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

Pastor Crawford: "Let us pray. Most gracious and sovereign God, who art the author and finisher of our fate, it is You who is the Lord of Lords and the king of kings, and besides You there is no other. We reverence You this day, Holy God, and ask Your blessings upon this august Assembly, upon the Speaker of this House, and upon all of its Members. I pray that You would bless them as they gather, bless them as they deliberate. I pray that You would bless them with Your wisdom, Your guidance, with Your strength, with Your direction. I pray today, God, that You would bless them to see You more clearly during these dark times. That they may hear You more clearly during these very noisy moments. I pray that You would empower them, not to compromise, but, the truth, for to forsake Your ways, but to do that which is good, to do that which is perfect, and to do that which is the most precious will of God. This we pray, in Your Son's name, Amen."

Speaker Lang: "We'll be led in the Pledge by Representative D'Amico."

D'Amico - 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."

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

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record show that Representative Jones is excused today."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Brown."

Brown: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record show that today Representatives Ives and Wehrli are excused."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There are 115 Members present. We do have a quorum. I'd like to thank our guests in the gallery for helping us with the Pledge. That was really well done today. Mr. Phillips."

Phillips: "Yes, Sir. Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Phillips: "In the gallery, I'd like the Palestine eighth-grade class to stand up, please, from Palestine. Are they here? Hello? Where are you at? Crawford County. All right, standing up. I can't see them. Over here. Okay. Well, with me, the... the teacher is Brian Allensworth, and by the way he's an Eastern Illinois University graduate with his bachelor's and master's degree, and we're pleased to have him here at the Statehouse. And I would like you to give them another warm welcome and thank you for having them here. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thank you for being with us. Mr. Sandack is recognized."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Sandack: "Thank you. I have a Page for the day here as well. Ellen Falconer, she's right there, wave Ellen. Ellen is from Wheaton. She's originally from Riverside, so that would be Representative Zalewski's district. Ellen is recently retired

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and doing some pretty cool thing... things since she walked away from her professional career as an accountant. She's doing a lot of traveling so she's going to hang around Springfield today, see the Museum and Library, and then it's Hawaii and Scandinavia for Ellen. So let's give her a nice Springfield welcome, please."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thanks for joining us today. Mr. Batinick."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Batinick: "Up in the gallery is the Mr. and Mrs. Batinick. And if you think they did good, you can clap for them. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Can we reserve judgment on that, Sir? Representative Fine is recognized."

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

Speaker Lang: "Go right ahead."

Fine: "I would like to introduce today my Pages for the day, Van Hershey, and Danny Fookson from Glenbrook South High School in Glenview, Illinois. And I have to add to that. We have three graduates from Glenbrook South who sit in the House of Representatives in the State of Illinois. And these could be the two future Members. And so, please welcome them today."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you. Welcome. Mr. Bennett."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Bennett: "I have a couple things, if I may. Standing next to me is our Page for the day, Bailey Ritter. She comes to us from

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Pontiac High School. Could we give her a round, warm applause, please?"

Speaker Lang: "Happy to have you with us today. Thank you. Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just a point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Ammons: "Thank you so much. It is my honor, I know we all know that we have 4-H in the chambers in the Capitol this week. And I just wanted to acknowledge the 4-H members from the University of Illinois extension 4-H program. Jackie Beck, who brought the students, Amy Pell... Pelleter, and Reagan Hoskin are here with us in the Capitol, and we want to welcome them."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Mr. Bennett, I think you had a second point that I neglected to recognize. So please proceed, Sir."

Bennett: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. Again, point of personal privilege, if we could. Up in the balcony to my left is a wonderful group of people that I had worked with for a number of years when I was employed at State Farm. Brett, Jeff, Lisa, Lisa, Randy, Sally, Macaria, Kevin, all from State Farm and a great bunch of people to work for and work with. They're up here. If you would, please give a round of applause, please."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome to the House chamber. Thank you for joining us. Mr. Phillips."

Phillips: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I had one more thing. This is a great news for Illinois. Have you ever heard of the name of Jimmy Garoppolo? He's going to be the quarterback for the New England Patriots. And he happens to be from Illinois,

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Arlington Heights and Charleston, Illinois, Eastern Illinois University. So when he steps up to throw that ball, remember he's from the great State of Illinois and Eastern Illinois University. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "As long as he doesn't know how to deflate the ball we're all in good shape. Mr. Brady."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please go right ahead."

Brady: "I, too, would like to introduce my Page for the day, Miss Becca Wilson, who's a sophomore at Normal Community West High School in my district. And she's here today with her mother, Michelle, who is up in the gallery. So please give them a nice welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thank you for being here with us. Leader Currie on a Motion. Leader Currie on a Motion."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. I move to suspend the posting requirements so that Senate Bills 368 can be... can be heard, and Senate Bill 1236 and Senate Bill 1630. I know of no opposition. I'd be grateful for your support of the Motion."

Speaker Lang: "You heard the Lady's Motion. Is there leave? There being no debate, leave is granted, and the Lady's Motion prevails. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Barbara Flynn Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on May 20, 2015: recommends be adopted, referred to the floor is Floor Amendment #3 to Senate Bill 66, Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1102, Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1444. Representative Daniel

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Burke, Chairperson from the Committee on Executive reports the following committee action taken on May 19, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 273, Senate Bill 626, Senate Bill 691, Senate Bill 842; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 220; recommends be adopted a Motion to Concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 404, Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1256, Floor Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 1854. Representative Golar, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies reports the following committee action taken on May 19, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 7, Senate Bill 1076; recommends be adopted is House Resolution 270. Representative Soto, Chairperson from the Committee on Financial Institutions reports the following committee action taken on May 19, 2015: do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 1440; recommends be adopted as amended is House Resolution 6. Representative Sims, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary-Criminal reports the following committee action taken on May 19, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 202; sen... do pass as amended Short Debate Senate Bill 32. Representative Hoffman, Chairperson from the Committee on Labor & Commerce reports the following committee action taken on May 19, 2015: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 1288. Representative Bradley, Chairperson from the Committee on Revenue & Finance reports the following committee action taken on May 20, 2015: do pass Short Debate is House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #26, Senate Bill 107, Senate Bill 506 (sic-508), Senate Bill 1526; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate

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Bill 1919; recommends be adopted is House Resolution 209. Representative Jackson, Chairperson from the Committee on Counties & Townships reports the following committee action taken on May 20, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 920, Senate Bill 1271, Senate Bill 1745; recommends be adopted is a Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment #3 to House Bill 220. Representative Monique Davis, Chairperson from the Committee on Insurance reports the following committee action taken on May 20, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 1781, Senate Bill 1782, Senate Bill 1806. Representative Phelps, Chairperson from the Committee on Public Utilities reports the following committee action taken on July 20, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 1726; recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #2 to Senate Bill 13... 1312, Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1645. Representative Nekritz, Chairperson from the Committee on Personnel and Pensions reports the following committee action taken on May 20, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 763, Senate Bill 777; do pass as amended Standard Debate is Senate Bill 843. Representative Chapa LaVia, Chairperson from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs reports the following committee action taken on May 20, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 563. Representative Lang, Chairperson from the Committee on Substance Abuse reports the following committee action taken on May 20, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 1810; recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 1. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 500, offered by Representative Winger. House Resolution 501, offered by Representative Lang. House Joint Resolution #77,

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offered by Representative Smiddy. These are referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Cassidy is recognized."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed..."

Cassidy: "I would..."

Speaker Lang: "...Ladies and Gentlemen, can we hold the noise down in the chamber, please? Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Thank you. I'd like to introduce my Page for the day, we've got a lot of them today. Tom Collum, is a senior in political science at Western Illinois University. Maybe he can pick up some pointers from us here today."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thanks for being here with us. Page 9 of the Calendar, under the Order of Senate Bills Third Reading, there appears Senate Bill 800, Mr. Poe. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 800, a Bill for an Act concerning sweet corn. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Poe."

Poe: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Today, I... I got a real privilege to run this Bill. I would like to first introduce, we've got 125 students from Chatham Elementary School, it's right south of Springfield. Why don't you all stand up? And this Bill originated... Chatham's had a sweet corn festival for 42 years and they... the class come up with the idea that why didn't we make the sweet corn the state vegetable. And so, anyway, it... it's been a great lesson in government for the kids who are here today. And this is pretty big all around the state. You know, Chatham, like I said, is 42 years... Hoopeston, Mendota, Urbana, Normal, Grundy Counties



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and Morrison, DeKalb, and Onega are... I guess I said that right. But anyway, those... those festivals go around the State of Illinois and it's great fundraisers for our communities. And... and I think these kids hit on something that we ought to pass today. So at this time, if there's anyone... I know Tim wants to speak, but... we need to pass this Bill and show them how government works. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Hays."

Hays: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. Representative Poe, thank you for bringing this. And to the students in the gallery, thank you for being proactive and participating in your democracy. The community of Hoopston is in my home county and has enjoyed a... a vibrant sweet corn festival for many, many decades. The community of Urbana, I have part of the community of Urbana in my district as well. I can't imagine a more appropriate vegetable to be the state vegetable than sweet corn. Again, Representative Poe, I applaud your efforts and I am a strong proponent of this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Butler."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. The United States Department of Agriculture considers sweet corn a vegetable. I know there's been a lot of concern about whether it's a grain, or a fruit, or a vegetable. U.S. Department of Agriculture considers sweet corn a vegetable, but even better, the Jolly Green Giant considers sweet corn a vegetable. And obviously, Representative Poe did a great job today bringing some political pressure on this Body by having us surrounded by the students from Chatham to make sure that this Bill gets passed. I would certainly urge an 'aye' vote.

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I'm happy to be a Sponsor on this and thank you, Representative Poe, for your leadership."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Poe to close."

Poe: "Just quickly. And... and not only those others... other entities said it was a vegetable, but our land grant from the University of Illinois also backs that up. So... but there was a lot of debates and we got that problem solved, and the kids moved forward. And I think they're going to be very successful. So I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Anthony. Please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Congratulations. Page 13 of the Calendar, under the Order of Senate Bills Second Reading, Senate Bill 36, Mr. Franks. Mr. Franks. Please read... Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. Senate Bill 45, Mr. Andersson. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 45, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 47, Mr. Dunkin. Mr. Dunkin. Out of the record. House Bill 207, Mr. Evans. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 207, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 209, Mr. Mitchell.  
Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 209, a Bill for an Act concerning  
criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee  
Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 223, Mr. Ford. Mr. Ford,  
223. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 223, a Bill for an Act concerning  
education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee  
Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 437, Mr. Zalewski.  
Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 437, a Bill for an Act concerning  
public employee benefits. Second Reading of this Senate Bill.  
No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are  
filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 547, Mr. Thapedi. Mr.  
Thapedi. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 547, a Bill for an Act concerning  
safety. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee  
Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 627, Mr. D'Amico. Out  
of the record. Senate Bill 653, Representative Mussman.  
Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 653, a Bill for an Act concerning  
State Government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill.  
Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments.  
No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 661, Mr. McAuliffe. Out of the record. Senate Bill 785, Mr. Evans. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 785, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 805, Representative Mayfield. Out of the record. Senate Bill 806, Mr. Crespo. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 806, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 993, Mr. Kay. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 993, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1228. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1228, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. So Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1256, Mr. Dunkin, 1256. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1256, a Bill for an Act concerning liquor. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Dunkin, has been approved for consideration."

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Speaker Lang: "You have an Amendment, Sir. You want to adopt your Amendment? Go ahead, Sir. Back to your chair."

Dunkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 1256, Amendment #1 simply adds a grocery store, Mariano's in Chicago, allows them to have a... to sell liquor. And I would ask for a favorable vote."

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

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1381, Mr. Verschoore. Please read the Bill. Excuse me, Mr. Clerk. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1458, Representative Bryant. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1564, Representative Gabel. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1679, Mr. Dunkin. Mr. Dunkin, 1679. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1679, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1702, Representative Tabares. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1702, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1763, Representative Feigenholtz. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1818, Representative Chapa LaVia. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1818, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1824, Mr. Zalewski. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1846, Representative Manley. Representative Manley. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1846, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1877, Representative McAsey. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1877, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Sen... Senate Bill 1894, Representative Bellock. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1894, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1898, Mr. Davis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1898, a Bill for an Act concerning the Secretary of State. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1942, Mr. Evans. Read the Bill, please."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 1942, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Mr. Kay is recognized."

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

Speaker Lang: "Proc... please proceed."

Kay: "Yeah. Thank you. Up in the gallery today, I have with me Andy Griffin, a constituent of mine from Glen Carbon, Illinois. And aside from being my neighbor, he also serves as the president of the Illinois Association of Nurse Anesthetists. Their association numbers more than 1400 certified, registered nurses and anesthetists statewide, and there are another 300 students, CRNAs, in training. They provide highly specialized care to our state citizens. And I'd appreciate a warm Springfield welcome for Andy today."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome aboard. Page 7 of the Calendar, Senate Bills-Third Reading. Be looking for your Bills, Members. First Bill is Senate Bill 13, Representative Kifowit. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 13, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Speaker. Senate Bill 13 is not a task force. It's an existing advisory council; however, it's expanding the advisory council to meet the needs better for the youth that are in the DCFS system. Currently, we have between 15

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thousand and 17 thousand youth in the system. The idea is for the advisory council, originated from subject matter hearings in Chicago on the dire conditions of the youth residential treatment centers in Illinois. Youth from the advisory boards were concerned that their opinions were not being heard and they wanted a greater impact on the lives of children who are at the residential treatment facilities. This board is comprised of 21 members, and it... should be tasked to review the... the department monitoring process, review monitoring standards, assist in making recommendations, identifying areas of improvement, reviewing indig... unfounded reports, reviewing random samples of calls, and preparing and providing recommendations that identify areas of need. I ask for the adoption of this Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sandack: "Stephanie, my analysis says the board... the advisory board now has 17 and your Bill will increase it to 21."

Kifowit: "Correct."

Sandack: "Oh, okay. And then, is there an additional cost or an expense associated with the expansion of this advisory council?"

Kifowit: "Not to my... not to my knowledge."

Sandack: "And my analysis says there's one opening right now. So, there'll... there'll be an opening for four members, right?"

Kifowit: "Correct."

Sandack: "And who makes those appointments?"

Kifowit: "The Governor."



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Sandack: "Thank you very much. Appreciate it."

Kifowit: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Williams. Please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 54, Mr. McAuliffe. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 54, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 54 deals with the 3D mammography. Currently, right now, most women are only getting treated with the 2D mammography. We had a mobile unit last year come out and demonstrate that for some women, 3D mammography is a better and more accurate test. And that's what this legislation is doing. And I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Batinick. Please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 94, Mr. Mautino. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 94, a Bill for an Act concerning insurance. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Mautino."

Mautino: "Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 94 is an initiative of the Department of Insurance and it would be adopting the National Association of Insurance Commissioner's model for principle-based reserves. It changes the method that we evaluate and reserve for liabilities for life and health policies to match what we do, basically, with the property casualty industry. The system we use now is over 100 years old. This is... and is one size fits all. This is a national initiative which will give more flexibility and will benefit con... the consumers as well as the regulators. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Cavaletto, Fine. Please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 100, Mr. Davis. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 100, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis."

Davis, W.: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. Senate Bill 100 is an attempt to help deal with the overreaching aspects of student discipline to try to limit exclusionary discipline measures like suspensions, and expulsions. And essentially what it does, is that it encourages schools to try to use other measures with regard to discipline before you get to expense... suspensions and

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expulsions. But o... obviously, under certain circumstances, those types of disciplinary actions are indeed necessary. What this Bill represents is well over a year of negotiations back and forth with all of the respective parties, schools, law enforcement, advocates, you name it. The Bill, as it stands right now, does not have any opposition. The most recent Amendment cleared all of the opposition from the school groups. It makes them neutral. While it does have many, many proponents, again, we are... are very happy that this is an initiative like what Representative Poe did earlier, where young people... and as we encourage young people to engage in the political process, in the legislative process, they did. In the gallery, I think primarily behind me, are a lot of students from an organization called Voice. They were the ones that brought this issue forward, have worked hard over the last year as advocates... talking to many of you here in the chamber about the Bill, in support of the Bill. But when we're talking about the impact of exclusionary discipline, these students represent those students that sometimes are... are over impacted by these types of... of measures. Some of the information that we've learned is that when students stay in school longer, they have a better chance at success. While we do have what we call alternative programs, and there's money that we fund for those programs, the idea is to try to keep students, to the best of our ability, in their regular school settings. And so, that being said, I certainly hope that all of you can support this Bill. We do appreciate all of the conversation and questions and... and requests that Members have made as it relates to this. Again, let me also reiterate,

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again, that this Bill does not have any opposition. We certainly hope that all of you can support it. I'll be more than happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sandack: "Will, I heard loud and clear there's no opposition and for that I'm thankful. That was a long, elaborative introduction because this is an important Bill. But let me ask a couple of what I think are potentially essential questions. This is a best practices mandate, if you will. It's a... it's a requirement that the state tells the schools to go through a process before making the ultimate decision on rather extreme punishment for children."

Davis, W.: "Well, it... it certainly encourages. And if you want to call it a mandate I understand."

Sandack: "Well, I put it in quotes."

Davis, W.: "Quote, unquote. But it does encourage schools to use every other measure if applicable..."

Sandack: "But it doesn't take away..."

Davis, W.: "...before you get to that."

Sandack: "...their discretion does it?"

Davis, W.: "No, it does not."

Sandack: "And it... it just encourages a more expansive view towards punishment and to be un... to understand that we, you know, kid... kids out of school, they got to go somewhere to school. And so it's attempting to use or encourage a best practices mode towards punishment of students."

Davis, W.: "Absolutely."

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Sandack: "All right. And again, it... this doesn't require anything other than best practices being looked at and that discretion be employed with respect to punishing students?"

Davis, W.: "Yes."

Sandack: "Thank you, Sir."

Davis, W.: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Ford."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Ford: "Representative Davis, I just want to commend you, because I know that you worked on this Bill for a very long time and you brought a lot of people to the table. And so, as the Bill states, you get a 100. Congratulations."

Davis, W.: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Harris, D.: "Representative, did you say that this Bill is... has no opposition?"

Davis, W.: "It does not have any opposition."

Harris, D.: "And I understand there may not be any organized group in opposition, although it did have opposition in the Senate, did it not? It didn't come out of the Senate unanimously, did it?"

Davis, W.: "No, it wasn't unanimous. And the most recent Amendment that we added in the House cleared that opposition."

Harris, D.: "Okay. So the Amendment in the House took care of the opposition..."

Davis, W.: "Yes."

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Harris, D.: "...that surfaced in the Senate. Thank you very much."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves, Members. Please record yourselves, Members. Harris, Mayfield. Please take the record. On this question, there are 73 voting 'yes', 41 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 125, Representative Feigenholtz. Representative Feigenholtz. Out of the record. Senate Bill 201, Mr. Ford. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 201, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. Under Senate Bill 201, it's an initiative of... the Sheriff Tom Dart's office. It is not a penalty enhancement. What it simply does, it protects young people from prostitution and aggravated factors such as prostitution that's confined to DCFS wards of the state. I move for the passage of House Bill... or Senate Bill 201."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill... Excuse me, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Sandack with a question."

Sandack: "Thank you. I'm sorry, La Shawn, some of us couldn't hear. Could you just walk us through the Bill one more time real quickly..."

Ford: "Okay. So, if the defendant..."

Sandack: "...so we know what we're voting on?"

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Ford: "Certainly. If a defendant is com... commits the offense of promoting juvenile prostitution, then they will... the judge would have the discretion as to whether or not they will enhance a penalty on the individual."

Sandack: "And this is for someone that's seeking to engage children in the act of prostitution?"

Ford: "That's the ward of DCFS only."

Sandack: "Got it. Thank you."

Ford: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Harris, Hoffman. Please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Chair recognizes Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "Thank you, Speaker. I need the record to reflect that my button was not working and I should've been recorded as a 'yes' on Senate Bill 100."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Representative. The record will reflect your intentions. Mr. Clerk, House Resolution 348, Representative Manley. Mr. Clerk, read an appropriate portion of the Resolution."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 348, offered by Representative Manley."

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Heritage Corridor Convention & Visitors Bureau for over 30 years of excellence in tourism and for

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proudly serving the communities and counties along the Historic I&M Canal National Heritage Corridor."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Manley."

Manley: "Thank you. Since 1984, the Heritage Corridor Convention and Visitors Bureau, the CVB, has inspired visitors to the Starve Rock area, Route 66, and the Illinois and Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor Region for shopping, dining attractions, recreational opportunities, scenic byways, special events, festivals and more. Based on a 2013 U.S. Travel Association research, visitors to the region spent more than 844 million on travel related expenditures. These expenditures resulted in more than 42.98 million in tax... tax revenue returned to the state and local municipalities. These expenditures support almost 8 thousand travel related jobs throughout the region. The reason we're doing the Resolution is because recently, the Heritage Corridor CVB recently achieved international accreditation, 1 of 193 worldwide, and 1 of 9 in Illinois through the DMAP, which is Destination Marketing Accreditation Program, developed by the Washington, D.C. Based Destination Marketing Association International. In the gallery today, we have the President and CEO of Heritage Corridor, Bob Navarro. We also have the vice president, Mary Beth DeGrush and past board chair Kelly Klobucher. Congratulations."

Speaker Lang: "Congratulations. Thank you, Representative. This Resolution has already been adopted, Members. Returning to Page 7 of the Calendar, Senate Bill 57, Representative Kelly Burke. Please read the Bill."



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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 57, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Burke."

Burke, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On Senate Bill 57 is actually a Bill that we passed last year by... with... with 90 affirmative votes. And it went over to the Senate to have a little work done. It's the rework of the Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Stat... Bill brought to you by the Illinois Family Law Study Committee. And the Senate added some provisions, mostly technical, but one in relation to relocation of children within the state and with out of the state, trying to make it a less adversarial process. So it's, in general, the Bill we passed by 90 votes last year with some changes in the Senate. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sandack: "Thank you. Representative Burke, obviously, you put a lot of work into this Bill. Can you just give a little bit of history on who worked the... the language and what groups were brought in to participate in reworking this, fran... frankly, old law?"

Burke, K.: "Well, we had the input of myself and the Senate Sponsor, John Rulmoe... John Mulroe, the Senate attorn... the attorneys in the Senate, the attorneys from our side, but also the Illinois State Bar Association, the Chicago Bar Association, the Cook County Public Guardian, and a variety of other advocates. And within those, we also had the head of

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the Domestic Relations Division for both Lake County and Cook County as part of those discussions and input."

Sandack: "So you had practitioners in this area of law as well as judges in this area of law giving you their opinions about how to make the law more usable in the courts and better for families?"

Burke, K.: "Absolutely."

Sandack: "All right. Well, obviously, it's been vetted a couple, two, three times, and there are still some objections out there. But I just want you to address a couple of them, so that we're clear on the record. I know there's a father's group that doesn't like the Bill because they think the threshold is too low for determining visitation."

Burke, K.: "So, they... they have a couple objections. And... and what I would say is that if you need... if you look at the current statute, the standards of... or the... the burdens of proof or the standards that are in this... this Bill are the same that are in current statute."

Sandack: "So there's no change?"

Burke, K.: "There's no... there's... there's change to the terminology, there's change to the wording, because we reworked..."

Sandack: "I don't mean to the..."

Burke, K.: "...we don't use custody."

Sandack: "...burden of proof."

Burke, K.: "The burden of proof is... remains the same as it is in current statute."

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Sandack: "And there were some criticism about extracurricular activities being considered a significant decision. You want to address that?"

Burke, K.: "The... we divided things up between parenting time and parenting responsibilities and extracurriculars came down to one of the parenting responsibilities, just as other factors of the child's life become part of parental responsibilities."

Sandack: "And last question. Do you think the changes makes getting a divorce any easier? Or do you think that the process is made easier, as far as understanding the law and who has certain rights and obligations and how coul... and how the system is accessed by all interested parties?"

Burke, K.: "I... I think the changes are intended, in the vast majority of cases, to reduce conflict and reduce litigation and make the process less adversarial, especially where the custody and visitation and parenting time of children is involved. And for the vast majority of cases, we're very hopeful that that will be the... that that will be, in fact, how it turns out."

Sandack: "Thank you, Representative. And thank you for your efforts. To the Bill. I stand in strong support of the Lady's Bill. I think it shows a... a collaborative effort with all stakeholders at the table. And I think a good work product has resulted. So I encourage a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Breen: "And Representative, I just wanted to get to that issue, because I've been getting a lot of e-mails and calls from folks who are in opposition to this particular measure. And... and one of the key things they talk about is that the... the guidelines for parenting time, which they are contending is the equivalent of custody, that that has now been put to a standard of preponderance of the evidence and that that may be unconstitutional as a de facto termination of parental rights. So, can... can you just address that point for me?"

Burke, K.: "Representative, what I would say is that the... the way that the standards are set forth in this statute is what is basically in current statute. And I'm not aware that there is a challenge to the constitutionality of a... of standards that have been in place for many, many years. So I don't really know where that argument comes from."

Breen: "Fair enough. And... and I think one of the comparison points was that grandparents or stepparent visitation was subject to a higher standard of review as opposed to actual natural parent standards. And I think that was one of the objections that had been raised."

Burke, K.: "I... I don't think that's actually factual. So... there are a couple differences. First of all, the... the... for parents, both parents are presumed to be fit. And the... the court shall not place res... the... the Bill says the court shall not replace strictions on parenting time unless it finds that by the preponderance of the evidence that a parent's exercise of parenting time would seriously endanger the child's physical, mental, moral, or emotional health. So you have not only... you have a standard of preponderance of the evidence, but the

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seriously endangered... the seriously endanger language has that as a heightened standard. The difference between parenting and grandparents... there... it... it's a very high bar for an... a nonparent to get visitation time. And both parents are presu... that the decision of a parent not to let a grandparent or sibling visit with the child is... is given great deference by the court. So for that grandparent to get visitation time, they've... they've overcome a high burden already just to get... just to get that. And I... I can't stress strongly enough that the... the... these burdens of proof that are in the current... that are in the Bill are, in fact, in the current statute. They're worded differently in the terms of the parents, but it... it is not a change from current law."

Breen: "Okay. And... well... To the Bill. I certainly respect the work of the Representative, who's certainly very strongly put... put together a team on this. I know there's still some opposition from other folks that I... I respect. And so, I... I'll... I'll be a 'no' but at the same time, I certainly recognize and... and I want to give credence to what the Sponsor's done with this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Morrison."

Morrison: "Thank you, Mr. Spea... Speaker. To the Bill. Illinois has one of the lowest divorce rates in the country. I think that is something that we should be proud of. I think that for both couples who are going through difficult times and also for the children they may have... have in their family, it is in the state's best interest to have the couple reconcile, if possible. And so, for that reason, I would like to see a 'no' vote on this. Thank you."

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Speaker Lang: "Kelly Burke to close."

Burke, K.: "To the Representative's point. The lowest divorce rate in the country for 2012 was the State of Iowa, which is a no-fault divorce state. Of the six highest states with the six highest divorce rate, the six states with the highest divorce rate, five of them have... are cause as well as irreconcilable differences. There's only one that's no fault. So I don't think that having a no-fault standard leads to a higher divorce rate. I think there are a lot of different reasons for a... a state's divorce rate, and I don't think whether there's a fault or no-fault standard really has anything to do with it. I... This has been, again, a product of a lot of work of people who are very invested in the welfare of children who are going... whose parents are going through a divorce. And also, you know, the... the court system in making sure that things run efficiently. So there's been a lot of work put into it. It's a compromise Bill. There have been a lot of tradeoffs. And a lot of people have worked hard to make this a reality. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Members, record yourselves. Would the Sponsor of the Bill like to vote for her Bill? Representative Davis. Please take the record. On this question, there are 68 voting 'yes', 45 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 376, Mr. Acevedo. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 376, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Acevedo."

Acevedo: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Amendment will provide county forest reserve police with the same jurisdictional duty... authority all other forest preserves enjoy under the Downstate Forest Preserve Act. Currently, the Cook County Forest Preserve Act gains... I mean, grants Cook County forest preserve police jurisdiction over Cook County Forest Preserve territory except when a territory is within the limits of any city or village. This Amendment is needed because the Cook County Forest Preserve Police undergo the same training as any other certified law enforcement officer in the state. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Anthony, Davis, Unes. Mr. Anthony. Please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Bennett is recognized."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Bennett: "Thank you, Sir. In the gallery behind me are three wonderful ladies. The first one is my lovely wife, Kathy, who is behind me up here. Kathy, if you would. And her two wonderful friends, Bev and Joan. So if we could also say hello to them as well."

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Speaker Lang: "Welcome."

Bennett: "Thank you very much. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thank you for joining us. Senate Bill 378, Mr. Martwick. Mr. Martwick. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 378, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Martwick."

Martwick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Body, I present Senate Bill 378. This is an initiative of Cook County. It amends the Cook County Forest Preserve Act. And it allows the... the County Board as the corporate authority of the forest preserve district to... it allows the President to appoint a designee to sign contracts on her behalf. So, it just allows her to appoint the designee and it only... only affects Cook County. I... I'm open for questions. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On this question, 113 voting 'yes', and 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 417, Mr. Dunkin. Mr. Dunkin. Out of the record. Senate Bill 509, Mr. Cabello. Mr. Cabello. Out of the record. Senate Bill 543, Mr. Costello. Mr. Costello. Out of the record. Senate Bill 564, Mr. Jackson. Mr. Jackson. Out of the record. Senate Bill 625, Mr. Turner. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 625, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."



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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Turner."

Turner: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the House, Senate Bill 625 is an agreed Bill between the Secretary of State and the rental car industry. It allows the Secretary of State to issue a five-year plate for rental cars. By doing so, the Secretary of State's Office will reduce its administrative burden, which is a benefit for that office. It also reduces the burden for rental cars by avoiding the annual application of license plate stickers. Rental car companies will continue to pay the same fees as before. A Bill passed through the Senate without a negative vote and passed the House Transportation & Vehicle & Safe... Safety Committee unanimously. I know of no opposition to the Bill, and ask for your favorable vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Davis, Fortner, Sommer. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 650, Mr. Hoffman. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 650, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Senate Bill 6... 650 would amend the transfer of territory for fire protection districts. And specifically would define what a... a serious industry... or serious injury is

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for a fire protection district, which is one of the factors that you take into account when determining whether the criteria is met for a transfer. In addition, it would allow volunteer fire departments... municipal volunteer fire departments, if they answer a call for a nonresident, to be able, like current municipal non volunteer fire departments can do, charge a fee to that nonresident per vehicle. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Hays."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Hays: "Representative, we had a discussion. Many rural communities and their... particularly with the volunteer fire protection district, will have a mutual aid agreement where maybe two or three or four small communities kind of have an agreement if... if you come to my aid during a huge fire or an emergency, we will come to your aid. Would... would this Bill in any way impact that agreement among those small communities or... or force them to be required to send some kind of an invoice to a mutual aid community?"

Hoffman: "I understand your concern. And this... this in no way will change that ability for them to have mutual aid."

Hays: "And... and there would be no mandate that they... I mean, if their agreement is a... an agreement that I will help you if you will help me, that can remain intact the way it is?"

Hoffman: "Yes"

Hays: "Thank..."

Hoffman: "This is not intended at all to change that."

Hays: "Thank you."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you. A few sque... a few questions of the Sponsor."

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sandack: "Jay, what's the current state of the law for fire protection districts or municipal fire departments, with respect to this?"

Hoffman: "It's my understanding that fire protection districts that answer a call of a nonresident are able to... to charge this fee. And it's my also... my understanding that municipal non volunteers can do that as well."

Sandack: "So all your Bill does is try and put volunteer departments, whether they're fire protection non volun... volunteer departments or municipal volunteer departments on parity and the same level with their brethren in fire protection districts and municipal fire departments."

Hoffman: "Exactly. Thi... this is an initiative of... of that volunteer fire departments association."

Sandack: "Okay. So, I get that. So last question. The fees associated with this thing, is there... are the fees any different than the existing fees for..."

Hoffman: "They're..."

Sandack: "...the other fire..."

Hoffman: "...they're..."

Sandack: "...protection and municipal departments?"

Hoffman: "they're the same."

Sandack: "Perfect. So all this does is put volunteer fire departments at the same level as other fire departments."

Hoffman: "Yes. Currently, this is an initiative of... came to me through Fairmount City Fire Department, which is a volunteer

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municipal fire department that's right next to an interstate. So what'll happen is they'll answer calls on that interstate and other fire departments..."

Sandack: "They're all nonresidents."

Hoffman: "Right. Exactly."

Sandack: "Perfect. Thank you. I stand in strong support of your Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Moffitt."

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The... the Sponsor just there at the very end essentially covered what I was going to say. Your local taxpayers are paying for the fire protection now. No fault of their own, they may get a lot of calls because of the... where they're located and serve nondistrict people. This is their only opportunity to be able to have a revenue stream that helps pay for the cost of the fire department. In effect, this is property tax relief. It helps reduce the burden on local property taxpayers in the local department by those that are getting the benefit of the service to help pay for it. It's a good Bill. I hope you'll vote for it."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Breen."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also rise in strong support of this measure. I'm proud to represent the Glen Ellyn Volunteer Fire Department. And as... as the Representative mentioned, this is a property tax relief Bill. Good tax policy means that folks who are... folks who get the benefit of a government service should be paying for it. And this Bill helps that to happen and also eliminates a discrepancy in our law, because the law is discriminatory against volunteer fire departments. So I'd very strongly urge an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Sims, Sommer. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 77 voting 'yes', 37 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Chair recognizes Mr. Moffitt."

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Moffitt: "In the balcony behind me, I have a group from Galesburg, Illinois, from Stone-Hayes Center for Independent Living. They have a program each year where consumers... or legislative interns learn... learn more about State Government. And they're observing us today. Would you make welcome the group from Stone-Hayes back here in the balcony?"

Speaker Lang: "Welcome. Thank you for being with us. Senate Bill 543, Mr. Costello. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 543, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Costello."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the Body. Senate Bill 543 allows for the use of synthetic gypsum as a fertilizer or agricultural conditioner. I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Nekritz. Please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0

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voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 564, Mr. Jackson. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 564, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Jackson."

Jackson: "Thank you, Chairman. Ladies and Gentlemen. Senate Bill 564 amends the Gubernatorial Boards and Commission Act. Currently, there are many boards and commissions under the jurisdiction of the Executive Branch. There is currently no centralized location to find the meeting times, locations, or agendas for these boards and commissions when they meet. If one wishes to find the notice of a hearing, an individual will have to go to the appropriate website or contact the staff of... for each task force. Senate Bill 564 requires the Governor's Office of Boards and Commissions to establish and maintain, on the Internet, a centralized location for an electronic mail server to use... for users to receive notice of the meetings of each board and commission, and their agenda, a listing of the meeting's time, general agendas for each board and commission. Provided... the office should provide a posting that information at least 48 hours before each meeting. I ask for an 'aye' vote. And I'll entertain any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you. A few questions of the Sponsor."

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sandack: "Thanks. Representative, has anyone from the Governor's Office given you their viewpoint with respect to this Bill?"

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Jackson: "Yes, they did. I contacted the... the Governor's Office and they are in agreement with the Bill."

Sandack: "They support it?"

Jackson: "Yes they do."

Sandack: "Well, great. Last... last question, Representative. Is there any cost associated with this online expansion and notice expansion?"

Jackson: "There is no cost associated with it."

Sandack: "Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Bennett, Riley. Riley. Please take the record. On this question, 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 679, Representative Williams. Please read the Bill. Representative, you have an Amendment on this? Mr. Clerk, please place this on the Order of Second Reading and read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 679, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Williams."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Williams on the Amendment."

Williams: "Hi. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Amendment just adds a couple components to the Bill about the collection of mercury thermostats to provide that companies that demolish buildings are required to comply with State Law regarding the collection of such thermostats."

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

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 681, Mr. Phelps. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 681, a Bill for an Act concerning conservation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. A few years ago, some of you helped me eradicate the exotic weed kudzu. Well today, I'm trying to add to that list. On behalf of the Illinois Environmental Council and the Sierra Club I am trying to establish weeds on the Exotic Weed Act: the bush honeysuckle, the olive, the salt seeder, the poison hemlock, the oriental bittersweet, the teasel, the knotweed, and the worst of the worst, the giant hogweed. That's... that thing will cause blindness, so you got to watch that one. So I just ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Easy for you to say, Representative. Chair recognizes Representative Williams."

Williams: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor will yield."

Williams: "Representative, did you say this Bill was sponsored and supported by the Sierra Club and the Illinois Environmental Council?"

Phelps: "Yeah. We already talked about... I think Representative Butler talked about the Green Giant. Well, if I pass this, that's what I'm going to feel like the Green Giant."



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Williams: "Well, it seems like you're really turning over a new leaf here."

Phelps: "Yep. Right after I pull these weeds."

Williams: "I'd be happy to support your Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Davis."

Davis, W.: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Davis, W.: "Representative, did I hear you say weed?"

Phelps: "Yep."

Davis, W.: "What's exotic weed?"

Phelps: "Like the ones I just mentioned."

Davis, W.: "Like the ones that you mentioned?"

Phelps: "They're from other countries and they've been brought into the state."

Davis, W.: "Does it have the same effect?"

Phelps: "Oh, they're... they're... I don't know about that, but they're... these are mean greens, I'll tell you."

Davis, W.: "Well, you know, there's something in the neighborhood we would call it, not exotic weed, we would just call it 'oohwee'. Same stuff?"

Phelps: "No. I don't think so."

Davis, W.: "No, not at all? Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Perhaps I should be down there for this debate. Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional

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Majority, is hereby declared passed. Chair recognizes Mr. Morrison."

Morrison: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. It was my reflect.. my intention on Senate Bill 650 to vote 'no'."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention, Sir. Senate Bill 740, Mr. Pritchard. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 740, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House this Bill has to do with the maintenance and the clearance around fire hydrants. It provides that whoever fails to comply with any of the provisions of the Act, after receiving written notice of noncompliance and violation, will be charged with reasonable costs that are necessary by the fire department or district in the municipality to correct the noncompliance. For legislative intent, this legislation is not meant to be unnecessarily punitive. It's really written for public safety and the clearance around a fire hydrant so that the fire department can get access to water and fight the fire as necessary. It's certainly been the practice of fire departments and districts over the years to work with the parties that might be offending. And if they need more than 30 days, it's certainly the intent that they can negotiate additional time. Be happy to answer your questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Franks: "Representative, why do we need this Bill?"

Pritchard: "Because there have been instances where fire hydrants have been covered up or in some ways obstructed so that fire departments can't get quick access to put out the fire and save lives."

Franks: "Okay. Under current law, the fire hydrants must be at least 14 inches but not greater than 26 inches from the ground where the fire hydrant is located correct?"

Pritchard: "That's my understanding."

Franks: "Who installs the hydrant?"

Pritchard: "Probably a number of sources could've installed it. Sometimes that's done as a part of a development. Sometimes a municipality might have done it."

Franks: "And... and what if they don't fall within these parameters? That if they're not 14 inches or more than 26 inches, whose responsibility would that be now? And how would the... how would this Bill change that?"

Pritchard: "So this Bill would allow the fire department to say that that hydrant is not accessible. And what we're really talking about is not necessarily height from the ground, but obstructions around it that prevent access to the fire outlets."

Franks: "Oh, I..."

Pritchard: "So I..."

Franks: "...I get that."

Pritchard: "...I would assume that whoever owns and maintains that, if it is a private water service, if it is a public water service, those would be the ones that would be responsible if it was found to be a nonfunctioning hydrant."

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Franks: "Okay. So let's assume it's in a... a municipality had... has installed it in a neighborhood, but it happens to be on the property of a homeowner, yet it's in an easement. Who would be the ultimate obligor to pay this? Would it be the municipality or would it be the homeowner since it's on the homeowner's property?"

Pritchard: "But if there is an easement, it would be the holder of that easement."

Franks: "But the easement goes to everybody. I just want to be very clear for legislative intent. So, if it's on a corner in a neighborhood and... and the homeowner happens to own that land, it wouldn't be the homeowner's responsibility. Is that what you're saying?"

Pritchard: "That would be the intent of this legislation."

Franks: "Then let me ask one other question then. So let's assume the homeowner is the one who planted some type of barrier around it. You know, planted flowers or bushes. Would the homeowner then be obligated or would it still be the municipality?"

Pritchard: "I believe under these situations... again, it would be something that could be negotiated, but I would assume that if it's a homeowner's property and they had invested in the landscaping, they would be the ones that would have ownership that needs to take rectifying action."

Franks: "Okay. I just want to make sure for legislative intent where we're going with this. I understand what you're trying to do and I agree with the intention of the Bill. I just want to make sure it's written in such a way where a homeowner

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doesn't get hit for something that should be the vill... the municipality and vice versa."

Pritchard: "Correct."

Franks: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Beiser, Davis, Rita, Welch. Davis, Welch. Please take the record. On this question, there are 113 voting 'yes', and 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 750, Representative Fine. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 750, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Fine."

Fine: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill provides accuracy and transparency for the consumer. It says that insurance plans must properly list in-network providers in their dental plans. And that list needs to be updated within 10 days of any changes. I know of no known opposition to this Bill. And I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Davis, Sullivan. Please take the record. On this question, 114 voting 'yes', and 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 751, Mr. Thapedi, who's standing and ready. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 751, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Thapedi."

Thapedi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 751 is an initiative of the Illinois Dentists who, by law, are authorized to administer vaccinations for free at public clinics. Senate Bill 751 grants them, prospectively, civil immunity when providing these vaccinations, except for wanton misconduct or gross negligence. Most importantly, this immunity will only attach so long if the notice is conspicuously posted in the clinic. I'm available to answer any questions. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Verschoore."

Verschoore: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Trying to cover all these switches, I voted everybody 'yes' but myself, and voted 'present'. I would like to vote 'yes' on the previous Bill."

Speaker Lang: "The... the record will reflect your intention. The rest of it we don't understand what you meant, Sir. Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Davis. Please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 781, Mr. Pritchard. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 781, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, passed legislation that allows, through a referendum, that

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municipalities can cancel out a fire district or fire department and... and end that kind of service. What this Bill does is it makes clear that the fire protection district that is assumed to respond those responsibilities, has accepted them. And we would like there to be further discussion before there is a referendum, but if there isn't, the fire district would still have an opportunity to negotiate and to not be a part of that service."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. There are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 791, Mr. Sullivan. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 791, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sullivan."

Sullivan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 791 allows forest preserve districts... allows them to lease or sell administrative and office property instead of just lease, limits the leases to 10 years, and allows for a recapture of property taxes if the entity that is leasing the property is nonexempt. I'm happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having

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received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 792, Representative Scherer. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 792, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Scherer."

Scherer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. Today I present Senate Bill 792. This Bill requires taxing districts to post not only in the newspaper but also on their website if property taxes are going to be increased more than five percent. It had bipartisan support and passed unanimously in the Senate and has no opposition I know of. I request an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Poe. Please take the record. There are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 793, Representative Williams. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 793, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Williams."

Williams: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill simply bans the mixing of sharps, home generated sharps, in recycling containers. There's no opposition to the Bill. And it's modeled basically after how we handle lawn waste. So there's no penalty on consumers and homeowners, but it's the right



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way to start the education campaign to keep sharps out of the recycling mix."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Phillips. Please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Sandack is recognized."

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

Speaker Lang: "Go right ahead, Sir."

Sandack: "In the gallery behind me is the assessor from Naperville Township the... a wonderful public servant and a good friend, Warren Dixon. Let's give him a nice round of applause here from Springfield."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome, Sir. Thank you for being with us today. Senate Bill 804, Mr. Moffitt. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 804, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Moffitt."

Moffitt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 804 is an initiative of... of the Illinois Sheriff's Association. It is permissive. There are no opponents, bipartisan in the support. This Bill passed the Senate last year and then the Bill was used for something else. We had a House Bill like that... like that this year. We considered it, and I had to answer a question, but the Senate Bill was running ahead of it. So we're running the Senate Bill. Just tell me... let me tell you a few brief things about it. One of the questions that was raised when we brought it up before was, how is the study determined? But... what this

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would do would empower a county board to raise the court security fee, and it can only be used for court security equipment, if they do a study and that study has to be conducted. It would include personnel contr... entryways, communication, security, scanners, equipment, uniforms, and every direct and indirect cost associated with securing the court and... of the facilities. And it's as defined in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-87, very specific. This has not changed for 12 years. We know that the need for court security continues to increase. If we empower a county board, they have to do the study. This is a way to help put the burden on property taxes. Lots of proponents. Appreciate your support. Be happy to entertain any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bradley."

Bradley: "We need this. To the Bill. I'm in support of this. We need this. The State of Illinois needs this. This is a bipartisan Bill. It's an initiative of the Sheriff's Association. I commend the Sponsor for moving this forward. This is an opportunity for bipartisanship. I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Mautino."

Mautino: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of Senate Bill 804. And I commend the Sponsor for his work, getting agreements from all parties. I know of no opposition and would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Pritchard."

Pritchard: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. I would just add that we put a lot of restrictions on counties. We're talking about cutting back the local Government Distributive Fund. They

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have to provide the security that people expect in courthouses. This is one way, through a study, through an action of the county board, local control that they can determine what their fees are. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Davis."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Davis, M.: "Representative, have you changed your Bill since you had it on the floor before?"

Moffitt: "Have... have not changed it. This is a Senate Bill. You know, obviously, it passed the Senate. And I explained the specifics that a study has to be based on. And that's what I was asked to get when we had the other Bill."

Davis, M.: "So, your Bill provides a study?"

Moffitt: "Require... yes. A study by the county board if they're considering the court security fee, any change in it. And in the... very... few time do we require a study like this. This adds transparency. The study has to be done before they would adopt an increase."

Davis, M.: "So the reason for an increase would be based upon the result of a study. Is that correct?"

Moffitt: "Result of the study, the need, what... they're going to tell the people what they're going to use it for and why they need it. Would... would it be used for equipment, electronic monitors? And keep in mind, this is to protect everyone that goes in and out of our court system, whether you're a defendant, whether you're just there on other business, whether you're a plaintiff. We owe... we the people owe you the

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security when you go in that building and this helps make sure the building is secure."

Davis, M.: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. I reluctantly will support this legislation. But I really am not in very much favor of any of these county boards being given an opportunity to increase fees. But I will support your Bill. But I am very reluctant because I do know that we can always find a reason... we can always find a reason to increase fees. And I... I know that it will happen in Cook County. I know that it'll happen. And I really worry... I worry when people go to court, and each time they go there's a new fee or an increased fee. And sometimes, it's not fair, and sometimes they pay a fee for a service that doesn't occur. And then when they go back to court they pay another fee for that same service. But I'll... I'll reluctantly vote 'yes'. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Nekritz."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Nekritz: "Representative, is the cost study only for the costs to the county?"

Moffitt: "For the... is it only for the cost to the county?"

Nekritz: "Yeah. Do... does it... does it take into account what the court fees would be for a civil litigant or for a defendant in total? So, for... so we... we're envaluing the county the ability to impose another... to impose a fee based on a cost study. I'm trying to understand. Is that cost study only for the... for what the county is looking to re... to charge people to support their spending? Or does it take into account what

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the defendant is already paying in other costs and fees in addition to what we would be imposing here?"

Moffitt: "The cost study would be for the cost that it will take to provide the security that is being proposed."

Nekritz: "But it doesn't take... it does... would not be looking at the... at the side of the person faying... paying the fee."

Moffitt: "I don't believe they would be providing any of the security. It's just the... the..."

Nekritz: "No, but they're paying the fee."

Moffitt: "Right. That's correct."

Nekritz: "So... and... and we... I just... I'm... have a concern that we continually impose fees on lit... civil litigants and defendants. And I... I honestly have no idea how much we ask them to pay whenever we do that. And every time one of these comes up and we say, well how much are they charged? And we go..."

Moffitt: "Right."

Nekritz: "...everybody goes... shrugs their shoulders and goes, eh, I have no idea but let's charge another fee. So that's my con..."

Moffitt: "Repre..."

Nekritz: "...that's my concern."

Moffitt: "Representative, I appreciate your question. That's the good thing about this. It's shedding more light. It's the board, if they say we need this, they're going to have to show what it is, how much it's going to cost, how they're going to use it. They're going to have to defend that to the people."

Nekritz: "Very good. Thank you."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Phelps."

Phelps: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. I want to echo some of what my last... friends on my... on... Representative Pritchard, Representative Bradley, Representative Mautino on the hard work that Representative Moffitt has done. Thank you so much for bringing everybody together. This is going to help our counties, especially our sheriffs. I urge an 'aye' vote. And thanks again, Representative Moffitt."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Verschoore."

Verschoore: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I, too, rise in support of this Bill. As everyone knows, our municipalities, our local forms of government are in some need of some extra dollars and I think this is one way of getting it. And I stand in support and ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Acevedo."

Acevedo: "Thank you, Spea... Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I heard some speakers talk about fees and they... this fee keeps coming up. I don't think that's what the... the Sponsor really was talking about. He's talking about a study that's going to help the bo... the county boards to come up, if they need the fees to make... to make the courtroom secure. You know what, now... nowadays, when people run around shooting up the buildings or their bosses. You know, the county... the county building, like on 26th and California, there's a lot of dangerous criminals going in there. So, I'd like it, if necessary, to make it safer and put a little ra... fee rate in it. And I do... I think... I think you're absolutely right, Representative. And I think... vote 'yes' for this Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Ammons."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Ammons: "I just want to ask a question about, is this... is this a one-time fee?"

Moffitt: "Representative, I mean, it would... it'd be per case. If a... there were different cases, it would be but I mean, we're just talking about if a county board feels they need more security, they prove it with a study. This would be something they could put on a... a fee on a case."

Ammons: "So, I'm not... I'm not understanding why we would do this at the state level. You... I'm missing something here and I don't want to make an assumption that I think may be wrong. If you could just back up for a second and explain to me why we would be setting this rate above \$25. Doesn't... the county already has authority to set fines and fees. It... am I misunderstanding this?"

Moffitt: "It's... it has a cap of \$25. The court security fee is capped at 25. Because of rising costs, increased needs, some count... some county... not every county will adopt this. But if they do the study and it would be used for different... various things. It can be used for personnel, security scanners, equipment, uniforms, and every direct or indirect cost associated with securing the court facilities."

Ammons: "Who pays this?"

Moffitt: "And they're going to have to justify it."

Ammons: "Who pays the... if it's... if the cap above \$25 who pays... actually pays this fee?"

Moffitt: "People that are... that are in court and then each court case."

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Ammons: "Thank you so much. To the Bill. One of the concerns I have is that, in essence, this is a backdoor way to actually impose a tax on poor people and people who use the court systems in our communities. And I believe, as a former county board member, we dealt with this issue over and over again. Each time we wanted to purchase a new vehicle, new equipment, new phone system, that fee was not applied equally to all of the people of that county but really applied to the people that either have cases that are... either guilty or not guilty but who come through the courthouse and have to pay this additional fee. And in essence, it's just a way to actually tax people without having to pass a actual tax. And I think people should really consider that when you start applying the removal of these caps because each county board then could set that fee at any particular rate they... that they so choose. And so, I'm really concerned about this Bill. And I'm... I'm more concerned about the impact. And I didn't bring with me any stats and figures, but I can tell you, just from experience of our courthouse, that the majority of people who are assessed these fines or fees are people that look like me. And it's quite unfortunate, if you go to our traffic court, that 90 percent of those people that are in traffic court look like me. And this Body has done, I believe, an excellent job starting to collect data around the impact of traffic stops, traffic fees, and fines. But the... the people who bear the cost of these things are usually poor people, usually people of color and that is a unfair tax on the poor. And so, I... I really am concerned about this. And I hope my colleagues are listening to the really important message



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that's being sent here. And I shared this when I was a county board member at the same way, that if we are to pay for services necessary for our courts for which I support, I do believe that that should be spread out to everybody that the courthouse serves. And this does not do that. And so I ask our colleagues to consider a 'no' vote on this issue because this issue really affects people who are less likely having the ability to pay the additional cost. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Walsh."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Walsh: "Representative, is this fee in place right now?"

Moffitt: "The permission to have it is there. It's up to the local county board..."

Walsh: "So..."

Moffitt: "...local elected board is the one that decides whether or not to use it, and would also be the deci... one decide will not do a study. So some counties have it, probably most of them but they're not required to."

Walsh: "So... so, there are some counties out there that may have this fee in place? And to continue or if they want to go above this \$25, they would have to a study, the county board would have to commission a study to justify their reasoning..."

Moffitt: "Exactly."

Walsh: "...behind that."

Moffitt: "Exactly."

Walsh: "To the Bill. This is a good Bill. This is transparency. This is... is... this is what we ask of our local officials, to basically study the situation, look at what the needs are,

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and then make those adjustments from there. I'd urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Moffitt to close."

Moffitt: "Thank you very much. I appreciate the good debate, good discussion. I'd just remind you it's been 12 years since there's been any changes. Lots of new technology since then. Lots of additional equipment to make it... safer. Of all places, we need to make our court system safe for all who use it. This is a way to reduce the burden on property taxes. I urge a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Bourne, Davis, Fine, Hays, Ives, Sosnowski. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 63 voting 'yes', 48 voting 'no', 3 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 810, Mr. Batinick. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 810, a Bill for an Act concerning insurance. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 810 amends the Insurance Code. Provides that an individual who... individuals who fail to pass the public adjustor licensing examination on his or her first attempt must wait seven days prior to rescheduling an examination. Right now it's 90 days. It's an outlier, brings it into what most professions do. Came out of the Senate on a unanimous vote. Since my parents are in the audience, I please urge an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Lang: "Pulling the parent card. Mr. Franks."

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

Speaker Lang: "I think he should."

Franks: "Yeah..."

Speaker Lang: "All right, he yields."

Franks: "...that was pretty desperate. I like that. I like that.

Are these exams giving on... on a certain time frame or can you just take them whenever?"

Batinick: "I don't know the exact time frame that they're taken.

But I can tell you that there's only a 32 percent pass rate. And the... there's another ins... the insurance... the insurance producers only have a 24 hour waiting period. So the alarm contractors, athletic trainers, I mean, real estate brokers, most people have no waiting period. So this is just a major outlier. And what happens is... is people want to get a job and then when they have to three... wait three months, we lo... we might lose that person because they have to move on with their life."

Franks: "No, I think it makes sense. I... I just didn't know if they had certain times they had to do them, but it may be that they can take them online or something. They take them shortly thereafter when it's more fresh in their minds anyway. So, to the Bill. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Batinick family, I... I'd like to support this Bill so the... so their son, the prodigal son looks good in front of the parents, but even beyond this Bill he's doing a great job. And I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Do you wish to close in front of your parents, Sir? Something emotional."

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Batinick: "I'm going to go ahead. And I think that was an awesome close by Representative... All right."

Speaker Lang: "You can do better than that."

Batinick: "I love you, mom and dad. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Perfect. Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Oh, mom and dad. Please record yourselves. Brady, Evans, McAuliffe. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Wow. Senate Bill 816, Mr. Sandack. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 816, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Senate Bill 816 it's an initiative of the DuPage Water Commission, which seeks to remove the self-dissolution provisions contained in the existing law. The DuPage Water Commission is a great example of intergovernmental cooperation. It is comprised of the county of DuPage and 12 municipal members. It is a voluntary organization, so that one... that is why it seeks the... the law change. I'm happy to answer any questions and ask for your support."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves, Members. Hammond, Jackson, Wheeler. Barbara Wheeler. Please take the record. On this question, there are 78 voting 'yes', 37 voting 'no'. And this Bill,

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having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 844, Representative Golar. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 844, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Golar."

Golar: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and Members of the House. Senate Bill 844 is an initiative of the Shriver Center and there's no opposition to the Bill. It was passed out of Jud - Criminal Law unanimously. It's supported by the Illinois Policy Institute. Right now, Ladies and Gentlemen, there are hundreds and thousands of hardworking, qualified men and women who are dying to work so they can take care of themselves and their families so they can be self-sufficient and their children can have the opportunities they need to succeed. This Bill basically puts... allows people... individuals to petition to limit who can look at their old records two years after completing their supervision versus being able to do three years... or three years after completing the sentence for their convictions versus four years later. I would also like to thank Representative Ford. From the time that he started here, years ago, he was really setting forth the model for sealing. So, we would like... like to thank him for his hard work. And I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Lady's Bill... Excuse me. Mr. Sandack with a late light. Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Sorry about the late light, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "It's all right, Sir."

Sandack: "A question of the Sponsor."

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Speaker Lang: "Go right ahead."

Sandack: "Representative Golar, this talks to... or speaks to convictions of a nonviolent nature. Isn't that..."

Golar: "That is correct."

Sandack: "...correct? So this doesn't impact anyone that's committed a heinous criminal act against a child or a senior citizen, or killed someone? This has to do with minor drug related offenses and sealing... going from four years to two years, isn't that correct?"

Golar: "That is correct."

Sandack: "Thank you."

Golar: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Anthony, Cabello. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. There are 78 voting 'yes', 38 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 903, Representative Sandack. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 903, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you. This... Senate Bill 903 simply amends the State Comptroller Act by compelling the office of the Comptroller to establish and maintain an online repository designated as the warehouse that has any and all public records, required by law to be filed with the Comptroller, of local units of government. This is an initiative of the Comptroller's Office. And I know of no opposition."

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Speaker Lang: "Mr. Dunkin."

Dunkin: "Thanks... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will... will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Dunkin: "Now, last week, State Representative Sandack was looking for the wizard. He accused, I believe you, of being the wizard. And I walk down the aisle, Mr. Speaker and I found this... this wizard hat. So, the question I want to ask the Sponsor is, have you found or seen the wizard?"

Sandack: "Well you're hol..."

Dunkin: "Do you know where he is?"

Sandack: "You're holding the hat. Where'd you find it?"

Dunkin: "It was at Representative Lou Lang's district."

Sandack: "Then you found him."

Dunkin: "So, he's the wizard?"

Sandack: "I think so."

Dunkin: "Do you need any advice or leadership from the wizard?"

Sandack: "I sure don't."

Dunkin: "Because the wizard knows all."

Sandack: "He's a handsome guy."

Dunkin: "Okay. All right. I'll put this back on its appropriate location on Leader Lang's desk."

Speaker Lang: "Just so you know, Sir, a hat doesn't do it. Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "Ju... I have a question of the Sponsor."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed, Sir."

Harris, D.: "Just a short question. Why do we need this Bill?"

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Sandack: "We need this Bill because it lets citizens find everything about local government that's filed with the Comptroller in one easy place."

Harris, D.: "And... and the Comp... and the Comptroller can't do this on her own?"

Sandack: "Encouragement of... of this wonderful, august Body certainly couldn't hurt."

Harris, D.: "Oh."

Sandack: "And she sought our... this initiative, and we're going to respond to her to request."

Harris, D.: "A wonderful Bill. And should go out of here on a unanimous Roll Call."

Sandack: "Darn skippy."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Phillips. Please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 973, Mr. Zalewski. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 973, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My analysis hasn't updated yet. Oh, there we go. House Bill... Senate Bill 973 is a... deals with the Respiratory Care Act. It... it allows ventilators to be set up only by physicians. And it's... it's reflective of an agreement with HCCI. And it comports with the written collaborative agreements of APNs. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."



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Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Gentleman's Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Drury, McAuliffe. Please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting 'yes', and 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 9.. Excuse me, Mr. Clerk. Chair recognizes Representative Ives."

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

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Ives: "Mr. Speaker, sitting in House Rules is House Resolution 176. House Resolution requ... 176 requests that we actually be not in Session for Memorial Day. I have well over 80 Sponsors on this Bill. For me, it is more important that we are with our families, fellow veterans, participating in ceremonies that recognize the sacrifice that has happened on Memorial Day. If you don't know Illinois history, you should understand that it was General John Logan, a fellow Illinoisan, someone who served in the Illinois Senate, who served in... in Congress as both a Representative and a Senator from Illinois who actually began what we... we started out with as Decoration Day. It has met... morphed into what we call Memorial Day, a day of remembrance for those who sacrificed, who gave the ultimate sacrifice so that we can stand here together as a Body and legislate, so that we have the protections of the First Amendment and the Second Amendment and everything else and the right to vote. And I believe that it's far more important for us to be back in district, back participating

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in those veteran ceremonies that are important to those who have served and those who have not served but perhaps their family members have served. It is far more important and meaningful for us to do that than to be here in Springfield. And I would request that the Speaker consider allowing House Resolution 176 to come out of Rules and to be placed for a vote on this... for this chamber. It is also important to note that this a... this is a time when families like to travel. Perhaps travel to visit the... the site... the cemetery site of somebody who had given themselves in war. So I... I think it's incumbent upon us to respect this. And the best way that we can respect for this is to recognize that it is not an ordinary work day. It is a day that we should actually be reflecting upon the sacrifices of those who went before us. So, I make this request. I make this plea to the Speaker, Michael Madigan, to actually not have us here in Session but to start first thing in the morning Tuesday morning. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

Franks: "Mr. Speaker, I... I rise in opposition to that Motion."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks, there was no Motion."

Franks: "Well, I'd like to... a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Lang: "Please proceed."

Franks: "I was reading an interesting book last night, by Bill O'Reilly, called Killing Patton. Wonderful book and I'd suggest it. I got to the part of the Battle of the Bulge last night. I read 'til about two in the morning. I found it captivating. The Battle of the Bulge happened in Belgium, when the Germans on their last defensive in December of 1944.

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It started around December 19. The third... Patton's... Patton's army was the Third Army. And they were south. They had to come up to Bastogne to save an island of Americans because the SS were massacring our boys. The SS were killing prisoners of war who had surrendered. I think the last place Patton and his army wanted to be on Christmas Day was fighting at the Bastogne. The fact is, the people in our military put their lives on the line for us every single day. And because of them, we are able to be in this Body and to cast votes and to do our civic duty. I presume they would've liked to have been home with their families on Memorial Day or on Fourth of July, or on Thanksgiving, or Christmas, but unfortunately, they have a job to do, to protect us. And we owe it to them to do our job. We have an obligation to be here, to do our work. We shouldn't be entitled and ask for special privileges so we can travel with our families. And you said it's far more important, the previous speaker, to be in our district. I would disagree. It's far more important to honor the men and women who serve our country by being here doing our jobs. And I strongly disagree with that coming forward and I'd encourage everyone to vote against that if it should come to the House Floor. And I look forward to seeing everybody on Memorial Day doing our part, because that's the least we could do."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sullivan. Nice hat, Sir."

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

Speaker Lang: "Proceed."

Sullivan: "In continuing on everything that is American, Memorial Day, let's talk some baseball. Because later on tonight at

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D.H. Brown's at 8:00 we're going to have the inaugural Cubs Caucus. Representative Feigenholtz, the other day had announced that as well. It's going to be a wonderful time. And I do believe that Kelly Cassidy is bringing kosher hot dogs and polish from a Romanian kosher butcher in Rogers Park. I can barely say it, but it's going to be very good eats. So, let's all try and make it out there and root on your favorite Cubs of Illinois."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Hays."

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

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Hays: "As it relates to the last announcement, while the Sox fans are taking no caucus position on the Cubs Caucus and wish you the very best, I do want to note for the record that the Sox have won eight of the last nine. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "A point well made, Sir. Senate Bill 986, Representative Gabel. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 986, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Gabel."

Gabel: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill requires employees of child care facilities to be immunized for TDAP and MMR. This will protect the children who are under a year old who cannot get the measles vaccine yet. And this Bill came out because of the outbreak of measles in... I think it was DuPage County back in February. And I appreciate an 'aye' vote. There are..."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Flowers."

Flowers: "Mr. Speaker, will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Flowers: "Representative, I understand exactly what it is that you're trying to do in regards to this legislation. I think there was 12 people across the state that contacted measles. And as a result of that, you found it necessary to change the law. The only thing that concerns me about this legislation is that you are taking away my right as a parent, my right. And so, you're saying that in order for me to make a decision about my child, that it has to be authenticated by a doctor."

Gabel: "That's a different Bill, Mary. It's not this Bill."

Flowers: "This is not the same Bill?"

Gabel: "No. It's a different Bill. Yeah, yeah. That's 1410. This is 986"

Flowers: "Okay. Well, explain to me what this House Bill..."

Gabel: "This Bill just... this Bill just requires employees, adults of... who work in a child care center to be immunized. So that they..."

Flowers: "That is not already the law?"

Gabel: "...cannot spread the disease. No. They only have to have physicals. They don't have to prove immunizations. And in this case, it was an adult that spread it to the child."

Flowers: "And if... can they not have an objection to the vaccine..."

Gabel: "They can."

Flowers: "and..."

Gabel: "They can."

Flowers: "...and so, as a result will they lose their job if they exercise their right to object?"

Gabel: "It... it's possible. I mean, these are children that they... they... this may not be a job for them then. I mean, these

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children cannot be immunized. They are too young and they shouldn't have to risk being exposed to... to measles."

Flowers: "And should.. should the.. the adult that's working in this environment, should he or she have the risk, for whatever reason that they have not been vaccinated, should they have to give up their livelihood? I mean, have we passed a law that this is applicable all over the state and to all employment or is it just certain employments?"

Gabel: "It's no person..."

Flowers: "Because it appears..."

Gabel: "...may be employed."

Flowers: "...to me... Pardon me?"

Gabel: "No person may be employed."

Flowers: "No person may be employed..."

Gabel: "By a..."

Flowers: "...not unless."

Gabel: "...child care facility that cares for children under six years old unless they have proof of being immunized or have an immunity."

Flowers: "And... and what if that person, again, have a reason to be exempt? Why should he or she lose her job?"

Gabel: "Because they could spread the disease to a child who cannot be immunized because they're too young."

Flowers: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Harris."

Harris, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A question of the Sponsor."

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Harris, D.: "Representative, hospitals now can require their employees to be vaccinated, correct? You get the..."

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Gabel: "I'm not sure."

Harris, D.: "Well, I believe they can in order... because they're treating patients who are vulnerable to infection. So, it's a similar situation that where a child is... is vulnerable to..."

Gabel: "Correct."

Harris, D.: "...infection, correct?"

Gabel: "Correct."

Harris, D.: "Thank you very much. I encourage..."

Gabel: "Thank you."

Harris, D.: "...a 'yes' vote on your Bill."

Gabel: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Bellock."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Bellock: "So I just wanted to clarify, Representative, that this is just specifically for people that are working in the child care centers, correct?"

Gabel: "Correct."

Bellock: "Right. Yeah, thank you. And to the Bill. I agree in what Representative Harris said that hospital workers, nursing home workers, people who are in direct contact with people have to have certain types of shots. And I think because of the day care centers this is a preventative thing on an important issue. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Gabel to close."

Gabel: "Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just wanted to correct the... the outbreak that was in Palatine. And I think this is a good bill to protect children, young children from..."

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from preventable diseases. I appreciate an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mussman. Please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 3 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 1062, Mr. Zalewski. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1062, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 1062 permits a person who provides canine odor detection services to engage in research to obtain... or engages in that practice, to obtain a controlled substances license. And it permits a medical resident to hold a temporary license under the Medical Practice Act to lawfully possess the... the substances. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Brady, Golar, Mitchell, Wallace. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. There are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 1129, Representative Cassidy. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1129, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."



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Speaker Lang: "Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and Members of the House. Senate Bill 1129 make... takes steps in an effort to stay ahead of the... those who create synthetic drugs. Basically, each time we outlaw a substance, a slight tweak to the formula gets them outside the parameters of the law. In addition, it removes the phrase 'which is intended for... for human consumption' for the list of Schedule I and II controlled substances. As oftentimes, these manufacturers simply put that label on the package in order to get around the law. I welcome your questions."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Bryant, Davis, Feigenholtz, Hays, Jesiel, Unes. Davis. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. There are 116 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 1252, Mr. Pritchard. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1252, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Pritchard."

Pritchard: "Ladies and Gentlemen, this Bill comes to us in amending the Township Act to allow one township to be able to transfer funds that have accumulated in their general assistance funds to their general fund if they have not received any state funding for general assistance, if not borrowed, and otherwise are complying with our State Law. We originally, as it came out of the Senate, had made this

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accessible to all townships, but in order to get this Bill to move, Amendment 3, that we have adopted, limits it to one township in White County. Would ask for your support."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Franks."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Franks: "Representative, if I understand correctly, this Bill is because a township has too much money and they're not spending it and they want to transfer it to another fund?"

Pritchard: "Over the years, they have taxed at a level higher than what they have awarded. They've had a change of supervisors. The new supervisor comes in and says we want to use that money rather than tax our residents."

Franks: "That's my follow-up question. Have they changed the levy? Have they..."

Pritchard: "Yes."

Franks: "...have they... Okay."

Pritchard: "They have not levied in this account this year."

Franks: "Thank you. 'Cause I was hoping one of the options would be to stop taxing."

Pritchard: "Right. They did."

Franks: "All right. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Kay. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. There are 80 voting 'yes', 35 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Sandack is recognized."

Sandack: "Thank you. Point of personal privilege."

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Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Sandack: "In the gallery, on the Democratic side, is Tim Egan, who was the CEO and president of Roseland Community Hospital, a critical community hospital. The new Roseland as... absolutely exceeded expectations. He's doing a great job. I think Representative Rita's... that's his district. But if we could give Tim Egan a nice Springfield warm welcome, I'd be appreciative."

Speaker Lang: "Welcome, Sir. Enjoy the festivities. Mr. Poe."

Poe: "Oh, this a text from IEA?"

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Poe."

Poe: "Yeah. I'd like the re... record to reflect on 986, I would ra... be a... a 'yes'."

Speaker Lang: "The record will reflect your intention, Sir. Mr. Franks."

Franks: "Poi... a point of personal privilege, Mr. Speak..."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, please."

Franks: "When I spoke before on a point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker, talking about the Battle of the Bulge, I just got a very important message. I don't know if Dick Lockhart is here in the gallery today, but if he is I'd like him to stand up and be recognized. Because Mr. Lockhart wrote me a note, and he's a friend. We all know Dick. And he said, I liked your remarks on... on the floor. However, the Battle of the Bulge was at 5:30 a.m. on December 16; I was there. We thank you for your service, Dick."

Speaker Lang: "Senate Bill 1265, Representative Nekritz. Representative Nekritz. Out of the record. Chair recognizes Representative Hammond."

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Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If you would, I'd like the record to reflect that on Senate Bill 1252, I'd like to be recorded as a 'yes'."

Speaker Lang: "Record will reflect your intentions. Mr. Phillips."

Phillips: "Point of personal privilege, Speaker."

Speaker Lang: "Proceed, Sir."

Phillips: "Yes, Sir. In the balcony, John Wagner, would you please stand up? This is John Wagner. He's the township supervisor from the Crawford County. He's also on the school board. I'd just like to introduce my friend. Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Thank you, Sir. Thank you for your service. Senate Bill 1268, Mr. Zalewski. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1268, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 1268 amends the Structured Settlement Protection Act to clarify and enhance notification application and hearing process. It requires disclosure of the effective annual interest rate in a separate document. It clarifies the proper procedures for a hearing, it allows the court the jurisdiction to hear an application for the transfer of a... of a settlement even if they... it contains a nonassignment clause and provides an obligor and annu... an annuity issuer's (indiscernible) from liability must not be affected by the failure of any transferring party to comply with the Act. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sandack."

Sandack: "You... Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

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Sandack: "Mike, what's the intention? What... what are these cleanup and... and clarifications of this law intended to achieve?"

Zalewski: "My... my understanding, Ron, is... is there's some issues within the Act that the holders of these... of these settlements wish to cleanup in terms of, again, disclosures, transferability. And this is an agreed to Bill."

Sandack: "And it's supposed to make it so that attaining these structured settlements is easier, cleaner, and provides from liquidity in the market as well?"

Zalewski: "Correct."

Sandack: "Thank you. And there are no... there's no opposition to this at all, is there?"

Zalewski: "Correct. Correct."

Sandack: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Burke, Meier. Please take the record. There are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Returning to page 7, Senate Bill 66, Mr. Ford. Please read the Bill. First, Mr. Clerk, please place this on the Order of Second Reading and read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 66, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous day. Amendment #2 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Ford."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I move for the adoption of the Amendment #3. It simply a page and

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line Amendment to clarify that an entity that purchases and use cell phones for the purposes of recycling or refurbishing is not included within the definition of resale dealer, under the Resale Dealer Act. I move for the adoption of House Amendment... House Floor Amendment #3."

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

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. On page 16 there appears Senate Bill 1102, Mr. Anthony. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1102, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Anthony."

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

Anthony: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 actually just removes any language that deals with the civil aspect, and deals directly with criminal... individuals that are committed... that have committed criminal crimes. And that's what... I... I ask for an 'aye' vote."

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

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 1444, Representative Kifowit. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1444, a Bill for an Act concerning government. The Bill was read for a second time on a previous

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day. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Kifowit."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Kifowit on the Amendment."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 1 reduces the amount of boards that this applies to. It... this provision now only applies to boards that are confirmed by the Senate."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sullivan."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Sullivan: "So, Representative, this came through Exec and you agreed to hold the Bill, pending an Amendment. And for the record, we believe that this is the Amendment that has been agreed to with Members of the Exec and to move this forward. I... we get that this came to the floor, not your responsibility, instead of committee."

Kifowit: "Correct."

Sullivan: "Okay. I just wanted to get that on the record. Thank you."

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

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

Speaker Lang: "Third Reading. Members, we're moving to page 19 of the Calendar. And under the Order of Concurrence, there appears House Bill 235, Representative Fine. Representative Fine is recognized."

Fine: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like the House to concur on House Bill 235. When we moved the Bill out of the House, we said we'd work on it in the Senate and it is an agreed

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Bill that will allow coverage for children under the age of 19 with developmental disabilities to have medical coverage for sedation when they root... go to the dentist's office."

Speaker Lang: "Lady moves to concur with Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 235. Those in favor of the Lady's Motion will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 116 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And the House does concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 235. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 404, Mr. Acevedo. Please proceed, Sir."

Acevedo: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I wish to concur with Amendment #1. Basically all it does is annexes 145 acres of land in the Hoffman Estates into the district's service area. I'd be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves that the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 404. Those in favor of the Gentleman's Motion vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Demmer, Hernandez. Please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And the House does concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 404. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 1588, Mr. Bennett. Please proceed, Sir. Mr. Bennett."



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Bennett: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a Bill that was passed originally in the House with the idea that we had an Amendment that we would go forth to the Senate with. The Senate did work through that and they brought it back here without any concerns that I'm aware of. We eliminated the concern regarding the 90 days and so we streamlined the effort in which folks were able to sue under specific statute."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Bennett, I am told that your Motion has not yet cleared Rules. So we'll take this out of the record until it does."

Bennett: "All right. Thank..."

Speaker Lang: "Save that comment for the next time. Ladies and Gentlemen, on page 21 on the Calendar, under Motions in Writing, appears House Bill 306. Mr. Guzzardi with a Motion. Out of the record. House Bill 1432. Mr. Ford moves to table House Bill 1432. Is there leave? Leave is granted. And the Motion is granted. And the Bill is tabled. House Resolution 147. Representative Flowers moves to table House Resolution 147. Is there leave? Leave is granted. And the Resolution is tabled. Senate Bill 1734, Mr. Sullivan with a Motion."

Sullivan: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I move to... oh, yeah, reconsider the vote on Senate Bill 1734."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill 17... We'll start again. The Gentleman moves to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill 1734 failed, having voted on the prevailing side. Did he vo... Those in favor of the Gentleman's Motion will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Record yourselves. Davis, Meier, Thapedi. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are

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113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no'. And the Gentleman's Motion prevails. The House does consider the... reconsider the vote by which 17... Senate Bill 1734 failed. And this Bill is restored to the Order of Third Reading. The Chair recognizes Mr. Franks."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We debated this, I think there was... a couple days ago. I think there was some misinformation. And I appreciate Representative Sullivan filing the Motion. I believe Representative Sandack also agrees with that. I'd be happy to answer any questions, but it's been thoroughly debated."

Speaker Lang: "Mr. Sullivan."

Sullivan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. We've certainly debated this extensively. This is something that is going to be needed for our state's attorneys in collecting some of the existing fees, not new fees. And there was some miscommunication on... on our parts on what this did. And so, we've tried to make this whole by bringing this back and that's why these Motions were taking place. And I'm fully in support of the Gentleman's Bill."

Speaker Lang: "Representative Davis."

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

Speaker Lang: "Sponsor yields."

Davis, M.: "Would you kind of tell us what happened here? I know we reconsidered your Bill."

Franks: "Yeah. What happened is it failed the other day 'cause I think... I probably didn't explain it right. And there was no additional fees..."

Davis, M.: "So exactly what does it do?"

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Franks: "What it does it allows, right now, when the state's attorney wants to have something served they use the sheriff. Now they want to be able to use a private process server as well. That's all it is. It's no..."

Davis, M.: "Always..."

Franks: "...additional fees."

Davis, M.: "...or just..."

Franks: "No. They just want to have the option. So... and they can have a special investigator to do it as well. 'Cause they want to have the option to be able to do it. It's simply for efficiency. So there's no additional defendants. There's no additional cost."

Davis, M.: "Well, currently, on real estate transactions, you can use a process server. But you're saying..."

Franks: "No, this is for a state's attorney. This is on... this only... this only applies to..."

Davis, M.: "For criminal cases?"

Franks: "...the state's attorney. Yeah. Well, they... the state's attorney also does, besides criminal, they also do some civil stuff as well. But this is just so they can have more opportunities."

Davis, M.: "Because otherwise it takes too long to get..."

Franks: "Yeah."

Davis, M.: "...them served?"

Franks: "Yeah."

Davis, M.: "Sheriff has too much to do."

Franks: "The sheriff does, unfortunately. I think the sheriff, if they had a choice, would get out of that business."

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Davis, M.: "Well... Okay. I appreciate your explanation. And I'll vote 'aye'. Thank you."

Franks: "Thank you."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Bill will vote 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please record yourselves. Bryant, Chapa LaVia, Davis, Drury. Please take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 4 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Returning to House Bill 306. Mr. Guzzardi on a Motion."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to Table the Motion to reconsider."

Speaker Lang: "Gentleman moves to Table the Motion to reconsider. Is there leave? Leave is granted. And the Motion to reconsider is tabled. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Bolin: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolutio... Resolution 502, offered by Representative DeLuca. House Resolution 503, offered by Representative Bellock. And House Resolution 504, offered by Representative Golar."

Speaker Lang: "Those in favor of the Agreed Resolution... Excuse me. Leader Currie moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. Those in favor of the Motion say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements. Members, please listen to the committee announcements."

Clerk Hollman: "The following committee was canceled for this afternoon. Elementary & Secondary Education-School Curriculum

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& Policies has been canceled. Meeting immediately after Session is Revenue & Finance in Room 114. Agriculture & Conservation in D-1. Business Occupational Licenses in 115. The Executive Committee in Room 118. Transportation-Vehicles & Safety in C-1. Once again, Elementary & Secondary Education-School Curriculum and Policies was canceled."

Speaker Lang: "For those that haven't read the memo on your desk, Session on Saturday and Sunday is canceled. And now, leaving perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Currie moves that the House stand adjourned until Thursday, May 21 at the hour of 11:30 a.m. Those in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. And the House does stand adjourned 'til Thursday, May 21 at 11:30 a.m."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 276, offered by Representative William Davis, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. First Reading of this Senate Bill. Second Reading in full of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #26, offered by Speaker Madigan.

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to add Section 11 to Article IX of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

ARTICLE IX

REVENUE

SECTION 11. TAX FOR EDUCATION

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Notwithstanding subsection (a) of Section 3 of this Article, and in addition to any other tax, a tax shall be imposed on individuals in an amount equal to 3% of income greater than \$1,000,000 for the taxable year. All revenue collected pursuant to this Section shall be distributed to school districts solely on a per pupil basis. The General Assembly by law shall provide for the implementation and enforcement of this Section.

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act and applies to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2017. This was Second Reading in full of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #26. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."