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Speaker Lyons: "Good afternoon Illinois. The House of Representatives will come... call its Members to order. Members are asked to please be at their desks. We shall be led in prayer today by Reverend Bill Schell who was an ordained (sic-Evangelist) minister from Johnston, (sic-New Burnside), Illinois and Ministers around the world. Reverend Schell is the guest of Representative Bradley. Members and guests are asked to please refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones and pagers. Everyone's asked to please rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Reverend Bill Schell."

Reverend Schell: "Shall we pray. Father, we thank You today for Your goodness, for Your mercy, and for Your grace. We thank You for this opportunity to stand in this hallowed place, that we recognize today that it is our duty to... to pray, Father, for our land. We do just that today. Father, we lift up our land to You today and this state, and we pray, God, Your peace, Your protection upon, Father, this great country. We recognize today our duty to pray for the leaders of our land and we, Father, stand today and we call out, Father, on behalf of this country, Father, that You would guide the leaders of this land. For these that are in this room today we pray, Father, that they would hear directly, today, the voice of You as You speak Direct their minds, Father, challenge them, to them. Father, in a new dimension to go where You would lead them and make the right decisions, we pray. We recognize today, Father, we need an awakening in the land. We need a revival, Father, that would just sweep this land in a great

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way that would draw peoples' attention back to the right. And Father, today we call upon You to direct our hearts, each of us, Father, across this land that, Father, You may help us to be responsible. That we might do what is right in Your sight. Father, again, we thank You for Your guidance, for Your leadership, and again, we stand for the right. And we pray, Father, once again for these that are making decisions today that, Lord, that You would use them and, Father, that there might be great things come from this event even today. We pray Your protection upon each of them. We ask for Your peace upon this place, we pray and we thank You in that precious name this day, Amen."

- Speaker Lyons: "Representative Suzie Bassi, would you lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance."
- Bassi 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 Lyons: "Thank you, Reverend, thank you very much.

 Appreciate you coming down here. God love you. Beautiful words. Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Barbara Flynn Currie, Democrats."
- Currie: "Thank you Speaker. I... let the record please reflect that I have no excused absences among House Democrats today."
- Speaker Lyons: "Thank you. Leader Mike Bost on the GOP."
- Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, let the record reflect that Representative McAuliffe and Stephens are excused on the Republican side of the aisle today."

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Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, take the record. 115 Members have responded. We have a quorum and prepared to do the work of the will of the people of the State of Illinois. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."

Clerk Mahoney: "Committee Reports. Representative Fritchey, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary I-Civil Law reports the following committee action taken on April 21, 2010: do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 3180, Senate Bill 3386, Senate Bill 3747; do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2987 and Senate Bill 3387. Representative Verschoore, Chairperson from the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation reports the following committee action taken on April 20, 2010: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 384, Senate Bill 615, Senate Bill 918, Senate Bill 3091, and Senate Bill 3603; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 2573, Senate Bill 2578 and Senate Bill Representative Yarbrough, Chairperson from the Committee on Insurance reports the following committee action taken on April 20, 2010: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2544; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 663, Senate Bill 2817 and Senate Bill 2819. Representative Collins, Chairperson from the Committee on Public Utilities reports the following committee action taken on April 20, 2010: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2612. Representative Beiser, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation, Regulation, Roads & Bridges reports the following committee action taken on April 20, 2010: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 3763; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 3282. Representative Colvin, Chairperson from the

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Committee on Consumer Protection reports the following committee action taken on April 20, 2010: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 3584. Representative Lyons, Chairperson from the Committee on Financial Institutions reports the following committee action taken on April 20, do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill Representative May, Chairperson from the Committee on Health Care Availability and Access reports the following committee action taken on April 20, 2010: do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 3047. Representative Froehlich, Chairperson from the Committee on Cities & Villages reports the following committee action taken on April 20, 2010: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2476, Senate Bill 3134, Senate Bill 3313, and Senate Bill 3334. Representative Jakobsson, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action taken April 21, 2010: reports the following adopted... on correction, recommends be adopted as amended Resolution 578; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 3815; do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2583, Senate Bill 2601, Senate Bill 2605, Senate Bill 3039, Senate Bill 3097, Senate Bill 3290, and Senate Bill 3332. Representative D'Amico, Chairperson from the Committee on Vehicles & Safety reports the following committee action taken on April 21, 2010: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 935, Senate Bill 3272, Senate Bill 3796, and Senate 3803. Representative Reitz, Chairperson from Committee on Health Care Licenses reports the following committee action taken on April 21, 2010: do pass Short

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Debate is House Bill 6836, Senate Bill 2635, Senate Bill 3025; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 3061. Representative Smith, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education reports the following committee action taken on April 20... correction... April 21, 2010: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2507, Senate Bill 3266, Senate Bill 3608, Senate Bill 3610, Senate Bill 3706; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 3547 and Senate Bill 3630; recommends be adopted is House Resolution 636. Referred to the House Committee on Rules is House Resolution 1143, offered by Representative Currie."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Roger Eddy, do you seek recognition on a point of personal privilege?"

Eddy: "Thank you..."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed."

Eddy: "...thank you, Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, if you would help me welcome a group from Neoga High School. The Neoga Honor Society students are... are in the back here, if they'd wave along with their sponsor Mary Reynolds. Welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Lyons: "Enjoy your day at the Capitol. Proud to have you. Representative Monique Davis, for what purpose do you seek recognition? Representative André Thapedi, point of personal privilege?"

Thapedi: "Yes, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed."

Thapedi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, a couple of weeks ago we had the... the pleasure of acknowledging one of our own that went to the Chicago City Council and I'm

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asking all of the Members today to join me in welcoming, up in the Speaker's Gallery, Alderman Lona Lane from the 18th Ward in the City of Chicago. Welcome to Springfield, Alderman."

- "Welcome, Alderman. Enjoy your day Speaker Lyons: Ladies and Gentlemen, there are a few Bills Springfield. on Second Reading for Members that weren't on the floor yesterday. So, we'll be starting on page 8. If you hear your name and you want your Bill moved from Second to Third Reading, please acknowledge. Representative Brandon Phelps, on page 8 of the Calendar, you have Senate Bill 575. Out of the record. Out of the record. Representative Phelps, you also have Senate Bill... on page 9 of the Calendar, Senate Bill 2529. Page 9 of the Calendar, Senate Bill 2529. Out of the record. Representative Marlow Colvin, on page 10 of the Calendar, under Senate Bills-Second Reading, you have Senate Bill 3291. Marlow, do you want us to move that Bill? Read the Bill, Mr... read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 3291, a Bill for an Act concerning Public Aid. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Amendments. No Motions filed."
- Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Phelps, you have Senate Bill 3494. Out of the record. Representative Elaine Nekritz, I believe you are in the chamber. Representative Elaine Nekritz. Representative Nekritz, you have a couple of Bills on the Order of Second Reading. You have Senate Bill 3118. Do you wish to move that Bill to

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- the Order of Third Reading? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. Hold on, Elaine."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 3118, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading. No Amendments. No Motions filed."
- Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Nekritz, you also have Senate Bill 3385. Do you wish to move that Bill to Third Reading? 3385. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 3385, a Bill for an Act concerning professional regulation. Second Reading. No Amendments. No Motions filed."
- Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Ladies and Gentlemen, we'll be starting with the Senate Bills now on the Third Reading. I'll be running down the Calendar starting on page 2. The first Bill that we have on the Order of Third Reading is Representative Fritchey. You have Senate Bill 660. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. 660, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 660, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative John Fritchey."
- Fritchey: "Thank you, Speaker. I know of no opposition to the Bill. I simply ask for an 'aye' vote."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation of the Bill. Any questions? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Harry Osterman."

Osterman: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

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Osterman: "My good friend might think this is the Cook County Commissioner's chambers and that's how they pass a Bill, but I think the House of Representatives deserves a full explanation as to what this Bill will do.

Fritchey: "Representative, that's about as full as my explanation gets. No, all… all kidding aside, this has to deal with the issue of public adjusters and regulating pubic adjusters in Illinois. Public adjusters are the individuals that will work as intermediaries between consumers and the insurance companies after issues such as a fire and things along these lines. This has been a matter of extensive negotiation between the Department of Insurance, others in the insurance industry, as well as the Cook County State's Attorney, all of whom now support the Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Seeing no further discussion, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 660 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Beiser, Coulson, Feigenholtz, Flowers, Wait, would you like to be recorded? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 85 Members voting 'yes', 30 Members voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Raymond Poe, for what purpose do you seek recognition, Sir?"

Poe: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lyons: "Proceed."

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- Poe: "Yeah. I would like the Body to welcome Iles Elementary School up here in the gallery and their teacher Christine Owens. So let's give them a big Springfield welcome. Thank you."
- Speaker Lyons: "Enjoy your day at the Capitol. Proud to have you down here. Representative Dennis Reboletti, on page 2 of the Calendar, Senate Bill-Third Readings, you have Senate Bill 1020. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 1020, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Dennis Reboletti.
- Reboletti: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, you saw this in a House Bill forum... format in 5640, which is the companion Bill. This Bill was amended. Representative Fritchey had some concerns; we addressed those in an Amendment. And so what this Bill does is allow a judge to use the alcohol, if it's used against a victim in a sex crime and the victim is a minor, that the judge could sentence a person to what we would consider as extended-term eligible, which means if it was a 6 to 30, it would move from potentially 6 to 60 if the judge decided to do so after a sentencing hearing. I'll take any questions."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative John Fritchey."
- Fritchey: "Tha... thank you, Speaker. Actually, to the Bill. I just want to thank Representative Reboletti. He knows I've had trouble with some of these Bills that overreach at

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- times, but this is a Bill that does what it's intended to do. What it's intended to do is a laudable and right thing and I appreciate his work on the Amendment to make sure that we clarified it; to make sure that we have a good Bill and one that will withstand legal scrutiny. So, thank you, Representative Reb... Reboletti. I request an 'aye' vote."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from Grundy, Representative Careen Gordon."
- Gordon, C.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?" Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."
- Gordon, C.: "Representative, what does the fact that the victim was under the influence of alcohol have to do with a sex crime?"
- Reboletti: "Well, in the application of alcohol, obviously to make them be unaware mentally of what's happening to them and in this situation..."
- Gordon, C.: "Well, does it say that the defendant is the one who gave them alcohol or does..."
- Reboletti: "Well, if they..."
- Gordon, C.: "...it says that they're the ones who intentionally got them intoxicated?"
- Reboletti: "Well, it could be if the defendant gave them the alcohol, but..."
- Gordon, C.: "Well, does it say that... the..."
- Reboletti: "Well let me finish, Representative."
- Gordon, C.: "... that's the one that the... the defendant had to give them alcohol?"
- Reboletti: "No, because... if they were at a party and they knew that the victim was intoxicated or saw them consuming

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alcohol and then took advantage of them, that would have to be proven up at the sentencing hearing for this to apply."

Gordon, C.: "So, it doesn't say that the defendant had to give them alcohol, it just says that whether or not the victim was under the influence of alcohol. Oh, actually, I'm looking at the… it's says the victim was under the influence of alcohol regardless of whether or not the alcohol was supplied by the offender."

Reboletti: "That's correct."

Gordon, C.: "So... and the judge can take this at may or may not, it's permissive, can take this into consideration?"

Reboletti: "It... it is permissive and it's not a 'shall'; it's permissive at the sentencing hearing."

Gordon, C.: "And this is under the aggravation and mitigation statute in the sentencing code?"

Reboletti: "That's correct."

Gordon, C.: "And this is only for sex crimes?"

Reboletti: "This is only for sex crimes."

Gordon, C.: "And this came from someone's constituent here in the State of Illinois, Representative?"

Reboletti: "That it did. Not mine, though."

Gordon, C.: "I appreciate that, Representative. And I understand a problem had to be solved and while I don't necessarily like this Bill, I appreciate how hard you worked on it and the solution that we reached. Thank you, Representative. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Reboletti: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Seeing no further discussion, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 1020 pass?' All those in favor signify

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by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Duncan, Karen May, Jerry Mitchell. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Lou Lang, on the bottom of page 2 of the Calendar, you have Senate Bill 1381. Out of the record. Representative Elaine Nekritz, on page 2 of the Calendar, you have Senate Bill 941, Elaine? Senate Bill 941. Mr. Clerk, on the request of the Sponsor move Senate Bill 941 back to the Order of Second Reading. Susana Mendoza, on the top of page 3, you have Senate Bill 2462. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2462, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Susana Mendoza."
- Mendoza: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Senate Bill 2462 provides that a sex offender or a sexual predator shall, at the time of registration, provide the law enforcement agency in which the offender registers, a copy of the terms and the conditions of parole or mandatory supervised release, signed by the sex offender and given to the sex offender by his or her supervising officer. Currently, the Act requires disclosure of certain information, but not the terms of... or conditions of the parolee release. I think it's a very important addition to the current sex offender law in statute. There's no

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- opposition that I know of, and I would ask for your support."
- Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Does Senate Bill 2462 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Dunkin, Jerry Mitchell. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Rich Brauer, on page 3 of the Calendar, you have Senate Bill 2488. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2488, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from... from Menard, Representative Rich Brauer."
- Brauer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Bill came from an incidence in my district where a police officer responded to a possible suicide. And so at the level that it is now, if you attack a police officer, it's a misdemeanor and this will make it a... a felony. And so it was determined necessary because of the response that's sometimes needed. There's no opposition to this. I'll answer all questions."
- Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? The Chair recognizes the Lady from Grundy, Representative Careen Gordon."

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Gordon, C.: "Representative... so aggravated assault, you know, is just threatening someone... with a weapon. Is that correct?"

Brauer: "Yes."

Gordon, C.: "So, when you threaten someone other than the peace officer it's staying a misdemeanor, but if you're threatening a peace officer then you're making them... it felony eligible. Is that correct?

Brauer: "That's correct."

- Gordon, C.: "So, are... are we going to start going down the road that we have now with aggravated battery with all the different categories?"
- Brauer: "No, I... I don't think so. What happened was... this lady came out, she had an intent to commit suicide. She had a sharp knife to her throat. She was wanting to actually end her life. When the police officers responded, one had a gun drawn, the other one had a taser. Unfortunately, with her actions, if the officer hadn't been able to respond with that taser, then it... it would have probably come to some kind of critical ending. And so, they thought for the public reaction, if it was... somebody was shot for a misdemeanor, then, you know, the reaction would be different as opposed to a felony. And they're just basically trying to protect a lot of the first responders."
- Gordon, C.: "If... and I noticed that you're also making it if someone is threatened with a firearm. Does the firearm have to be loaded?"
- Brauer: "I don't think there is any... in any way that they can tell, when they respond, if a firearm is loaded or not."

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Gordon, C.: "Right. So, if they are threatening someone with an unloaded firearm, is it going to be a felony?"

Brauer: "Yes."

Gordon, C.: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Seeing no further discussion, the question is, 'Does Senate Bill 2488 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Riley. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 113 Members voting 'yes', 2 Members voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Acevedo, for what purpose do you seek recognition, Sir?"

Acevedo: "Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed."

Acevedo: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, about approximately a month ago I passed a Resolution that asked for Congress to reconsider the charges against three Navy Seals for an abuse of a prisoner. Yesterday, Petty Officer 1st Julio Huertas went on trial for court-martial. So, I ask that you keep him in your thoughts and prayers. We must never forget what these brave men and women do for us, and have done. Thank you so much."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Mike Tryon, on Senate Bill-Third Reading, you have Senate Bill 2490. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2490, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from McHenry, Representative Mike Tryon."

Tryon: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a Bill that actually will take concrete recycling and make it part of a local zoning exercise rather than a... a regional pollution siting process. You may remember, we have had similar Bills in When we wrote language for the regional pollution siting process back in the '70s, nobody ever envisioned that recycling would ever probably become an industry or we would ever have the kind of recycling operations around the state that we would have. EPA had interpreted that recycling was taking waste products and reformulating them into some other use. Clearly, in my district, we have a guy who builds roads and takes the concrete and asphalt and chips it, and burns it down, and That's not something that is... should be reuses it. classified as a landfill or a regional woo... waste pollution facility. So, this would exempt that. EPA was in support of it, and we had no objections to it. And this would actually encourage more road builders to do the same thing and recycle their road materials as well. And with that, I would answer any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2490 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative

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- Brady, Fritchey. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 110 Members voting 'yes', 5 Members voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Lou Lang."
- Lang: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to announce that the Jobs Creation Task Force meeting scheduled for this afternoon will be cancelled."
- Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Representative Lang. Representative Coladipietro, you have Senate Bill 2509. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2509, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Coladipietro."
- Coladipietro: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 2509 is an initiative of the Illinois State Bar Association. It adopts Section 505(b)2 of the Uniform Trust Act. There's been some confusion recently about how this Bill... how this has been implemented concerning trust beneficiaries and this Section will maintain the current law in Illinois concerning the area of trust law. The provision has been adopted by almost half of the states and is intended to protect the interest of beneficiaries, facilitate tax planning and avoid litigation. I'd be glad to answer any questions."
- Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from McHenry, Representative Jack Franks.

 And Jack before you start, hold on a minute."

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Franks: "Okay."

Speaker Lyons: "Ladies and Gentlemen, can we please bring the noise level down slightly. It's early in the morning and the noise level gets tremendous in here. Shh... Thank you very much. Representative Franks."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Franks: "Thank you. Representative, I'm reading the analysis, and I'm not sure I understand the federal gift in the state tax rule in asking that the withdrawal may not exceed the greater of five thousand or five percent of the assets in the trust. Are we decoupling from the federal rules and what... that'd be my first question. And the second question is, why do we need this Bill?"

Coladipietro: "No, we're... we are not decoupling from the federal rules. The five thousand-five percent is just merely a type of trust that this may affect. What has happened is, is because of an IRS publication regarding generation-skipping taxes, there's been a possible interpretation that a... a possible withdrawal under a five and five trust, if it were to lapse, would become subject to a creditor's claim, which is not the intent of Common Law Trust Law."

Franks: "Okay. Can you... they're talking about these Crummey powers? Is that a specific type of trust?"

Coladipietro: "Don't you remember that from law school?"

Franks: "I remember the rule in Shelley's Case, and I was wondering if this had any affect on that?"

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Coladipietro: "It... it does not affect the rule of Shelley's Case."

Franks: "Oh."

Coladipietro: "But a... a Crummey Trust Law is a... is a spendthrift trust, essentially set up for... for example, for your children, for an educational trust."

Franks: "Well, then I'm all for it. Thank you for answering those questions."

Coladipietro: "Thank you, Representative."

Speaker Lyons: "Seeing no further discussion, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2509 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative John Bradley, you have Senate Bill 2514 on the Order of Third Readings. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2514, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative John Bradley."

Bradley, J.: "This would be a Bill that would prohibit attorneys from coming in years after a case settles in Probate Court and seeking a fee. It puts a limitation on that. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2514 pass?' All those in favor signify

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by saying... voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Walker, Hannig, Dunkin. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 114 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, on page 3 of the Calendar, on Senate Bills-Third Reading, Representative Dan Beiser has Senate Bill 2520. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2520, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Madison, Representative Dan Beiser."
- Beiser: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2520, which passed out of the Senate with a very good vote, is an initiative of the Metro East Sanitary District and it pertains simply to that. And basically this is a process that started back in 2007 when FEMA and the Army Corps... Corps of Engineers kind of dropped a bombshell on our area, saying that they were attempt... they were potentially going to decertify our levees, and resulting flood insurance would go sky-high for the people in that impacted area. This allows the Metro-East Sanitary District to make sure that the areas that are being served are contributing. And I would ask for a favorable vote, be happy to answer any questions. But again, it's an initiative of the Metro-East Sanitary District, solely."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Crawford, Representative Roger Eddy."

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Eddy: "Thank you, Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Eddy: "Representative... Well, first, an inquiry of the Chair, so they can research this. Does this... does this take 71 votes? Is this a Home Rule invasion?"

Speaker Lyons: "Roger, we'll... we'll get that answer and get back to you before... before we vote on it."

Eddy: "Thank you. Representative, while they're... while they're checking on that, let me... let me ask you a question. Does... does this require that the property that's being annexed be contiguous to the limit... corporate limits? Is that a part of the requirement here?"

Beiser: "Yes."

Eddy: "So, it has to be contiguous and I understand it also has to currently be served by the district."

Beiser: "Currently being served req... they're actually getting the benefits, currently, as we speak."

Eddy: "So, the... the property that's annexed is subject to the taxes, as well, and any regulations?"

Beiser: "Yes."

Eddy: "So, the issue here... and I... I think the concern is the fact that the powers granted allow for the annexation without... Well, I mean, it's almost like taking... a quick-take for the purposes of this Bill. Is that inaccurate? How... how would you describe that?"

Beiser: "Well, I guess the way I'd respond to that,
Representative Eddy, is that these people are in the…
they're currently getting served by this district. They're
in the area and they're not contributing. Is it going to…

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is it... and I think the question was asked in committee, does this impact... does eminent domain come into play? And that the answer to that would be no. They're in the district currently."

Eddy: "So, are these individuals simply, at this time, not contributing to the services from the sanitation district?"

Beiser: "Yes."

Eddy: "But they are reserve... receiving those services?"

Beiser: "Yes."

Eddy: "Okay. Let... I'm real interested to see if this supersedes that Home Rule..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative, your time expired. I'll give you another minute if you want it."

Eddy: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "And when the parliamentarian will get back to us with an answer before we vote on this Bill."

Eddy: "That... that would be what... what I would request, is that at some point we... before we vote obviously, that we would know..."

Speaker Lyons: "We will get back to you."

Eddy: "...the votes necessary. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Jasper, Representative David Reis."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Reis: "Representative Beiser, I'm a little unsure yet what's going on. Now, will the voters have a right to vote to be annexed in? Because I'm having trouble deciphering

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between... there's no eminent domain, but yet there's not voter input. How will this work?"

Beiser: "It just gives the authority to the sanitary district to annex the property."

Reis: "But there will be no vote by the people that are not currently in the district."

Beiser: "True. That's correct."

Reis: "But that's not eminent domain?"

Beiser: "It's done by an ordinance of the… this gives the… this enables the sanitary district to do this."

Reis: "What if those people don't want in the district?"

Beiser: "I think since they're receiving services that they will... I... I don't think they can receive the services without being part of the district."

Reis: "Well, how's come... and I'm trying to visualize this because I can relate easier to farmland and levees and inside the district and outside the district, so I'm trying to visualize this. This is a municipal district, right?"

Beiser: "This is a... I'm sorry. I didn't hear that or I didn't understand that question."

Reis: "This is a municipal district. It has nothing to do with farmland, right?"

Beiser: "Metro East Sanitary District is its own entity.

Basically, we're covered by... or we're protected by five levee systems and again, it's only for this. As you recall, this is a trailer Bill, actually, to a Senate Bill that we passed under the 95th General Assembly that allowed us to create, for our own area, the flood protection district, and try to correct the situation within

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ourselves. And this further enables the Metro East Sanitary District to those properties that are receiving the services to get the nec... the accompanying revenues from the taxation of that district."

Reis: "Just a second, Representative."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Reis, your time's expired, but we'll give you another minute for a follow-up guestion."

Reis: "Is served the same as hooked up?"

Beiser: "Is served the same as what?"

Reis: "Hooked up? So, that maybe the line runs in front of their house, but they're not hooked up. Will this law require them to be hooked up and be a part of the system that, up to this point, they have chosen not to be a part of?"

Beiser: "If they're receiving this... I don't know how to describe it other than..."

Reis: "Well, it's kind of like, the line's running in front of your house, but you're not hooked up. So, it's served, but they're not hooked up. And that..."

Beiser: "David, I think if... if I'm understanding your question right, hooked up, yeah, I think we're talking about it's maybe a sanitary sewer type of system. This is a levee system. This is to deal with the levees for the Metro-East Sanitary District. And again, it gets back to FEMA making that situation where they're, seriously, going to decertify our levees."

Reis: "Okay. My minute's expired. I'll continue to listen to the debate. Thank you, Representative."

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- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes Representative Rosemary Mulligan."
- Mulligan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

 Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."
- Mulligan: "Representative, do you view this Bill as solving just one particular situation, not as starting down the slippery slope for other people to be able to do this?"
- Beiser: "Yes. This is... this is something that the sanitary district has asked just for themselves. It's just for our area. Again, like I said, Representative Mulligan, it's a trailer Bill to the one where we're saying we've got a complex levee system that protects our... our residential and commercial areas and farming areas. We asked in... in the 95th General Assembly for permission to do this to ourselves, to protect our levees. This just furthers that when it... as it applies to the Metro East Sanitary District."
- Mulligan: "So, you're currently protecting the residents and because they're not annexed they don't pay and the rest of the district covers the cost of what you do to cover them?"

 Beiser: "Yes."
- Mulligan: "So, this would request that they pay their fair share if you annex them and of course, they probably wouldn't vote to annex themselves if they could get away for not... without paying for it. Correct?"
- Beiser: "I would, you know, that would speculate that most people probably would not, however, I think they... those same residents want to be protected from a potential devastating flood and they're receiving those services."

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- Mulligan: "All right. So, you're saying on the record that you think this is an individualized type situation and that if we're not setting a precedent that other people can annex without going to referendum through a Home... Home Rule community. Because I would hate for this to happen in another situation, not of a similar benefit to that area, but to benefit to other people that might not have the same interest that you're looking at."
- Beiser: "Sure. This, again, this only impacts... and we're only asking for it to give the Metro East Sanitary District this ability, and no other area of the state and nothing other than that."
- Mulligan: "Thank you."
- Speaker Lyons: "Representative Eddy, we have the parliamentarian here to give you a response on your inquiry."
- Parliamentarian Ellis: "Representative Eddy, on behalf of the Speaker, in response to your inquiry, there is no preemption of Home Rule in this Bill. So, this is a 60-vote requirement. The Bill references Home Rule communities, but it does not preempt their ability. So, it would be a 60-vote requirement, Sir."
- Eddy: "Thank you very much. I appreciate... appreciate the explanation."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes Representative Pat Verschoore."
- Verschoore: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. This Bill was brought before my committee and like the Bill Sponsor said, this is just basically getting the people that have reaped all these benefits these years to pay their fair

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share. It's a good Bill and I would urge an 'aye' vote for this. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman for Morgan, Representative Jim Watson."

Watson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. This is not an easy Bill for Representative... for Representative Beiser to bring... bring forth. None of us want to bring forth any type of fee of tax increases, but I think this is the kind of leadership that we're going to need if we're going to get out of this thing. And, basically, what he's saying is people are going to have to pay their fair share. You've had suburban expansion, and all we're doing is saying if you want to continue with this levee to protect people, you've got to fund it. And... so I... I applaud your efforts."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Fortner."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Fortner: "I... I'd like to follow up on Representative Reis's questions. As I was reading the Bill, it looks to me that what we're talking about by service means any area, basically, that would be protected by the levees or flood walls maintained by the Metro East District. Is that right?"

Beiser: "Yes."

Fortner: "And, maybe the previous speaker touched on this, why would they... why would those areas that are being protected not have been included initially? And how were the original idea... areas included?"

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Beiser: "I don't... I don't have the history to that, so I don't...
I really don't have the answer to that, Mike."

Fortner: "Because I would have thought, initially, the district would have been put together by some public vote referendum of some kind, and I'm just surprised that there wasn't a mechanism in place to say, how do we recognize an expanding area for that district as may have been previously indicated, that there's been growth in that area. So, I just... it seems a bit of a puzzle there."

Beiser: "This district... right. Thank you. As Representative Watson just gave me some feedback and I was reminded also from staff, this district evolved from another district going back into the '40s and therefore, that's why you have situations... like to present itself, that it makes this piece of legislation necessary in order to get the... for those being served to pay their fair share."

Fortner: "Well, thank you very much."

Beiser: "Yes."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from St. Clair, Representative Tom Holbrook."

Holbrook: "Thank you, Speaker. To the Bill. Our levee district in the Metro-East were established back during World War II, and right after. A lot of them were built by WPA. Recently we've been having some rough times with the Federal Government, with IEMA and FEMA, over what areas were and weren't covered by our levees, which are protected. We've kept our levees to the federal standard that the feds build them at for the last... since they were built in the '40s and '30s. What we have found, with GPS

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and many of the other more advanced technologies today, there are areas what we were protecting that are contiquous to this that are covered, areas that the Federal Government say we need to protect 'cause they're in the floodplain. We're already protecting them. These people are already receiving these services, and due, in most cases, updating of technology like the GPS system, identified these properties. And that's what this Bill's going to do. And it will allow those people being protected, that we have discovered that are in that area, that are being covered, which are in a huge issue of our area for economic development, as we have to bring these levees up to the new standards the Federal Government has brought to us after the Katrina. This has brought this to the forefront. It's brought the technologies in a much, much closer review of what we're doing with floodplain areas. And that's why this Bill was developed. We've discovered some of these properties have been getting by without paying their fair share, while the other folks are bearing it. It's a good Bill. I'd ask for everyone to vote for it. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Beiser to close."

Beiser: "Yes, Mr. Chair, thank you. I would simply say that as these levees were created back in the '40s, there was no growth in this area, it was just blank and as as Representative Watson alluded to earlier, now we have growth. And now we have FEMA and the Corps of Engineers telling us that potentially we're going to have these levees decertified and all these properties suffer the

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consequences of increased flood insurance rates. And we're attempting to bring our levees up to standards to meet the requirements that may be imposed. It's only for our area and I would ask an 'aye' vote. And I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote."

- Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2520 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Mell, Miller, Winters. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 82 Members voting 'yes', 33 Members voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Mark Walker, on Third Reading-Senate Bills you have Senate Bill 2527. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2527, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Mark Walker."
- Walker: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. Senate Bill 2527 expands the number of residential rehabilitation facilities that treat people with acquired or traumatic brain injuries from two to five. This... there is one facility that started over two years ago. It expanded in the last Session to two. We're now looking to expand the number of licenses to five. These residential brain injury rehabilitation centers allow a person to go into a homelike setting to learn how to use appliances, learn how to live their life and to rehabilitate them in that way. I am especially proud to

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- Sponsor this because traumatic brain injuries is the signature injury of our current wars and this will help veterans."
- Speaker Lyons: "Seeing no one seeks recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2527 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Danny Reitz, Zalewski. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Tom Holbrook, you have Senate Bill 2533. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2533, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from St. Clair, Representative Tom Holbrook."
- Holbrook: "Thank you, Speaker. Senate Bill 2533 is an initiative from the Child Death Review Team Executive Council. They need to finish their work on this program. This passed out of the Senate unanimously. I know of no opposition to the Bill and there's no appropriation needed for it. I'd take questions and ask for an 'aye' vote."
- Speaker Lyons: "Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2533 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative

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Nekritz, Danny Reitz. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Ramey, you have Senate Bill 2504. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2504, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Randy Ramey."

Ramey: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2504, a simple Bill. We're trying to codify a current practice used in DHS. The idea here is that when persons who are placed into these facilities, we want to make sure that they have proper supervision. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation, is there any discussion? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from McHenry, Representative Jack Franks."

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

Speaker Lyons: "The Sponsor yields."

Franks: "Thank you. Representative, isn't this the law right now?"

Ramey: "No."

Franks: "Okay. What happens if one... That's a good answer, I want you to know. I appreciate..."

Ramey: "I like to be straightforward, Representative."

Franks: "I appreciate that. What happens right now if one is committed to a secured facility and needs to be transferred? How does... how does it work?"

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Ramey: "Well, what they have been doing is what we're trying to codify here, is that they are attended to, but it... the law does not specify that they have to. And the problem that they find is that occasionally that these people decide to just walk around or leave the premises, and you don't have any law in place that says that we have to have somebody with them. So, this was a proposal by DHS."

Franks: "All right. So, what you're trying to do is codify the protocol?"

Ramey: "Yes, Sir."

Franks: "Sounds good. Thank you."

Ramey: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "No one seeking discussion, further, Representative Ramey to close."

Ramey: "I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2504 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Suzie Bassi, Frank Mautino. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, Representative Bob Pritchard has Senate Bill 2537. Read the Bill."

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2537, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Bob Pritchard."

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- Pritchard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill amends the School Code with respect to administrative certificates. It makes two changes in how prospective school administrators can earn necessary endorsements and certifications. It has passed the Senate 56-0 and I know of no opposition. I ask for your support."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation of the Bill. Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2537 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, Sid Mathias has Senate Bill 2541 on the bottom of page 3. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2541, a Bill for an Act concerning professional regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Lyons: "Representative Mathias."
- Mathias: "Thank you, Mr... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2541 creates the Uniform Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioners Act. It is identical to House Bill 5133 that previously, last month, passed this chamber unanimously, but is now stuck in the Senate. So, I ask for your 'aye' vote."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is,

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'Should Senate Bill 2541 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Saviano, you have Senate Bill 2553. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2553, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Third Reading."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook.

 Representative Skip Saviano."
- Saviano: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Did I file an Amendment on this? Could you check that?"
- Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, status of Amendments."
- Clerk Mahoney: "No Amendments have been filed to this Bill."
- Saviano: "Okay. Thank you. Senate Bill 2553 is a trailer Bill to a Bill that we passed last year, which sets a... sets up a dedicated professional fund for moneys to be deposited in... in what we collect the licensing fees for limited liability corporations. I would ask for its passage. Thank you."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation. Seeing no discussion, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2553 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Bob Biggins. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby

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declared passed. Representative Careen Gordon, on the bottom of page 3 you have Senate Bill 2570. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2570, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Lady from Grundy, Representative Careen Gordon."
- Gordon, C.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This has to do with support orders and maintenance orders. When someone files a posttrial motion to modify either one of those, the support order and the maintenance order stays in effect until that posttrial motion is decided upon by the courts, so someone is not denied their child support or their maintenance during the course of that posttrial motion, until it's decided upon. This constantly happens. And it's something that the State Bar Association supports. I'd be happy to answer any questions and I would ask for an 'aye' vote."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Lady's explanation. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2570 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Saviano. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Page 4 of Senate Bills-Third Reading, Representative Farnham, you have Senate Bill 2589. Representative Farnham. Out of the record. Leader Barbara

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Flynn Currie, you have Senate Bill 2594. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2594, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Leader Barbara Flynn Currie."

"Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. This measure we voted on in this House earlier this Session. would eliminate the sunset on the state's Preschool For All This... the elimination of the sunset would not create an entitlement, but it would say that all those children, some 20 to 25 thousand of them who have been able to participate in preschool program since we expanded the service in 2006, would not be forced out of their programs just because the sunset would take hold. So, this... this program would continue guided by appropriations, but the reality is that the more opportunities our youngsters have for preschool programs, quality preschool programs, the better prepared they are for regular school and the better they are then prepared for life. So, I'd be happy to answer your questions and I'd appreciate your support for Senate Bill 2594."

Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Lady's explanation. Is there any discussion? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Bill Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lyons: "The Sponsor yields."

Black: "Majority Leader Currie, you passed an identical Bill out of the chamber some time ago. Just for my edification,

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it was my understanding that if we passed a Bill first, then the Senate Bill would stay. Didn't you pass yours first, so..."

Currie: "I... I thought I did, but I didn't. The Senate Bill..."

Black: "Okay."

Currie: "...came here first, and so what we're trying to do is say that whichever Bill passes first is the Bill that we will then work on."

Black: "Okay."

Currie: "But it is identical. You are right to an earlier measure."

Black: "Well, it's a very, very important Bill. Obviously, a
Bill that's going to be caught up in... in the funding
crisis, but a very important Bill nonetheless and to lift
the sunset is just good public policy. And I urge my
colleagues to vote 'aye'."

Speaker Lyons: "Seeing no further discussion, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2594 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes' and 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative LaShawn Ford, you have Senate Bill 25... 2606. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2606, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

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- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative LaShawn Ford."
- Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. Senate Bill 2606 amends the Illinois Parentage Act to modernize the outdated scientific language in the Act. Doing so, it makes two main changes to the provision involving the standards for DNA testing and modifies the scientific and judicial procedures for establishing paternity. With that, I ask for a favorable vote. There is no opposition to the measure."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation. No one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2606 pass?' Those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative John Bradley, you have Senate Bill 2615. Representative Bradley. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2615, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Lyons: "Representative John Bradley."
- Bradley, J.: "This is... this is a borrowing Bill for the community colleges in the State of Illinois. It passed unanimously out of committee. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Crawford, Representative Roger Eddy."

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- Eddy: "Thank you, Speaker. Just very quickly, to the Bill.

 This is vital to community college finances in the state.

 I thank Representative Bradley for moving this through quickly. It's something that will help them, hopefully in the very near future, if they need to make payroll. And I would also urge an 'aye' vote. This is something very, very important to our community colleges in the state."
- Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2615 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 91 Members voting 'yes, 24 Members voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Feigenholtz on the floor? Representative Brandon Phelps, on the Order of Third Reading-Senate Bills, you have Senate Bill 2632. Out of the record. Representative Pat Verschoore, you have Senate Bill 2794. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2794, a Bill for an Act concerning emergency services. Third Reading."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Rock Island, Representative Pat Verschoore."
- Verschoore: "Thank you, Mr. Pres... Mr. Chairman. What this does is it amends the Hazardous Material Emergency Response Reimbursement Act and the Illinois Vehicle Code. It removes civil defense from and adds law enforcement or police services, emergency mortuary service, includes the duties of the county coroner or a medical examiner and

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- emergency management to the list of entities considered an emergence... emergency response agency under the Hazardous Material Act. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote and I'd be happy to answer any questions."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation. No one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2794 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Deborah Mell, you have Senate Bill 2799. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2799, a Bill for an Act concerning professional regulation. Third Reading."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Lady from Cook. Representative Deb Mell."
- Mell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. SB2799 amends the Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, and Nail Technology Act of 1985, to add 'threading to the scope of the Act. The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation administers their Act. There is no opposition."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Lady's explanation. No one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2799 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Verschoore. Mr. Clerk, take the

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record. On this Bill, there are 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Bill Black, for what purpose do you seek recognition, Sir?"

Black: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I had my light on before you went to the vote, but I... it was... I pushed it late, I apologize for that. I'll try to be more timely in the future. I may be the only person in the room who is willing to admit this, I voted 'yes', but I have no idea what hair braiding is. And that's what I wanted to ask, but it... it's too late. We'll... I'll go talk to the Sponsor and we'll go from there. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, Mr. Black. Representative Bob Pritchard, you have Senate Bill 2801. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2801, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from DeKalb, Representative Bob Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Could we lower the volume? Could we lower the volume?"

Speaker Lyons: "Ladies and Gentlemen, again..."

Pritchard: "Please."

Speaker Lyons: "...the sound in the chamber makes it very hard for Members to explain their Bills, let alone take questions. So, in the words of Chuck Hartke, 'Shh...'. Thank you very much. Representative Pritchard."

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- Pritchard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill permits Kishwaukee Community College, in my district, to issue 25-year bonds instead of just 20-year bonds for building purposes as a result of the growth that we're... our community colleges are seeing. And they can do this only with district voter approval by referendum and a number of stipulations that they would put forward in that ballot initiative. I would ask for your support."
- Speaker Lyons: "You've heard the Gentleman's explanation. No one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2801 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Jerry Mitchell. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 87 Members voting 'yes', 28 Members voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Chuck Jefferson, you have Senate Bill 2802 on the Order of Third Reading-Senate Bills. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2802, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading."
- Speaker Lyons: "Representative Chuck Jefferson."
- Jefferson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the General Assembly. This simply extends the enterprise zone for businesses from the current term, two years, I think 2012. I would ask for an 'aye' vote."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation. No one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill

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2802 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Dan Beiser, you have Senate Bill 2804. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2804, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Beiser."

Beiser: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is an initiative of the Illinois Municipal League and the Barrington Area Council of Governments. Basically, it allows local governments to set the maximum speed limit to as low as 25 miles per hour. Currently, that is... the maximum is 35 in areas that is justified because of the terrain of the roadway."

Speaker Lyons: "Would the Gentleman..."

Beiser: "Passed out of committee… it passed out of committee unanimously. And I'd ask for an 'aye' vote and would be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from McLean, Representative Dan Brady."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Brady: "Representative, just a quick question. I... I'm sorry I couldn't hear everything you were saying there. This allows a municipality to lower the speed limit in their

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municipal jurisdiction, in a certain areas or what... what is the criteria to lower the speed limit?"

Beiser: "Under... you mean currently or ... "

Brady; "Well, if I understand Senate Bill 2804 and what I heard, it's... it's giving the authority to a local municipality, to reduce down the speed limit to 25 miles per hour, if they choose to do so. Is that correct?"

Beiser: "That's correct."

Brady: "Okay. And what is... what is that criteria in which that would be decided upon for a local city council, I'm assuming, to do that?"

Beiser: "An engineering study that would show that, that lower speed is... is needed to protect public safety."

Brady: "And that... that study, is that a study that would be done by the local municipality? It's not an IDOT study.

We're talking only local municipal roads. Is that correct?"

Beiser: "Yes. That'd be correct."

Brady: "Okay. Thank you very much."

Beiser: "You're welcome."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Boone, Representative Ron Wait."

Wait: "Would the Representative yield?"

Speaker Lyons: "He yields."

Wait: "Dan, I know in... in my town, they lowered the resident speed limit to 25 miles an hour. Are you saying they... they did not have the authority to do it before, that's why we're giving it to them now?"

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Beiser: "Ron, this also... part of this has to do with... and a... what's defined as a 'residence district'. Currently, this amends this clarification def... definition of a 'residence district' by increasing the allowable distance between residences or buildings from 300 to 500 feet. And basically, what this is, this impacts metropolitan areas throughout the state, especially those that are growing, have larger lot subdivisions, suburban rural interfaces, things like that. And again, it was brought to us by Barrington area because of the roadways in that community, in their area, and supported by the Illinois Municipal League. I don't know if that answered your question or if I could further..."

Wait: "Okay. Well, I thank you for that clarification. Thank you."

Beiser: "Sure."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Beiser to close."

Beiser: "I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2804 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', O voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, back on the Calendar on page 3, Leader Tom Cross has Senate Bill 2542. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2542, a Bill for an Act concerning athlete agents. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

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Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Kane, Representative Tim Schmitz."

Schmitz: "Thank you, Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 2542 is going to create the Illinois Athlete Agents Act. Currently, 38 states have adopted this from... model from the NCAA, trying to regulate student athletes as they move their way through the college system. Illinois would join the other states in regulating this and setting out standards that the agents would have to comply with in Illinois. And I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook.

Representative John Fritchey."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Fritchey: "Representative, this... this solely resp... this solely addresses agents of student athletes while they're still in school. This has nothing to do with professional sports agents, is that correct?"

Schmitz: "That's correct."

Fritchey: "So, to the extent that they're representing a student athlete and that athlete then signs a contract, are they no longer then bound under this and they are bound under normal principles acting as either an agent or an attorney?"

Schmitz: "They would be bound at the next level as they're probably dealing with them as a pro athlete, at that point."

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Fritchey: "Right. But, so... so this would end up on the execution of a... of a contract?"

Schmitz: "Correct."

Fritchey: "And then so, and this has been crafted because whoever these people are they... they're really in a unique situation because they're not simply dealing with athletes, they're dealing with athletes who at the time are still students, correct?"

Schmitz: "That's correct."

Fritchey: "Okay. Thank you very much."

Schmitz: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "No one seeking further discussion, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2542 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Will Burns. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 98 Members voting 'yes', 17 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Continuing back on page 4 of the Calendar, Representative Tom Holbrook, you have Senate Bill 2807. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2807, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from St. Clair, Representative

Tom Holbrook."

Holbrook: "Thank you, Speaker. Senate Bill 2807 is an initiative of the Secretary of State's Office to bring some of our licensed LLCs into conformation with the National

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Conference. We did a small Amendment in the House that cleaned up a drafting error. It passed the Senate 53-0, passed committee unanimously. Be glad to take any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation. No one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2807 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Jack Franks, you have House Bill 2824. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. Senate Bill 2824."

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2824, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Jack Franks."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill would prohibit child sex offenders from being present in or loitering in any public park and with being within 500 feet of a public park. And the reason we need this legislation is because research shows that child sex offenders are significantly more likely to reoffend. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative John Fritchey."

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

Speaker Lyons: "The sponsor yields."

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Fritchey: "Jack, with all due respect, I'm not going to miss these Bills when I'm gone."

Franks: "Yeah, I know."

Fritchey: "Under cur... under current law, it is illegal for a child sex offender to be in a park when children are present, correct?"

Franks: "I am sorry. Could you repeat that?"

Fritchey: "Under the existing law today, it is illegal and it's a felony for a child sex offender to be in a park if a child is present."

Franks: "Knowingly. That's the requirement."

Fritchey: "Correct."

Franks: "Right now, so..."

Fritchey: "So, if... if they know that there's kids there, they can't be in the park because they're a convicted child sex offender and that makes sense that we want to keep convicted child sex offenders away from kids."

Franks: "Right."

Fritchey: "Correct?"

Franks: "Correct."

Fritchey: "So, we're now simply... and I shouldn't say simply... so now you're going to try to extend this to say, if you are a child sex offender, you can't be in a park, regardless if there is a child for miles."

Franks: "Correct."

Fritchey: "Where's the nexus?"

Franks: "Well, the nexus is you don't know if the child's coming. How... what happens if this person's there and then a child shows up. I don't think these folks should be..."

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Fritchey: "But..."

Franks: "...in the proximity."

Fritchey: "...but... and..."

Franks: "And I think it's a question of pump you're asking."

Fritchey: "...but we're not... we're not talking... and... and Jack, I

mean this respectfully, you and I..."

Franks: "Right."

Fritchey: "... go back a long time."

Franks: "Right."

Fritchey: "Once they know a child is there, they have to get the heck out of the park because it's a felony for them to be there. But for them... for now we're going to say, we want to reintegrate people into society, but there may not be a child for miles, but you can't set foot in a park because you were a convicted child sex offender."

Franks: "Yeah. I think that's one of the privileges that they give up when they decide to prey on young children because I think it's a question of public safety. So, I don't have any qualms about passing this Bill."

Fritchey: "An... and I'm sure you don't and I'm sure you have nothing but good faith in doing this. You're a parent; I'm a parent."

Franks: "Right."

Fritchey: "...You and I adore our kids."

Franks: "Right."

Fritchey: "But you're now going to say if you're a child sex offender, you can't jog through a park. If you're a child sex offender, you can't... you can't attend a 21 and over concert in a park. If you're a child sex offender, here's

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one more thing you can't... and... and listen, I... I've made this argument before. There's nobody that's going to accuse me of having one iota of sympathy for the heinous crimes committed by these people. And you know I'm in full support of banning them from parks where there's kids around. And if... if they're in a park and there's no kid around and a kid shows up, they've got to get the heck out of that park or they're going to become a repeat felon, as well they should be, because I don't want them within eyeshot of a child. But to have them banned from a park, even if it's at an adult function where kids are not allowed to be, even if there's a child nowhere to be found, I just don't see the nexus..."

Speaker Lyons: "John, we'll give you another minute."

Fritchey: "Thank you, Speaker, I appreciate that. Between...
between them being in a park with no kids around and the
fact that they were a convicted child sex offender."

Franks: "I understand your... your reasoning. I think we're dealing with a different class of offender; one whose empirical evidence indicates are much more likely to reoffend. I know it's a tough... I know it's a tough law and I think it needs to be tougher because oftentimes I think the defense could be that they didn't know that there was children there. And the whole reason why we passed this in the past was to protect our children. I think we're taking the next logical step."

Fritchey: "I... I don't want to belabor this. To the Bill, Mr. Speaker and I appre... I appreciate the indulgence here. You... with the talk about empirical studies, I... I hope that

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individuals read the Chicago Tribune article a couple weeks ago that said a number of the laws that we are passing are having the exult... the exact opposite impact that we've intended that they have, that we are creating a greater likelihood for some of these sex offenders to reoffend, based on these restrictions that are being passed on them. We are creating a situation where we truly are putting them into a leper colony and at a certain point in time, Ladies and Gentlemen, we have to check our moral feelings about these heinous crimes and look at the legality of what we're doing and the impact of what we're doing. None of us want these people anywhere near children. That's why we keep them away from schools. That's why we keep them away from parks, when there's kids there. That's why we keep them away from ice cream trucks. That's why we keep them away from carnivals. That's why we keep them from living near a church. That's why we keep doing a number of things which make sense. But to say that you cannot set foot in a park that have kids nowhere near it simply because of the past offense is piling on without a result, without an intended impact, without a goal being accomplished, and without any logical or rational or basis here other than and... and, Representative Franks, I'm... this is not directed at you... but so many of these people are going to vote for this Bill for political cover and to avoid a hit and to avoid the mail piece, not because it affects a policy, not because there's a reason to keep them away from a park where there's no kids around, you know, more than... this makes no more sense than saying, if you're convicted of murder, you

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shouldn't be allowed by a park because a person may come into that park and you'll kill them again. There's simply no nexus here. Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Durkin."

Durkin: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lyons: "The Sponsor yields."

Durkin: "Representative, we're talking 500 feet from a public park. If this person is a sex offender is residing in an apartment or a home within 500 feet, are they in violation of that law?"

Franks: "Well, right now with that same law, they can't be within 500 feet if children are present..."

Durkin: "If they're..."

Franks: "...so that wouldn't be changed."

Durkin: "Okay. The Bill passes, is signed by the Governor, but that person is now currently in a residence. Are they in violation of the law or are they some how grandfathered or exempt or do they have to move out of the apartment or the home?"

Franks: "Right now, the law is, Mr. Durkin, that a child sex offender cannot be at a park or within 500 feet of a park when children are present. That's the law right now. Okay. We're just saying they can't be there whether children are present or not. So, it'd be the same analysis as the law that already exists."

Durkin: "No, I understand that, but I think it's going to be an issue... I... I'm supporting the Bill. Jack, I'm supporting the Bill, but I think this is an issue that will be... it's going to come up in one of these cases, where somebody is a

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resident and in an apartment, not far from a public park, and all of a sudden, someone says, the sex offender resides there. They're across the street, but he… they're living there and children are present. Does it allow for the…"

Franks: "That might be in another Section of the law."

Durkin: "Yeah."

Franks: "It's not in this Bill."

Durkin: "No, I know, but I think you're... I'm just asking... I'm just giving you a scenario...

Franks: "Right."

Durkin: "...where I think it's not unrealistic and whether or not this law would... would apply to it. I understand where you're going. I'm going to support your Bill, but I just wanted you... just to get your thoughts on it. Thank you."

Franks: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Ken Dunkin."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor..."

Dunkin: "Representative..."

Speaker Lyons: "... Sponsor yields."

Dunkin: "is... I notice you have on here as a proponent, Lake

County Forest Preserve and a member initiative, at least

according to my analysis. Did the actual county government

there... Lake County Forest Preserve ask you to carry this

initiative?"

Franks: "No, Sir. It was a Member initiative. I had brought it up with my Senator. I had filed the Bill here in the House. I'd asked her to file the identical legislation in

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the Senate 'cause I was worried about Bill limitations in this even-numbered year. I thought we'd be dealing a lot more with the budget. Silly me. I thought we'd be spending all our time doing that. So, that's why I'd asked Senator Althoff to file the identical Bill. Once the Bill was filed, then proponents came forward."

Dunkin: "So, did the Lake County Forest Preserve sign up as a proponent or is this a mistake on here?"

Franks: "I believe they did in committee, in the... I believe they did sign on as... in the committee."

Dunkin: "Well, I guess, the big reason for that is you have a number of forest preserves across the State of Illinois, correct?"

Franks: "Sure."

Dunkin: "Why wouldn't they be all on..."

Franks: "I... I didn't go see..."

Dunkin: "...as cosponsors?"

Franks: "...proponents. I thought it was a commonsense issue. If people want to get on Bills, they can. I don't know anyone who's against it. If you also look here, you haven't seen anybody's against it. So, I didn't go and seek proponents on this Bill. I didn't think it was necessary."

Dunkin: "Well, Representative, do you know Members... you know... no Member's going to vote against this Bill because none of us, especially those of us, well, actually, none of us, whether you have children or not, would do anything that's going to even give the appearance of coddling a sex offender, especially, someone who molests kids. I mean, that is to me one of the most heinous crimes out here. And

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I guess that the question that Representative Fritchey asked and some of the line of questions that he asked as a good attorney, such as yourself, will pretty much..."

Franks: "I'm not that... I'm not that good of an attorney."

Dunkin: "Well, I guess the real question is enforcement."

Franks: "Yeah."

Dunkin: "And how do you couple this with a number of other pieces of legislation that has come across this particular floor. I mean, they're all over the place and... I mean, is there a comprehensive sex offender, child sex offender law that has some real legitimacy..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Dunkin, your time is expired.

We'll give you another minute, Ken, to finish your question."

Franks: "Very good... you make a very good point. Right now, the way the law is drafted, I think this is a much brighter line. I think it's much easier for enforcement, for both the... a... a sex offender to know what's happening, as well as law enforcement because right now, one has to register as a sex offender, correct? Right now, if one would go into a park who happens to be a registered sex offender, child sex offender, that person may or may not know whether a child is present. Okay? They could be charged right now under law. This here makes a much brighter line. You can't go there. If you go there, you're breaking the law. I think this makes it much more clear."

Dunkin: "Well, Representative, what I'm looking at and I'll...

I'll wrap up, is how do you tangibly enforce this type of law, given that... it's all... our... our child sex offender laws

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are all over the place and there's really, there seems to be no rhyme or reason or no rhythm when it comes to enforcing sex offenders."

Franks: "But we have the same..."

Dunkin: "How do you get a handle on..."

Franks: "...but we have the same issues for people who have..."

Dunkin: "...forest preserves versus parks and versus schools. I mean, it seems that we're all over the place and I would think that it makes sense for us to come up with a comprehensive approach of how we're going to enforce child sex predators, collectively, other than what appears to be putting this out at... almost as a political ups... or a pluspositive force here. I mean, how do we actually enforce this law, Representative? Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Did you hear my question? Representative."

Speaker Lyons: "Are you looking for a response, Representative Dunkin? Make this short..."

Dunkin: "Oh, okay."

Speaker Lyons: "...because there's a lot of people who want to speak to this, so answer that question if you can, Representative Franks."

Franks: "I shall and I..."

Speaker Lyons: "And then we'll move on."

Franks: "...I think the point is on how the enforcement is in many of our criminal laws. For instance, we have laws against driving while under the influence. We have these laws and... and repeat offenders continue to break those laws, so we have to continue to be vigilant. It's the same thing here. We have these laws and we need to have them

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enforced I don't have a... a good answer on how we do that. And we don't want to become a police state, but by the same token, we need to get the message out and we need to pass strong laws, too, for public safety. And certainly, we need to couple that as well with the proper treatment because these folks do need treatment. That they're... they've got serious mental issues that need to be treated as well, but at the same time, we also need to protect our citizens."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Winnebago, Representative Jim Sacia."

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

Speaker Lyons: "The Sponsor yields."

Sacia: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, great credit to the Sponsor and he actually talked to me ahead of time about this Bill in committee. And I expressed some reservation with it, and then due to the pressure of timing and everything, I... I did vote to get the Bill out of committee. I believe it went out on leave, quite honestly. But I have great reservations and I think Representative Fritchey nailed it completely. A lot of people are going to feel compelled to vote for this and as evidence by the CLEAR Commission, that has not addressed sexual predators, we continue to categorize the Romeo and Juliet offenders in the same category with the 50-year-old man and the fiveyear-old child. I literally have five known identified couples in my district. Five different people have come to me, who are lifetime registry sex offenders, that had sex with a minor female when they were in their late teens.

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With this legislation, we are categorizing those people as sex offenders, perverts, if you will, and this Bill goes directly to them. Many people will feel compelled to vote 'aye' on this legislation. This legislation is fraught with issues. I respect the Sponsor. I know how hard he works on his legislation, but I really feel this is a Bill that's over the top, and I think Representative Fritchey nailed it. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Eddie Washington."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Washington: "Representative Franks, you know this is a.m. this is a.m. a very difficult..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Washington, wait just a moment.

Ladies and Gentlemen, again, could we please bring the noise level in the chamber down, please. Ladies and Gentlemen, bring the noise level down. Shhh. Thank you very much. Representative Washington."

Washington: "And Mr. Speaker, thank you. Representative Franks, this is a... this is a maze type Bill in my mind because there's no way in God's heaven, being a father of seven and knowing what that was like, to be a proponent of support of the crimes of sexual anything, period. But then on the opposite side, sex offenders and people who are charged with that, they pay taxes to supplement forest preserves. They pay taxes to supplement public usage. And so, I'm looking at this board and I see my colleagues' names up there and I know that this is a good... this is a good political legislation. This is good legislation to win

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elections. But then again, I just saw on 60 Minutes where they have... we have... society has created a colony that houses sex offenders at \$180 thousand a pop. I just spoke to the director of... of Corrections concerning the number of individuals who did crime, who did time, time is that they come out of jail, but they had to stay in jail because of the restrictions of X amount of feet from a school, X amount of people living more than one in an apartment building. I'm just saying, when do we cut bait here. You sound so passionate selling this idea, but then, are there not families affected, are there not rights? really legislate morality? Can anybody in this room give a time table when somebody's going to get a sexual urge. They interviewed a guy who said that he should stay in prison. And I'm... I agree with him. He clearly said if you let me out, I'm going to do it again. And so, that is the But I want you to tell me, how do we legislate case. morality and how are we going to off limit in our parks to people who may have that background?"

Franks: "We need to legislate deviant conduct. That's our job, Mr. Washington. Simply because you might have a soft spot for people who pay taxes, doesn't mean that we're going to throw our public safety out the window. Now, I heard another speaker talk..."

Speaker Lyons: "Gentlemen, your time is expired.

Representative Washington, we'll give you another minute to cl... to bring this art... this discussion to a close."

Washington: "Let me say, Representative, it sounds so sweet and nice. It sounds like a lullaby, but at the same time, it

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does not address the issue. We need to do something different than putting everything off limit to people who've done crime, did the time. And we... and legislation is not going to keep somebody from offending, if they got sexual issues to offend and take somebody's child. I thinks this is a good-intended Bill, but I think it's wrong. We are not... we're not solving the problem, we're creating a bigger problem for ourselves at the taxpayers expense."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Dennis Reboletti."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Reboletti: "Representative Franks, I know you're... you're talking to your distinguished colleague... Representative Franks, I know you had your legal counsel over there."

Franks: "Oh, yeah."

Reboletti: "He can probably help you with the enforcement issues, but let me take a... take a quick look at it. We have laws on the books that say you can't sell dope within a thousand feet of schools and parks, right?"

Franks: "Yep."

Reboletti: "And we enforce that by, when a person is arrested, we take out a tape measure and we measure how far away they are from the public park or school, so this would be no different. Is that a fair statement?"

Franks: "That's... that's correct."

Reboletti: "And I... I guess, I'm assuming that the reason you're bringing this legislation is because if the predator is

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going to return back to where they... they're actually preying, which is the park, and they know they can't be in the park, they're probably going to hang out within a certain range of the park to see if there are children there. Is that why you're doing this, Representative?"

Franks: "Absolutely."

Reboletti: "And I... I don't think this is an additional burden on... on people because these offenders are already told not to be in a lot of places. There... it's already on their probation papers or their parole papers. And all the public parks have large signs that indicate to them that it is... whatever park in your communities or mine, that they would know not to be there. Is that right?"

Franks: "That's correct."

Reboletti: "And what about from the prospective of... of following up on these people on probation or with parole agents? If you can't find sex offenders and you're out looking for them, here we are, we're just enforcing a condition to make sure that when these people who recidivate at 40 or 50 or 60 percent of the time, once they get out of prison, we don't want them back where they commit their crimes. Is that... is that all you're trying to do here, Representative?"

Franks: "You're doing it much better than me. I'm going to sign... I'm going to put you on as a cosponsor."

Reboletti: "Could you please put me on there, Representative?"

Franks: "I shall."

Reboletti: "Ladies and Gentlemen, to the Bill. It's very simple legislation. We don't want sex offenders near

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parks. And that's it. If you... if you think they should be near parks, then vote 'no'. If... but I would join you, Representative Franks, and urge an 'aye' vote to keep sex offenders away from our parks and..."

Speaker Lyons: "Want to finish your thought, Dennis? Okay.

The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from McHenry,

Representative Mike Tryon."

Tryon: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield for some questions?"

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Tryon: "Thank you. Representative Franks, in... in a situation where a registered sex offender is residing and there is no park within 500 feet and while this may seem unlikely in a rapidly growing area such as our counties, we have park districts that buy land all the time and... and create new parks. So, I'm living in a... in a property and... and the park district builds a park within 500 feet of my property. I... would I have to move?"

Franks: "I think we'd have to cross that bridge when we come to it. I'm not sure what the other portions of the sex offender law state. I know it's not in this legislation, and I can get you that answer. I'm not sure and if it needs to be amended, we can... we can do that."

Tryon: "My... my guess is under the Fifth Amendment under the Takings Clause, you can't take private property for public purpose without just compensation. Will you think that would apply in this case in the event that I owned the property, and if I were forced to be moved out of my

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property, would then the anticipation be the government that created a park would have to buy my property?"

Franks: "That's the first I'm hearing this hypothetical. And I'm certainly not... I wouldn't... my intent was not to obligate the... the government, either local, state or federal, to have to purchase that land. No."

Tryon: "But the Constitution of the United States might apply, if in fact there was dir... a public benefit being derived by the creation of a park and we were... and our law was what was creating the hardship, and our law was forcing this person to have to move to provide the public benefit because somebody created a park. My guess is that could maybe apply under the Fifth Amendment."

Franks: "I'm not sure. I'd have to... I'd have to see the research.

Tryon: "Okay."

Franks: "And I... I just don't know what the other portions of our law would say. You may be right. I just... I'm just not sure on that."

Tryon: "Okay. No further questions. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative LaShawn Ford."

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

Washington: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Washington. Two minutes."

Washington: "I... I just want to add some clarity and to clear something up. I don't want anybody in this room, including the press, to stick a tail on this particular donkey, that I am in support of acts of criminal violence dealing with

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sexual any kind, period, point-blank. But at the same time, I do say, I know what I'm saying is correct. colleague has just informed me that certain parts of Lake Michigan are considered the park area. All I'm saying to those that quickly want to join on and do the noble thing in 2010, I question your motives on it. Because it is quite clear that if we're creating colonies of American citizens, whether they're sick, whether there's sexual crime, whatever it may be, this is supposed to be a civilized society. I know we can do better than to restrict and limit and put these people in a box and give them no alternative solution to solving this problem. this problem is much bigger than this chamber. And I'm sure that they've waged the same argument in other chambers like this, but I am asking you to reflect and think on what I'm saying, that if you keep passing laws that limit people's restriction, you're forcing them to find homes in parks and a colony to be set up. The taxpayers are still rolling the bill. The Department of Corrections still have individuals that we're paying for. There has to be a better way. Surely, I'm appealing to some civilized person in this room, that know that is not the route to keep going down, to keep restricting. We need to resolve and solve the problem. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Chapin Rose, you'll be the last speaker and then Representative Fritchey, of course, is going to notify me that his name was used in debate. So, Representative Rose...

Rose: "Yielding... yielding time..."

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Speaker Lyons: "...then Representative Fritchey and then Representative Franks to close. Chapin Rose."

Rose: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm yielding my time to Representative Reboletti."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Reboletti."

Reboletti: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Following the last speaker, what is the cost to the individual who victimized? Why aren't we worried about the child that is molested for years? Why aren't we worried about that person? We're not going to worry about the person who has been incarcerated, the person who's on probation, person who's on parole and how freely they can travel throughout the State of Illinois. Well, guess what, when you rape a child you lose a hell of a lot of privileges here in this state and you should. And you know what, if you can't go to a park, too bad. It's that simple. We don't want sex predators near children. We don't want more children victimized. Those children then grow up with their own life sentences. They have to deal with nightmares and drug abuse and other crimes. So, it's that simple. We're... it'll pay one way or another, and I would prefer the way of keeping the other children safe so that they don't have to experience that victimization. Thank you, Speaker."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Fritchey, for two minutes and then Representative Franks to close."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

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Fritchey: "Jack, let's see if we can take the emotion down a couple levels here. Let me ask you a couple of very serious questions. The entirety of the Chicago lakefront falls under the purview of the Chicago Park District. These individuals would be precluded from sitting anywhere along the lake, from the north end of the city throughout almost to the Indiana border. Is that correct?"

Franks: "I don't know if that's correct. I'm not sure what..."

Fritchey: "I... I would submit under a reading of this, it's correct."

Franks: "Well, wait a second, let me answer the question because I want you to look at the… at the Bill. If you look at page 2, on subsection (c), they define the ability of… what they say is loitering, not about living. So…"

Fritchey: "Loi... loitering, Jack, is described as... as standing...

You know, you actually don't want to go to 2, you want to
go right above that, and it says loitering is to stand or
to sit idly whether or not you're in a vehicle..."

Franks: "Right."

Fritchey: "...or remaining in or around park property."

Franks: "Right."

Fritchey: "That actually gets me right to the second thing I'm going to say. On large stretches of the city, large stretches of the city, bus stops are located next to parks. Humboldt Park covers about half a mile. Margate Park covers more than that. Lincoln Park covers more than that. These individuals cannot go and stand at a bus stop to get to work, or to go..."

Franks: "They can't do that now, if there're children present.

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Fritchey: "If the children..."

Franks: "They cannot do that now."

Fritchey: "If there are children present they can..."

Franks: "Right now, they... they can't walk along the lake right

now if there's any kids walking around."

Fritchey: "...if... if there are children present."

Franks: "Right."

Fritchey: "Right now though, they would never be able to catch

a bus..."

Franks: "No."

Fritchey: "...at any hour. If they had to go to work at 5 in the morning or come home from work at midnight, they cannot wait by that bus stop because the bus stop is next to the park. In... in Chicago, that takes... that covers certain bus lines from North Avenue for about four miles north. It covers bus lines along..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative, one more minute."

Fritchey: "...on Marina Drive... on Marina Drive throughout the...

Jack, I get what you're trying to do. I disagree with it,
but I get it. But even with what you're trying to do, this
may be so overly broad it would not withstand court
scrutiny in any event. To say that there's going to be a
nexus between the heinous crime that these individuals
committed and allowing them to wait at a bus stop to catch
a bus, just seems like a net that nobody could justify.
Speaker, I appreciate your indulgence and Members of the
Body, once again, please think about this, and... and... and
put our primary responsibility over that of emotions or
mail pieces and vote 'no'. Thank you."

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Speaker Lyons: "Representative Franks to close."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to thank all those speakers..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Franks, one moment. I announced that they were the last two speakers. Your light came on after I had made the announcement. Representative Franks to close."

Franks: "I want to thank all... all the folk... all the speakers on this. And I know it is an emotional issue. And I... my... from my colleague from McHenry, the question about the homeownership. As I read the Bill, that would not be impinged by this because of the definition of loitering. So, there would be no issue there. If you read the Bill, they... it's very specific. And to my friend from Pecatonica, I understand his questions on the Romeo and Juliet Laws. I think those ought to be changed, and we've talked about And that's not aimed at these that. folks, unfortunately that's part of our child sex offender laws and I'd work with you on changing that Bill because we need to and we... we all agree to that. But then I was listening to Mr. Reboletti, as well, and he was impassioned on this and he was helping... helping get the point across. And it made me think, once when Jesse James was asked why he robs the banks. And he said, Well, I rob the banks because that's where the money is. And that's why child sex offenders go to parks because that's where the kids are. We have an obligation to protect our children. commonsense piece of legislation. It's a bright line. There's no more guessing because the law as it states now,

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says you can't be there if there's kids there. Well, they may or may not know that. This is the… this is a logical progression and I ask for your 'aye' vote."

- Speaker Lyons: "After an extended debate, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2824 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Cultra, Flowers, Golar. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there are 91 Members voting 'yes', 17 Members voting 'no', 7 Members voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Robyn Gabel, you rise for a point of personal privilege."
- Gabel: "Thank you. Thank you very much. I am pleased to recognize some students that have come to visit us in Springfield. They're from Evanston Township High School, from the school health center up there. And they've come to let us know how important the school health centers are to their success in high school. So, please join me in welcoming them to Springfield."
- Speaker Lyons: "Welcome to the Capitol. Enjoy your day. Glad to have you here. Representative JoAnn Osmond, on the bottom of page 4 you have Senate Bill 2931. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2931, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Lyons: "Representative JoAnn Osmond."
- Osmond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 2931... 31 creates a cost neutral com... community-based pediatric palliative

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care pilot program for children with life-limiting illness and their families. This Bill was also... we passed it last year, and the Governor vetoed it because there was some questions as to the cost. And we've now established that they're already... the children are already in the program and we believe that actually it saves money. It keeps the children in their home. So, I would be happy to answer any questions and hope that you would vote positively."

- Speaker Lyons: "You've heard the Lady's... the Lady's explanation. Is there any discussion on Senate Bill 2931? Seeing none, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2931 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there is 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 5 of the Calendar, Representative Sente, you have Senate Bill 2951. Carol. 2951, Representative? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2951, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from Lake, Representative Carol Sente."
- Sente: "Thank you, Speaker. This is a bike safety Bill. This legislation models reckless driving law, with one change to it. If a person is driving their car unnecessarily close or toward a bike rider, one of two things can happen to the driver. One, they can be charged with a Class A

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misdemeanor, if the action does not cause them great bodily harm. Or they can be charged with a Class III felony, if the action causes permanent disfigurement or great bodily harm. The Class III felony is one increase in grade from reckless driving due to the individual being out of the vehicle and their potential for injury. And this Bill not only covers bike riders, but it also covers pedestrians and those in a horse drawn carriage. Reckless driving is a legal term of art. It's well-defined, so it covers willful or wanton disregard for safety. And I am happy to take questions."

Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Lady's explanation. Any discussion? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative John Fritchey."

Fritchey: "Thank you, Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?" Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Fritchey: "Representative, I just don't know. Representative, I... I've seen a number of legal terms over the years, unnecessarily close, isn't one of them. How... how is that to be defined here?"

Sente: "I spoke with Jeanne Wrenn and she checked with Matt Jones from the State's Attorney Office. We discussed 'unnecessarily close' as well as in 'close proximity', and close proximity does deal with when children are in a school zone. As we discussed it, we want a term that is neither too broad nor too narrow and they had no difficulty with that. So, I think that the circumstantial evidence should be able to determine whether the driver's at fault."

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Fritchey: "So you're going to rely on circle... circumstantial evidence of an ambiguous term for a criminal prosecution?"

Sente: "Well, again, I'm proposing that we want a term that's neither too broad nor too narrow and an attorney should be able to defend and determine whether this was met."

Fritchey: "Is this term used anywhere else in the statutes?"

Sente: "Excuse me."

Fritchey: "Is this used anywhere else in the statutes? Is this used anywhere else in the statutes, right now? I mean, we... we have provisions for reckless driving and we have provisions for a number of other things that have to deal with negligence, reckless conduct, et cetera, whether it's between vehicles, whether it's between a vehicle and a pedestrian, et cetera. And we have, actually, there's statutes in regard for being too close, and unreasonable proximity to a pedestrian in a crosswalk."

Sente: "To answer your..."

Fritchey: "Go ahead, please."

Sente: "To answer your question, not that I'm aware of that it occurs somewhere else. However, one of the things this Bill does is shine a spotlight on bike safety. Bike safety is an issue in my area. This is why I picked up this Bill. I've been on a bike. I've had someone swerve into me or drive unnecessarily close. And the amount of injury you can get on a bike, this is why I think this is a good Bill."

Fritchey: "So, if... I think it's a great idea. If somebody is driving unnecessarily close to a bicyclist..."

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Speaker Lyons: "Representative Fritchey, your time is up. I'll give you another minute to complete your remarks."

Fritchey: "Would... would they be accused of reckless driving?"

Sente: "Would they be?"

Fritchey: "If... if they were unnecess... or unreasonably close, and maybe we should put little quotations here. Would that be reckless?"

Sente: "No, they have to meet the term of reckless driving, which would be willful or wanton disregard. So, if they were texting, for example, if they were driving as defined by reckless, which is a term of art."

Fritchey: "So... so..."

Sente: "So, they just can't be close to, they have to be right...

driving reckless, or intentionally driving into the bike rider."

Fritchey: "So, you're proposing that even if they weren't reckless, so there was no willful up... there was no willfulness in their being unreasonably close, you still want to make them a felon?"

Sente: "Only if it causes permanent disfigurement."

Fritchey: "Or great bodily harm, no?"

Sente: "Correct."

Fritchey: "Or is that just permanent disfigurement. Okay. Okay, well, listen, I... I know you have done a lot of work on the Bill. I still can't believe there's not a better way to create the verbiage on it, but I appreciate your responses to the question."

Sente: "Thank you."

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Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Randy Ramey."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Ramey: "Thank you. Representative, the rules of the road apply to both vehicles and bicycles, right?"

Sente: "Correct."

Ramey: "And, you're... you're talking about a car driving recklessly close to the bicycle. And we all know, in watching bicyclists out there on the streets, they are not obeying the rules of the road. So, what happens if a bicyclist shoots out and gets hit by the car and says, 'well, he aimed at me and hit me', and they're going to charge the driver of the car? Is that how it's going to work out?"

Sente: "No, I would assume that is not what is going to happen. And I do agree with you, there are also occasions where bike riders are not following the rules of the road and they're contributing to this issue. So, in... if there's a determination by an officer writing a ticket, they would take that into account as they would for any other citation they're giving and this similar thing would occur in court. I would assume, again, I'm not a lawyer, but the more that the bike rider is contributing to the situation, the less that there's a possibility that the driver is going to be charged with this offense."

Ramey: "Well, and I'm not a lawyer either, so we're on even terms now. But..."

Sente: "I can't hear."

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- Ramey: "I said, I'm not a lawyer either, so I guess we're on even terms. But you know, when you talk about the… the disfigurement, permanent disfigurement, permanent disability, some guy comes in with a road rash across his face because he got plowed… says he got plowed into, you know you're going… you're pulling on the strings, heartstrings of… of a jury or a judge. I find this is going to be a little bit difficult to… to proceed in… in a court case. Is there any… is there any remedy to that… is a… I mean in… in your Bill?"
- Sente: "I just don't feel that it's going to be an issue. I spent a lot of time talking to attorneys. I did call the State's Attorneys Office. They do not have any issue with this Bill. There's no opponent... opponents to this and I don't believe that that will be a problem should this citation occur."
- Ramey: "Well, I guess we didn't ask all the drivers out there with the bicyclists especially in the City of Chicago, which is..."
- Speaker Lyons: "Representative, we'll give you another minute, to finish your..."
- Ramey: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And to the Bill. I... I like the concept. I like the idea. Obviously, we have issues with enforcing these rules and laws that do apply to bicyclists and I think we may have a problem with... you know, perhaps they'll say, well, they did this to me, did that because of the reckless driving of the bicyclist. I would just hope there was some better ways to go about it. Thank you, Representative."

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Speaker Lyons: "Representative Jack Franks."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Franks: "What happens if the bike rider's, riding too close to a pedestrian? What happens if a bike rider hits a pedestrian?"

Sente: "This deals with someone in a car."

Franks: "Oh, okay. I... I'm reading the Bill actually. I..."

Sente: "Excellent."

Franks: "It's amazing. But they say in... in the subsection (e), 'a person driving a motor vehicle shall not, in a reckless manner, drive the motor vehicle unnecessarily close to, toward or near a bicyclist, pedestrian or a person riding a horse or driving an animal drawn vehicle.' Now, reckless manner, what happens if we have Mario Andretti and this guy has the best reflexes you've ever seen. And Mario Andretti's a race car driver. You might have heard of him. You might be too young, but let's say he's just an amazing driver, and he's not driving recklessly because he is actually so good. So how do you define reckless manner if you've got Mario Andretti behind the wheel or Emerson Fittipaldi or any NASCAR person you might like?"

Sente: "Just because they're 'a skilled driver', they're still driving reckless... recklessly because they... they may be threatening the bike rider and the bike rider may then fall off their bike and have permanent disfigurement."

Franks: "It's a bit subjective, though, would you... would you agree?"

Sente: "Most things are."

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Franks: "Okay. Now, I'm going to the penalty issue. There seems to be different levels for taking someone to the woodshed, correct?"

Sente: "I don't know what you're talking about?"

Franks: "Well, there's a Class A misdemeanor and a Class III felony. Would you... you know, euphemistically, refer to them as getting taken to the woodshed, being punished.

Correct?"

Sente: "You could say that, yes."

Franks: "Okay. Could you tell us why you've chosen these two separate woodshed penalties?"

Sente: "I... this mirrors reckless driving, so I did not choose this. This is current law. And it moves from a Class IV felony to a Class III felony because the person is out of the car and there is more serious opportunity for that individual to be injured whether in a horse drawn carriage, pedestrian, or bike rider. Bike safety is a serious issue in Illinois at..."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Franks, your time's expired.

I'll give you a minute to wrap that up."

Franks: "Okay. Well, your answer was, in effect, taking me to the woodshed for not understanding that. Would that be correct?"

Sente: "Yes."

Franks: "Okay. Well, I appreciate her responses and though maybe in artfully drafted, I think we should all support this Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Will Davis."

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Davis, W.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Davis, W.: "I will certainly try to be brief, Representative.

How is 'reckless' defined in this Bill?"

Sente: "Reckless is defined in case law and is a common term of art and it's willful and wanton disregard for the individual."

Davis, W.: "Well, I understand that texting while driving is against the law here in Illinois, but outside of the... in most areas people are now... when you talk on the phone they're using headsets, so it's hands free. So, can talking on the phone fall into that category? I guess what my... my fear is, is that it's still very subjective. So, you have an accident with a car and a... and a bicyclist, if it was determined that I'm on the phone talking, I'm wondering if that's a subjective decision that a police officer will make, and subsequently issue me a ticket because I was on the phone, where it's not illegal to be on the phone."

Sente: "Right."

Davis, W.: "So, I... I'm kind of concerned about that."

Sente: "What the police officer determines, again, is subjective. They're going to look at the evidence. They're going to talk to both the driver as well as the bike rider. So, the driver has their opportunity to state what the position was; I was watching the road, I saw the bike rider, I was in my lane, you know, and so I don't think that a citation would be issued then. I think the officers are trained to look and watch what's happening.

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- What I also like about this Bill is it does provide an additional tool for the officer to... when they're going out as community service officer to the schools to teach more about bike safety."
- Davis, W.: "Well, one more thing that... that does concern me about the Bill, and... and one of the cosponsors of your Bill brought an issue for it about trying to identify bike lanes on road ways, which is fine, but certainly in communities that I represent, that may be a challenge; limited resources, smaller roadways, in some respects. So, while I do respect bike riders on roadways, I'm always just concerned that in certain communities, like some of the ones that I represent, if you got narrower, a very narrow roadway and an accident occurs, that someone now may be subject to a pen..."
- Speaker Lyons: "Representative Davis, I'll give you another minute to finish your thoughts."
- Davis, W.: "...may be subject to a penalty when they really did nothing wrong. I'm... I'm just kind of concerned about, that's all. Thank you very much."
- Speaker Lyons: "Final speaker will be Representative Nekritz and then Representative Sente to close."
- Nekritz: "Thank you, Mr... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"
- Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."
- Nekritz: "Representative, to the… I just want to get back to some points that were made earlier when… with regard to the example that… that maybe Mario Andretti might be driving by. Don't we have laws that… and because they're such

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expert drivers and they don't touch anybody that, that should not constitute reckless conduct. Don't we have laws that pro... that... that make it a criminal... a crime to assault someone even though we don't touch them?"

Sente: "Yes. I believe we do."

Nekritz: "So, you can threaten someone and it would still constitute a crime?"

Sente: "Absolutely."

Nekritz: "And did you have any discussions with the chiefs of police about this Bill?"

Sente: "Yes, I did."

Nekritz: "So, again, to an earlier speaker's point. If someone... and I've probably had more road rash than anyone else in this room... if someone who's just had some road rash and it's pretty clear that they just fell over, that's going to be a little bit different in terms of the investigation that the police might be able to conduct and the fact pattern that will be... that will be evident on the roadway than someone who actually got hit by a car and gets thrown 20 feet?"

Sente: "Yeah. I think that's very evident when the officer comes to the scene and... and determines what's happened.

Correct."

Nekritz: "I... I would agree. I thinks it's... you know, it's, again, very different when you come in to contact with a moving vehicle and it does throw the rider pretty far, versus a rider just falling over and... and getting some road rash. Ladies and Gentlemen, I think this is... this is an important Bill for the protection of those on our roadways

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who are exp... are more exposed than when you're driving in a... in a vehicle that in which your encased in steel and you've got air bags and all that. And we need, again, be promoting safe cycling in this state as a method for, you know, addressing health issues, environmental issues and in fact, just getting people out of their cars is a... is a way of reducing... it can be a way of reducing the oil consumption from... from overseas. So, I think this is important to... to protect the cyclists of the State of Illinois."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Sente to close."

Sente: "Thank you, Representative Nekritz. I think Rep... she made my close. The idea of promoting a Bill for bicycle safety, the environment and health, is exactly why I picked up this Bill. And I request an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2951 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk... Saviano, Reboletti, May. Take the record. On this Bill, there are 93 Members voting 'yes', 20 Members voting 'no', 1 Member voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Lisa Dugan, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Dugan: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lyons: "Please proceed."

Dugan: "Thank you, Speaker. Fellow Members of the House, if you could stand with me to welcome... I know there's many

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firefighters in the gallery. I do have a couple of firefighters from the Kankakee County area in my district. And so, if you could please give them a warm welcome and all the firefighters that are here, I know, throughout the state."

- Speaker Lyons: "Congratulations, firefighters. Glad to have you in Springfield. Always a privilege to have you here.

 Leader Barbara Flynn Currie, under Senate Bills-Third Reading, you have Senate Bill 2976. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2976, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Third Reading."
- Speaker Lyons: "Representative Currie, if I may.

 Representative Will Davis had his light on before I started
 the Bill. Let me... Representative Davis, did you have
 something?"
- Davis, W.: "I... very similar to what Representative Dugan just did. Mr. David Duvall, who is a firefighter from the Village of Dolton in my district, is here with the firefighters. Please give them a great round of applause. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."
- Speaker Lyons: "Thank you, firefighters. Thanks for what you do for us every day. Representative Washington, did you have an announcement? No. Okay. Representative Currie, thank you for allowing me..."

Currie: "Sure."

Speaker Lyons: "...to let the firefighters be recognized.

Representative Barbara Flynn Currie on Senate Bill 2976."

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Currie: "Thank you very much, Speaker and Members of the House. This is an initiative of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services enabling them to make sure that they are in compliance with Federal and State Law, in respect to the operation of the Juvenile Rehabilitation Services Medicaid Matching Fund, the Drug Rebate Fund, and the Child Support Administrative Fund. In addition, under the Public Aid Recoveries Trust Fund, instead of sending some of those dollars to the General Revenue Fund, this proposes to hold the money in the Medical Assistance Program this year, which started in fiscal 2009, we transferred about million in excess balances from the Public Aid Recoveries Trust Fund to the General Revenue Fund. Had we held that money in the Medical Assistance Program, we would have gathered 58 million in extra reimbursement from the Federal So, this measure would ensure that in the Government. future, if there are excess balances in that fund, we will be able to draw down additional federal match. I know of no opposition and I'd be happy to answer your questions and I would appreciate your support for this Bill that will help new Director Hamos do her job most efficiently and most well."

Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Lady's explanation. No one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2976 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Saviano, Hannig, Brady. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 104 Members voting 'yes', 11

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- voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Patti Bellock, you have Senate Bill 2981. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2981, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Lady from DuPage, Representative Patti Bellock."
- Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. Senate Bill 2981 just takes off the sunset date of the MRSA Bill that we passed here several years ago and I'm proud to say, went on to become a model for the nation. There's eight or nine other states now that have followed in what we did to set the trend for MRSA screening. And I applaud the Illinois Hospital Association for all the work that they have done on this. They've really been exemplary in the United States in the MRSA issue."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Lady's explanation. No one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2981 pass?" All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative DeLuca, you have Senate Bill 2993. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 2993, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

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- Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Anthony DeLuca."
- DeLuca: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the House, Senate Bill 2993, this is an initiative by the Secretary of State. And the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration conducts an audit and there were four findings. And for the State of Illinois to be in compliance with Federal Law, we have to adopt these four findings. I ask for your support."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation of the Bill. No one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 2993 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Ken Dunkin. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Don Moffitt, Senate Bill 3018. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 3018, a Bill for an Act concerning professional regulation. Third Reading."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Knox, Representative Moffitt."
- Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. It's actually a trailer legislation to the Real Estate Licensure Rewrite of 2009. What it does is extend the time frame that a licensed real estate managing broker, broker or leasing

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- agent may renew their license after it has expired from the current two years to five years. Be happy to entertain any questions."
- Speaker Lyons: "You've heard the Gentleman's explanation. No one is seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 3018 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, Senate Bill 3023, Representative Poe. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 3023, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Sangamon, Representative Raymond Poe."
- Poe: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Mr. Speaker, this would allow the… make Purple Heart license plates for motorcycles and that's basically all it does. I ask for a favorable vote."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation. No one is seeking recogni... The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Bill Black."
- Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"
- Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."
- Black: "Representative, thank you very much for this Bill.

 I've... I've had some of my constituents ask about it. But

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they also ask, why can't we make all of the veterans plates available for motorcycles? Because my constituent also has a Bronze Star and every time he goes to get a plate... he has three motorcycles, and he's always told, no, we don't make those for motorcycles. And I don't know why. It's something maybe you could work on because I... I know a lot of veterans that have multi motorcycles, would also like to have some of the other veterans plates available for motorcycles. I think this is long overdue. And knowing how hard you work for your constituents, maybe we could work together on... on some of the other military plates for motorcycles. But this is a good Bill. Thank you for bringing it forward."

Poe: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "No one further seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 3023 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Shane Cultra. Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 110 Members voting 'yes', 5 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Danny Reitz, you have Senate Bill 3035. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 3035, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Randolph, Representative Reitz."

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- Reitz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill changes the Alzheimer's Special Care Disclosure Act and renames it to the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias Special Care Disclosure Act. The intent is just to include other dementia related diseases under this Act and what they need to disclose when dealing with those dementias, Alzheimer being the most prevalent. And I'd be happy to answer any questions."
- Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Gentleman's explanation. No one is seeking recognition, the question is, 'Should Senate Bill 3035 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there's 115 Members voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Joyce, are you in the chamber? Mr. Clerk, on the middle of page 5, under Senate Bill-Third Reading, Representative Lisa Dugan has Senate Bill 3057. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 3057, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."
- Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from Kankakee, Representative Lisa Dugan."
- Dugan: "Thank you, Speaker. Senate Bill 3057 is similar to House Bill 3660. And what it is, is it's an initiative of the Illinois Department of Public Health to update the language in the Act and clarify terms of art. It... it changes wording, some definitions, and... and a lot of other

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things. It... it did passed the Senate 49-6. And I'll certainly answer any questions if anyone has any, otherwise, I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lyons: "You heard the Lady's explanation on Senate Bill 3057. No one is seeking rec... The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative John Fritchey."

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

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

Fritchey: "Just real quickly, what does this do?"

Dugan: "You want me to read the list, Representative?"

Fritchey: "No."

Dugan: "It... it... what it does..."

Fritchey: "Just like one sentence."

Dugan: "The brief overview is the Swimming Facility Act was established to protect the public health by requiring appropriate design, construction and operation of public swimming facilities..."

Fritchey: "And so, this just expands the definition of what a swimming facility is."

Dugan: "Correct. It kind of clarifies and... and puts things into place."

Fritchey: "That's it. Okay. Thank you."

Dugan: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Bill Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. To the Bill. And in all due respect to the Sponsor, I remember when the Recreational Area Licensing Act passed many, many, many years ago and

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included beaches on... on public lakes, and the regulations finally became so strict that most... most of those beaches were closed. You just simply couldn't keep up with the regulations and rules and water testing and... and all of the other things that went along with it. noticed the Lake Springfield beach will be closed this year, not so much because of the Recreational Area Licensing Act, it's simply because the lack of money that some of our cities have. The only thing that scares me about this Bill is that this is a system of new fines and violations, and I give the department high marks because at least they were honest enough to say that in many respects they want to become a self-funded agency by use of fines and violations. Now, many of the communities in district have swimming pools that are... were built either by the WPA, in the Depression, or built after World War II and into the early '50s when the economy was certainly different than it is now. My fear is if you get into some of these fines that are \$100 a day, into small communities that try very, very hard to maintain a 50 or a 60-year-old swimming pool and the agency wants these fines, as they say, let me use their language, IBPH is largely funded by GRF and it has been taking significant action to become a more self-sustaining state regulatory authority. And so, these fines, I think, are to generate money. Yes, there's certainly a public health system, I... I don't deny that, but if you're out to collect fine money and you have a circulating pump or your chlorine injection pump isn't working quite up to standard that day, then that could be a

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\$100-a-day fine before you can get it corrected. I think the past has worked fairly well. The agency has worked with these communities and they've tried to go hand and glove into educating them, and helping them keep their I just think that when you send forth pools open. inspectors who are told, go out and get... no, they won't be told that, but the ... the rationale is to go out and collect fines and when you do that you're not as apt to work with somebody and help them keep their pool open, and in many of the small towns in my areas, that's literally all some people have to do in the warm months is to go to the municipal pool. And while I have great respect for the Sponsor and I know she wouldn't condone what I call fine or regulatory hunting, I... I've seen it too many years. can't in good conscious vote 'no' ... I mean, I can't in good conscious vote 'yes'. I would urge all of you to look at this. Think of the swimming pools that you have in your district, and... and how fairly you think \$100-a-day fines will be levied, if the purpose is to raise money for the department. I have a problem with that and I intend to vote 'no'."

Speaker Lyons: "The Gentleman from Peoria, Representative David Leitch."

Leitch: "Thank you very much. To the Bill. A couple of years ago the City of Chillicothe, in my district, lost an entire season for their muni... new municipal pool. The reason was because ultimately the Department of Public Health only has two architects to improve swimming pool permits for the entire state, for all the purposes. I am very concerned

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about this Bill because, as I read the Bill, it not only expands to spray pools, that coverage, but also has the fees that Representative Black alluded to. I have talked and had a good conversation with the assexit... with the assistant director at the Department of Public Health. I think it is an absolutely ludicrous situation that has been allowed to go on way too long, to only have two architects delivering... deciding on swimming pool permits. It's an example of some of the regulations that get enacted, but then there's no subsequent follow up to really identify whether the resources are in place to competently and effectively and timely implement those regulations. So, I, too, have great respect for the Sponsor, but I don't think it makes any sense whatsoever to give that... those two architects more responsibilities and to put our communities at risk for new fines, when it really probably would not be their fault. I'd be the fault of us because, ultimately, we have not insisted that the department have more than two architects doing the swimming pool permits. So, I will be voting 'no', but thank you very much."

Speaker Lyons: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from Lake, Representative Karen May."

May: "Yes. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lyons: "Sponsor yields."

May: "Yes. Representative, have... do you know if the Department of Public Health or you or any of the Sponsors have met with the Illinois Association of Park Districts to discuss the implications of this legislation?"

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Dugan: "Representative, I have not personally talked to them.

I understand, at least from what I've been told, there was no opposition because there was a Senate Amendment that was put on that did address some of the concerns. So, that's all I can tell you from my end."

May: "And could you just recap for us what that Amendment was.

I mean, what concerns were addressed with that Amendment."

Dugan: "Well, the Senate Amendment... some of the things that have been talked about as far as some of the penalties and when the department is going to be able to put in the penalties, that... if someone has already starting on fixing what the department has told them to fix, they will not be lev... levying the penalties against them. So, they tried it to address and also the denial, suspension or revocation of a license, what the department can't do and it does repeal provisions provided that the Department of Public Health shall proceed to suspend, without first making notice to the entity working with them and that type of thing."

May: "Thank you. It's... it's my understanding that there's new federal legislation coming down regarding the drains. Are park districts, that mostly operate the public pools in this state, are... are grappling with it right now, and many of them cannot afford to fix the problem. While it might be just the drain for safety reasons, that's a small part, but as long as they're in there, they have to fix other antiquated systems and all. And I'm aware of park districts, also, that are just going to have to be closing their pools this summer. So, I'm afraid that this might exacerbate that problem, actually make it worse. While

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safety is paramount with... with all of these changes, with antiquated pools around the state, it's going to make it very hard. I... I know that you have picked up a Senate Bill and something that's been worked on in the Senate, but I think it's very important that the Department of Public Health work with the Illinois Association of Park Districts and assess this. And I would encourage that if this passes, that the Governor's Office do that, and really take a harder look at this legislation before it's signed into law. Thank you."

Dugan: "Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Representative Dugan to close."

Dugan: "Yes. And I do want to just comment briefly on... on what the previous Representative talked about as far as the drains. The drains in the pools, which is something that I've been working with the department and the Association of YMCAs and the Park Districts on this drain issue, that was a federal mandate that came down that we're trying to straighten out in the state. And the Department of Public Health has been working very closely with Park Districts and the Ys to try to get that particular issue addressed. I talked to the Association of ... of Ys because of the fact that's who I was dealing with on the drains. They have no opposition to this particular legislation. Again, it's to try to help the department protect the public, putting into place some areas of concern and also hopefully being able then to allow the funding to come in to help our local park districts and pools and communities to continue to operate. So, I would like to ask for an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Lyons: "The question is, 'Should Senate Bill 3057 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; those opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Bill, there 68 Members voting 'yes', 47 Members voting 'no' and 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Chapin Rose, for what purpose do you seek recognition, Sir?"

Rose: "The last Bill."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, what's the status of Senate Bill 3568?"

Clerk Mahoney: "Senate Bill 3568, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill.

Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Lyons: "Third Reading. Representative Elaine Nekritz, purpose of an announcement. Representative Nekritz."

Nekritz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to make sure that my colleagues are all aware that we're closing in on the Dancing with the Capitol Stars, for next Weds... next Wednesday, the 28, which is the Conference of Women Legislator's fund-raiser. A number of people from this chamber will be participating in that, so I would encourage everyone to make sure that that's on your calendar, at the Hilton, from 6 to 8 next Weds... a week from today. And we'll look forward to seeing you there. Thank you."

Speaker Lyons: "Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

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- Clerk Mahoney: "On the Order of Agreed Resolutions is House Resolution 1140, offered by Representative Osmond. House Resolution 1141, offered by Representative Cross. And House Resolution 1142, offered by Representative McAsey."
- Speaker Lyons: "Representative Currie moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."
- Clerk Mahoney: "Committee announcements. There's been two cancellations. In the 2 p.m. committee slot, Vehicle Safety has been can... added to that slot. Vehicle Safety is meeting in Room 122B. That is a recessed committee is meeting. Job Task Force that was to meet at 3 p.m. has been cancelled."
- Speaker Lyons: "And now, seeing that there's no further business to come before the House, Leader Barbara Flynn Currie moves that the House stand adjourned 'til the hour of 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 22. So, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Currie moves for the House to stand adjourned. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And we stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 22. Have an enjoyable evening everyone."
- Clerk Mahoney: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and reading of House Bills-First Reading. House Bill 6851, offered by Representative Tryon, a Bill for an Act concerning state government. House Bill 6852, offered by Representative Sacia, a Bill for an Act

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concerning civil law. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."