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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The regular Session of the 100th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desk? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? Today's -- the invocation today will be given by Pastor Greg Busboom, St. John's Lutheran Church, Springfield, Illinois.

PASTOR GREG BUSBOOM:

(Prayer by Pastor Greg Busboom)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Please remain standing for the Pledge Allegiance. Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Cunningham)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Blueroomstream.com seeks permission to videotape. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Tuesday, May 22nd, 2018.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. President, I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal just read by the Secretary, pending arrival of the printed transcript.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Resolution 1778, offered by Senator McConnaughay.
It is substantive, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Resolution Consent Calendar. {sic} Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Silverstein, Chairperson of the Committee on Local Government, reports Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 4711 and Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 5303 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Collins, Chairperson of the Committee on Financial Institutions, reports Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 5141 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Biss, Chairperson of the Committee on Labor, reports House Bill 4163 Do Pass; and House Bill 4324 Do Pass, as Amended.

And Senator Koehler, Chairperson of the Committee on Environment and Conservation, reports Senate Joint Resolution 73 Be Adopted; Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 4746 Recommend Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Will all Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Senate Floor immediately? Will all Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Senate Floor immediately? Will the Committee on Assignments please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately? The Committee on Assignments, please meet in the President's Anteroom immediately. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned:

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Re-refer from Criminal Law Committee Subcommittee on CLEAR Compliance to Criminal Law Committee - House Bill 4554; refer to Education Committee - Floor Amendments 2 and 3 to House Bill 4208, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3190; re-refer from Education Subcommittee on Special Issues to Transportation Committee - House Bill 2040; refer from -- refer to Executive Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 4771, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 20, and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 200; refer to Human Services Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2516, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2628; refer to Licensed Activities and Pensions Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2618; refer to Public Health Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 457; refer to State Government Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2365; refer to Transportation Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 5632; refer to Veterans Affairs Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 5784; Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Resolution 1777. Pursuant to Senate Rule (3-8) (b-1), the following amendments will remain in the Committee on Assignments: Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 4685, Committee Amendment 2 to House Bill 5197, and Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2365.

Signed, Senator James Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Leader Brady, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BRADY:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

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SENATOR BRADY:

Ladies and Gentlemen, if I could have your attention for a minute. I just wanted to recognize a special guest, a friend I think to all, who's joined us today, and that is former Republican Leader Frank Watson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

President Cullerton in the Chair.

PRESIDENT CULLERTON:

Members, could you please be in your seat? I'd ask the staff to please go to the rear of the Chamber. Members of the Senate, today we have the honor of welcoming Aviv Ezra, Consul General of Israel to the Midwest. He is the official representative of the State of Israel in nine states, including Illinois. Mr. Ezra joined Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1999. He served at posts in his home country, as well as in Egypt and in Atlanta, Georgia. Prior to being named Consul General, Mr. Ezra spent eight years in the Ministry's Congressional Affairs Office, working on Israel's relationship with the United States Congress. So please join me in welcoming Aviv Ezra to the Illinois Senate.

CONSUL GENERAL AVIV EZRA:

(Remarks by Consul General of Israel to the Midwest Aviv Ezra)

PRESIDENT CULLERTON:

I'd like to thank the Consul for his remarks, especially the reference to the Chicago Cubs, which is in my district. Not everybody here clapped during that reference. I'd like to welcome former Senator Frank Watson here. I -- he's one who did not clap for sure, being the Cardinal fan that he is. But nice to see you here. Thank you. Senator Link in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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We will turn to Supplemental Calendar No. 1. Senate Resolution 1777. Senator Silverstein. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1777, offered by Senator Silverstein.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Silverstein, on your resolution.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. As we just heard, Senate Resolution 1770 {sic} (1777) recognizes the historic significance of the 70th Anniversary of the State of Israel, its connections with Illinois, and its further cooperation. I ask for its immediate adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? None. The question is, shall the Senate Resolution 1777 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. Some additional committee meetings this afternoon and tomorrow are Veterans Affairs, today at 3 p.m., Room 400; Judiciary, tomorrow at 9 a.m., Room 400; Higher Education, tomorrow at 9 a.m., Room 212. Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSE:

A point of personal privilege, if I may.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR ROSE:

Ladies and Gentlemen, I am very honored and excited - and if we could have a little bit of quiet in here - I'm here today with Irwin Soliday, who turned a hundred just a few months ago. But Irwin Soliday - I know and it gets better - Irwin Soliday proudly

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served our country fighting the Imperial Japanese Army in World War II in New Guinea as part of the 163rd Infantry Division, 41st -- I'm sorry, 163rd Infantry, 41st Division. One of the great stories he told me this morning, as we sat here, he was on a plane and the plane stopped and they -- you know, there was a guy in a cowboy hat and who's that guy? It was John Wayne. And Irwin ended up spending the -- the -- the rest of the plane ride sitting next to John Wayne playing cards with a couple other GIs. And so we've got a real hero here. And by the way, what did you say -- what did you say - John Wayne, he was a -- he was just a real nice fella, is that what you -- real nice fella. But, anyway, we've got a real hero here, World War II veteran, Pacific theater, and if -- if we could give him a -- a great round of applause, I'd appreciate it. I -- I might also add, he's joined by his granddaughter and great-grandson, Laura Kosinski and Andrew Kosinski, and then his daughter, Debbie Foster, and Larry Foster is a good friend of mine and a Decatur City Alderman as well. So, thank you very much, Ladies and Gentlemen.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield and thank you. Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

I, too, have a very lovely guest with me today, serving as my shadow. Her name is Leah Burian. She is thirteen years old from Homer Glen. She's here with her mom and dad, Lisa and Brian

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Burian, who are sitting directly behind me in the gallery, along with her two brothers and her grandparents. She expressed an interest in learning more about government, so mom and dad and grandparents decided to bring her down to Springfield to actually see what it looks like and participate just a little. So might we recognize all of them and give them a warm Springfield welcome?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. Senator Tom Cullerton, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. For everybody in the Senate, I just wanted to take a moment. I have with me today an entire group of students from two high schools, Addison Trail and Willowbrook, in my district, District 88, of which two of my sons go to Willowbrook. Next year, the Principal of District 88, Dan Krause, will get all three of my boys. These students, back when the Parkland incident occurred, instead of just doing a walkout and talking, they actually formulated a forum, which ended up bringing over thirty schools together and we also had multiple legislators, including Senator Rooney, myself, Senator Nybo. We had thirty schools at Willowbrook High School to talk about the -- what occurred at Parkland and school safety. So, today, Scott Helton brought down the students from Willowbrook and Addison Trail, who put that all together. They are right -- right behind me and right over there in the President's Gallery. If you could all give them

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a warm welcome, I would appreciate it. And thank you for coming to Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. Senator Barickman, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Point of introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to introduce my Page for the Day, Luke Colwell. Luke is a junior at Normal West High School. He's -- his parents, Craig and Martha Colwell. I'd just ask you to join me in welcoming him to the Illinois Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RAOUL:

For the purposes of a motion, Mr. President. I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 2723 and House Bill 3142 can be heard tomorrow in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul moves to waive all notices and posting requirements so that House Bill 2723 and House Bill 3142 can be heard tomorrow in the Senate Judiciary Committee. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notices and posting requirements are waived. Senator Nybo, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Mr. President. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd also -- it's a busy day on the Floor here. We have a lot of visitors. I also have a wonderful Page for the Day, who's an enthusiastic young woman named Ashley Johnson. She's a recent graduate of Montini, with -- which is a school in the district that I represent, but she's actually a constituent of Senator Curran over here. She is going to be attending the University of Illinois next year. Very interested in government and public service, and she's soaking up everything today. So if you could extend her a very warm welcome and say hello, I'd certainly appreciate it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. WCIA seeks permission to video. Leave is granted. Senator Castro, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CASTRO:

Purpose of a motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Continue, Senator Castro.

SENATOR CASTRO:

I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 2040 and House Bill 5632 can be heard tomorrow in Senate Transportation Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Castro moves to waive all notices and posting requirements so that House Bill 2040 and House Bill 5632 can be

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heard tomorrow in the Senate Transportation Committee. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all the notices and posting requirements have been waived. We'll continue on with Supplemental Calendar No. 1. House Bill 4163. Senator Castro. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4163.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Castro... 3rd Reading. House Bill 4324. Senator Lightford. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4324.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Labor adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

...there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we'll turn to page 6 of the printed Calendar, House Bills 3rd Reading. House Bill 1910. Leader Brady. Mr. Secretary... Senator Brady seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 1910 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 1910.

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Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Brady.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Brady, on your amendment.

SENATOR BRADY:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment covers an extension, which is all agreed upon, in Senator Barickman's district and my area. Ask for your approval.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment has been adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 1910. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1910.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Brady, on your bill.

SENATOR BRADY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I ask for your favorable consideration.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1910 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 52 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 1910, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2477. Senator Harmon. Out of the record. House Bill -- what? House Bill 3040. Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3040.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill is an omnibus bill. House Bill 3040 exempts the Illinois State Guard from administrating proceedings under the Administrative Procedure Act. It permits members of the Illinois State Guard to be considered employees under the State Employee Indemnification Act, which would permit its members to be indemnified by the State for civil liability rising out of any act or omission occurring within the scope of the members' duties. It establishes procedures for replacing the Adjutant General of the Illinois State Guard in the event of death, disability. It adds provisions to the Illinois Code of Military Justice regarding a -- court-martial proceedings and mental capacity. It changes the short title to the (Illinois)

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State Guard Act amongst other agreed-upon items. Again, this is a National {sic} (State) Guard omnibus bill and I ask for an Aye vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Can we keep the conversations on the Floor down? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 3040 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 3040, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3080. Senator Manar. Senator Manar. House Bill 3342. Senator Koehler. Out of the record. House Bill 3418. Senator Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3418.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter, on your bill.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. This bill provides that municipalities can give a tax abatement to properties located within an urban agricultural area that is owned by a qualifying farmer. I know of no opposition to this bill and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR ALTHOFF:

...the -- will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

She indicates she will.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you. Senator Hunter, I am in full support of this piece of legislation and certainly intend to vote Aye, but we had had a little bit of a conversation. Can you give me a better idea of the definition of an "urban agriculture zone"?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I have a definition here for an "urban agricultural area", which means that the area defined by a municipality and entirely within the municipality's border within which one or more qualifying farmers are processing, growing, raising, or otherwise producing locally grown agricultural products.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Senator Hunter. That's exactly what I was looking for. I appreciate the answer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 3418 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 3418, having received the required constitutional majority,

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is declared passed. Senator Hutchinson, for what purpose do you rise? House Bill 3784. Senator Weaver. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3784.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Weaver, on your bill.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is an ISBE initiative. It... This is an ISBE initiative. It addresses students considered at risk for dropping out of school. What it does, it disallows the school from denying enrollment of a student over their grades and it also allows students to enroll or reenroll to complete their high school education. There's no opposition. I'd request an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 3784 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 3784, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3920. Senator Lightford. Out of the record. House Bill 4096. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4096.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Steans, on your bill.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, thank you. So this bill amends the Public Aid Code to prohibit the Department of Healthcare and Family Services from requiring Medicaid managed care organizations to use a single, statewide preferred drug list and prohibiting the MCOs from negotiating drug pricing concessions or rebates on drugs with the pharmaceutical companies. This is to make sure that -- the single PDL would create barriers to care for a large number of Medicaid patients and so it's to try to ensure that patients with complex -- complex chronic illnesses have access to options for their pharmaceutical requirements. I would urge an Aye vote and I'm happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Some questions of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

She indicates she will yield.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, is there a -- is there an anticipated cost for making this change and do you know what that would be?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

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Not -- to my understanding, there is not a cost. And this would not prevent the MCOs from doing additional -- getting additional rebates. So I do not understand that to be the case.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Yeah, I think the agency had put a price tag, I think of somewhere -- seventeen to twenty million, because it's taking away that -- that ability to negotiate a single contract with -- as opposed to each -- each agency -- or each MCO having their own -- their own prescription contract, it would be the State trying to negotiate and work on a -- a bigger contract where you could get better discounts and better rebates. So my understanding is, it's -- they're saying that it would be up to twenty million dollars for that. Would you -- would that -- would you agree that there's got to be some cost to that; otherwise, I'm not sure why the Department would be opposed to this outside of the cost.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

That is not my understanding and we never got that number from HFS. We're continuing the status quo. So perhaps there's some future savings amount that they don't -- that they think they could -- achieve that we won't be under this, in terms of some rebate losses. But there's -- to my knowledge, we have never gotten a cost estimate like that and this is -- this is maintaining the status quo.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson.

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SENATOR SYVERSON:

Do we know then why there would be such opposition to the -- to making this change if the Department didn't feel like this was going to be an added cost? Is there another -- do you know the other reason -- any other reason why the Department would be opposed to it if there wasn't going to be an added cost to this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yeah, I mean, I'm -- my understanding is that, you know, they don't like to limit in any way what the MCOs are doing, so I think that just on principle, philosophical, they don't like doing that. That's my understanding. And I just did confer with our staff and we have not gotten any cost analysis associated with this bill from HFS.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Syverson. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates she will.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Steans, in order to believe that this simply preserves the status quo, you would have to know that every MCO's preferred drug list right now matches the Department's. Can you tell us that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Steans.

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SENATOR STEANS:

No. I don't think that it -- they have to match right now and nor does it say that they would in the future.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

I'm sorry, I -- I understood you to say that this bill simply preserves the status quo. But what I -- what I understand from that is that it would make no change to current policy. I don't think that's accurate. I think that the different managed care organizations have different preferred drug lists. That's one of the flexibilities that we accepted when we said we wanted to go to managed care. If we tell them all they have to do the same thing - and for some of them, that's a more expensive list - there's going to be a cost. I mean, would you agree with that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

Okay, currently, the MCOs do not have to use the same PDL list and this is enabling them to still not have to use the same PDL list.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Okay, my understanding, Senator, is that the managed care organizations with which the State has contracted as part of this movement want to have their own preferred drug list. That's one of the ways in which they save money and we bend the Medicaid cost curve down. This will require them to adhere to one standard. So

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- I mean, let's start with the basics - would you agree with that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Steans.

SENATOR STEANS:

This is -- this is -- I think you've got that backwards. Right now, the MCOs support this bill. They want to be able to maintain their own PDL list. The State was going to move towards a single PDL list that everyone had to use. This is saying they cannot do that in the future.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter. Is there any further discussion? Senator Steans, to close.

SENATOR STEANS:

I -- I would just urge your Aye vote. I -- I do think the MCOs are supporting this because we do want to allow them to each maintain their own PDL, preferred drug list, and keep more access available for the MCO patients.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 4096 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 47 Ayes, no -- 9 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4096, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3792. Senator Harmon. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3792.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Harmon, on your bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 3792 is an initiative of my wonderful State Representative Camille Lilly, who is here with us on the Floor. It requires that beginning in the sixth grade, students should be introduced to the importance of developing and applying a work ethic in a variety of contexts. I'm not aware of any opposition and I ask you for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 3792 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 3792, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4118. Senator Tracy. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4118.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Tracy, on your bill.

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you. At long last, I get to present my House bill that was filed in November and it's a very important piece of legislation that extends a TIF district for the Village of Table

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Grove. Table Grove is a very small community and they want to extend their TIF district so that they can build a new fire station and continue to protect their community and this is a very important piece of legislation for that Village to do so. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4118 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. House Bill 14 -- 4118, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4129. Senator Haine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4129.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine, on your bill.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This also is a tax extension -- TIF extension for the Village of Caseyville, which is in my district, and it -- as a -- as a matter of courtesy to Senator Harris and Representative Will Davis, the Village of Posen was added. And so, therefore, we have a nice couple of TIF extensions and I would appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall

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House Bill 4129 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, 2 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4129, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4135. Senator Manar. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4135.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Manar, on your bill.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill simply extends the date by which the Flue Gas Desulfurization, or FGD, Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to us from December 31st of this year -- or, excuse me, last year, to December 31st of this year. I know of no opposition. Would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4134 -- 35 -- 4135 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4135, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4213. Senator Connelly. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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House Bill 4213.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Connelly, on your bill.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 4213 amends the Department of Central Management Services Law. It simply requires State-owned motor vehicles to abide by the manufacturer's suggested maintenance protocols. It reverses an audit finding. I'm not aware of any opponents. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4213 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4213, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4226. Senator Raoul. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4226.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul, on your bill.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 4226 requires the Department of Public Health to,

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subject to appropriation, to publish and disseminate a brochure to educate the general public on the effects of concussions in children and discuss how to look for concussion warning signs in children. It also requires the State Board of Education to adopt rules to administer concussion protocol, including rules governing the informal and formal accommodations of a student who may have sustained a concussion during an interscholastic athletic activity.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4226 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4226, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4231. Senator Anderson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4231.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Anderson, on your bill.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 4231, this will allow hunters to wear blaze pink during the firearm season and upland game season. I told my little girl about this a while back and I don't think she filed as a proponent, but if she could, she would. I know of no opposition. I would ask for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Holmes, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HOLMES:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Senator, is that pink hunting gear going to be in seersucker?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

That's a good question and I'll -- I'll make a note here and we'll do a trailer bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4231 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, 1 -- none voting Present. House Bill 4231, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 42 -- House Bill 4234. Senator Hunter. Senator Hunter seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4234 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 4234. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Hunter.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter, on your amendment.

SENATOR HUNTER:

...you -- thank you, Mr. President. I wish to adopt the amendment and explain on 3.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 4234. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4234.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hunter, on your bill.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment removes the requirement of the creation of a new position to implement the intent of the bill, and it basically creates the Farmer Equity Act and it requires the Department to include socially disadvantaged farmers and the disadvantaged -- in enforcement of -- of agricultural laws. I know of no opposition and I would ask for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4234 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. House Bill 4234, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4242. Senator Tom Cullerton. Senator Cullerton seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4242 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 4242. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Tom Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Cullerton, on your amendment.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to adopt the amendment and explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 4242. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4242.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Cullerton, on your bill.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the General Assembly. House Bill 4242 would require units of local government, school districts, community college districts, and other local taxing bodies to provide notice to the public if they enter into a severance agreement with an employee or contractor found to have engaged in sexual harassment or discrimination. The amendment simply -- as the bill came over from the House, it had the Civil Rights Act incorrectly printed, as in 1963, instead of 1964, so that was what the amendment caused. I appreciate all the bipartisan support in this bill and I look forward to Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

Mr. President, I want to bring to the attention of the Body -- it's a historical footnote to the Senator's great bill. I want to bring the attention of the Body to the fact that the Civil Rights Act that he refers to, that was part of a scrivener's error, was the third Civil Rights Act in the history of the United States. The second one was in 1957, which marginally did some good. The first one was a major change in federal policy and it was in 1866. It was authored by a former Illinois Supreme Court Justice, Lyman

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Trumbull, whose statue is in the area as we walk out of the door. As you come out of the Speaker's Office, his statue is -- to the immediate left. Trumbull was also the author of the Thirteenth Amendment - he wrote it himself, the Fourteenth Amendment, the Fifteenth Amendment, and also the Ku Klux Klan Suppression Act, which was used by Grant and Sheridan to crush the KKK. Trumbull lived in Alton, Illinois. His home still stands in my neighborhood, three blocks from our home. So I wanted to bring this important figure -- there was a -- there's a classroom in Northwestern University named after him. He's an important Illinois figure, kind of the Illinois' other emancipator, Senator Trumbull. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further study on the bill? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 4242 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4242, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4243. Senator Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4243.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Cullerton, on your bill.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill -- or House Bill 4243

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amends the General Assembly Compensation Act. Provides that no public funds, including, but not limited to, funds appropriated for the pay and allowance of Members of the General Assembly shall be used to create a payout of moneys to any person involved with and relevant to allegations and investigations of sexual harassment. I know of no opposition and I, again, appreciate the bipartisan support for this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Bivins, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you. Senator, for the purposes of legislative intent, does this legislation affect any payout to which an employee is otherwise entitled to receive, such as a payout for unused vacation time?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

It does not, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4243 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present.

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House Bill 4243, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4259. Senator McConchie. There's a letter on file allowing Senator Althoff to carry the bill. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4259.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, on the bill.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is the work of, as stated, Senator Dan McConchie. House Bill 4259 amends the Vehicle Code. It requires the Secretary of State to offer each owner of the first and second division vehicles under eight thousand pounds the option to register their vehicle for one or two years, and it also requires the Secretary of State to offer trailer registrations for up to five years. Obviously, the amount of fee will be the same as it would be one year times two or one year times five, whatever the option would be. I know of no opposition and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4259 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4259, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Bush, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to reflect my intention to vote Yes on 4243. I inadvertently missed the button. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The record will reflect your intention. House Bill 4268. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4268.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on your bill.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4268 expands the consumer rights brochure under the Mechanics Lien Act {sic} (Home Repair and Remodeling Act). The expansion is to provide notice to a homeowner that they're entitled to a sworn statement from the contractor that lists all persons or companies hired to work on the residence, addresses of the entities, amounts to be paid to these entities, and total amount owed after payment to the persons or companies. Additionally, the notice would provide -- or give notice that subcontractors may file liens against the property and that a homeowner may obtain lien -- lien waivers from contractors and subcontractors. I know of no opposition. I'd ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4268 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed,

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Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4268, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4275. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4275.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Steans, on your bill.

SENATOR STEANS:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill removes the contract cap of -- of twenty-five hundred, raises it to sixty-five hundred for persons for basic physical fitness service contracts. The twenty-five hundred cap had been in place since 1965. It also requires the initial contract for service may not extend over a period of more than one year. I don't know of any opposition to the bill and urge your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4275 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 50 Ayes, 5 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4275, having received the required -- required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4282. Senator Cunningham. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4282.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Cunningham, on your bill.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 4282 amends the Municipal Code. It'll help clarify that landowners can't disconnect their property from a municipality if their land is within a TIF district. This is an initiative of the Village of Chicago Ridge, a municipality in my district. We'd appreciate your support and be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4282 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4282, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4284. Senator Bertino-Tarrant. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4284.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant, on your bill.

SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

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Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 4284 requires that three of the nine board members of the State Board of Education be representatives of the educator community. This bill's an initiative of Vision 20/20. There's no opposition. It is not a reflection of any current board member or will affect any current board member. It is designed to ensure individuals with practical experience sit on the board to share their knowledge with other members. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Barickman, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I -- I simply want to raise some concerns that were briefly addressed in committee about this proposal. I certainly commend the -- the sponsor on her work on this. I -- I think this is one of those initiatives where you might wonder whether this is a solution in search of a problem. We heard no testimony in committee that there were any issues with the school board members. In fact, the sponsor made that statement here in her opening comments. I think there's some legitimate concerns about whether this legislation may create ambiguities, because it does not define "educator" in any manner, yet imposes on the Office of the Governor a requirement that appointees satisfy this undefined term of "educator". Ultimately, today we have a State school board that consists of what I believe the public would

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view as members of the education community. Again, there's no complaints or concerns that's been raised about them. And this legislation in addition to the ambiguities that it may raise would simply hamper and limit the flexibility of the executive officer and the appointments that they make. So, for those reasons, I'll be a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? The question is, shall House Bill 4284 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 41 Ayes, 14 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4284, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4295. Senator Brady. Senator Brady. House Bill 4340. Senator Connelly. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Connelly seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4340 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 4340. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Senator Connelly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Connelly, on your amendment.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move to adopt and discuss it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment

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is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 4340. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4340.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Connelly, on your bill.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4340 simply adds a number of establishments required to post notice under the Human Trafficking Resource Center Notice Act. The amendment simply exempts certain medical facilities. There are no opponents. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4340 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4340, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4345. Senator Martinez. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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House Bill 4345.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Martinez, on your bill.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. House Bill 4345 designates the third Friday of May of every year as the First Responder Mental Health Awareness Day in the State of Illinois. And I'll be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4345 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4345, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4348. Senator Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4348.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Muñoz, on your bill.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill, as amended, makes several changes to the Missing Persons Identification Act with regard to law enforcement assisting with

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identification of human remains. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4348 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. Voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4348, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4377. Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4377.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill is a initiative of the Illinois Chapter of American Academy of Pediatrics. It amends the Child Passenger (Protection) Act by requiring any child under the age of two to be properly secured in a rear-facing child restraint system. There are no opponents. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Questions of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, you -- you also sponsored Senate Bill 2441 on this issue. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

That is correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

How does Senate Bill 2441 differ from this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

This is a House bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

In Public Health, did you promise to bring Senate Bill 2441 back to the committee with an amendment?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

I did. Again, but this is a separate bill. This is House Bill 4377.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

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To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Hello? Okay. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is the same bill. We -- we had this -- we discussed this bill and asked whether an amendment could be made for the first infraction to be a warning and not a ticket. There was somewhat of a consensus in Public Health that we could support that bill if that's the way it came back, but it didn't come back. It went to another committee and it didn't change, so... I'm not going to say that it won't ever come back to Public Health, maybe it will, but it doesn't look like it's coming back, and I'm still opposed to this bill. I understand we want to be safe, but I think we should've -- the Members should have been listened to and I think this should be a -- the first time should be a warning and that would have been a much more practical bill and we still would have delivered safety to the public as we wanted to. So, unfortunately, I have to discourage anyone from voting for this. I ask you to vote No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Hastings, to close.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

So, first and foremost, this codifies existing law. Under existing law, it says that a child should be secured in a proper restraint system. According to the Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, their -- their recommendation, which is under law, but it is vague, is to secure a child until the age of two years to be properly secured in a rear-facing child

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restraint system. This bill was also -- when we were in Public Health Committee, it was opposed by the Illinois State Police. The reason why we went through the House Chamber is so that we were able to go through negotiations and to get zero opposition to this bill. The other thing is, is that this bill was assigned to Transportation because it was -- it was felt that Transportation had jurisdiction over restraint systems for two-year-olds. Now, nowhere in Illinois statute, nowhere in the Illinois Criminal statute does it state that there should be given a -- a waiver or a warning or some sort of probationary ticket, nowhere in the Illinois Criminal Code, and that was the Illinois State Police's issue. So we were able to clarify that and codify the existing law and clarify whether or not a child should be restrained in a rear-facing child restraint system. This bill has zero opponents, none, no opponents. Thank you, Mr. President. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 4377 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. House Bill 4377, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4383. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4383.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Steans, on your bill.

SENATOR STEANS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill allows if -- during a contract year between an MCO, you know, MCO contract year, if the MCO -- and -- terminates a contract with their primary care provider group, that the patient has the option of -- they automatically stay with the MCO, but they have the option of moving to stay with their primary care provider and switch MCOs if that's thus then required. I would urge your Aye vote. You know, people that -- usually somebody is picking an organization or they really want to keep their relationship with their primary care provider and this enables that patient to do so. So I would urge your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To the bill, if I might, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Very briefly, I rise in support of the bill. While this is a little bit of a departure away from the -- the -- the -- what sometimes people think is the strict structure of managed care, this -- this weds us to the policy we've always been for, which is a patient home and allowing someone to keep their primary care physician. It's a reasonable accommodation for the people who are in the Medicaid program who want to keep their primary physician.

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Oftentimes we have trouble getting those people in to be connected to a primary care physician. We want to keep 'em there. So I would urge an Aye vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4383 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4383, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4404. Senator Schimpf. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4404.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Schimpf, on your bill.

SENATOR SCHIMPF:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4404 is an initiative of the Greater Midwest Lending {sic} (Lenders) Association. It amends the Residential Mortgage License Act by clarifying licensing requirements for loan processing entities. This is an agreed bill. I'm not aware of any opposition. I'm happy to answer any questions and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4404 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed,

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Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4404, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Hutchinson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

I just wanted to take a minute in the -- to remind everybody in the Chamber today that today we have a number of rape crisis organizations from all across the State under the umbrella of ICASA, the Illinois Centers {sic} (Coalition) Against Sexual Assault, that are here for their lobby day. But I have a special person with me on the Floor, because I got to be this young woman's bonus mom when she turned about twelve years old, so... She grew up into an amazing young woman and she got her first real big-girl job with RVA, which is Rape Victims {sic} (Victim) Advocates. It's an independent organization dedicated to the healing and empowerment of sexual assault survivors through non-judgmental crisis intervention, individual and group counseling, and medical and legal advocacy throughout the greater Chicagoland area. So the young woman sitting next to me's -- name is Elexys Isidore. She's now a medical legal advocate for RVA and she's here for her very first lobby day, and I could not be more proud of the fact that she grew up into somebody who fights as hard for the things and the people that she believes in and actually got a job doing

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it. So please join me in welcoming Elexys Isidore to the Floor of the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. House Bill 4409. Senator Lightford. House Bill 4412. Senator Sims. Senator Sims. House Bill 4415. Senator Harmon. Out of the record. House Bill 4416. Senator Biss. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4416.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Biss, on your bill.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4416 amends the Transportation Network Provider {sic} (Providers) Act and adds a requirement that individuals applying to become a ridesharing service driver must include their full legal name, social security number, and date of birth. I know of no opposition. I'd appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4416 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4416, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSE:

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Point of personal privilege, if I may, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR ROSE:

Ladies and Gentlemen, I'm honored today to have with me a -- a friend, Lois Durbin. She's our Macon County Circuit Clerk, but more importantly, a good friend. And on behalf of Senator Manar and I, who have the great fortune of representing the people of Macon County, we'd ask that we welcome her to Springfield today. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Welcome to Springfield. House Bill 4420. Senator Harris. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4420.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Out of the record. House Bill 4424. Senator Martinez. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4424.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Martinez, on your bill.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

...you -- thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4424 is an initiative of the Secretary of State Office.

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It is a cleanup measure to -- for Illinois' REAL ID Law. It clarifies that non-REAL ID cards issued to persons sixty-five or older are permanent and will not expire. It clarifies that non-REAL ID Illinois Person with a Disability Identification Card expires ten years after the issuance, and removes a two-dollar search card -- fee. And I'll be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4424 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4424, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4428. Senator Althoff. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4428.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, on your bill.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 4428 requires the Department of Public Health or the local public health inspector to provide paper copies of inspection reports to dairy farms being inspected at the time of the inspection. I know of no opposition and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Oberweis, for what purpose

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do you rise?

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

She indicates she will yield.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Senator, can you tell me what happens right now without this legislation? What -- what problem are we trying to solve?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Senator Oberweis, just recently, with all of the technical updates being done by the State of Illinois, now what occurs is those individuals who inspect the barns now do it via a tablet. If you don't have - you, the -- the dairy farm operator - if you do not have a printer or a computer onsite, you don't get that inspection report until they go back to the office, whenever that might be, and then mail you a copy of the report. It's extraordinarily important for most dairy farmers that if you don't get that inspection and you don't have it available in your barn and someone else comes to inspect the site, you can be downgraded five points, which would mean that you go from a Grade A quality milk to a Grade C, which obviously lowers the price of your product. And at a time when, in Illinois, dairy farmers are disappearing like people in Illinois are disappearing, this is extraordinarily important for us to support that industry. And right now, many farmers, dairy farmers, do not have that equipment, so we're trying to provide a little bit of a span of time for them to go ahead and then purchase and get ready for the new flip to

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technology, rather than the old practice of providing a paper copy on site at the time of the inspection. And would you ever believe that I, the little girl from McHenry, know that much about milk?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Well, want to correct one thing. I think it takes ten points, not five points for a downgrade. You said five points, but I'm pretty sure it's ten. And, again, I would also like to know if you have any idea how many farms in Illinois this might affect, and along with that, I -- I'd ask you what happens right now? What happened a month ago or two months ago when they came to do this inspection to the farm who didn't have a printer?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

This is a recent transition. So it -- it -- a year ago, a month ago, it wasn't statewide. It was being done gradually. I understand now everyone must get this tablet inspection and so it affects everyone. And my understanding is, it's in excess of fifty percent right now that would like this time period so that they can make the changes, the -- the computer and the printer changes that are required to get the report onsite. So it affects a lot more farmers than you'd think. And the..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator...

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Oops! Excuse me. And I'll just note, the Department is fine with allowing this to be the current practice until we can get our

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dairy farmers up to speed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

Thank you, Senator, and -- and I'm not sure I understood you. You said there is a phase-in time, and -- and if so, what is that -- that phase-in time?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

It -- obviously, the phase-in time will be until we change the law, but we did talk about revisiting this specific requirement, the statute, three to five years from now.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

So what happens right now, the next one, two, three, four, five, six months, in the situation where the farmer doesn't have a printer?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

The Department of Public Health has agreed to provide a paper copy, which would be compliant with what we're trying to do with this statute.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

And there is obviously some cost in doing that, which we

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wouldn't have to have if we had a phase-in of two/three years, whatever it would take for all farmers to be in compliance. So might it be best to have a phase-in period, instead of incurring that additional cost?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Senator Oberweis, in talking to the Department of Public Health, they indicate that there is no real cost to providing the paper copy. The idea is to become more -- more advanced with regard to technology. They've agreed to provide the paper copies, again, and have also agreed that they'll revisit this in three to five years.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Oberweis.

SENATOR OBERWEIS:

I apologize, I thought in the description here that it says that it would require the inspectors to then buy printers to have available on scene at the farm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Quite the contrary. Right now what this legislation does is it requires the Department of Public Health to provide a paper copy of the inspection upon the inspection time so that these dairy farmers can take that report, make sure it's in the dairy barn, so if anyone else comes to inspect, they don't lose that five points/ten points.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4428 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. House Bill 4428, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4442. Senator Lightford. House Bill 4467. Senator Raoul. Senator Raoul seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4467 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 4467. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Senator Raoul.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul, on your amendment.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Mr. President, with the leave of the Body, I'll explain it fully on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 4467. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4467.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Raoul, on your bill.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 4467 provides that the -- a natural child of a disabled police officer, firefighter, or correctional officer is not required to be born or legally adopted prior to the incident that resulted in a ninety percent to a hundred percent disability in order to receive the officer's survivor grant. It has an immediate effective date.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4467 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4467, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4469. Senator Aquino. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4469.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Aquino, on your bill.

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SENATOR AQUINO:

House Bill 44 -- excuse me. Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 4469 increases voter access for individuals incarcerated, but not convicted, by, number one, requiring each election authority in a county under three million to collaborate with the county jail within its jurisdiction to facilitate an opportunity for voting by mail for voters confined to a county jail that are eligible to vote; number two, requires Cook County to establish temporary branch polling in their county jails; and, lastly, requires the Department of Corrections, county jails, and county probation officers -- offices, excuse me, to provide discharged individuals with information about their voting rights and voter registration application. I ask for an Aye vote. Take questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

For purpose -- a question for purposes of legislative intent, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

He indicates he will yield.

SENATOR HAINE:

Senator Aquino, what voter privacy protections are included in HB 4469?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, Senator, and for your question. The privacy protections as well as other voter protections, such as anti-

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coercion, are currently covered by existing election law. Voters under the legislation will be protected just as other non-traditional voting populations like voters in nursing homes and - and hospitals are protected by Election Code.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR HAINE:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I rise in support of the Senator's bill. It's a reasonable regulation. He's worked hard on this. I personally consider voting in this context to be part of a rehabilitation process, where you treat people with respect as citizens, and also we want to remind ourselves, every one of these individuals are presumed innocent as a matter of law. Therefore, I congratulate Senator Aquino. He's shown some courage in bringing a matter to the -- to the Senate that could be easily misconstrued. I ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Any further discussion? Senator Nybo, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield for some questions?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will.

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SENATOR NYBO:

Senator, do you recall what the committee roll call was when this measure was considered at committee?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Think, according to here, there was four -- four Noes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

So the -- the -- the -- and -- and I'm looking at the roll call right now, so I appreciate that. So the Republicans who were present at the committee hearing all voted No on this measure, as -- as I'm looking at this. That's correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

According to this, those that were present, yes, voted No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Senator, what's the -- what's the problem that we're trying to solve with this proposal? What -- what -- what's the issue that we're trying to correct or fix or improve upon?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Senator, I appreciate that question. Right now, in our State, we have about twenty thousand people that are eligible to vote

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that are unable to because they are awaiting trial in one of our county jails and, secondly, there's about -- over four million people that -- that have a -- a felony record that would possibly be able to register to vote, maybe not know that they're able to vote, once they served their time in this State and can go back and actually apply and -- and register to vote. So it does -- it's trying to accomplish two things.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Senator, I may have misheard you, but -- but it -- if -- if I heard you correctly, it sounds like that one of the main objectives that we're trying to fix here is to get more people who are incarcerated to vote. We're -- we're trying to make sure that we have more of them participating in the electoral process.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

We -- we are trying to get people that are registered to vote, that are presumed innocent, the ability to actually vote, because they're registered to do so. That's -- that's one of it. The other part is that we want to make sure that when someone serves their time that we can find an avenue for them to go back into the community and serve as good citizens and let them know that -- that in this State, after you've served your time, you can come back and -- and register to vote and vote. To make sure that the people here in this Body and across the Rotunda are serving their interests as well, all our interests.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Senator, would you disagree with the characterization that -
- that this, in reality -- or, actuality, is a Department of
Corrections sponsored and run "get out the vote" effort?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

No. This is a voter access issue, which, actually, I think
you'd be proud to know that the -- one of the -- the counties that
you represent, I believe, which is DuPage County - correct me if
I'm wrong - actually already does this, including six others
throughout our State. So we just want to make sure that the
hundred or so other counties throughout our State can -- can do
what DuPage does, Cook County and others throughout the State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Senator, I know there's a voter registration component about
this -- or with respect to this proposal, but there's also an --
an information -- or providing information requirement. What --
what exactly -- what information are we provided {sic} to
incarcerated individuals and when are we providing it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

So there will be a voter application -- voting application to
register to vote for those that have served their time. That's
going to be on the county clerks and the recorders that -- to work

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with the local sheriff's departments to provide that information upon release. And simply what this bill creates is that for those same county clerks and recorders that -- to go and work with the -- the sheriffs in their areas so that, in the county jails, those that are registered and are detained at the moment, but are still registered to vote, just letting them know that there is a way for them to vote, either by mail or -- or absentee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'm wrapping this up. I appreciate your -- your patience here. Senator, if I was to have a -- a constituent - and you're right, I do represent DuPage County - so if I was to have my Page, who's sitting here next to me, come and visit my office and talk to me about an issue that she was concerned about or -- or a vote that she wanted me to make on a particular piece of legislation or -- or some local issue that she was dealing with, and -- and -- and after we had conducted our meeting, as she was leaving my office, I gave her information on how to vote - you know, here are your rights; you know, here -- here's your -- here's information where you can vote if you want to apply by mail; you know, information about voting, and I provided that information upon her departure - it would seem to me that the way that we structure ethics requirements that I might be getting awfully close to an ethics violation at that point. Would you agree or do you disagree?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

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Under State law, your district office is actually able to help that constituent, that Page of yours, to vote if they'd like. So we're -- we're talking about a voting access measure. You can have voter registration cards in your State office. You can have the person register and -- and -- and -- and have a voter registration form sent to their home. You can do that under State law right now.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Nybo.

SENATOR NYBO:

To -- to the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR NYBO:

Senator, I appreciate what you're trying to do. I understand why you're trying to do it. I'm concerned for a couple reasons. One, I think it does raise a -- a questionable -- or let me put it this way, I think it raises an ethics question, whether we should be using government resources to essentially run a "get out the vote" program, which is how I perceive this. Although I appreciate what you're doing, I do respectfully encourage my colleagues to vote No on this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Aquino, to close.

SENATOR AQUINO:

I ask for an Aye vote, because I think that all people that are able to register to vote or -- and are registered should have that ability in this State, and so I want everyone else that

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doesn't have the opportunity to live in Cook County -- or DuPage County that does this already, to have that opportunity. So I ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 4469 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 38 Ayes, 17 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4469, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 44 -- Senator Anderson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. My intention on that last bill was to vote No, if the record would reflect.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The record will reflect your intention. Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Likewise, Mr. President. My intention was to vote No on that last piece of legislation, if the record would so reflect.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Record will reflect your intention. House Bill 4472. Senator Curran. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4472.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Curran, on your bill.

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SENATOR CURRAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Excuse me a second. Can we keep the noise level down, please?
Thank you. Senator Curran, on your bill.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Senate, this bill simply requires vehicles traveling on our roadways here in the State of Illinois that are registered in other states to have vehicle insurance -- liability insurance, and also carry proof of that insurance with them and produce it upon request by a law enforcement official. Very simple, straightforward bill. I know of no opponents to this legislation and I would respectfully ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4472 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, 1 voting Present. House Bill 4472, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4476. Senator McConnaughay. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4476.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McConnaughay, on your bill.

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SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. This legislation provides a financial savings as it relates to the Vehicle Code. What it does is eliminate the requirement for a violator's signature on a ticket. Currently, the State Police pays ten cents per sheet by requiring the signature, and it just is simply not necessary. In 2016, the Illinois State Police issued a hundred and fifty-one thousand citations. And the requirement, an officer get a violator's signature, will also result in an increase in officer safety. I would appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4476 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4476, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4516. Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4516.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Morrison, on your bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill requires that insurers cover prescribed hearing aids and medically necessary related services and repairs for minors under eighteen. Happy to answer

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any questions. I am not aware of any opposition that still remains.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4516 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4516, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4536. Senator Castro. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4536.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Castro, on your bill.

SENATOR CASTRO:

House Bill 4853 {sic} extends the -- Village of Hanover Park's TIF district. I have no -- know of no opposition and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4536 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, 2 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4536, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4541. Senator Koehler. Senator

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Koehler seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4541 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 4514 {sic}. Mr. Secretary, please read the amendment. 3rd Reading. House Bill 4541. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4541.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler, on your bill.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This provides the definition of financial institutions in the finance division that includes savings banks, loan -- savings and loan associations, or credit unions, and regional planning commissions or joint planning commissions. This is basically just a clarification on this. Know of no opposition and appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4541 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4541, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4569. Senator Koehler. Senator Koehler seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4569 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd

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Reading is House Bill 4569. Mr. Secretary, please read the amendment.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Koehler.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler, on your amendment.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This just deletes a provision that allows rail yards to dispense fuel from ASTs. I'd ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion on the amendment? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 4569. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4569.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler, on your bill.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4569, as amended, increases the amount of fuel that can be stored

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in aboveground storage tanks for the purpose of dispensing fuel at agricultural, construction, and commercial fleet sites up to twelve thousand gallons. The ASTs shall be regulated by the Office of the Fire Marshal in accordance with current regulations. I know of no opposition. I'd appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4569 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4569, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4576. Senator Tom Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4576.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Cullerton, on your bill.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Illinois Senate. House Bill 4576 creates the Combat Action Badge and Combat Action Ribbon license plates. I know of no opposition and I would appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4576 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted

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who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4576, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Bennett, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BENNETT:

For the purpose of announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your point.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr...(microphone cutoff)...be brief. But as many of you know, this year at the National Conference of State Legislatures, NCSL, the end of the Summit this year in Los Angeles, we'll be seeing the ascension of one of our own, Toi Hutchinson, to the presidency. Again, the Summit is going to be in Los Angeles from July 30th through August 2nd. Reason I bring it up is today is the last day to get the lowest registration fee. That ends at the end of the day, so if you're interested in saving a little bit of money, please go ahead and register today at NCS -- on the NCSL website. And I hope to all -- see you all there in Los Angeles.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

I -- I'm going to add on to Senator Bennett's announcement. The State of Illinois has a block of rooms in the major hotel, which is the JW Marriott, and if you would like the access code so that you can be ensured that you have a housing room in that hotel, please let me know and I'll provide that little access code for you. Thank you very much for the indulgence, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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House Bill 4578. Senator Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4578.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Cullerton, on your bill.

SENATOR T. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4578 is a continuation of working with small businesses and LLCs. Changes the late fee penalty for LLC annual report filing from three hundred dollars to one hundred dollars. I know of no opposition and I appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4578 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4578, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4594. Senator Mulroe. Senator Mulroe seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4594 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 4594. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Floor Amendment 1, offered by Senator Mulroe.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Mulroe, on your amendment.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I'd ask that it be adopted. I'd be happy to explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 4594. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4594.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on your bill.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you again, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I'm happy to report this is -- this legislation is the result of bipartisan, bicameral effort. It's supported in -- by both Leaders in the House and the Senate on both sides of the aisle. It's a culmination of about three years of work that was created -- or at the request of the Illinois Supreme Court regarding problems we have in our fees and costs structures of our statute. We've been criticized by the appellate court of how -- how those get enforced.

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Currently, our -- there's thirteen different statutes or areas where the fees and costs are. This legislation is designed to create one area where the fees and costs are delineated. There's schedules that are going to be implemented. We have -- and it's going to be -- the -- the fees and costs are going to be designated by certain crimes, distributed to State, county, and -- and the local agencies. The clerks have asked us for help on this to make it more efficient in collecting the fees and distributing the fees. The task force consisted of practitioners, judges, clerks, AOIC, Representatives {sic} Andersson and former Representative Nekritz. On our side, it was Senator Righter and myself. So this bill basically creates one Act where the fees and costs are for criminal cases and puts them into one -- one place so it be -- will be easier to understand by the clerks, more -- be more efficient and be more consistently applied throughout our State. And I think - - one other thing, that we are -- this is going to get implemented in July of 2019. It's got -- it's going to sunset eighteen months after that. We have this sunset so we can actually check our calculations to make sure that they're accurate and make adjustments where necessary. I'd ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Barickman, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Again, thank you, Mr. President. Senator, we -- we discussed

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this at committee and I think, from our side, there was some confusion about where groups had filed support or, more specifically, those who had filed opposition. Can you -- and as a result of that, I think we had some No votes in committee that are likely to -- to turn Yes on the Floor here. But I want to -- I want to make sure that we're all on the same page. Can you tell us who you're aware opposes the legislation in the form in front of us now?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

So our analysis has ILETSB. It's the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board. I recently heard from the child advocacy centers - not sure exactly why their anxiety still exists. CASA, the -- the Child Advocates -- Children Advocates Special -- I might -- I have that screwed up. It's CASA. They're special advocates to act as -- in addition to like GALs, but they're actually volunteer positions, and I think that may be it, unless I'm -- I may be missing one, but -- so everyone else -- a majority of people either are proponents or are neutral. This is going to be relying on faith. We are making projections, but that's why we have a sunset, to come back and address those and modify just in case our calculations are off. But our calculations that we've done are actually conservative in nature. They're conservative on conviction rates and they're conservative on collection rates. So ILETSB, CAC, I guess their intrepidation {sic} is -- is more they're not sure they're going to get what we are telling them they're going to get. But we believe our calculations are based on conservative estimates, that they will receive what they're

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receiving now if not more.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you for that. The other -- I want to flip sides to among the supporters. Not reflected in our analysis, but I believe I've been told that the supporters include the Truckers Association and the Illinois Farm Bureau. Can you speak to that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe.

SENATOR MULROE:

That is true. The Farm Bureau, the Truckers, and they -- they come into play for overweights, and those are situations in court where trucks are over -- over their weight, and they -- in current statute, they're assessed fees and fines based on the amount of overweight. They've been intimately involved in the negotiations and that's why they are in support. We actually attempted to help ILETSB and -- and I filed Floor Amendment No. 2, for purposes of discussion, that would have increased fees for ILETSB. It would have removed their opposition entirely, but the -- with that amendment, created opposition that weighed a whole lot more than ILETSB's, and I just ask ILETSB and anybody else that has anxiety to just be -- give us -- you know, be -- join us and -- and give us a -- sort of some faith in the process here. And I've committed to coming back and -- after that six months, we're going to collect data. If it's inaccurate, we're going to make adjustments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Barickman.

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SENATOR BARICKMAN:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

I want to -- I want to commend the -- the sponsor on his work on this. There -- there are -- this is one of those bills where there's a lot of moving parts and I think a lot of groups have provided input. He's taken that into consideration and put forward a -- a piece of legislation here that I think has broad-based and well-deserved support. I plan to support the measure because of that and appreciate the work done. I -- I'd encourage those who -- I think there will be some Members of the Body who are sensitive to the fact that there could be some fee increases in the legislation and they may think accordingly about that, but, for me, I think you've put together a good product. I -- and so I'm glad to stand here in support of it and would encourage an Aye vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Koehler, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

I was contacted by my child advocacy center in Peoria. The -- the anxiety is that it's not clear how they're going to be affected by this. I mean, they just -- they don't see the numbers

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right in front of them, so they don't -- you know, their first blush was that this is going to cost them money and that -- that the program may have to cease to exist. I've talked to the sponsor. He's assured me that -- that that's not the case, and what I heard was a -- a promise that if -- if this does negatively impact any of the CACs, that you would work to help overcome that and I would join you in that. So, for that reason, I'm going to support this and I know this is kind of a leap of faith, but I -- I trust the sponsor and I trust the process that we're going to take care of these folks. But I just wanted to point that out and I do intend to support this bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Mulroe, to close. The question is, shall House Bill 4594 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The -- voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 45 Ayes, 8 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4594, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4643. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4643.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Mulroe, on your bill.

SENATOR MULROE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4643 allows physical therapists who establish a relevant diagnosis

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within the scope of their medical practice and -- begin physical therapy treatment of a patient without a health care professional referral or a reevaluation. I know of no opponents. I'd ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4643 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, 1 voting Present. House Bill 4643, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4650. Senator Morrison. Out of the record. House Bill 4657. Senator Sims. Senator Holmes, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HOLMES:

Mr. President, I meant to vote Yes on 4643. If you could record my vote as a Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The record will reflect your intention. House Bill 4658. Senator Koehler. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4658.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler, on your bill.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill expands the training for identification of warning signs of mental illness and suicide

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behavior. The bill requires that all personnel who work with pupils in grades K through twelve to participate in the training, rather than personnel who work with pupils in grades seven through twelve. This bill also requires that training occur at least once every two years and clarifies that the training applies to licensed school personnel and administrators. I know of no opposition and appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4658 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4658, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4661. Senator Holmes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4661.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Holmes, on your bill.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. House Bill 4661 allows an elected or appointed downstate police or fire trustee who completed the thirty-two hours of certification training and sixteen hours of annual continuing education to be considered to have fulfilled eight hours of ethics training annually. The bill simply eliminates a duplication of training.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4661 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays -- 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4661, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4665. Senator Bush. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4665.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your bill.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. House Bill 4665 requires the Department of Human Services to implement a direct support person credential program. The intent of the program is to assist and attract persons into the field of direct support, advance direct support as a career, and professionalize the field to promote workforce recruitment and retention efforts. I know of no opponents to the bill and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4665 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House

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Bill 4665, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4684. Senator Aquino. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 4684.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Aquino, on your bill.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 4684 enhances the State University {sic} (Universities) Retirement System's ability to collect outstanding amounts owed to the System beyond statutory payment periods. This is -- this bill is identical to Senate Bill 2954 that we passed out unanimously from this Body earlier this month. And this House Bill 4684 passed unanimously out of the House earlier this month as well. I ask for an Aye vote. Thank you. I know of no opponents.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4684 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4684, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4686. Senator Bivins. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4686.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bivins, on your bill.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. HB 4686 amends the Guardians for Adults with Disabilities -- Disabilities Article of the Probate Act of 1975. Provides that the court shall not appoint as guardian an employee of an agency that is directly providing residential services to the ward. It's an initiative of DHS and I would appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4686 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4686, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4688. Senator Martinez. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4688.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Martinez, on your bill.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 4688 is a trailer bill -- Nursing Home Administrators Licensing

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and Disciplinary Act renewal bill or Senate Bill 128 -- 12 -- 1281. It makes a technical correction and modification within the Nursing Home Administrators Licensing and Disciplinary Act and I'll be happy to answer any questions. This is an initiative of the Department of Professional Regulations {sic} (Regulation).

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4688 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4688, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4689. Senator Althoff. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4689.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Althoff, on your bill.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 4689 is an initiative of GOMB. It cleans up some of the language in the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Cleanup language actually brings the Act in line with federal rules. It's identical to Senate Bill 3185 that we passed out of the Senate in March unanimously. It -- this bill also passed out of the House unanimously. So there's no opposition and I'd request an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4689 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4689, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4697. Senator McCarter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4697.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter, on your bill.

SENATOR McCARTER:

House Bill 4697 permits a township board to temporarily fill a township office vacancy with an appointment of a current township official as a deputy to fulfill the ministerial functions of the vacant office. This only applies to a sixty-day period. I -- I -- I placed an amendment on this as the committee requested to apply only to counties of two hundred and fifty thousand or less. I ask for a vote in the affirmative.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

Would the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will.

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SENATOR HAINE:

Senator, is this one on these unnecessary governments that the -- to which the Governor frequently refers, and should this vacancy be allowed to lapse so that we can get rid of it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

I believe that we should reduce the number of government entities in this State and that includes townships at times. The problem with townships in -- in the rural areas, as you know that I represent, is many of the townships carry out the functions of the county themselves. So when we get over that hurdle, as far as roads for counties, I -- I say we could abolish all townships and I'd be in favor of it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

So, Senator, you're going to introduce a trailer bill real quick to abolish all these townships except for road districts? Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Sponsor yield, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Why does this bill only apply to townships with two hundred and fifty thousand people and less?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Because that appears to be where the issue is, and the issue didn't apply to those of greater, so those representing the Chicago area and the suburbs asked that it not apply to them 'cause they didn't have the problem. So I -- I did what they asked.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Is there opposition to this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

We won't know until the vote, sir.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

You know, Senator, according to my analysis, the Township Officials of Illinois are in opposition to this bill. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

It is correct and -- and -- and they were -- we spoke to them and when I came back with the amendment, they made no comment whatsoever.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

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SENATOR HASTINGS:

They made no comment, but they're still in opposition to this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

They did not come forward and say that they were opposed. They did file in opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

So, Senator, in your -- in your view, would this bill assist townships of Illinois or hurt townships of Illinois?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

This will assist townships of Illinois, because during that sixty-day period, they have no way of signing checks. They have no way of governing. They'll have no way of administering that government during that period of time. What is actually happening is, township trustees are signing checks illegally. So this is going to keep township trustees to -- from committing -- you know, breaking the law. So we're -- we're doing a good thing for them. So this is a sixty-day period to where they can -- townships can continue to operate. It is a good thing for them.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Senator, you stated before that you're not in favor of

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township governments, but you're going ahead and you're assisting townships in their function of government. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

While townships are still in place, they need to operate. I agree.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Well, then, I'm confused, because you said they don't need to operate, they shouldn't be -- existence, but you're going to go ahead and -- you're saying now on the Floor that they need to operate and have to be in existence. So which is it? You can't have it both ways, Senator. Are you going to help 'em or are you going to dissolve 'em? What are you going to do?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

I understand, Senator, you like to argue, but in this case, I did exactly what I said I was going to do in the committee. That's the big difference here. What the committee asked me to do, I did exactly. That's the big difference.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

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SENATOR HASTINGS:

Like all the other bills that flew past here today, a lot of 'em had no opposition, none. They didn't slip in opposition to any bills I think that I filed today, but for some reason, they filed in opposition to your bill today. So because this bill has some issues with townships across Illinois in which that you want to dissolve, but all of a sudden you changed your view and you're flip-flopping back and forth. You all of a sudden want to help townships when you want to dissolve 'em. So I have a problem with just the logic behind the bill and the -- and the answers to the questions that I received today, and on that basis alone, I urge a No vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To the bill, if I might, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Well, I -- I hope we've all enjoyed the -- the theater, if you will. The bottom line is, the sponsor did what the Democrat majority committee asked him to do. So after we're done slapping Senator McCarter around a little bit because sometimes he asks tough questions, I would suggest, Mr. President, that we go ahead and wrap it up and call the bill for a vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Any further discussion? Senator McCarter, to close.

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SENATOR McCARTER:

Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. Actually, the -- the township representatives wanted this to apply to all of you, in Chicago and the suburbs. So, in a way, I did you a favor. I'd ask for a -- an affirmative vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 4697 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 45 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4697, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Hastings, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HASTINGS:

...President, I want to request a verification of the roll call. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

House Bill 4706. Senator Manar. Out of the record. House Bill 4707. Senator Bush. Senator Bush seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4707 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 4707. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Bush.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your amendment.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would ask that we adopt the --

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the amendment and I'll explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 4707. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4707.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your bill.

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Amendment 1 deletes everything and becomes the bill -- the bill. The amendment reinstates the underlying legislation creating the Prescription Drug Task Force, but makes the following changes: It changes the numbers from nineteen to twenty-five, adding addiction treatment service providers, public defenders, and physicians; it also requires a final report to the General Assembly by December 31st. I know of no opponents to the bill and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4707 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed,

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Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4707, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4711. Senator Curran. Senator Curran seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4711 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 4711. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Curran.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Curran, on your amendment.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Would ask for adoption of the amendment and will speak to it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 4711. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4711.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Curran, on your bill.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill provides law -- that you may not sue the county or county officials in zoning matters. This applies current law with regards to municipalities in the area of zoning out of the first district to also county entities. The amendment attached to the bill, which is -- leaves the initial bill in place, also permits the Rockford Park District to sell a water park facility and provides a process for appraisals and approval of that sale. This bill has no known opposition and I would respectfully ask -- request an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there -- is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4711 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4711, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4724. Senator Fowler. Mr. Secretary, please -- Senator Fowler seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4724 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 4724. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Fowler.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Senator Fowler, on your amendment.

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move to adopt the amendment and explain on 3rds, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Fowler.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Fowler, on your amendment.

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move to adopt, to explain on 3rd, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 4724. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4724.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Fowler, on your bill.

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. This is an initiative of -- of the Illinois Oil and Gas Association. Provides that first purchasers shall not be required to obtain exemption certificates from the operator until the first high volume horizontal fracking permit has been approved by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. This was on the agreed-bill in committee. Not aware of any opposition. Request an Aye vote, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4724 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. House Bill 4724, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4735. Senator Bush. Senator Bush seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4735 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 4735. Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Holmes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Holmes, on your amendment.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank -- thank you so much, Mr. President. Basically, this

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amendment just adds -- it designates the 5th day of March each year in the State of Illinois as Day of the Horse.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 4735. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4735.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Bush, on your bill.

SENATOR BUSH:

HB 4735 designates the month of May each year to be observed as Monarch Month, honoring the Monarch Butterfly, which is the official State insect of the State of Illinois. It's an initiative of community members affiliated with the Garden Club organization, the City of Schaumburg's Park District. And I know of no opposition and I would urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4735 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted

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who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4735, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4736. Senator Koehler. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4736.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler, on your bill.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This is an important bill that affects families with medically fragile children. It amends the Public Aid Code and prohibits the Department of Healthcare and Family Services from requiring children on Medicaid through any home and community-based waiver for medically fragile and technology dependent persons or children receiving in-home shift nursing services to enroll or transition into the State's medical managed care program. Under FH -- F -- HFS's new Health Care Choice {sic} (HealthChoice) Illinois program, mandatory enrollment is to begin October 1st of this year. I have a family with a medically fragile child. This absolutely terrifies parents. Their children are fragile and they depend on these services or the technology, and if they don't get it and it doesn't continue at the same level of quality, this could mean the death of their child. This passed out of the House 90 to 1. I hope we have the -- all unanimous vote in the Senate, because, again, this is very important for the parents of children in this

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situation. I ask for your Aye vote and happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Will the sponsor yield, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Senator Koehler, you know I'm your chief cosponsor on this bill. I think it's a phenomenal initiative, but in conversations when we've talked -- can you somewhat articulate for the Body how many children are actually affected overall, population-wise?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

The -- thank you for your question, Senator. The answer is nine hundred and forty-five.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Any further discussion? Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Indicates he will.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Koehler, first of all, I want to make sure I understand the bill. The bill would allow

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someone who has been auto-enrolled into a managed care plan to disenroll and then engage in a fee-for-service plan, or it would allow anyone to disenroll even if they weren't auto-assigned?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Now, my understanding is that they are already receiving in a sense a waiver. This -- this would stop the mandatory enrollment, which is set to begin this October. So this continues the status quo for them in terms of what they have now in terms of medical services or technology for their fragile child.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

And -- and if -- if this didn't become -- if this didn't become law, what is your concern that would happen if they are auto-enrolled?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Let me answer that next, but let me continue an answer for your last question. Okay? This states that any -- any children who meet the criteria under this paragraph and who are enrolled in the State's medical -- managed care medical assistance program on or before the effective date of this Act shall be given the option to disenroll, so that's -- that also answers part of your question. To go to your -- your -- your question, I think the fear is that any disruption of services, any -- any disruption to what -- you know, in the case of -- of a family that has a medical fragile

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child in my district, this child is on a breathing apparatus that if that ever stops or malfunctions or whatever, that child dies. And so I think there's a -- there's just a concern that as they shift plans and -- and maybe shift, you know, equipment or shift in terms of who is the -- the person that comes and -- and -- and provides the home care, you know, any disruption of -- of any kind of services just affects them. And so I think there's that fear and it -- it makes sense that we would take this portion of our population and give them that exemption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator Koehler, I mean, have you -- in your work on this bill, have you been given any indication that once one of these patients is enrolled in managed care that they're going to lose the medical equipment to which you're referring? I mean, I guess I'm -- I'm looking for your -- what you've learned that makes you fearful that they're actually not going to be given this equipment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you for the question. I guess personally because of all the hiccups that have been exhibited throughout the State in terms of how managed care has worked. I mean, there's been changes in -- in policies. Each -- each MCO has a little bit different criteria. There would be personnel changes. A -- a family gets used to having a -- a home care worker that -- that knows their child, that knows what that individual's needs are, and to have to shift that and to -- to train somebody new. Again, these are

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children that -- that are very fragile. I mean, we're talking about nine hundred and forty out of a population of almost thirteen million. So I -- I think that their -- their -- their fear is that let's not wait till something happens as a result of this -- results in a death or whatever and then try to change the system. If the system is working now, let's let it continue for these families.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To the bill, if I might, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in reluctant opposition. I appreciate where the sponsor's coming from, but -- and -- and -- and he referred to wrinkles in the adoption of managed care and there have been. Those have been almost entirely related to rates paid. I'm not familiar with a single wrinkle that led to a -- a single significant health consequence for one person in this State thus far as we have moved forward on this. I'm sure this thing is going to fly out of here. The Department of Healthcare and Family Services is opposed, because, and I think quite rightly, is that if there is a carve-out for one group, it makes it easier for another group and another group and another group to say, hey, there could be a problem - even if there's not any evidence there will be - there could be a problem with something coming forward, a change in the way the program is managed, and we want out of the program. Thank you, Mr. President.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Curran, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CURRAN:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

To the bill.

SENATOR CURRAN:

I -- I want to thank the sponsor for his work on this. This is a very important initiative. This is by far our most vulnerable population in -- in this State, these approximately - you gave an exact number - a thousand children throughout the State that have -- that are medically fragile. You know, these are children that oftentimes may have four or five different specialists that they are seeing and a lot of doctors and a lot of support that is required for them to live. Right now in the State of Illinois, there are only thirty-one nursing agencies and twenty-five specialized durable medical equipment suppliers in the State to service this population. So, regionally, we can get into tremendous difficulties with the auto-enroll into a particular MCO if that MCO and that -- that -- that the child is auto-enrolled into doesn't have a contract with the one nursing agency or the one durable equipment supplier in that region of the State. Not every region of the State has -- has multiple suppliers and multiple agencies available. Oftentimes, when you -- you know, one of the organizations I've worked with, Almost Home Kids, had experience in the MCOs and -- and there was tremendous disruption with specialists, in approvals on -- to office visits with specialists. But one of the -- one -- one of the real challenges

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is nurse staffing in home, and oftentimes a child is stuck in the hospital waiting for the assignment of nurse staffing. If there's a disruption in nurse staffing, the end result here are going to be children back in the hospital, which is the most expensive level of care that the State provides, waiting, oftentimes months, for new nursing staffing to be built out for them, so they're back at home with their family in the best environment for them, where they belong. So, Senator, I think this is a very important bill and I -- and I thank you for your work and leadership on this and I would urge everyone to vote Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Koehler, to close.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Yes, thank you for the comments. I would just respectfully request an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The question is, shall House Bill 4736 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, 3 Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4736, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4743. Senator Lightford. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4743.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Lightford, on your bill.

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SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the -- of the Senate. This initiative amends the Equal Pay Act of 2003. It provides that no employer may discriminate between employees by paying wages to African American employees at a rate less than the rate of which the employer pays wages to another employee who is not an African American for the same or substantially similar work on a job that requires equal skill, effort, and responsibility and is performed under similar working conditions. What we recognize is that the gap appears to be expanding, rather than contracting, and it's my hope that this legislation will provide the tools that is needed to close the wage gap. I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4743 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 4743, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we're going to go to page 17 of the printed Calendar, House Bills 2nd Reading. House Bill 128. Senator Jones. Senator Jones. House Bill 2063. Senator McConnaughay. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2063.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Criminal Law adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2624. Senator Steans. Senator Steans. House Bill 4191. Senator Connelly. Out of the record. House Bill 4193. Senator Rezin. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4193.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4237. Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4237.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Revenue adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4309. Senator Bush. Out of the

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record. House Bill 4310. Senator Cullerton. Out of the record.
House Bill 4332. Senator Cullerton. Mr. Secretary, please read
the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4332.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments
reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4573. Senator Jones. Senator Jones.
Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4573.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments
reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4685. Senator Tom Cullerton. Out
of the record. House Bill 4897. Senator Muñoz. Senator Muñoz.
House Bill 4927. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, please read the
bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4927.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments
reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4932. Senator Holmes. Out of the
record. House Bill 5000. Senator McConchie. House Bill 5021.

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Senator Tracy. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 5021.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5148. Senator Holmes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 5148.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5176. Senator Mulroe. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 5176.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5201. Senator -- out of the record. House Bill 5303. Senator Cunningham. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 5303.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Cunningham.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Cunningham, on your amendment.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move we adopt the amendment and I'll explain it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5477. Senator Holmes. Out of the record. House Bill 5490. Senator Bivins. Out of the record. House Bill 5553. Senator Hutchinson. Senator Hutchinson. House Bill 5561. Senator Weaver. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 5561.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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3rd Reading. House Bill 5573. Senator Holmes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 5573.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Criminal Law adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5627. Senator Manar. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 5627.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5683. Senator Schimpf. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 5683.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Veterans Affairs adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

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Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5784. Senator Tom Cullerton. Senator Cullerton. Out of the record. House Bill 5786. Senator Manar. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 5786.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. Senator Cunningham, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

For an announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

State your announcement.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just wanted to invite the Chamber and everyone within the sound of my voice to join White Sox fans tonight for the annual meeting of the White Sox Caucus. It'll be at D. H. Browns between 7 and 10. Please join us and help cheer the White Sox in their valiant effort to get the number one draft pick in next year's MLB draft. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

House Bill 2624. Senator Steans. Mr. Secretary, please read

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the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2624.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. Committee on Insurance adopted Amendment No. 3.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 4897. Senator Muñoz. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4897.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted Amendment No. 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5000. Senator McConchie. There's a letter on file allowing Senator Righter to carry it. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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House Bill 5000.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

3rd Reading. House Bill 128. Senator Jones. Senator Jones. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 128.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Jones.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Senator Jones, on your amendment.

SENATOR JONES:

Thank you, Mr. President, and how lovely you look in the Chair today. I move for its adoption. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment has been adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

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3rd Reading. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1779, offered by Senator Biss.

And Senate Resolution 1780, offered by Senator Morrison.

They are both substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The Senate will stand in recess to the call of the Chair. After committee meetings, the Senate will receive -- will -- will reconvene to receive committee reports and other matters not requiring Floor action. There will be no -- will be no Floor action until the Senate reconvenes at 11 a.m. on the 24th day of May 2018. The Senate stands in recess.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The Senate will -- the Senate will now come to order. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1781, offered by Senator Van Pelt and all Members.

Senate Resolution 1782, offered by Senator Martinez and all Members.

Senate Resolution 1783, offered by Senator Tracy and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 1784, offered by Senator Anderson and all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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Resolutions Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Cullerton, Chairperson of the Committee on Veterans Affairs, reports Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 5784 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Lightford, (Vice) Chairperson of the Committee on Education, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3190 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Harmon, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 20, Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 200, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 238, Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 4771, and Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 5175 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Jones, Chairperson of the Committee on Licensed Activities and Pensions, reports Motion to Concur-House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2618 and Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 1853 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Landek, Chairperson of the Committee on State Government, reports House Bill 5447 Do Pass; and Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 4412 Recommend Do Adopt.

Senator Steans, Chairperson of the Committee on Oversight (of) Medicaid Managed Care, reports House Bill 4146 Do Pass, as Amended; and Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 4650 Recommend Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, Clerk.

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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 2298.

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 1 to Senate Bill 2298.

We have received like Messages on Senate Bill 2303, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 2368, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 2376, with House Amendment 1; Senate Bill 2380, with House Amendments 1 and 2; Senate Bill 2428, with House Amendment 1. Passed the House, as amended, May 23rd, 2018. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

A Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, 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 2354.

We have received a like Message on House Bill 4100. Passed the House, May 23rd, 2018. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2354, offered by Senator Morrison.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4100, offered by Senator Castro.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 11 a.m. on the 24th day of May 2018. The Senate stands adjourned.