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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.
 Honorable Emil Jones, Jr., President of the Senate, presiding.
 The prayer and the pledge were offered during the Fifth Special Session.

The Journal of Tuesday, June 29, 2004, was being read when on motion of Senator Haine, further reading of same was dispensed with and unless some Senator had corrections to offer, the Journal would stand approved. No corrections being offered, the Journal was ordered to stand approved.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

A message from the House by
 Mr. Mahoney, Clerk:

Mr. President -- I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred with the Senate in the passage of a bill of the following title, to-wit:

SENATE BILL NO. 1971

A bill for AN ACT relating to higher education.

Together with the following amendment which is attached, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

House Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 1971

Passed the House, as amended, June 29, 2004.

MARK MAHONEY, Clerk of the House

AMENDMENT NO. 1

AMENDMENT NO. 1. Amend Senate Bill 1971 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following:

"Section 5. The Higher Education Student Assistance Act is amended by changing Section 35 as follows:

(110 ILCS 947/35)

Sec. 35. Monetary award program.

(a) The Commission shall, each year, receive and consider applications for grant assistance under this Section. Subject to a separate appropriation for such purposes, an applicant is eligible for a grant under this Section when the Commission finds that the applicant:

(1) is a resident of this State and a citizen or permanent resident of the United States; and

(2) in the absence of grant assistance, will be deterred by financial considerations from completing an educational program at the qualified institution of his or her choice.

(b) The Commission shall award renewals only upon the student's application and upon the Commission's finding that the applicant:

(1) has remained a student in good standing;

(2) remains a resident of this State; and

(3) is in a financial situation that continues to warrant assistance.

(c) All grants shall be applicable only to tuition and necessary fee costs, ~~for 2 semesters or 3 quarters in an academic year. Requests for summer term assistance will be made separately and shall be considered on an individual basis according to Commission policy. Each student who is awarded a grant under this Section and is enrolled in summer school classes shall be eligible for a summer school grant. The summer school grant amount shall not exceed the lesser of 50 percent of the maximum annual grant amount authorized by this Section or the actual cost of tuition and fees at the institution at which the student is enrolled at least part time. For the regular academic year, The Commission shall determine the grant amount for each full time and part time student, which shall not exceed be the smallest of the following amounts:~~

(1) ~~\$4,968 for 2 semesters or 3 quarters of full time undergraduate enrollment or \$2,484 for 2 semesters or 3 quarters of part time undergraduate enrollment, or such lesser amount as the Commission finds to be available, during an academic year; or~~

(2) the amount which equals ~~the 2 semesters or 3 quarters tuition and other necessary fees required generally by the institution of all full-time undergraduate students, or in the case of part time students an amount of tuition and fees for 2 semesters or 3 quarters which shall not exceed one half~~

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~~the amount of tuition and necessary fees generally charged to full-time undergraduate students by the institution; or~~

- (3) such amount as the Commission finds to be appropriate in view of the applicant's financial resources.

"Tuition and other necessary fees" as used in this Section include the customary charge for instruction and use of facilities in general, and the additional fixed fees charged for specified purposes, which are required generally of nongrant recipients for each academic period for which the grant applicant actually enrolls, but do not include fees payable only once or breakage fees and other contingent deposits which are refundable in whole or in part. The Commission may prescribe, by rule not inconsistent with this Section, detailed provisions concerning the computation of tuition and other necessary fees.

(d) No applicant, including those presently receiving scholarship assistance under this Act, is eligible for monetary award program consideration under this Act after receiving a baccalaureate degree or the equivalent of ~~135 semester credit hours 10 semesters or 15 quarters~~ of award payments. ~~The Commission shall determine when award payments for part-time enrollment or interim or summer terms shall be counted as a partial semester or quarter of payment.~~

(e) The Commission, in determining the number of grants to be offered, shall take into consideration past experience with the rate of grant funds unclaimed by recipients. The Commission shall notify applicants that grant assistance is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds.

(f) The Commission may request appropriations for deposit into the Monetary Award Program Reserve Fund. Monies deposited into the Monetary Award Program Reserve Fund may be expended exclusively for one purpose: to make Monetary Award Program grants to eligible students. Amounts on deposit in the Monetary Award Program Reserve Fund may not exceed 2% of the current annual State appropriation for the Monetary Award Program.

The purpose of the Monetary Award Program Reserve Fund is to enable the Commission each year to assure as many students as possible of their eligibility for a Monetary Award Program grant and to do so before commencement of the academic year. Moneys deposited in this Reserve Fund are intended to enhance the Commission's management of the Monetary Award Program, minimizing the necessity, magnitude, and frequency of adjusting award amounts and ensuring that the annual Monetary Award Program appropriation can be fully utilized.

(g) The Commission shall determine the eligibility of and make grants to applicants enrolled at qualified for-profit institutions in accordance with the criteria set forth in this Section. The eligibility of applicants enrolled at such for-profit institutions shall be limited as follows:

(1) Beginning with the academic year 1997, only to eligible first-time freshmen and first-time transfer students who have attained an associate degree.

(2) Beginning with the academic year 1998, only to eligible freshmen students, transfer students who have attained an associate degree, and students who receive a grant under paragraph (1) for the academic year 1997 and whose grants are being renewed for the academic year 1998.

(3) Beginning with the academic year 1999, to all eligible students.

(Source: P.A. 91-249, eff. 7-22-99; 91-250, eff. 7-22-99; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; 91-747, eff. 7-1-00; 92-45, eff. 7-1-01.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2004."

Under the rules, the foregoing **Senate Bill No. 1971**, with House Amendment No. 1, was referred to the Secretary's Desk.

A message from the House by

Mr. Mahoney, Clerk:

Mr. President -- I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed a bill of the following title, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

HOUSE BILL NO. 45

A bill for AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.

Passed the House, June 29, 2004.

MARK MAHONEY, Clerk of the House

The foregoing **House Bill No. 45** was taken up, ordered printed and placed on first reading.

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PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 616

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:
Mourns the death of Lee Raymond Schar of Whitefish, Montana.

SENATE RESOLUTION 617

Offered by Senator Dillard and all Senators:
Mourns the death of John Heller Beckman of Darien.

SENATE RESOLUTION 618

Offered by Senator Viverito and all Senators:
Mourns the death of Maria T. Olsen, nee Vallera, of Oak Lawn.

SENATE RESOLUTION 619

Offered by Senator Lightford and all Senators:
Mourns the death of Delia Marie Johnson of Chicago.

By unanimous consent, the foregoing resolutions were referred to the Resolutions Consent Calendar.

REPORT FROM STANDING COMMITTEE

Senator Jacobs, Chairperson of the Committee on Insurance and Pensions, to which was referred **House Bill No. 5925**, reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass. Under the rules, the bill was ordered to a second reading.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILLS ON SECRETARY'S DESK

On motion of Senator del Valle, **Senate Bill No. 1553**, with House Amendments numbered 1 and 2 on the Secretary's Desk, was taken up for immediate consideration.

Senator del Valle moved that the Senate concur with the House in the adoption of their amendments to said bill.

And on that motion, a call of the roll was had resulting as follows:

Yeas 56; Nays None.

The following voted in the affirmative:

Althoff	Haine	Munoz	Soden
Bomke	Halvorson	Obama	Sullivan, D.
Brady	Harmon	Peterson	Sullivan, J.
Burzynski	Hendon	Petka	Syverson
Clayborne	Hunter	Rauschenberger	Trotter
Collins	Jacobs	Righter	Viverito
Cronin	Jones, J.	Risinger	Walsh
Crotty	Jones, W.	Ronen	Watson
Cullerton	Lauzen	Roskam	Welch
del Valle	Lightford	Rutherford	Winkel
Demuzio	Link	Sandoval	Mr. President
Dillard	Luechtefeld	Schoenberg	
Forby	Maloney	Shadid	
Garrett	Martinez	Sieben	
Geo-Karis	Meeks	Silverstein	

The motion prevailed.

And the Senate concurred with the House in the adoption of their Amendments numbered 1 and 2 to **Senate Bill No. 1553**, by a three-fifths vote.

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Ordered that the Secretary inform the House of Representatives thereof.

Senator Halvorson asked and obtained unanimous consent to recess for the purpose of a Democrat caucus.

At the hour of 12:42 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that the Senate stand at recess subject to the call of the Chair.

AFTER RECESS

At the hour of 5:23 o'clock p.m., the Senate resumed consideration of business.
Senator Halvorson, presiding.

JOINT ACTION MOTION FILED

The following Joint Action Motion to the House Bill listed below has been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Rules:

Motion to Recede from Senate Amendments 1, 3 and 4 to House Bill 3835

At the hour of 5:23 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that the Senate stand adjourned until Thursday, July 1, 2004, at 12:20 o'clock p.m.