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Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 842, offered by Representative Bradley, and House Joint Resolution 80, offered by Representative Bradley are referred to the Rules Committee. Committee Reports. Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on February 19, 2014: approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading is House Bill 1348. Attention Members of the House, Session will be delayed 'til 12:30 today. Session is delayed 'til 12:30."

Speaker Lang: "The House will be in order. Members will be in their chairs. We shall be led in prayer today by Pastor Scott Lohman who is with Minooka Crosspoint Lutheran Church in Minooka. Pastor Lohman is the guest of Representative Anthony. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off cell phones and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Lohman."

Pastor Lohman: "Good afternoon. It's truly an honor and a privilege to be here at the General Assembly. I'm Pastor Scott Lohman from Minooka Crosspoint Lutheran Church. We're a new church plant that is getting started this year in Minooka, and we're excited that we are meeting on Sunday mornings with about 15 people so far. God is good, and His love endures forever. First, let's hear a brief word from the Lord, that comes to us today from Psalm 33. Bless it is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his inheritance. May we, indeed, be a Nation, whose God is the Lord. I invite you to pray with me as I pray this afternoon. Dear Lord, Heavenly

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Father, Almighty God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, all rule and authority in the world come from You, Oh Lord. We thank You for Your guiding hands. We come before You today, praying for our government and specifically for the Representatives here today. We are grateful for the good governments that You have ordained to rule in our land. You have blessed our country, our state, and our people. We pray for Your blessing upon all who are in authority in the land. May they be wise and make decisions with understanding. May our society improve, and Your kingdom expand by the work your servants are doing here, Oh Lord. Bless our Leaders with love, for righteousness and peace that under their leadership, our country and state may continue to enjoy Your grace and favor that comes through Your Son, Jesus Christ, the savior of the world, who lived his life for us, who died for us, and who rose again to life everlasting for us that we, too, would live a life forever with Him. Help us by Your Holy Spirit to be good citizens of this land to take care of all that You have created and given by Your mighty hand. Grant us strength and faith in You. And may we all honor You, dear Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. May everyone here and all those watching be blessed today, in Jesus' name. It's in Your name we pray to Your Holy Spirit, Amen. God's grace and peace and love be yours."

Speaker Lang: "We'll be led in the Pledge today by Representative Manley."

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

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

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

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

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representative Brady is excused on the Republican side of the aisle today."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, take the record. There are 116 Members present. We do have a quorum. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Verschoore, Chairperson from the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation reports the following committee action taken on February 18, 2014: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 4277. Representative DeLuca, Chairperson from the Committee on Cities & Villages reports the following committee action taken on February 18, 2014: recommends be adopted is House Resolution 707. Representative Monique Davis, Chairperson from the Committee on Insurance reports the following committee action taken on February 18, 2014: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 3784. Representative Gabel, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action taken on February 19, 2014: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 4262, House Bill 4585; recommends be adopted is a Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1584. Representative Zalewski, Chairperson from the Committee on Health Care Licenses reports the following committee action taken on February 19, 2014: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 4523.

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Representative D'Amico, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation: Vehicles & Safety reports the following committee action taken on February 19, 2014: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 4206, House Bill 4385, House Bill 4386, House Bill 4462; recommends be adopted is House Resolution 524. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 841, offered by Representative Unes is referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bost."

Bost: "Point of personal privilege. Mr..."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Bost: "Yesterday, here on the House Floor, and I'm sorry it wasn't brought up yesterday, two of our colleagues actually had birthdays. Don Moffitt and Tom Morrison both had birthdays yesterday. So, let's wish them a happy birthday."

Speaker Lang: "Happy birthday, Representatives. I'm quite certain that Mr. Bost has a cake for both of you. Mr. Bost."

Bost: "One... one other thing. We did want to thank the Black Caucus for the cookies yesterday. I... I had mine, and a few others as well that, you know... but they... they were very good and we thank you for that."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Bellock."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Bellock: "I'd like to introduce my granddaughter who came all the way in from Lexington, Massachusetts, to Page today and learn how a Bill becomes a law. She goes to Jonas Clarke Middle

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School, and from Lexington, where the first shot of the American Revolution was. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Riley."

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

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Riley: "Approps to a statement that was made yesterday by my colleague, Representative Bost, I just want to inform him that probably the reason that his microphone had not been fixed is that the.. the invoice for it is in the mail. So, you'll be getting it soon."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Davis."

Davis, M.: "I rise for a point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed."

Davis, M.: "I would like to welcome the members of Chicago Teachers Union who are visiting us today. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome to Springfield. Representative Davis, proceed."

Davis, M.: "All right. I'm sure everyone knows that this is African-American History Month, and one of the things we try to do as a Black Caucus is to present an African-American success story hero or achievement. I'm going to talk about a young man who was sitting on the curb of Robert Taylor Homes project. A young man is sitting on the curb surrounded by State Police, Chicago Police. And a person returned home and said what could all of this be about? Who has been injured? What happened here today? And when she went up and spoke to the young man he said to her, I had to come back to my roots.

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I'm Governor Patrick Duvall (sic-Deval Patrick) of Massachusetts, but I was born and raised in Robert Taylor Homes in the City of Chicago. Mr. Duvall (Patrick) was born July 31, 1956. He lived in the Robert Taylor Homes with a single mother in the housing projects. He attended a special school because he had been a member of a class called 'Better Chance', a national non-profit organization for identifying, recruiting, and developing leaders among academically gifted minority students. It allowed him to attend Milton Academy in Milton, Massachusetts. He graduated from the academy and he attended Harvard College. He earned a bachelors at Harvard cum laude; English and American Literature. He then spent a year working with the United Nations in Africa. In 1979, he returned to the United States and he enrolled at Harvard's Law School. While in law school, Patrick was elected a member of Harvard's legal aid bureau. He graduated from Harvard Law School with a Juris Doctorate cum laude. He proceeded to fail the Bar three times. Well, two times; the California Bar twice, and then he took it again and passed on the third time. He was a law clerk for Judge Reinhardt. He won a voting rights case against Bill Clinton, because he worked for the National Association... the legal defense fund of the NAACP. And he won a case against Bill Clinton who was then the Governor of Arkansas. In 1986, he joined a Boston law firm, Hill and Barlow. Today, Patrick Duvall is the Governor of Massachusetts; the first African-American Governor. He was there after Mitt Romney. I would say Patrick (sic-Mitt) Romney, by not running again, gave this gentleman, who is thoroughly prepared to be the Governor of Massachusetts, a

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great opportunity. As we learn from hearing about these heroes, we know that the African-American community has a great deal to be proud of; the success, the achievement, and the elected officials. And I thank you for your attention."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Representative. Ladies and Gentlemen, on page 2 of the Calendar, under the Order of the House Bills-Second Reading, there appears House Bill 3749. Mr. Franks, you wish to move this Bill, Sir? It's your Bill, Sir. Well, you'll have to deal with the intrigue and mystery of the Chair. Do you wish to move the Bill to Third Reading, Sir? Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3749, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 4208, Representative Fine. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4208, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 4244, Leader Durkin. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4244, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. House Bill 4388, Representative Kelly Burke. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4388, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Mr. Halbrook."

Halbrook: "Mr. Speaker, point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Halbrook: "Yes. Mr. Speaker, I want to announce today that we are joined by a group called Leadership Crawford County, back here to my back. If they would stand up, please. This is a group of leaders from our county in the southern end of the district. They're here today as guests of Senator Righter, and myself, and Representative Reis. This is a group that's about 10 years old, that it is led by a group of business leaders. And also today, we're joined by Steve McGahey, the president of the advisory board and by Tracy Weber, the leader of the group. If we would just give them a warm welcome to the Capitol today, I'd appreciate it. Thank you for coming."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome to Springfield. Mr. Clerk, please read the committee postings for this afternoon."

Clerk Hollman: "The committee schedule for this afternoon. Meeting at 1 p.m. is State Government Administration in C-1, Business & Occupational Licenses in Room 115. Meeting at 2 p.m. is Counties & Townships in Room 115, Mass Transit in Room 114, and Veterans' Affairs in C-1. Meeting at 3 p.m. is the Appropriations-General Services Committee in D-1, Higher Education in 413, and International Trade & Commerce in C-1."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "The Appropriations-General Services Committee has been canceled. It will not be meeting at 3:00. It's canceled."

Speaker Lang: "And now, allowing for perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Currie moves that the House stand adjourned

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'til Thursday, February 20 at the hour of 11 a.m. Those in favor, say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the House does stand adjourned 'til Thursday, February 20 at the hour of 11 a.m. Mr. Reboletti."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 6004, a Bill for an Act concerning firearms. This is referred to the Rules Committee. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."