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150th Legislative Day

6/28/2004

Speaker Turner: "The House will convene in regular Session. And the quorum... Clerk will call the roll. Members are reminded to hit their own buttons. Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record show that Representatives Hamos and Jones are excused today."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Watson."

Watson: "Mr. Speaker, let the record reflect Representatives Jerry Mitchell, Bost, Schmitz and Sommer are excused."

Speaker Turner: "The record will so reflect. There are 109 Members answering the quorum... a quorum is present. And the House will proceed with business. On page 2 of the Calendar we have Senate... Senate Bills-Third Reading. Senate Bill 2123, Representative Cross. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2123, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Cross: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and thank you for calling it. This is Senate Bill 2123, the infamous Bush on the ballot Bill. For those of you that are not aware of this issue, Illinois Election Law requires that presidential candidates be certified at least 67 days prior to the general election. The Republican Party will not have its... its convention until approximately 61 days prior to the November 2, 2004 election. This Bill will allow our President, George Bush, to be on the ballot here in Illinois in November of this year. I'm not aware of any opposition. I would appreciate a favorable vote."

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Speaker Turner: "Seeing no question, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2123 pass?' All those in favor should vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is now open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk shall take the record. On this question, there are 108 voting 'aye', 0 'noes', 1 voting 'present'. And a Three-fifths Constitutional Majority having been achieved, this Bill now passes... is hereby declared passed. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Parke, for what reason do you rise?"

Parke: "Mr. Speaker, I inadvertently hit the wrong button and I would like to be recorded as a 'yes'. I love President Reagan."

Speaker Turner: "You love who? The record will so reflect. On page 2 of the Calendar, on the Order of Second Readings, we have Se... House Bill 45. Representative Black."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Bill 45 is... a Bill for an Act in relation to public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. Committee Amendment #1, a Motion to Table, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. The Amendment to this Bill probably would preclude its passage. I would move that the House allow me to table Committee Amendment #1."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves to table House Amendment #1 to House Bill 45. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all

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those opposed say 'no'. The opinion of the Chair is the 'ayes' have it. And Amendment #1 is tabled. Further Amendments?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Third Reading. The Lady from Cook, Representative Currie, for what reason do you rise?"

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. I move the... to suspend the posting requirements so that Senate Bill 3037 can be heard in Human Services today and House Resolution 833 in State Government Administration."

Speaker Turner: "House Resolution 933?"

Currie: "Thank you, 933."

Speaker Turner: "The Lady asks... the Lady asks leave that the posting requirements be suspended for the previously mentioned Bills. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. The opinion of the Chair is the 'ayes' have it. And the posting requirement is suspended. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Mahoney: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 1018, offered by Representative Bill Mitchell. House Resolution 1051, offered by Representative Dunn. House Resolution 1052, offered by Representative Biggins. House Resolution 1053, offered by Representative William Davis. House Resolution 1054, offered by Representative Feigenholtz. House Resolution 1055, offered by Representative Winters. House Resolution 1056, offered by Representative Richard Bradley. House Resolution 1057, offered by Representative Monique Davis. House Resolution 1058, offered by

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Representative Monique Davis. House Resolution 1059, offered by Representative Howard. House Resolution 1060, offered by Representative Howard. House Resolution 1061, offered by Representative Poe. House Resolution 1063, offered by Representative Granberg. House Resolution 1065, offered by Representative Hannig. House Resolution 1066, offered by Representative Currie. House Resolution 1068, offered by Representative Granberg. House Resolution 1069, offered by Representative Osterman. House Resolution 1070, offered by Representative Joyce. House Resolution 1071, offered by Representative Brady. And House Resolution 1072, offered by Representative Dunkin."

Speaker Turner: "We're going to move to the Order of Resolutions on page 11 of the Calendar. You've heard the Motion to adopt the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor should vote 'aye'... should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. We're now going to move to the Order of Resolutions on page 11 of the Calendar. Members should be prepared to let me know if they want their Resolution called. First Resolution that we're going to call is House Resolution 418, Representative Granberg. Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk. Representative Granberg on Resolution 418. The Gentleman from Clinton. Out of the record. Page 12 of the Calendar we have House Resolution 924, Representative Osterman."

Osterman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Resolution 924 asks the CDC to consider a

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funding... Illinois's involvement in the National Violent Death Registry System. Currently, there is a program that the CDC funds through Congressional funding that has analysis done with violent death around the country in 13 states. Illinois has an application that would include Cook County, Peoria and Rockford. We wanna make sure that Illinois is included in this, so that we can study the causes of violent death in our state and take that information and use it in public policy to try to address those issues that cause violent death. And with that, I'd ask the support of the House."

Speaker Turner: "Seeing no question, the question is, 'Shall the House adopt House Resolution 924?' All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. The opinion of the Chair is the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted."

Clerk Mahoney: "The Rules Committee will meet immediately in the Speaker's Conference Room. The Rules Committee will meet immediately in the Speaker's Conference Room. House Committee schedule. At 2 p.m. the Executive Committee will meet in Room 118; Higher Education in Room 115; Human Services in D-1; Local Government in C-1; State Government Administration in 122-B."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, Rules Committee Report."

Clerk Mahoney: "Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules, to which the following legislative measures and/or Joint Action Motions were referred, action taken on June 28, 2004, reported the

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same back with the following recommendation: 'approved for floor consideration' referred to the Order of Second Reading is Senate Bill 2241."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Morgan, Representative Watson, for what reason do you rise?"

Watson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Could you please let the record reflect that Representative Winters is excused for the Special Session and the regular Session?"

Speaker Turner: "The record will so reflect. The Gentleman from Champaign, Representative Rose, for what reason do you rise?"

Rose: "Mr. Speaker, for an announcement. I noticed that Mr. Black is in Rules Committee right now, but he's decided he's not gonna shave until the Special Sessions are over and we have a budget. I've decided not to mow my lawn. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Parke, for what reason do you rise?"

Parke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Inquiry of the Chair. Why are we still here? Aren't we supposed to be leaving for committee in nine minutes? Is there any reas... is there any other action to be taken on the floor? I'm just curious as to why we're still here."

Speaker Turner: "Doesn't take you nine minutes to get to the committee."

Parke: "I'm sorry, I did not hear that."

Speaker Turner: "Should be able to..."

Parke: "Well, it takes me nine minutes."

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Speaker Turner: "...get there faster."

Parke: "I don't know about anybody else. But, there's no... there's no... no specific reason? We're just waiting for technical matters to be cleared up?"

Speaker Turner: "Working on the budget."

Parke: "Okay. Working on the budget, that's a... that's good news. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "The Gentleman from Madison, Representative Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the House Democrats, at 4:00 there was a meeting that's to take place in the Governor's Office regarding the budget and the budget negotiations. Apparently, there's been a... a big response to that. Therefore, it had to moved to a bigger room. So, it's gonna be in Room 212. So, at 4:00 in Room 212. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Currie now moves that the House stand adjourned until Tuesday, June 29 at 12 noon. Tuesday, June 29 at 12 noon. All those in favor should say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House does stand adjourned until Tuesday, June 29 at 12 noon. Committees will meet immediately after Session. Gentleman from Cook, Representative Molaro, for what reason do you rise?"

Molaro: "Are we... tomorrow at noon, is that our regular Session or is that a Special Session?"

Speaker Turner: "That's our regular Session."

Molaro: "Okay. Thank you."

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Clerk Mahoney: "House Perfunctory Session will now come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules, to which the following legislative measures and/or Joint Action Motions were referred, action taken on June 28, 2004, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: referred to the Executive Committee Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 1737. Representative... Representative Franks, Chairperson from the Committee on State Government Administration, to which the following measures were referred, action taken on June 28, 2004, reported the same back with the following recommendations: 'recommends be adopted' House Resolution 933. Representative Burke, Chairperson from the Committee on Executive, to which the following measures were referred, action taken on June 28, 2004, reported the same back with the following recommendations: 'recommends be adopted' Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2258. Representative McCarthy, Chairperson from the Committee on Higher Education, to which the following measures were referred, action taken on June 28, 2004, reported the same back with the following recommendations: 'recommends be adopted' Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1971. Representative Colvin, Chairperson from the Committee on Local Government, to which the following measures were referred, action taken on June 28, 2004, reported the same back with the following recommendations: 'recommends be adopted' Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 2256. Representative Delgado, Chairperson

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from the Committee on Human Services, to which the following measures were referred, action taken on June 28, 2004, reported the same back with the following recommendations: 'do pass as amended Short Debate' Senate Bill 3037. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."