exercised her prerogative to turn on the timer but I would ask the Members please to be aware of the fact that this is Short Debate and we appreciate your concise remarks. Representative Keith Wheeler."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, and I will be brief. May the... will the Sponsor yield please?"

Speaker Currie: "The Sponsor will yield."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you. Representative, I'm looking at a note I received from the superintendent of the school district that

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my kids go to and they have concerns about cost that will be emplaced upon that district, and I imagine in every other school district in the state. Do you have any estimate of what this impact would be?"

Wallace: "First, I'd like to address this idea that this is irresponsible. When children are in..."

Speaker Currie: "I think you have to answer the question that has just been posed to you. You will have an opportunity to close when this discussion is over. But you should respond to Representative Wheeler's question."

Wallace: "Thank you, Madam Chair. Thank you, Madam Chair. Section 10 of the legislation clearly defines what a reimbursable lunch is. It would be federally... federally reimbursed."

Wheeler, K.: "But they have to apply to get that reimbursement. Is that correct?"

Wallace: "My apologies?"

Wheeler, K.: "They have to apply to get that reimbursement?"

Wallace: "Yes. There's a very simple one page form that in some school districts is handed out as part of the registration process for enrollment."

Wheeler, K.: "So they'd detract the \$500 cap per student then in order to trigger that reimbursement process per student. Correct?"

Wallace: "No. That reimbursement process can be triggered the day a child enrolls in the school. A child can apply for federal free and reduced lunch."

Wheeler, K.: "All right. In my... my promise to be brief I will just go to the Bill here for a moment. Ladies and Gentlemen..."

Speaker Currie: "To the Bill."

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Wheeler, K.: "...the Sponsor who's... who has good intentions here mentioned the fact that a student that she's familiar with didn't get a full lunch one day because of a debit card issue. I've done the same thing to my children. The received a cheese sandwich and some juice and some other form of a snack and that gets them through to the end of the day which is the purpose of it. I appreciate the good intentions here I just don't think this is a workable solution. It's a shame. We should work these things more collaboratively and get to a solution we can all agree on. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion, Representative Ives."

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

Speaker Currie: "The Sponsor will yield."

Ives: "Your Bill applies to all schools including private schools is that correct?"

Speaker Currie: "Representative Wallace."

Wallace: "There's nothing preventing private schools, correct. You're correct."

Ives: "I'm sorry. Yes it applies to private schools correct?"

Wallace: "Yes."

Ives: "Okay. To the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "To the Bill."

Ives: "Okay. So this Bill, first of all, as far as it goes for reimbursements in some cases the federal reimbursement is literally pennies on the dollar. We only have a mandated categorical amount of about \$9 million for the entire state that's coming from the Federal Government for free and reduced lunch. So in some cases it's pennies on the dollar. For private schools they're getting nothing of this reimbursed by

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the Federal Government. Nothing, zero, nada, none. And I'll tell you what, as somebody who actually did lunch duty for 13 years, oh my gosh, I am a qualified lunch duty monitor. What we did at our catholic school, our private school, is that we have, you know, some bread some peanut butter and jelly and that's what you got if you forgot your lunch. And then they did away with that. And then they did away with that. So the truth is that your Bill it's completely unworkable. You cannot ask school districts to pick up this expense. If you're a private school you would literally have to have food on... food available all the time every single day and you would not even need to know how much you would have to have available in case somebody missed a lunch. So this is... this is unworkable. I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Currie: "Further discussion, Representative Fine for brief remarks."

Fine: "Yes. Question for the speaker. We had this Bill in committee and you clarified something for me. This is not necessarily a free lunch for children, it's almost like using credit if there's no money in their account and the family could afford it?"

Wallace: "Absolutely."

Fine: "And does this also do away with something, I've gotten some emails about, called lunch shaming that I've never heard of before?"

Wallace: "It does. I'm so glad you brought that up. It does do away with the stigma that some schools purposely impose on students who receive federally free and reduced lunch. They make children wear wristbands or go through a different line

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or... there are a number of examples that we have in the analysis that students are subjected to simply because their parents are low income and they are receiving free or reduced lunch."

Fine: "I do feel like this an important piece of legislation. For the families that can afford it their child be fed for the day and they will have to pay the bill later and for the families that can't afford it those children won't be shamed. But something we do know is kids cannot concentrate in school and learn if they don't have enough to eat. So I think that this is a very important piece of legislation. I thank you for bringing it forward."

Wallace: "Thank you, Representative."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Flowers."

Flowers: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would just like to thank the Lady for bringing forth this legislation and to remind everyone that we do have what you call the National School Lunch Act. And it's in Section 2... in Section 2 of the Act it says that it is hereby declared to be the policy of Congress, as a measure of national security to safeguard the health and the wellbeing of the children and to encourage the domestic consumption of nutritional, agricultural commodities and other foods by assisting the states through grants and in a... in other means to make sure and by providing an adequate supply of food and other facilities and the establishment and the maintenance operation of non for profit and for profit school lunch programs. So with that being said, again, I want to congratulate the Lady on the Bill. And I want to say to all of us if any of these children was at home hungry the

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first thing that someone would do is call DCFS and we would accuse the parents of being bad parents because their children are hungry. But yet we expect for them to go to school, which it's a mandate the children must go to school if not someone would coming knocking on the parent's door to lockup the parents and then we'll be giving the parents three square meals a day. And hopefully if the children become wards of the state whoever had them will feed them three square meals a day. So once again, this Bill is about the children and we all care about children. And I would appreciate an 'aye' vote to make sure that no child have to go school hungry or be in school hungry. Again, I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Davidsmeyer."

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

Speaker Currie: "The Sponsor will yield."

Davidsmeyer: "Did I hear somebody earlier say this is not a free lunch?"

Wallace: "I'm not sure what someone else said. I didn't say that."

Davidsmeyer: "You answered a question. But so is this a free lunch?"

Wallace: "The parents are still responsible. If they have the ability to pay, and are not receiving the federally free and reduced lunch, the parent or guardian is still responsible for paying for that lunch."

Davidsmeyer: "So how do you collect it?"

Wallace: "The school, as they do with any number of fines, has the opportunity to put a moratorium on enrollment the next semester, they're able to send out additional collection notices to the parent and if it rises to the point of extreme,

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where maybe there is abuse, if it hits that \$500 mark, the Comptroller can reclaim that money from either an income tax, garnishment of wages. There are a number of ways that the offset program can be initiated to recoup those dollars for the school district."

Davidsmeyer: "So is this something that is a reoccurring thing for certain children? I mean is it a daily occurrence for some kids?"

Wallace: "I think... I don't know. But I do want to clarify that the child I was speaking about earlier was my child and because of simple debit card error my child was hungry for the day. This did not... this legislation was not born of that incident, really the crux of the legislation, I would hope people would also focus on, is the stigmatization that goes along with low income children when they have access to the free and federal reduced lunch program. And the piece that we continue to debate is to make sure that no child, who is in our school buildings during the day goes hungry."

Davidsmeyer: "But the reality is they are given something to eat correct?"

Wallace: "Well, you know, I hope that the next time any of us is enjoying some five course meal that some lobbyist is paying for that you sit quietly and you eat Ritz crackers and drink a glass of juice while everyone else enjoys the full meal..."

Davidsmeyer: "I love crackers and cheese."

Wallace: "...and then ask yourself as to how..."

Davidsmeyer: "I'd be happy to eat that over a steak."

Wallace: "...you would be able to focus for the rest of the evening with just your Ritz crackers and your apple juice."

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Davidsmeyer: "That's what happens around here. We're not allowed to eat on the floor."

Wallace: "We're adults."

Davidsmeyer: "You know, if I forget to pack my..."

Wallace: "Our brains are not developing. Our bodies are not developing. Hopefully we are already where we should be physically."

Davidsmeyer: "My minds still developing but..."

Wallace: "You're under 25?"

Davidsmeyer: "...because it's open. But let me just say..."

Wallace: "No. I'm talking about physiological development that is dependent upon key nutrients being in place at the right time, your blood sugar being level every several hours. This is critical to pancreatic development, your kidneys and your brain. So I'm not sure why anyone would argue against a child being in school and being fed."

Davidsmeyer: "So... I'm going to go to the Bill."

Wallace: "Please."

Speaker Currie: "To the Bill."

Davidsmeyer: "The... the reality is this is an unfunded mandate. The reality is that, unfortunately, we can't teach good parenting. The reality is that if a school... or if a child does not bring their lunch to school, or they don't have enough money at school, they are given something to eat. It may not be a huge meal but neither is the meal that they receive on a daily basis. So the reality is they are given something to eat. So this is unneeded. This is an unfunded mandate. And I urge a 'no' vote."

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Speaker Currie: "Representative Wallace to close... sorry. Sorry.
Representative Conyears-Ervin for brief remarks."

Conyears-Ervin: "Thank you, Madam Chair. To the Bill."

Speaker Currie: "To the Bill."

Conyears-Ervin: "I just want to... I just want to use an example.
Let's suppose that we do have a parent that is financially irresponsible. Let's suppose. Should that child not eat and starve because of the negligence of that parent? When I hear the discussion of this Bill we're talking about an unfunded mandate to feed a child. Are you serious? And you had the audacity to stand on this floor and say that. A child. What if it was your child? What if you were an irresponsible parent? And this Bill is not even speaking to that. I'm just using that as an example. I am highly offended that someone would stand up and say that it is an unfunded mandate to feed a child. I ask that everyone in this chamber would check themselves of the things that you say. I am a responsible parent but there are some responsible parents that truly cannot afford to feed their child. And how dare you say to feed them something else and let them be treated differently. That is offensive. Thank you, Madam Chair."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Wallace to close."

Wallace: "Thank you. I would like to clarify and point out that private elementary and secondary schools are only participants if they participate in the United States Department of Agriculture Child Nutrition Program. I will also take offense to this idea of irresponsible parenting especially in the light of the context of this argument in which I stated that I simply didn't update a debit card and

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my own child went hungry. And so for that to then be later part of the discussion I take serious offense with. I am not irresponsible. I'm a parent to my child and to the millions of children in this state because that's what we all are in this chamber. And I encourage an 'aye' vote because no child should be hungry in school. Especially... I encourage the 'aye' vote especially in light of the argument that Representative Flowers laid out. If this children were at home throughout the day and not being fed we would call and report that as neglect to the state and then we would incur even more costs as a state. Thank you. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Currie: "On Senate Bill 2428, all in favor vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, please take the record. On this Motion, there are 66 voting 'yes', 44 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having achieved a Constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Ammons, are you ready on House... Senate Bill 2439? Representative Ammons. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2445, Representative Katie Stuart. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2445, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "Thank you. Senate Bill 2445 is simply a TIF extension for the City of Edwardsville. And the Amendment adds Granite City. There's no opposition. Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Seeing no discussion, all in favor of passage of Senate Bill 2445 vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all

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voted who wish? Clerk, please take the record. On this measure, a 103 voting 'yes', 7 voting 'no'. This Bill, having achieved a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Mayfield, are you ready on Senate Bill 2491? Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2491, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Currie: "Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Thank you so much. Senate Bill 2494... 91, I'm sorry, is an initiative of the Illinois Primary Healthcare Association and the Illinois State Dental Society. It allows federally qualified health centers to be reimbursed for services provided by dental hygienists working under the general supervision of a dentist. It basically codifies into law current practices and puts FQHC's in line with private dental clinics. There is no opposition and I recommend an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Currie: "Seeing no discussion, all in favor of passage of Senate Bill 2491 vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, please take the record. 108 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Sauer, for what reason do you rise?"

Sauer: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I just wanted to let the record to reflect that I meant to vote 'no' on Senate Bill 2419."

Speaker Currie: "The record will reflect your wishes."

Sauer: "Thank you."

Speaker Currie: "Clerk, for an announcement."

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Clerk Hollman: "The following committees will be meeting immediately upon adjournment: Cyber Security, Data Analytics, & Information Technology is meeting in Room 115. Business & Occupational Licenses in 122B. Elementary Secondary Education: Licensing, Administration & Oversight in Room 118."

Speaker Currie: "Allowing perfunctory time for the clerk, Leader Lang moves that the House stand adjourned until Thursday, May 24 at the hour of 1:00 p.m. The House stands adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Evans, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation, Regulations, Roads & Bridges reports the following committee action taken on May 22, 2018: recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution 118, Senate Joint Resolution 8, Senate Joint Resolution 47, Senate Joint Resolution 63; recommends be adopted as amended Senate Joint Resolution 54. Representative Fine, Chairperson from the Committee on Insurance: Health & Life reports the following committee action taken on May 22, 2018: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 3491. Representative Hernandez, Chairperson from the Committee on Consumer Protection reports the following committee action taken on May 22, 2018: recommends be adopted is House Resolution 10... correction, 1044. Representative Sente, Chairperson from the Committee on Environment reports the following committee action taken on May 22, 2018: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 3550; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 2899. Representative Turner, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary-Criminal reports the following committee action

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taken on May 22, 2018: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2271, Senate Bill 2341, Senate Bill 2907; recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment 4 to House Bill 5341. Representative Davis, Chairperson from the Committee on Appropriations: Elementary & Secondary Education reports the following committee action taken on May 22, 2018: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5750. Representative Gabel, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action taken on May 23, 2018: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3048. Representative Soto, Chairperson from the Committee on Health Care Licenses reports the following committee action taken on May 23, 2018: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment 4 to House Bill 4100. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 1117, offered by Representative Cavaletto. House Resolution 1118, offered by Representative Brady. House Resolution 1120, offered by Representative Butler. These are referred to the Rules Committee. Introduction - First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 5885, offered by Representative Cabello, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. First Reading of this House Bill. Introduction of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 2358, offered by Representative Welch, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3254, offered by Representative Currie, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3309, offered by Representative Bryant, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. First Reading of these Senate Bills. Second Reading of House Bills. House Bill 5750, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5828, a Bill for an Act

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concerning appropriations. House Bill 5868, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Second Reading of these House Bills. These will be held on the Order of Second Reading. Second Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 454, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 2271, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 2341, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 2344, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 2421, a Bill for an Act concerning liquor. Senate Bill 2493, a Bill for an Act concerning wild life. Senate Bill 2518, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 2573, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 2579, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Senate Bill 2589, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 2599, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 2610, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 2617, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 2651, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Senate Bill 2667, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 2789, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 27... correction 2817, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 2863, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Senate Bill 2864, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 2899, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 2904, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 2907, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 2952, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 2969, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 2999, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Senate Bill 3003, a

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Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3022, a Bill for an Act concerning liquor. Senate Bill 3108, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3115, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Senate Bill 3119, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 3220, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3238, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 3247, a Bill for an Act concerning property. Senate Bill 3256, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3404, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3445, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 3527, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 3550, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Second Reading of these Senate Bills. They'll be held on the Order of Second Reading. Second Reading of Senate Bill. Senate Bill 2450, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. It will be held on the Order of Second Reading. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."