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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

The regular Session of the 103rd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members be at their desks? The invocation will be given by Reverend Jeremy Wood, Salem United Church of Christ, Alhambra, Illinois.

REVEREND JEREMY WOOD: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Johnson, will please lead us in the Pledge.

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Lisa Yuscius, Blueroomstream.com video stream is seeking recognition as well as Andrew Campbell, WGEM, record, video, and audio. Seeks leave to photograph video the proceedings. Is there any objection? Seeing none, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal -- Senate Journal of Tuesday, May 9th, 20 -- 2023.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Madam President. I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal just read by the Secretary, pending approval of the printed transcripts.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

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

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 271, offered by Senator Stadelman and all Members. Senate Resolutions 272 through 275, offered by Senator McClure and all Members. Senate Resolution 276, offered by Senator Morrison and all Members. And Senate Resolution 277, offered by Senator Aquino and all Members. They're all celebration of life resolutions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 36, offered by Senator Bryant. It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Mr. Secretary Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Villa, Chair of the Committee on Public Health, reports Senate Resolutions 136 and 212, Be Adopted; and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 2039 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Johnson, Chair of the Committee on Education, reports Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 90 Recommend Do Adopt; House Bills 2392 to 3428 and 3600 Do Pass, as Amended; Senate Amendment 3 to House Bill 2396, Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3500, Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 3524, Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 3570, and Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3690 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Martwick, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary, reports House Bills 2098 and 2269 Do Pass; Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3314 and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 3456 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Harris, Chair of the Committee on Insurance, reports Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 2189 and Senate Amendment 1 to House

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Bill 2443 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Halpin, Chair of the Committee on Higher Education, reports House Bill 1133, Do Pass. Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 1378, Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 1767 and House -- Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3648 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Sims, Chair of the Special Committee on Criminal Law and Public Safety reports Senate Resolution 172 Be Adopted; House Bill 1399 Do Pass; and House Bills 3345 and 3779, Do Pass, as Amended. Senator Peters, Chair of the Committee on Labor, reports Senate Amendment 3 to House Bill 3249 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Fine, Chair of the Committee on Behavioral and Mental Health, reports Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 1364 Recommend Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President, I'm directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted the following Joint Resolution in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit: House Joint Resolution 35, offered by Senator Castro, adopted by the House, May 9th, 2023. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House. It is substantive, Madam President. Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President, I'm directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred with the Senate in the passage of a bill with following title, to wit: Senate Bill 1665, together with the following amendment which is attached to the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit: House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1665. We have received like Messages on Senate Bill 1721 with House Amendment 1,

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Senate Bill 1748 with House Amendment 2, Senate Bill 1787 with House Amendment 1. Passed the House, as Amended, May 9th, 2023. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2509, offered by Senator Aquino, an Act concerning regulation. 1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

All Members at the sound of my voice, please come to the Floor. We have House Bills 3rd Reading today. Senator Aquino, in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Ladies and Gentlemen, we'll be moving to House Bills 2nd Reading, on page 23. We have House Bill 7-7-9, Sims. Senator Sims, House Bill 7-7-9. House Bill 1076, Plummer. House Bill 2068, Villivalam. House Bill 2214, Hunter. Hunter, 2214. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2214, an Act concerning public aid. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Health and Human Services adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2474, Edly-Allen. House Bill 2474,

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Edly-Allen. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2474, an Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Health and Human Services adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3413, Pacione-Zayas. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3413, an Act concerning State government. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on State Government adopted Amendments 1 and 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we'll be moving back to House Bill 3129, Pacione-Zayas. House Bill 3129, Pacione-Zayas. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3129, an Act concerning employment. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted Amendment No. 1.

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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Moving to page 24, at the top of page 24 we have House Bill 3566, Pacione-Zayas. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3566, an Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Early Childhood Education adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. House Bill 3648, Pacione-Zayas. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3648, an Act concerning education. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Pacione-Zayas.

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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Pacione-Zayas, on your amendment. On your amendment. SENATOR PACIONE-ZAYAS:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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 AQUINO)

3rd Reading. And finishing out to House Bill 3710, Hunter. With leave of the Body, we're going to go back to the last House Bill. So, page 24, House Bill 3710, Senator Hunter. Leader Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3710, an Act concerning health. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Agriculture adopted Amendment No. 1. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Ladies and Gentlemen, we'll be moving soon to House Bill 3rd Readings. If -- if the Members of the sound of my voice can make sure that they come to the Floor, we'll be taking final action on House Bills on 3rd Reading for bills that are ready

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to be moved today. With leave of the Body, we will be moving to Senate Bills 2nd Reading, page 2, at the top of page 2 we have Senate Bill 90, Senator Murphy. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 90, an Act concerning education. 2nd Reading of the bill. Committee on Education adopted Amendment No. 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Murphy.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Murphy, on your amendment.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move for adoption, and I'll explain on 3rd. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

All the -- all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there any -- any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we will be moving to page 23. House Bills 2nd Reading. House Bill 2068, Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2068, an Act concerning business. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Transportation adopted Amendment No. 1.

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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Have there been any further -- excuse me, have there -- have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration? SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we'll be returning to page 22, House Bills 2nd Reading. House Bill 1602, Castro. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1602, an Act concerning local government. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Have there been any -- have there been any Floor -- No. 3rd Reading. We'll be moving to 3rd -- House Bill 3rd Reading. Beginning with House Bill 439, Johnson. House Bill 439. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 439, an Act concerning health. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Johnson, on your bill.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. As you know, we struggle to develop appropriate placements for young people in care with disabilities and severe mental and emotional and behavioral health concerns. And depending on where youth are in -- in their intervention, the placement can be with their family, relative, or foster home, group home, or residential treatment facility. However, youth that

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require residential treatment do not and have not had timely access to quality in State residential treatment and other evidence-based alternatives such as therapeutic foster care. And so, House Bill 439 creates the Illinois Youth in Care provision, timely care, timely provision of Essential Care Act, which requires the Department of Children and Family Services to develop a strategic plan to improve timely access to end State residential treatment, evidence based alternative treatment, and specialized foster care for youth in care with significant behavioral needs. And I know of no opposition. And I encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 439 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, 0 Nays, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, Senate -- excuse me, House Bill 439 is declared passed. House Bill 1015, Sims. 1015, Sims. House Bill 1120, Villanueva. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1120, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villanueva, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1120 amends the student -- The School Code, sorry, to require new charter schools and existing charter schools that must renew their charter to include

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a "union neutrality clause" in their charter. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator McConchie, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Sponsor indicates she'll yield. Senator McConchie. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're on 3rd Reading if we can keep the gallery -- thank you. Senator McConchie, go right ahead.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, from my reading of this bill, this would block the ability of charter school administrators to speak at all or distribute any written materials to teachers about the possible impact of what unionization might mean or how it might impact the school's operation or impact on the students. Is that right? Is there any kind of speech at all that is allowed between administrators and teachers in regard to potential unionization?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AOUINO)

Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Senator, this bill before us simply requires that charter schools adopt a clause that expresses neutrality in the question — the question of unionization. So, what we're basically trying to do is limit coercion by management in what you're particularly talking about.

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Senator McConchie.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

So, actually - this actually adopts a position of neutrality, but also then requires that you cannot speak in any way, shape or form about potential impact of unionization. Under this, administrators and teachers are prohibited from discussing what it might mean in regard to salaries, school day length, classroom size, supportive staff positions, vacation time, et cetera. Correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Again, Senator, what we're trying to do is limit coercion by management. Again, this does not preclude people from having opinions. What we're trying to ensure because language like this is found in other statutes and State law, like the Illinois Horse Racing Act. But what we're trying to do again, is limit coercion by management to prevent people from being able to unionize if they choose to do so.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator McConchie.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

So, what if a teacher wants it -- it -- wants to ask questions of an administrator to help them better understand what the impacts would be -- are not -- under your legislation, are they not blocked from being able to ask questions and get an answer back to learn more about what might be positive or negative results of unionization?

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Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Again, Senator. This bill simply requires that the charter school adopt a clause that expresses neutrality on the question of unionization. The areas that you're talking about, some of them are collective bargaining agreements, and that's between an employer and a union. And again, if the employees choose to unionize, okay, again, there are things that they can negotiate in — in terms of hours and wages. What you're kind of talking about, you're going back and forth on different things. What we're simply trying to do, is ensure that people have the right to unionization, if they choose to do so, and not feel coerced by management to not unionize, if that's what they choose to do.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator McConchie.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

So, right at the beginning on page 2 of the bill under "union neutrality clause", it says that the charter school agrees to be neutral regarding unionization of its employees, such that the charter school will not at any time express a position on the matter of whether its employees will be unionized in such a charter school will not — this would limit the ability of speech even for a teacher who then may want to say, Hey, if we become unionized, what might be and get some answers in advance. What might be the impact? This language, the way this is drafted, actually limits a teacher's ability to get information from the administration. Now, this does not block the union from expressing and clearly identifying both an opinion and talking about facts of matter. But this, limits the ability of even teachers being able to get

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information from the administration. Does that not, right? PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

No, Senator. Again, this language has not presented a problem in other state laws that it mirrors. Similar provisions are found in the Illinois Horse Race Act of 1975, which also has very similar language. Again, this bill limits to see coercion by management, and the bill prohibits a charter school from expressing an opinion on unionization before unionization occurs. This does not preclude individual people from having opinions. What it is seeking, to again, protect and ensure is that people that are seeking to unionize have the option to do so without feeling like they are going to somehow be harmed or shamed or coerced by management to not unionize.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator McConchie, further questions?

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

Thank you, Mr. President. So, I'm not disputing the fact that the bill allows for individuals to have opinions. What the bill does is prevent them the ability to express those opinions or to answer questions that may come up from teachers trying to determine whether or not doing unionization in their school is a good idea or not. So, this is really, really important because it prohibits all speech between administrators and teachers regarding

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any discussions on unionization and prohibits that informative speech for teachers. This is — there is significant federal precedent that governs this. I believe that this bill goes well beyond where it should do and that it actually also violates federal law and federal preemption law. The National Labor Relations Act has jurisdiction over charter schools that preempts State law when it comes to limiting non-coercive speech. And that's what we'd be doing here is banning non-coercive speech, speech that's simply informative and helpful in nature. So, given that, I strongly encourage a No vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Martwick.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

Thank you, Mr. President. A question of the sponsor. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The Sponsor indicates she'll yield. Senator Martwick. SENATOR MARTWICK:

Senator Villanueva, I -- I wanted to ask a question to clarify. The previous speaker read from the text of the bill, and I quote, "union neutrality clause" means a provision whereby charter school agrees to be neutral regarding unionization of any of its employees sets that the charter school will not at any time express a position on the matter of whether its employees will be unionized", and he said, "and on and on". So, beginning on line 5, Senator Villanueva, would you read the rest of that provision? PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Okay, I'll start at whether its employees will be unionized,

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and such a charter school will not threaten, intimidate, discriminate against, retaliate against, or take any adverse action against employees based on their decision to support or oppose union representation.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Martwick.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

So, let me clarify that. To support or oppose. So, am I correct, Senator, that your bill prohibits the school, the administration, from saying we support, or we oppose unionization efforts? It doesn't -- there is nothing in there that says they cannot answer questions about what it would mean to the school if there was unionization. They just cannot say whether they support or oppose. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AOUINO)

Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

You are correct, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Martwick.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

And by my reading, it also says that they cannot threaten, intimidate, discriminate against, retaliate against, or take any adverse action against any employees. The employees decision to support or oppose. So, under this, the employees could organize and say we're opposed to unionizing if that's what they so choose without fear of any retaliation from the charter school. Is that correct?

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Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

You are correct, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Martwick.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

I appreciate the previous speakers concerns, but there is nothing in this legislation that would prohibit management from answering questions. It only prohibits them from taking a stance and it protects employees so that they can decide whether or not to unionize. And that's all it does. This is a good piece of legislation. I -- I -- I support an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any further discussion? Senator McClure, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Questions of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Sponsor indicates she will yield. Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Just to be clear, this legislation does not prevent a school administrator from providing information to folks at the school if they're interested in either unionizing or not forming a union?

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Senator Villanueva.

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SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Thank you for the question, Senator. This bill before us simply requires that the charter school adopt a clause that expresses neutrality in the question of unionization.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

But I think there was discussion about, well, what if a teacher comes to a school administrator asking for information in that situation, that school administrator can provide any information at all when it comes to whether they want to unionize or not. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

So, Senator based off of my own experience of being a union steward and a former union member, that's actually not the way that it kind of happens. Again, case by case situation, depending on the unionization process. But usually, you're not going to management to ask them on how to help you unionize.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AOUINO)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you. Well, certainly charter schools do have different relationships with their teachers than public schools do. But again, presenting this specific example, a teacher goes to a school administrator. In that situation and I understand that you don't think that might happen very often, but if it were to happen, they can then provide whatever information they see fit. Is that

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correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Again, Senator, I'm going to go back to my first -- or my first answer where, again, this bill simply requires that a charter school adopt a clause that expresses neutrality in the question of unionization.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Okay. I guess we're just not going to get my -- my question responded to. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any further discussion? Seeing none. Senator Villanueva to close.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

People have the right to unionize if they choose to do so. This is a good bill. I asked for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is -- excuse me. The question is, shall House Bill 1120 pass. All those in favor say, 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 36 Ayes, 19 Nays, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, House Bill 1120 is declared passed. House Bill 1123, Glowiak Hilton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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House Bill 1123, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Glowiak Hilton, on your bill.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill requires the annual school report cards to include the percentage of students with disabilities who have fulfilled the minimum State graduation requirements but are still completing their individualized education. So, this legislation recognizes the accomplishments of students with disabilities and reduces the penalties on schools who currently count these students as not graduated.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 1123 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 —— take the record. On that question, 55 have voted Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Having received the —— House Bill —— excuse me, House Bill 1123, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Moving on to House Bill 1155, Senator Gillespie. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1155, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Gillespie, on your bill.

SENATOR GILLESPIE:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1155 removes the word

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nonresidential from the conditions that must be met for someone to bring suit for injuries suffered as a result of supplying a minor with alcohol and illegal drugs. So, it would hold parents or adults in a house accountable for supplying drugs or having them available to minors in their homes. And I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 1155 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? One last, have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 49 Ayes, 2 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1155, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1187, Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1187, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank -- Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1187 is an initiative of the Safeguard Illinois Communities Coalition and the Jewish United Fund. This legislation provides that the IEMA non - non-for-profit security grant program is a vital resource that protects vulnerable non-for-profit organizations from hate crimes and domestic terrorist attacks through grants for -- for security. This bill expands eligibility and further enables IEMAs ability to maximize the program's reach and efficacy. I know of no opposition,

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and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield? PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Sponsor indicates he would yield. Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Senator, I -- I do not rise in opposition. I actually rise in support of your legislation. However, I have concerns because we recently had a program that the Governor's Office released \$20 million dollars in grants. Is this an expansion of that program? PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

It's -- it's a maintenance of that appropriation from the last fiscal year.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Thank you for that. The reason for my concern is I represent one of the largest Hindu Temples in the State, and they were seemingly omitted from any communication, any notification. And how does this bill or how does this -- how can we improve this program?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Senator, for bringing that point forward. In fact,

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I was at a temple on Sunday afternoon. I think that this program is intended for all non-for-profits, and I think that how we improve this program is working with IEMA to raise public awareness to ensure all non-for-profits are aware of this opportunity, this grant opportunity to help make sure that their institutions are more safe.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Thank you for that. With commitment from IEMA to let all institutions know who may be a threat. I support this bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any further discussion? Is there any further discussion? Seeing none. The Senator -- seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 1187 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1187, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1190, Faraci. House Bill 1197, Murphy. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1197, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Murphy, on your bill.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1197 amends the

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Solicitation of Charity Act, and it increases the threshold for charitable organizations for their filings that they have to report to the Attorney General. We've made some provisions that the Attorney General had requested, and they'll do a separate report for the 300 to 500 threshold. I know of no opposition. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Fowler, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill. Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of -- of the Senate. And Senator Murphy, I just want to say thank you for highlighting the need to help our charitable organizations in the communities that we represent. And Illinois Region 5, that I represent, nearly 15 percent of residents are below the federal poverty rate that goes up above 30 percent, in some areas of my district. Nearly a third of the residents in some parts of my district have experienced food insecurities. The work of good intentioned charitable organizations can be life changing, for many families, in my district and the entire State of Illinois. Some of the most impactful groups I have worked with are entirely volunteer based, meaning they pay no administrative costs whatsoever. This legislation will help reduce time consuming and tape and paperwork for charitable organizations so they can spend their precious volunteer hours helping the people where they belong. So, I rise

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in support of this legislation. Thank you for bringing it forward and I encourage everyone to vote Yes. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any further discussion? Senator Rezin. SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill. Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you. And I don't disagree with what my -- the former speaker said and my colleague. However, I would say that I do have concerns regarding this bill. We are a government that talks about transparency, all of the time, and the importance of transparency to the public by increasing the threshold from 300,000 to 500,000 and reporting every year. It creates a problem for -- for I would say, being able to find out who is donating in large amounts to certain non-for-profits. And I will give you an example. There are groups in both sides, Both sides. I would say it happens on both sides in the legislative space that donate money to non-forprofits. Then that non-for-profit job is to come and lobby for policy changes. It happens on both sides. But just because I live in the energy space, my concern is, that it allows these companies to be able to donate in large amounts to non-for-profits who then come to Springfield and lobby us for policy changes. It's very difficult when you increase the threshold and also the reporting timeframe for every 12 months for us to see who is behind the dollars of the non-for-profit that's down here trying to change policy. So even though on the surface, I would say that, yes, you know, we want to help our smaller non-for-profits, cut through the

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red tape, that all sounds great. But in the larger space of what we're seeing going on with some of these non-for-profits, I would say that transparency needs to - we need to make sure that we're transparent and we have the ability, especially during session, to see how the money is flowing through some of these non-for-profits who are trying to advocate for policy changes in Springfield. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none. Senator Murphy, would you like to close? Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you for the comments on this bill. What's really important here to understand is we had a very cumbersome requirement for our charitable organizations and their reporting. What this bill is doing, is it's changing the threshold of that extensive reporting, but it still is requiring charitable organization to file a report with the Attorney General. It's just a different type of report. And that report has to be filed on or before June 30th of each year. If its books are kept on a calendar basis or within six months after the close of its fiscal year, we are in - still -- meeting every threshold of transparency. And that's -- we're just removing some burden on those smaller charitable organizations. So, I would ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall House Bill 1197 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 42 Ayes, 12 Nays, 0

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voting Present. House Bill 1197, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1291, Loughran Cappel. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1291, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Loughran Cappel, on your bill.

SENATOR LOUGHRAN CAPPEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill increases the annual pay cap from \$1,500 to \$2,250 for teachers with National Board for Professional Teaching Standards designations who mentor or provide professional development for classroom teachers or counselors. I'm happy to take any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 1291 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, 0 Nays, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1291, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1378, Cervantes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Excuse me. Sorry. Senator Cervantes seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 1378 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 1378. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Cervantes.

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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Cervantes, on your amendment.

SENATOR CERVANTES:

To bring it back and adopt -- adopt the amendment on 2nd, explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor 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 AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on 3rd Reading House Bill 1378. Senator Cervantes, on your bill. I'm sorry. Mr. Secretary, read the bill. SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1378, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Now, Senator Cervantes, on your bill.

SENATOR CERVANTES:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1378 is a initiative from Chicago Chamber of Commerce. It basically creates the iGrow Tech Scholarship program to award scholarships to individuals at public and private universities with qualifying degrees and jobs that are in high demand. Scholarships are subject to appropriations and available through the 2029-2030 academic year. This -- this bill will basically allow for scholarships to be awarded for STEM. It's a good --it's a really good bill. We've been working it for -- for about four months now. We have -- our opponents now have

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become proponents. U of I Systems is now supporting the bill and ISAC is neutral, and we have no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 1378 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, 0 Nays, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1378, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1526, Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1526, an Act concerning health. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Hunter, on your bill.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1528 {sic} (1526) creates an outdoor prescription program to utilize the therapeutic benefits of time spent outdoors, which has been clinically shown to help improve mental and physical health. I know of no opposition. This is the -- some of the proponents are the Illinois Association of Park Districts and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 1526 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote 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

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Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 voting Present. Having received the -- the constitution required majority; House Bill 1526 is declared passed. House Bill 1540, Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1540, an Act concerning health. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Morrison, on your bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill expands the Smoke Free Illinois Act to prohibit the use of electronic cigarettes in public places. It provides an exemption which allows use of an electronic cigarette in a retail tobacco store, and I am happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 1540 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 42 Ayes, 11 Nays, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1540, having received the constitutional majority -- required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1633, Glowiak Hilton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1633, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

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Senator Glowiak Hilton, on your bill. SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. HB 1633 creates a Native American history requirement for all public elementary and high school students. This social studies courses pertaining to American history or government shall include a unit of instruction studying the events of the Native American experience and Native American history. There was some good discussion in Committee, and I was able to add also to that the -- an organization involved with the State Education Equity Committee, which was tasked in making annual reports on the State's progress toward educational equity. We add a Native American representative, as well as, a person with -- an individual with disabilities that can be appointed to this Board to also help that community. So, Native American history really is American history, and we should really be teaching about this. And that's one of the reasons why I've brought this bill forward. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? For discussion, Senator Lewis. SENATOR LEWIS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield? PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Sponsor indicates she would yield. Senator Lewis. SENATOR LEWIS:

So, Senator Glowiak, thank you very much for this legislation. Are you aware of the number of mandates that educators are facing today?

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Senator Glowiak Hilton.

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SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you for the question. What this does is -- is adds a unit of instruction in Native American history, but that can also be added, for example, in the classroom. If you want to talk about trajectory calculations, you can also talk about the first Native American engineer and first woman hired by Lockheed Martin, who was doing those projectile motion calculations. So, there are ways of adding things like this to the curriculum that does not take away from other things like math and science, which I am very important -- I find very important.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Thank you for that explanation. I absolutely agree that you've taken a very thoughtful approach to our teachers and educators to -- to implement this legislation. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill. Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

I rise today to defend our teachers. I rise today to defend the institution of education. I am married to someone who is on the front lines and want to share some information with you. As a kindergartner, there are 134 standards that a kindergartner teacher must teach throughout the year. That rises if you're in 6th grade, there are 183 standards that the student must master before they can be moved to junior high. ISBE has given 10 pages of curriculum mandates, 10 pages. Our teachers are coming out of COVID. We are struggling to teach them basic math, writing, reading. When is this institution going to give our educators a

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break? When are they going to allow them to catch up? I am going to continue this message because no one seems to want to protect our teachers from being overwhelmed by this Body to teach things that they know they don't have time to teach. I ask for a No vote in support of our educational system. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam, for further discussion.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

I rise in support of this legislation and want to thank the sponsor for bringing this forward. I certainly understand the concerns of the previous speaker, and I do want to thank him for his support of another curricular mandate that we pass recently the Teach Act, which would require the first -- which will require a unit of Asian American history be taught in our schools. And I appreciate when he voted Yes for that. I also stand and rise in support of our teachers and would invite anyone and all of us to sit at the table with associations and the organizations that represent our teachers to work on the number of mandates that exist. In fact, there's a bill coming, House Bill 3690 that I'm sponsoring that reforms training requirements to do what you are speaking to, that being said, the answer, though, is not -- the answer is not -- not moving forward with legislation that will provide for more inclusivity. The status quo is unacceptable. And just like we passed and were the first nation - first State in the nation to require a unit of Asian-American history. I stand here

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today proud to support this bill because it will make our curriculum, our students, our teachers and our communities more inclusive. So, name the time, place, and location when you want to talk about mandates. I'm there. I have a bill. I'll have another bill. But the answer is not voting No, on this bill. So, thank you to the sponsor for bringing this forward. And I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Leader Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill, Leader Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I'd like to commend the -- sponsor for bringing this bill forth. We do know that the teachers have such a heavy burden on them, but it's no way possible that we can leave out Native American history. Native American history is a part of U.S. American history. I have Native American in my blood, my -- my grandmother and great grandmother and her mother and so forth and so on were Cherokee -- Cherokee and this is important. We should all learn history. We should all know about the history of the United States and the role that different ancestries played in it. So, this is a wonderful bill. Thank you so much for bringing it forward. And I ask everybody to vote Yes on this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill. Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

As a descendant of the Bearhart family, a member of the Ojibwe tribe in upper Wisconsin, I'll just say that Native Americans have contributed not only to our country's history, but to our world's cultures that they are today. Native Americans have participated in many different aspects of our life to include farming, to include hunting, and to include our military. Some of our bravest soldiers in the United States Army that I served with, like a sergeant bad warrior, are some of the bravest people that do some of the most prolific things in combat. If any of you have ever seen the movie Code Talkers, it's some of the -- they do amazing things and it also their language, the Native American language prevented a lot of -- of our enemies from being able to decrypt some of the codes that we had that led to some of our successes in our World Wars. Teaching the history of the Native American culture is so important for our youth to learn so that we learn about some of the benefits, and we don't make some of the mistakes we made in the past. And for this reason, I rise in support of the bill. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

And for further discussion, Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Questions of sponsor, please. Will she yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Sponsor indicates she'll yield. Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

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Senator Glowiak Hilton, I totally agree with your -- your bill, but I'm wondering, since I wasn't in Education Committee, how did you know that this isn't being taught? Because I was of - under the impression that it was. I remember from my education this was definitely included.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Glowiak Hilton.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Well, I appreciate your question. Right now, it is not required that any school teach Native American history. So, it is not in the part of the curriculum. It is not part of any of the instruction that's given that's required to be given. It is up to the local school board at that point to do that. There are a number of different organizations that are going to be represented by this Committee that will make certain that the Native American experience and Native American history within the Midwest and Illinois is going to be taught. It is time that we are -- are taking that seriously. This has been gone on too long, that we have not righted the wrongs of hundreds of years in not teaching Native American history.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

What I'm asking is, is are you aware of any school district that is not teaching Native American history?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Glowiak Hilton.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

I think I answered your question by saying that there is no

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requirement to teach it. There is also resources that are going to be available to students through the curriculum, through the Illinois State Board of Education. There will be curriculum that will be developed and put together to help the schools, to teach the -- the proper things that should be taught about Native American history, which may not be being taught at this point because that curriculum is not inside the schools yet.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

I'm not aware of any school district that isn't teaching it, so, I guess your bill will be fine and not perhaps an additional mandate. But, I just caution that I think we need to explore if there's a problem before we're putting forth a solution. I totally agree, it needs to be taught. My children have been taught this, I have been taught this, the textbooks evolve to address the new situations. I am aware of no school district that teaches — that fails to teach the importance of Native American history. So, with that, I'll support the bill. But I just caution that sometimes we are heaping bills upon bills when there isn't a problem. And I certainly support inclusivity and I challenge anyone to find a school district in Illinois that isn't already doing this. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. I rise in strong support. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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To the bill.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

I rise in strong support of this legislation. I want to thank Senator Glowiak Hilton for bringing it forward. I want to thank everybody that co-sponsored this legislation too. I have heard from a number of people, both at the constituent level and those that are administrators and teachers, that this is something that we should have done a long time ago. For folks who -- previous speakers that have talked about mandates, I just find that arguments to be really insincere because we know that our State was dispossessed from indigenous populations almost 200 years ago, and we, as lawmakers, for the State of Illinois, have an obligation to start rectifying some of these historical injustices and a major red flag and those injustices is when we erase entire communities from our State. This is the same debate we had when we looked at the book banning legislation. This is the same debate that we're having about this piece of legislation. So, I want to -- I want to encourage my colleagues to step on the right side of history. Let's finally teach about the people that lived in this State long before any of us did in this Chamber, in fact, and vote Yes for this legislation. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator McConchie.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

Thank you, Mr. President. First of all, Senator, let me thank

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you for making the Amendment on -- in regard to the Equity Board and including someone from disabilities on there. Very much appreciate your willingness to do that. For my colleagues, I want to point out the fact that, I mean, Native American history is an important part of history. We absolutely should be teaching it, but that this bill does maintain a great degree of local control. On page 6 of the bill, it says each school board shall itself determine the minimum amount of instructional time that qualifies as a unit of -- of instruction, satisfying the requirements of this section. That means that a school board can decide to take two hours to do this. They can take two days, they can take two weeks, whatever it is that they determine is necessary. And this is just ensuring that this topic is covered. So, thank you, Senator, for bringing this forward. And I strongly encourage a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Seeing none. Senator Glowiak, would you like to close? Senator Glowiak Hilton. SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you very much. I appreciate the discussion by my colleagues. It has been brought to my attention that the Native American community feels like that they're not being represented properly, perhaps in the social studies curriculum and that they wanted to help to bring that information through the Illinois State Board of Education to explain the curriculum that is necessary to properly explain Native American history. This has been a discussion that we've been having with the Native American community, trying to get the best information to answer your questions. And as one of my colleagues said that on the other side

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of the aisle, this is totally local control by the school boards, they can decide exactly how much and what they want to be taught in the schools. I believe we need an educated populace that has a nuanced understanding of United States history. We should be encouraging and educated analysis of our past so we can create a better future. I really appreciate all the discussion and would really appreciate an Aye vote. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall House Bill 1633 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, vote 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 44 Ayes, 0 voting Nay, excuse me, 44 Ayes, 8 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1633, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1767, E -- Senator Erica Harriss. Senator Harriss seeks the leave of the Body to return House Bill 1767 to the Order of 2nd Reading -- of Second Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading House Bill 1767. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved consideration? SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Erica Harriss. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Harriss, on your amendment.

SENATOR E. HARRISS:

Thank you. So, this is an initiative of the university. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Harriss, on your amendment.

SENATOR E. HARRISS:

Could you please adopt this amendment. It offsets the

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opposition and I'll talk about it next on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? 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 AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, House Bill 1767. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1767, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Harriss, on your bill.

SENATOR E. HARRISS:

Thank you. So, this is an initiative of the University Chiefs of Police in Illinois. Much like the rest of the State, universities are currently having difficulties hiring officers and they believe the process to accept and receive applications from out of State applicants is exhaustive. This would remove some of the restrictive requirements and level the playing field for university police departments. It passed unanimously out of the House and there's no known opposition and we hope this will help make our universities more safe. I would encourage a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 1767 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all

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voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 Ayes, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1767, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2039, Villa. Mr. Secre -- excuse me, Senator -- Senator Villa seeks leave of the Body to -- to return House Bill 2039 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 2039. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Villa.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villa, on your amendment.

SENATOR VILLA:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor 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 AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2039, an Act concerning health. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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Senator Villa, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. As amendment -- as amended, House Bill 2039 creates a new Act for local health departments to access data from IDPH, IDHS, and HFS. The new Act creates a master data use agreement between certified local health departments and IDPH. This legislation is to ensure that local health departments receive data in an efficient and timely manner. I am happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeking to speak -- Senator Wilcox, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR WILCOX:

Yes. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Sponsor indicates she'll yield. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Question of wondering what records IDPH or DHS has that a local health department would not already have on their own constituents?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AOUINO)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

Some of the records -- records such as vital records like child births, child deaths.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

There was a long list of the types of records that included

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things such as that birth/death. How do those work in preventing or controlling disease or injury, which we thought was the original intent of this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

So, basically, dat -- this data will help different counties if there's any kind of, you know, trend data that needs to be looked at, it will help come up with services to prevent this in the future. It -- it's helpful to have this data accessible to public health departments.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

And I think on our side we fully understand if you're having -- injury or death during childbirth, that 120 days trending might be reasonable. But if we're talking about preventing or controlling the spread of disease, why are we giving IDPH 120 days to respond to our local health departments, rather than, as soon as possible or immediate?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AOUINO)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

It's a staffing issue. I agree with your statement, but it really is. They need -- it's a staffing issue and that was the number that we agreed upon.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

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Is this still a paper record system?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

It is electronic.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

What type of staffing issues with a fully electronic system keep IDPH from complying to something within 120 days?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

It's important that the data that is being requested and only the data that is relevant to them is what is being given.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Wouldn't that specifically be addressed, in the request, by the local Department of Public Health? In other words, wouldn't it be incumbent on the Department of Public Health, locally, to expressly, discuss what -- in what information and what data they're requesting?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

That is where the master data agreement/user agreement comes in. And so, that's yeah, that's my answer.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

So, we have staffing concerns, to the point where the State agency is going to be given 120 days to address a request from a local health department. But we have very small local health departments in many areas of the State. And if we're saying the State agency can't comply in a timely manner how can we assure our constituents that a smaller local health department can even come close to complying with the privacy requirements, the nondisclosure requirements, the requirements that are kind of vague, in this bill, that protect the residents from being susceptible to the release of their personal information, HIPAA violations, other protections of the sort, at the individual level? PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

So, just to go back to your previous point, we did start off with having it be a 60-day request, but the Department said that 120 days was what they needed. And, in regards, to those local health departments, this is already something that they are responsible for.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

So, if we can assure our residents that no release of their individual data happens in this State, maybe we could agree. But what we're asking for now, is the ability, and it looked like there were only a few members of the Public Health Department that can validate this request, but it does not limit access to that data

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to just those members. What requirements are in here to validate and vet any employee at either the State agency or the local level that they understand how to look at this data, work with this data, and not improperly disclose this data?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

The master data use agreement specifies who can look at this data and who cannot. Again, public health employees are the ones that are looking at this data. They take their jobs very seriously. If the staffers violate the privacy or misuse of the data, they will be fired. In cases with communicable diseases, they can be charged for this in court.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Strong repercussions if they abuse this. Do we have any history in the past 5 years of any firings in the public health field for abuse of this access?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

None, that I know of.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

With -- with supreme authority comes supreme responsibility. And to hear that we have no indications of that happening, I might either very happy or very unnerved that we don't have better

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control. With that, I recommend a No vote to protect our constituents until we can truly guarantee that some of their most sensitive data, both health and personal information, as we've learned in this State, are properly protected. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

With no further discussion, Senator Villa, would you like to close?

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. There are over 200 programs with this master data set, you know, and we're doing things case by case. There's huge delays for local health departments to receive data. This delay can be up to 2 years. This bill is a good bill. It's going to help our local health departments. They are in favor of this bill. And I urge and Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall House Bill 2039 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 37 Aye, 18 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2039, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, just a quick announcement, if you can — if you're asking questions and you're going to go to the bill, please say, "To the bill", so that we do not miss any of your comments or questions. Just announce that you're going to the bill so that we make sure that you get all your questions asked. But moving on to House Bill 2040, Senator Johnson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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House Bill 2040, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Johnson, on your bill.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. There are several counties that's having difficulties finding qualified individuals to fill the offices of highway commissioners, commissioner and clerk. So, House Bill 2040 amends the Illinois Highway Code by allowing for Boards of Trustees and counties organized under a commission form of government to appoint nonresidents and residents who have not lived in a district within the township one year to the position of clerk. The bill will provide for the ability to contract with a neighboring township for use of their services. It also clarifies the powers of Boards of Trustees and counties under the township organization as it relates to appointing to the position of highway commissioner or contracting with a neighboring township for shared services. I know of no known opposition, and I encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Chesney, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR CHESNEY:

Question to the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The sponsor indicates she'll yield. Senator Chesney.

SENATOR CHESNEY:

Thank you. Senator, is this largely tailored to small -- small taxing bodies that are having trouble filling positions? And

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if that's the case, was this an initiative of any one group or how did this come to fruition?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Thank you, Senator. Yes. Actually, this initiative is spurred by two road districts, road districts in two counties, Edwards and Wabash Counties. And there's about 17 of these counties that fall into this category.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Chesney.

SENATOR CHESNEY:

Thank you. To the bill. I think this is ...

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR CHESNEY:

I think this is a good piece of legislation. Also, the Illinois Farm Bureau is in support of this. And, as a Senator, that represents a lot of small communities, we do also have trouble filling positions. And so, I think it -- it would make sense to allow this in these -- in these circumstances. So, I respectfully ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion, the question is, shall House Bill 2040 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 56 Ayes, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2040, having received the constitutional majority, is declared passed.

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House Bill 2041, Villanueva. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2041, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villanueva, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Thank you, Mr. President. HB 2041 amends various Acts by extending Board members terms from 1 year to 3 years for the members of the Board -- Board representing public universities, govern -- governing boards and members of Board representing private colleges and universities boards of trustees. Changing the date of public universities must submit tuition quartile data from no later than June 30th to no later than November 1st, combining the funds received from the Private College Act administration into one fund, the Academic Quality Assurance Fund, changing the due dates for the Task Force on Campus Sexual Misconduct Climate Surveys from July 1st, 2022 to July 1st, 2023, and every 2 years until the Task Force sunsets and finally, clarifies the definition of "institutions of higher education". These are asked from the Board of Higher Education, just some changes that they need in order to continue to do their job. It's a good bill, no opposition. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2041 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed -- Opposed, vote 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

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voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2041, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2043, Leader Koehler. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2043, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Leader Koehler, on your bill.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

This helps to clear up some of the issues with the IDFPR and the credit unions. In terms of -- allows organizations or an entity to join a credit union as long as one member is eligible for credit union membership instead of a majority of the members being eligible. It goes on to make several other categories of how membership is -- is derived. Know of no opposition and appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Erica Harriss, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR E. HARRISS:

To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR E. HARRISS:

Thank you. So, as we know, credit unions are very important to people in many of our districts, mine in particular. I want to thank the sponsor for working so closely with them. I know there's no known opposition on this, and this will help them to better

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serve our communities, and I would encourage everyone to vote Yes. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discuss -- No. Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2043 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 56 Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2043, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Mr. -- Mr. President, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

PRESIDENT HARMON:

For purposes of an introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Mr. President, please make your introduction.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

I am very pleased to be sitting beside the Homecoming Queen of the Illinois State Senate. Celebrating her 18th birthday with tiara, sash, flowers and German chocolate cake. Our wonderful, beautiful, fearless and devoted Majority Leader, Kimberly A. Lightford. Happy Birthday.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Happy birthday. (speaks in Spanish) Continuing on to House Bill 2222, Senator Gillespie. Senator Gillespie, on House Bill 2222. House Bill 2235, Senator Villivalam. Senator Villivalam, on House Bill 2235. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2235, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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Senator Villivalam, on your bill. SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2235 is an initiative of the Illinois Student Transportation Association. It allows school boards to engage in contracts for up to 10 years for transporting children to and from a school. Any contract that does not use electric vehicles for student transportation must include a termination -- a termination option after five years. I know of no opposition, and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, 20 - shall House Bill 2235 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 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2235, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Majority Leader Lightford, for what purpose do you seek recognition? SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Point of an announcement. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Please state your announcement.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you. I would just like to announce to my colleagues that there's birthday cake in the back room. Ms. Lisa makes a mean German chocolate cake. So, I want you to know it's there. But hurry up. And I want to thank Ms. Lisa for the tiara and the sash and - and making me feel really special. No one could have told me that I would be 25 years later, still spending my birthdays here

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in the State Capitol. So, thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Happy Birthday. And Ladies and Gentlemen, get the cake, it will go fast. But moving on to House Bill 2245, Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2245, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just some background on the bill. In February in -- in unincorporated Liber--Libertyville, in Lake County, there was a vehicular hijacking where a victim was a mother who was pregnant and following being assaulted by the perpetrator, they took her to -- they took her vehicle with her two-year-old child still inside. During the efforts to recover this vehicle with the two-year-old inside the Lake County sheriff's office, detectives contacted an auto manufacturer because the car was stolen and, in this incident, thankfully, had a tracking capability. The auto manufacturer declined to give the location because the trial period for the software in her car had ended and the detective pleaded with the employee and informed them that it was a life and death situation. But the operator wouldn't give the location unless they paid for the service, which the detectives did end up doing. Thankfully, the vehicle was later found with the child safe and unharmed. House Bill 2245, is an initiative of the Cook County Sheriff that we've been working on together since the 102nd General Assembly. Today, we're glad to bring forward a

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thoughtful piece of legislation that we know is both practical and workable because it's negotiated with the Auto Alliance and other law enforcement partners like the Illinois State Police. I'm confident that this will be a tool to help our law enforcement partners and consumers during the pivotal life-threatening situations. This bill will require manufacturers of automobiles sold in Illinois to establish a 24/7 hotline for police and consumers to use during a carjacking or a kidnapping. Police responding to one of these crimes will be able to contact manufacturers for real time assistance with locating vehicles if the technology is available on the vehicle. If the manufacturer charges a fee for location services, then the fee must be waived during the incident police are contacting them about. There was an amendment to this bill which removed all of the opposition. The calls will be routed through a 911 dispatch center so that police can validate that they're, in fact, law enforcement officials in responding to an ongoing vehicular hijacking or kidnapping. And it incorporates the existing privacy protections under the Freedom for Location Surveillance Act in order to ensure the adequate privacy protections exist. Mr. President, I appreciate the opportunity to present this bill and I'll answer any questions. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Leader Curran, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR CURRAN:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR CURRAN:

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I -- I certainly want to compliment the sponsor on his work. This is an -- this -- this is not only going to be a tool for law enforcement, this is going to be an important tool for law enforcement. The -- the epidemic of carjacking, very violent criminal behavior has not been curbed. We need more tools like this, but we also need to get -- talk more about enforcement. These tools are only going to be as good as the enforcement through the criminal justice system. I thank the sponsor on this. This is going to be a very important tool for law enforcement in an incredibly difficult topic and criminal activity to -- to tackle. And -- I would encourage everyone to vote Aye. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Edly-Allen.

SENATOR EDLY-ALLEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise just to say, thank you. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR EDLY-ALLEN:

Oh, excuse me. Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill. I rise to thank the sponsor on this legislation. Libertyville is my hometown and my district, and this event that occurred to this young family was devastating. So, I just appreciate this effort and I urge everyone to vote Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Preston, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR PRESTON:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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To the bill.

SENATOR PRESTON:

Mr. President, I think this is one public safety issue that unites us all across this State is one of the most violent crimes. And I believe that this particular tool that this legislation will be able to give the police is good. Because it helps reduce recovery hours for police officers. And we've learned that in just one year recovery hours for vehicles while working on this bill, I learned this, that recovery hours for this bill have dropped tremendously based upon technology. What this bill does is it —it allows police to access this data quickly, and it's already being collected. So, I want to thank the sponsor for bringing this bill. It's been a pleasure working with you and the sheriff's office on it. And I believe this is going to greatly impact my community and the communities I represent in a positive way. I encourage your — I encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion, Senator Hastings, to close. SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. For purpose of legislative intent, I like to acknowledge that for all Sections of this bill, a manufacturer must operate the phone line 24/7, whether existing or newly created, and the manufacturer is only required to act in good faith, in the best of their technical capability, in the event that they recognize that all vehicles do not have the same technical capabilities of a manufacturer, does not have the technical capabilities, they're not held liable under the bill's liability provision. I want to say thanks to a few folks. I want to say thank you to the Cook County Sheriff's Department,

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Representative Marty Moylan, Senator Preston, Senator Edly-Allen and all of the Senators that have co-sponsored this bill. I've had the honor and the privilege to speak with every Senator in the entire Chamber, to work with them to pass this extremely important piece of legislation, because carjackings and crime just don't affect one community. They affect all communities and in the event that this happens, we just hope that our communities utilize this hotline in order to hopefully save a life. Mr. President and Members of the Illinois Senate, I want to say thank you again, and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall House Bill 2245 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2245, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2248, Peters. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2248, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters, on your bill.

SENATOR PETERS:

House Bill 2248 creates the Civil Rights Remedies Restoration Act. I ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Tracy, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

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SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have questions for the sponsor. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Senator Peters, is the term "emotional distress" defined in your bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

"Emotional distress" does not have a singular definition in any Act. It is synonymous with pain and suffering. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Is that defined in the Act, is what I asked.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

No.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Also, do you -- this bill allows a successful plaintiff to receive a minimum of \$4,000. Do you know of any other cause of action now in Illinois statute that sets a minimum verdict?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

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There are several other laws that require a minimum amount paid by the plaintiff to the defendant to remedy a harm both civil and criminal statutes have monetary minimums.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

What are those?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

There's many of them. I don't have them on my -- on hand.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR TRACY:

First of all, I think it's extremely dangerous precedent to set a minimum verdict in a plaintiff's cause of action. It's unheard of in State statute. I know of none, and I -- I think it's -- it's extremely dangerous precedent. Also, this bill allows damages for emotional distress. "Emotional distress" is not defined. And I think that likewise, is a dangerous precedent, that you have a bill for something, and you don't define what it is. So, I very much urge a No vote on this. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Seeing none. Senator Peters, to close.

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SENATOR PETERS:

Thank you so much. Let me just say for legislative intent, this bill will restore the same status quo for allowing damages and attorney's fees pursuant to the civil rights laws listed in the Act as we permitted prior to coming to the Premiere Rehab Keller, P.L.L.C., 14 -- 1-4-2, whatever. We're good. Vote Yes. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall House Bill 2248 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 34 Ayes, 19 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2248, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2266, Joyce. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2266, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Joyce, on your bill.

SENATOR JOYCE:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2266 establishes that the Personnel Review Board shall be paid \$100 for each day that they are engaged in the business of the Board. Additionally, it provides that the members shall meet periodically in accordance with the schedule established by the chairperson and at other times as necessary. I know of no opposition. Ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Bennett, for what purpose

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do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you. Will the Senator yield, please? PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Senator Joyce for bringing this forward. Would you talk for a minute why are these changes needed?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

Currently, under law the -- the Treasurer's Office meets quarterly or it's required by law to meet quarterly. They've had a few audit findings showing that they sometimes only need to meet 2 or 3 times a year. So, by doing it at "the call of the chair", they might only meet 2 or 3 times instead of four times a year. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you. Senator, one more question, if I may. Would you consider this a cost increase to the State?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

No, I -- I wouldn't consider it an increase. We have it right now where the members get expenses and by meeting quarterly, this bill will make it to where they don't necessarily have to meet quarterly if they don't have to. And the \$100 was basically as an incentive by the Treasurer because they have a hard time filling

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the Review Board.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Bennett, any further discussion?

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill, if I may?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Senator. It's a good bill. I thank you for your focus on fiscal responsibility here. And I move for an Aye vote, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any discussion? Seeing none. Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2266 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, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2266, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2285, Johnson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2285, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Johnson, on your bill.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2285 is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Human Services. It expands the definition of "health care employer" within the Health Care

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Worker(s) Background Check Act to add a financial management services entity that supports individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities receiving participant directed services via the home based Support Services program. And I know of no known opposition and happy to answer any questions, but I encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate -- shall House Bill 2285 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 56 Ayes, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2285, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2431, Cervantes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2431, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Cervantes, on your bill.

SENATOR CERVANTES:

Thank you, Mr. President. So, House Bill 2431 is an initiative of Secretary of State, an effort to make our world safer. House Bill 2431 provides that a person may not operate a vehicle while using an electronic communication device, participate in any video conferencing, including, but not limited to Zoom, Microsoft Teams, WebEx. HB also provides that a person may not use electronic communication device to access any social media while driving. Finally, the -- the HB 2431 adds tablets to

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the definition of electronic communication devices and provides an exception for using a hands-free device or single touch activation device while driving does not apply for video conferencing or social media usage. We have no opposition and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2431 pass. All those in favor will say 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, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2431, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2443, Leader Koehler. Senator Koehler seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 2431 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Twenty-four, excuse me, 2443, excuse me, to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading, House Bill 2443. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Senator Koehler.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AOUINO)

Leader Koehler, on your amendment.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move for its adoption. I'll speak to it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Mr. Secretary -- now on the Order of 3rd Reading. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2443, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Leader Koehler, on your bill.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This amends the Insurance Code to require that insurance — insurance insurers to provide coverage for hearing aid instruments and related services for all individuals when hearing aid are prescribed as — as a need for their communication. So, before, a couple of years ago, we did that for anybody under 18. This takes it to — to everybody because of hearing being such a — a necessary thing to have. So, ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Sally Turner, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR S. TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR S. TURNER:

I just want to thank Senator Koehler for bringing this bill. I think this is a wonderful bill. We watch our kids every day that

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have hearing impairments that struggle in school. And I think this is a really, really important bill. And thank you for bringing it, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 2443 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, 0 Nays, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2443, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and gentlemen, we're taking a brief pause in our program today to make sure that all computers are working, and everyone is able to log in their votes. Senator McClure, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I actually wanted to vote and speak on that bill, but for some reason my computer went -- it was unplugged or something, so they just fixed it. So, I'd ask to be recorded as an Aye vote for that last bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The record would indicate your intention. Senator McClure, is your computer working now? Excellent. Continuing on to House Bill 2464, Senator Simmons. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2464, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Simmons, on your bill.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

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Thank you very much, Mr. President. HB 2464 is an initiative of my Representative, Kelly Cassidy, and it defines a "pedestrian hybrid beacon" as a traffic-control device used to warn and control traffic, at locations that are otherwise without a traffic-control signal(s) to assist pedestrians in crossing a street or highway at a marked crosswalk. I want to thank several folks that I serve with that worked on this legislation even prior to me coming into Office. Outgoing Alderman Chicago Alderman Harry Osterman, State Representative Kelly Cassidy, and BARGE Block Club and Edgewater-Broadway-Ardmore-Ridge-Glenwood (-Early) and Early have been working on this for years and years and years. This will save lives. This will make Rich Boulevard safer in the 7th District and a number of other State routes that could benefit from having traffic control devices such as -- as called for in this legislation. I know of no opposition at this time and would take any questions. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator DeWitte, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR DEWITTE:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR DEWITTE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of this legislation. Again, one more measure to make pedestrian crossings in our State a little more safe. It will provide indications to drivers that there are pedestrians in the area even without a lighted intersection. So, rise in support. Appreciate the

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legislation. Thank you, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion, the question is, shall -- shall House Bill 2464 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, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2464, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2528, Faraci. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2528, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Faraci, on your bill.

SENATOR FARACI:

Thank you, Mr. President. House 2528 amends the Board of Higher Education Act to create a hunger-free campus grant program. The bill requires each institution to establish a hunger task force or -- in order to be eligible sorry -- in order to determine a hunger free campus. This House Bill is subject to appropriation. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 2528 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. All those opposed vote, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the -- take the record. On that question, there are 47 voting Aye, 0 excuse me, 6 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2528, having received the required constitutional majority,

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is declared passed. House Bill 2562, Simmons. Senator Simmons. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2562, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Simmons, on your bill.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. HB 2562 amends the Common Interest Community Association Act, the Condominium Property Act, and the Landlord and Tenant Act to provide for heating and cooling standards for properties that limit their ownership, rental and occupancy to people 55 years and over. It also would require minimum heating temperatures during the winter and spring months. This legislation is meant to be follow up to the bill that we passed earlier this Session that would require air conditioning and -- and State funded affordable housing. This is a great piece of compliment legislation that will help those of the 55 and older and all buildings brought forward by my -- my Representative Hoan Huynh. Proud to carry it in the Senate and would ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Bryant, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR BRYANT:

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This is an excellent bill for seniors, and I applaud the sponsor for bringing this one forward and would encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion -- seeing no discussion, the question is, shall House Bill 2562 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2562, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2820, Johnson. House Bill 2820, Senator Johnson. House Bill 2954, Senator Morrison, on House Bill 2954. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 2954, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Morrison, on your bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill creates the Civil Liability for Doxing Act, which provides a person, a private right of action against an individual who committed the offense of doxing or any individual or entity that directs one or more persons to violate the Act and knowingly benefits from participation in a venture that the individual or entity knew involved a violation of the Act. This bill passed committee, unanimously, after a long discussion. It is important to note that this bill requires both an intent to harm, as well as harm that was realized. Happy and prepared to answer questions, if there should be any.

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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 2954 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2954, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 29 -- House Bill 3026, Peters. House Bill 3026. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3026, an Act concerning criminal law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters, on your bill.

SENATOR PETERS:

House Bill 3026 amends Unified Code of Corrections to include time served in the county jail as part of a minimum 60-day sentence. I would just say that this was a bill supported by -- was agreed bill involving the Illinois Sheriffs, and the Alliance for Safety and Justice. There was no known opposition and I ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 3026 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 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3026, having received the required

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constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3055, Senator Sims. House Bill 3140, Senator Sims. House Bill 3149, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3149, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3149 is an initiative of the Secretary of State. It seeks to increase safety amongst commercial drivers. I know of no opposition. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 3149 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? Please take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3149, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3203, Senator Sally Turner. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3203, an Act concerning health. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Turner, on your bill.

SENATOR S. TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3203, is a fentanyl

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test strips bill. It allows a pharmacist or a retail to sell fentanyl test strips over-the-counter to the public to test for the presence of fentanyl, a fentanyl analog, or a -- or a drug adulterant with a controlled substance. It also allows the county health department to distribute fentanyl test strips at the county health department facility at no fee. It corrects the language to that drug paraphernalia does not include equipment, products or materials to analyze or test for the presence of fentanyl, a fentanyl analog or drug adulterant within a controlled substance. Fentanyl test strips are a low-cost method of helping drug overdoses and reducing harm. The test strips are small strips of paper that can detect the presence of fentanyl in all different kinds of drugs and drug forms. The presence of fentanyl test strips in communities of high drug use, allows those to take steps to reduce overdose. I'd ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 3203 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3203, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3227, Senator Peters. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3227, an Act concerning employment. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters, on your bill.

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SENATOR PETERS:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. This bill is an initiative of the Department of Labor to clarify the process for when the Department of Labor collects back wages that are owed to workers who the Department has trouble getting in contact with after doing an investigation, such as wages that belong to former employees of a business that no longer has up-to-date contact information for that worker. I ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Leader Curran, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR CURRAN:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator -- Leader Curran. SENATOR CURRAN:

Senator the wages collected, this is under the Wage Payment and Collection Act violations. The -- the other wages the Department collects the money goes to GRF. Here we're putting it in unclaimed property and we're also putting some of the -- some of it into a -- a different fund in the Treasurer's Office. Do you know why the Department -- the Department is not following past practice and putting the money into GRF? Did -- did that ever come up in discussions? And instead, they're -- they're looking to send this to a...

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

That is not clear for why the Department is doing that. They

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do not have here. Um, that is not clear from the Department on that.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Leader Curran.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Just, quickly to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Senator, I appreciate, you know, and I know this has had no opposition. We had some great question over here. I appreciate that we can't just leave those funds in perpetuity in the Department of Labor. You know, something I may discuss with them down the road. I do stand in support of the bill. Appreciate your efforts.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion. Senator Peters, would you like to close?

SENATOR PETERS:

Thank you so much and I ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall House Bill 3227 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 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3227, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3295, Leader Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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House Bill 3295, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Morrison, on your bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill establishes that the military liaison for the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation responsibilities will include notification of federal assistance programs available to reimburse costs associated with the applicable licensing fees and professional credentials of a spouse or member of the Armed Services when relocating to another State. I know of no opposition to this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 3295 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 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3295, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3301, Halpin. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3301, an Act concerning child support enforcement. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Halpin, on your bill.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3301 makes it easier for the Attorney General to find parents that are late in child

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support and owe money. And I would just add that although this is technically within the Unemployment Insurance Act, it has nothing to do with benefits, taxes, or any employer costs at all. It's simply a method for us to be able to enforce child support orders. I will, belligerently, answer any questions and ask for a Yes vote. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 3301 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3301, having received the -- the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 334 -- House Bill 3314, Senator Halpin. Mr. Secretary, please -- Oh, excuse me. Senator Halpin seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 3314 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 3314. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment 1, offered by Senator Halpin. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Halpin, on your amendment.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment removes opposition to the bill. I'd ask for its adoption and discussion on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussions? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are

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there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration? SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3314, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Halpin, on your bill.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. So, House Bill 3314 is an effort to allow consumer defendants in a small claims case to recover attorney's fees if they prevail in that small claims case. There had been opposition from the financial institutions here in the State. We were able to negotiate an agreed amendment, which we just adopted. That brings the -- those folks to neutral. And I would ask that the -- the Body give a favorable vote. I'll dodge and deflect any questions, though.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 3314 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 — on that question, there are 56 voting, Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3314, having received the required constitution — having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3322, Sims. With leave of the Body, we're going

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to go back to House Bill 1190, Faraci. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. House Bill 1190.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 1190, an Act concerning safety. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Faraci, on your bill.

SENATOR FARACI:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1190 requires the owner or operator of an underground natural gas storage facility to do the following: Have procedures in place for testing and identifying suspected natural gas leaks, have procedures in place for when a verified facility release -- excuse me, a verified facility release has occurred, establish a schedule to monitor natural gas levels, install and maintain natural gas detection devices, and maintain routine monitoring in areas impacted by a release. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Rose, for what -- what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ROSE:

Point of -- hang on. Question -- question of the sponsor, if I may.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you. Senator Faraci, as you know, about 5 or 6 years ago, myself and Senator Scott Bennett passed, basically, this same language for sole source aquifers in Illinois. So, if there's a

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natural gas release and sole source aquifer, there's only one. It's the Mahomet Aquifer, which is in Champaign County that you and I represent. So, how is this bill different than what is already in law?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Faraci.

SENATOR FARACI:

Thank you, Senator Rose. Yes, this will establish criteria for statewide monitoring.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

So, I think I heard what you just said is, you're taking the bill that Senator Bennett and I already passed, and now you're going to apply it everywhere else in the State, not just the Mahomet Aquifer. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Faraci.

SENATOR FARACI:

That is correct, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AOUINO)

Senator Rose, any further questions?

SENATOR ROSE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR ROSE:

Outstanding. Thank you, Senator Faraci. Appreciate your taking the time to chat with me earlier today and I look forward

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to voting for your bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any further discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 1190 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 1190, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Moving along to House Bill 3337, Leader Koehler. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3337, an Act concerning local government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Leader Koehler, on your bill.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This amends the Illinois Municipal Code to clarify that the requirement of a town of more than 25,000 to elect township officials does not apply to the Town of Normal. By expressly stating that in Article V of the Code that the Town of Normal must elect a president every four years and officers as set forth by ordinance which is a current practice the effect is immediate. This resulted because there were three individuals last year who filed for petitions for positions that were not elected, and it cost the town of Normal some money and time to have to go to court. The court threw it out. This basically codifies that and -- and says that the -- the Town of Normal just needs to do business as it has done. So, I appreciate the discussion that was in Committee. I think that we came back

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and clarified a lot of the issues that were on people's minds, and I'd be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. A couple of questions of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, a couple of different questions were raised in caucus or raised in the committee that one of those was about the -- the way it was worded and the -- the potential of -- of a city council or a -- a mayor being able to change the ordinance then to ultimately change the structure of how city council is elected or appointed. My understanding there are some other clarifications or references made that address those issues. Can you clarify that? PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Leader Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Yes, and -- and we brought in the Normal attorney to address that. There's other parts of the -- of the Code that -- that addresses that this does not change or allow Normal to do anything that it shouldn't be doing in terms of -- of redoing the -- the structure of the -- of the town.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

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So, your -- your belief, the way this legislation is drafted, and your intent of this legislation, is that it is only going to clarify the current practice that the -- that the mayor can make the appointments of those three positions. I think it was the -- what the Auditor, and the Treasurer, and the Assessor. That is only the -- that is what your intent is in this bill and that is the current practice that's in place now. Is that correct? PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Leader Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Yes, that's absolutely correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you. I appreciate your answering those questions. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3337 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 43 folks voting Aye, 0 voting -- let me -- let me do this again. There are 43 voting Aye, 13 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3337, having received the constitutional required majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3414, Simmons, Senator Simmons. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3414, an Act concerning criminal law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Simmons, on your bill.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. HB 3414 protects child victims of trafficking, abuse, and genderbased violence from receiving extreme sentences in adult courts. Specifically, this -- specifically this legislation would allow the courts, under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, to expand the number of factors that judges can consider in deciding whether to issue an order to prosecute a minor, as an adult, for a felony offense to include any involvement of the minor with the child welfare system. Evidence that the minor was subjected to outside pressure, including peer pressure. The minor's participation and specific role in that offense. Additionally, it amends Unified Code of Corrections to provide that, courts must consider the following mitigation factors in determining the appropriate sentences for a minor. Briefly-- briefly, summarized as a history of domestic or sexual violence, sexual exploitation, or other childhood trauma. Also, would look at any involvement of the person in the community and of course, a comprehensive mental health evaluation of that person. This is excellent legislation. I am beyond honored to be carrying it. It adds another layer of compassion to our court system so that our young people who are disproportionately women that are victims of gender violence don't end up serving long, pointless sentences for scenarios that they oftentimes did not bring upon themselves. I would strongly encourage an Aye vote and would take any questions. Thank you. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Leader Curran, for what purpose do

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you seek recognition?

SENATOR CURRAN:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Leader Curran.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Senator, when -- when I'm reading the language here in this bill, I don't see that it's limited to just crimes of sexual exploitation. This is applying to all criminal activity that a state's attorney has the authority to seek a discretionary transfer of venue to adult court for prosecution. Am I correct in that or -- or am I missing that this is -- this is narrowed? PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you, Leader Curran for that question. That is correct that this -- these mitigating factors are meant to apply to all of those scenarios to add that extra layer of compassion for scenarios that oftentimes are the reasons why people end up in these scenarios to begin with. There is additional language though, that would add these specific mitigating factors for victims who have perpetuated an alleged crime against the perpetrator of the violence or in -- in plain language, the abuser.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Leader Curran.

SENATOR CURRAN:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

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SENATOR CURRAN:

You know, I appreciate what you're talking about in terms of the sexual exploitation, but we have to take a bill in its totality. And this -- the application of this bill and the language in it is much broader. We talked about taking a very important step just a little bit ago in tools on carjacking and -- and fighting the -- the epidemic of carjacking that is really plaguing in and around Chicago and the suburbs, particularly. This bill is the opposite. It's a big step backwards. So, you know, I read a recent article where 70 percent in and around Chicago, 70 percent of carjackings are being perpetuated by juveniles. This bill is going to make it more difficult in prosecuting and enforcing those crimes. This is going to be a step back in a prosecutor transferring venue to adult court, because these are very -- these are serious crimes, and it is bringing about an epidemic of violence. This bill now has a factor that a judge must consider. Was the accused offender subject to peer pressure? Not sure how that's relevant. Was the accused offender under negative influences? Was the accused offender influenced by TikTok? Was the accused offender -- social media have some sort of negative influence, and that's going to be a factor a judge is going to -to -- to have to now take into account in term -- in sentencing and also in whether or not that discretion -- that motion or petition for discretionary transfer on cases like carjack -vehicle hijacking, carjacking are going to get a transfer to adult court for prosecution. This is going to be a step backwards. I would certainly -- if we wanted to do something on sexual exploitation, this could certainly be bifurcated. But putting it all together, this bill is going to substantially impair

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prosecutors' ability to combat this epidemic that we have yet to get our arms around. And I would encourage a No vote. Thank you. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Ventura, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR VENTURA:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR VENTURA:

As I'm in support of this bill we know that most crimes are crimes of necessity, but children are seldom responsible or expected to produce those resources needed to live. This is the responsibility of adults. Unfortunately, because of the wealth divide that is growing in our country, there are fewer and fewer families who are ever able to completely provide for their families in a way that does not cause harm. We then expect children to live by the same rules that adults live by when we don't give them the wraparound services that their family and they need. This allows a judge to look at all of these mitigating factors and decide the best course of action that is for that child, and that may include providing resources or removing them from the -- the situation that they live in. But it's for a judge to look at everything possible and make the best determination for our children. Many people don't want to see our children locked up and -- and basically put into solitary confinement when some of our resources in our jails and our juvenile system are not there to protect children in a way that they absolutely need it. This allows judges to really look at that and decide what is the best course of action

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for these children. I think that we can all agree that we want to make sure that we are not sentencing children to a life of living in a penitentiary system and giving them the best sources that they can be a productive member of our society. I urge an Aye vote. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Rose, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ROSE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR ROSE:

I can't believe what was just said that most crimes are crimes of necessity. This is -- this is the craziest thing I've heard in some time. I was a prosecutor, and I can think of less than 1 percent of crimes that came before us that were quote unquote crimes of necessity. And you know what we did in those cases? We diverted them. Murder under no circumstances is a crime of necessity. Rape is never a crime of necessity. DUI, not a crime of necessity. But if you prosecute DUI long enough, you'll see people who were killed. You'll see children who were maimed. There's no necessity in that. If we're -- we're operating on a different sets of facts here people. Different sets of worldviews. If people actually think that the majority of crimes are committed out of necessity, we're never going to come to agreement on anything. We're just simply not, because that's not reality. That is not reality. Crimes of necessity. Give me a break.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Preston, for what purpose do

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you seek recognition?

SENATOR PRESTON:

So, I rise in support of this bill, and I think ...

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR PRESTON:

Speakers conflating of wanting to address carjackings as if there should be laid only at the feet of -- of minors I think is irresponsible and incorrect. I agree with this bill. I think that this bill takes into account a number of factors because quite frankly, these issues are complicated. Young people have different brains as adults, and we should recognize that from -- from in our court system. So, I want to thank the sponsor for sponsoring this bill. I support this bill, wholeheartedly. We should give young people an opportunity to have a second chance at life, and we should give judges the autonomy to look at the evidence and base their decisions on that -- on those facts. Thank you. I -- I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator McClure. What purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MCCLURE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Listening to this discussion talking about a younger person's brain. There's really no consistency in this Chamber because we're going to hear about bills, and we've heard about

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bills in the last few months about how these people are young enough to make decisions. And now you're saying that they need to be catered to in a way that they don't need to be in other pieces of legislation, at least give some consistency here because there is none. And the crimes that we are talking about where a person is being transferred to adult court. These are not retail thefts, okay? These are not minor crimes. They are the worst of the worst. And a lot of the factors, in fact, most of the factors that I heard some of the speakers talk about that need to be taken consideration are already in statute that have to be taken into consideration, including if the person has had involvement with DCFS, where the parent was found to be neglectful or there was abuse. So, these situations are already taken care of with current law. It's important for us to be consistent in this building and actually vote on what is presented before this -- before us. This bill is going to damage public safety further, at a time, when our citizens are being crushed by violence and by bad actors across this State. They need to be held accountable, in situations where there should be leniency. The tools are already in our statute to provide for leniency. Because of that, I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion Senator Peters, for what purpose do you seek -- seek recognition?

SENATOR PETERS:

Questions for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Peters. SENATOR PETERS:

I just want to get clarity. Does the Chicago Alliance Against

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Sexual Exploitation support this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

Does the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence support this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

Does the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault support this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

Does the network advocating against domestic violence support this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR PETERS:

I -- I appreciate the Senator bringing a bill that's supported by so many supporters, people who are fighting back against domestic violence and sexual assault. I think this is a good bill. I hope people vote Yes. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AOUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Plummer, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR PLUMMER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

I -- I just want to highlight one thing. Every year I've been in the General Assembly, since I got here, I've introduced human trafficking omnibus because that's a real issue, especially in my district. I have three interstates that go through my district and there are women and young girls that are trafficked, that are abused, there are in some of the most horrible situations you can possibly imagine. I've co-sponsored legislation even this

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-- even this -- this Session to help those people. But to have the sponsor stand up and introduce a bill that is carte blanche, a way out for -- for people that commit some very heinous crimes, carjacking, rape, murder, you name it. Right. And introduce this bill, as if it's - the only thing that's mentioned is it's a bill to help trafficked young women and abused young women. And pretend like that's the only group of people that this bill touches is disingenuous and its hypocritical. My human trafficking bill that I can't even get out of Assignments, is -- is -- is thoughtful legislation that helps those people. And for you to introduce a bill that is a get out of jail free card for some very, very heinous crimes and pretend like its helping young girls is disingenuous and disrespectful to these young ladies who are truly trafficked and are truly victimized and are truly forgotten by our society, and to use them as cover for something like this, is disgusting. I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion. Senator Simmons, to close. SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. I thank my colleagues, on both sides of the aisle, for a robust debate on this legislation. I would, respectfully, urge an Aye vote, on this bill. Because everyone that votes Yes on this bill is standing with survivors of domestic violence, you are standing with survivors of sexual abuse, you are standing with the survivors of child abuse, and you are standing with the survivors of those that are -- that are sex trafficked in our society, and you are standing with over two dozen organizations, including the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence, the Illinois Coalition against Sexual Assault,

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the Juvenile Justice Institute and several other organizations and supporting those survivors. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Ladies and Gentlemen, before we get to the vote, just a reminder, we've had a long debate, so just make sure your computers are able to -- to vote. And so, with that, how -- the question is, shall House Bill 3414 pass. All those in favor will vote, Aye. Opposed, Nays. 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 33 voting Aye, 20 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3414, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3424, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3424, an Act concerning public aid. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3424 is an initiative of the Township Officials of Illinois and specifically, my township supervisor, as well. It expands the Township Code to include offering services that include mental and behavioral health, eye and dental care, and other forms of health care. It also allows townships to provide assistance to people with prior convictions and look at the eligibility for subsidized daycare. I know of no opposition and would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Syverson, for what purpose

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do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, you listed a lot of things that this bill does. Let me ask you, does this bill allow cash assistance to be given to convicted drug felons?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

This legislation expands the ability for townships to provide general assistance to those who have prior convictions. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Including those who have been convicted of drug -- drug related crimes, both sales or other related drug causes?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

To those with prior convictions.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

They don't like to talk about that portion of it, but, you know, every day, at least for many of us, we hear from parents, of children, who are frustrated. The parents will come to us and talk

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about, you know, why does government continue to subsidize our child's drug abuse. You know, you are helping governments, helping and assisting in this -- this idea of -- of continuing of these programs to give taxpayer money to those, especially, that have been - have a history of using those in drug related issues, is a -- is a huge mistake and I think a misuse of taxpayer dollars when there are many other needs that are out there, many other families that are really struggling that could use this assistance, as opposed to using this money to help subsidize those who are going to, historically, use this money for drug or drug related uses. So, I would urge a No vote based on that portion of this bill. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Hastings, for what purpose do you seek recognition? Seeing no further discussion, Senator Villivalam to close.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. I -- I -- I appreciate where -- I appreciate the role that the previous speaker has to play. I -- I do, unfortunately, take offense to his comments. This legislation is designed to provide additional capabilities for our local governments to help those that need it. This is not -- I don't know if he's visited his townships recently, but townships don't just give out cash to anybody. There's a process, there's a receipts process, there's an accountability process. And furthermore, I have five letters from law enforcement supporting this legislation, and they wouldn't support it if some of the things that were said previously was -- was a concern for them. I'll just end by saying, you know, we talk a lot about local

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control in this Body and there are those that -- I'm someone that believes local control sometimes and I'm someone that doesn't believe it sometimes. There are those that on the other side, especially, that preach about it consistently. Well, here's your chance to practice what you preach, because this provides more local control for our townships to help those that need it. I'll ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall House Bill 3424 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 39 voting Aye, 14 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3424, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3456. I'm sorry. Forgive me. House Bill 3442, Senator Loughran Cappel. So, we'll go back to House Bill 3456, Senator Bryant. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Bryant seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 3456 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 3456. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Bryant.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Bryant, on your amendment.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you. I'd like to adopt the amendment and I'll explain on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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Is there any discussion? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, say 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 AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3456, an Act concerning finance. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Bryant, on your bill.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you. House Bill 3456 allows the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to enter into a public-private partnership in regard to the world shooting complex, the world shooting and recreational complex, in Sparta. It's a very important asset to the State of Illinois. I appreciate President Harmon helping us to get through - bringing this to a place where it's a public private partnership. And although I beat up on him quite often, I do also want to thank the Governor for allowing us to enter into these conversations, as well. And look forward to his support in making this happen. And the amendment that was just offered, removes all known opposition once I filed that have not been contacted with any other opposition, and I believe it removes the issues that we had. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Anderson, for what purpose

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do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of this piece of legislation. Senator Bryant said it was an asset to the State. An asset is not a strong enough adjective. People come from all over the world to this place. And being the Co-Chair of the Illinois Sportsmen's Caucus, this is a place where we can bring our young folks and teach them shooting sports. And yeah, just really happy that the Senator brought this. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Rose, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ROSE:

I just want to say...

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR ROSE:

To the bill. I just want to say two things. One is a compliment to the sponsor. She's worked her tail off this Session to get this done and had more headwinds come her way on this bill than some Members have in their entire careers. And so, I -- I look forward to voting for it. And I -- I think that hard work deserves credit. So secondly, I've been here. This place is an amazing jewel for not just downstate Illinois, for the whole State of Illinois. It's absolutely phenomenal space. And, you know, we

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talk about conservation, we talk about getting kids off of phones and outdoors, and doing things that are productive with their lives. This is one place to start that -- that conversation. So, many they just want to rise to say, hats off to the sponsor for her perseverance and seeing this through. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3456 pass. All those in favor vote, (and o Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3456, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3442, Loughran Cappel. House Bill 3500, Loughran Cappel. House Bill 3516, Villivalam. House Bill 3516, Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3516, an Act concerning an employment. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3516 changes the Employee Blood Donation Leave Act to the Employee Blood and Organ Donation Leave Act. It allows employees up to 10 days of leave in any 12-month period to serve as an organ donor. I know of no opposition. Would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Chesney, for what purpose you seek recognition?

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SENATOR CHESNEY:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR CHESNEY:

Thank you. And I -- I appreciate the Senator's efforts in this -- in this arena. My mother was a double recipient of a double lung transplant. And I think there are very narrow situations, where government needs to come in and protect -- protect people and encourage good behaviors. And I think we -- we could all benefit by more organ donations and I -- I respectfully ask everybody to vote Aye, on this bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3516 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3516, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. The Members of the Committee on Assignments will meet in the Senate's front room, immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. Senator Koehler, in the Chair. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Preston, for what purpose do you seek recognition? SENATOR PRESTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. It's a point of announcement. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

State your announcement.

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SENATOR PRESTON:

The Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago is inviting everyone to a legislative reception tonight from 5 to 7 p.m. That's going to happen at the Lincoln Room at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino, for what purpose do you seek recognition? SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, Mr. President, for an announcement. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please state your announcement.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Mr. -- Mr. President, I'll -- I'll be asking for a moment of silence in a -- in a little bit. I want to first thank my staff, Adriana Waldrop, and LRB, and everyone else that has allowed for such fast works, for me to -- to speak on someone very special to me and to this Body. I was able to get a celebration of life done in -- in a day, because it came to me, that today, is a -- a birthday to someone very special to me. He would have been 41 years old. And I'm going to read because I will get emotional, but... The Members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Ivan Claudio Gonzalez of Chicago, who passed away on June 14th, 2022, and wish to remember him on the anniversary of his birth, May 10th. Ivan Gonzalez was born to Mario Gonzalez and Rosa Gonzalez on May 10th, 1982; he was the proud child of immigrants who instilled in him a sense of responsibility to help uplift his community. At the age of 22, Ivan Gonzalez began to organize and advocate for progressive change in the Latino community and all communities in Illinois; as a champion for working-class people,

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he helped pass legislation in the General Assembly to better the lives of immigrants through public schools, labor, and affordable housing. And Ivan Gonzalez served as the chief of staff to Senator - to myself, since 2016; during his tenure, he managed day-to-day operations of the senate district office, legislative agenda, community relations and became an influential advocate for the Latino community. He was one of the most iconic and beloved policy and political consultants in the State of Illinois, paving the way for many in politics today, including people in City Hall, Cook County, and recently in Congress with historic election of Delia Ramirez to the U.S. House of Representatives; he served as a senior advisor to then State Representative Ramirez until his passing, which occurred two weeks before her and myself won our -- our elections, last year. Ivan Gonzalez was known for his kindness, generosity, infectious laugh, having positive impact on the lives of many who crossed his path; through his huge, joyous smile, he brought ... excuse me, I want to get through this because it's important. He brought together both friends and rivals to remind us that we can always forgive. That there is always an opportunity to forget the past - and - about the past and start over. And Ivan Gonzalez was a true giant in the ever-growing and evolving progressive movement, and his influence on politics in the State of Illinois will not be forgotten. Ivan is survived by his parents; his sister, Vanessa; his brother-in-law, John Velez; his nieces, Liliana and Daniela Velez, who he loved immensely. I want to read something. Last year, Ivan won the Golden Horseshoe Award for best legislative assistant in district office manager. It was written that Ivan Gonzalez was a great guy, hard worker. He knew his politics and genuinely, genuinely a really nice guy. He always had

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a smile on his face and could make a joke out of thin air, but he seemed to have to have at least 40 years of experience in him, even though I am not sure he was even 40 yet. I had looked forward to working with him for years to come. A shame he left us to early. I apologize. Today would have been Ivan's 41st birthday. I want to —— I want to wish him a happy birthday and ask for a moment of silence.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

May we please all observe a moment of silence? (Moment of silence observed) Thank you, Senator. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Lightford, Chair of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Education Committee - Floor Amendment 4 to House Bill 2396 and Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 3690; refer to Executive Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 1204, Committee Amendment 2 to House Bill 1342, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 1440, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2352, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2502, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2862, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2878, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2911, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 3144, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 3551, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 376 and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1071; refer to Health and Human Services Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 3957; refer to Licensed Activities Committee - Floor Amendment 5 to House Bill 2077; refer to Local Government Committee - Floor Amendment 3 to House Bill 1131 and Floor Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 895; refer to State Government

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Committee - Committee Amendment 2 to House Bill 2054, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 851; refer to Transportation Committee - Floor Amendment 5 to House Bill 3436, refer to Veterans Affairs Committee - Floor Amendments 2 and 3 to House Bill 925; Be Approved for Consideration: House Joint Resolution 35 and Senate Resolution 217 Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-8(b-1), the following amendments will remain in the Committee on Assignments: Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 852, Floor Amendment 3 to House Bill 1268 and Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 3095. Signed, Senator Kimberly Lightford, Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

President Harmon, for what purpose do you seek recognition? SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. For purposes of an introduction. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please state your introduction.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. On behalf of the State Senate and the Irish Caucus I am very pleased to welcome to the Floor a good friend, the Counsel General of the Republic of Ireland, Kevin Burns. So, please, welcome Kevin to the Chamber and come back and say hello to him if you have a moment. So...

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Senator Aquino, in the Chair. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Joyce, for what purpose do you seek recognition? SENATOR JOYCE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move that we waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 2054, can be heard at

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3 p.m. in the State -- Senate State Government Committee. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Joyce moves to waive all notice and postings requirements so that House Bill 2054 can be heard at 3 p.m., today, in the Senate State Government Committee. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notice and posting requirements have been waived. Senator Joyce. We continue with the Order of Senator Joyce. Senator Joyce, for what -- for what purpose do you seek -- would you rise?

SENATOR JOYCE:

Thank you again, Mr. President. I move that we waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 3086 can be heard at 8:30, tomorrow, in the Senate Agriculture Committee. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Joyce moves to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 3086 can be heard at 8:30 a.m., tomorrow morning, in the Senate Agriculture Committee. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notice and posting requirements have been waived. Senator Castro, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR CASTRO:

Purpose of a motion, Mr. President.
PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Castro.

SENATOR CASTRO:

I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 1342, House Bill 1204, House Bill 2204, House Bill 2502, House Bill 2507, House Bill 2878, and House Bill 3551, can be heard in -- 3 p.m., today, in the Senate Executive Committee.

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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Castro moves to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 1204, House Bill 1342, House Bill 2204, House Bill 2502, House Bill 2507, House Bill 2878, and House Bill 3551 can be heard at 3 p.m., today, in the Senate Executive Committee. All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notice and posting requirements have been waived. Senator Villanueva, for what purpose do you seek recognition? SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 1109, House Bill 2539, and House Bill 2579 can be heard at 5 p.m., today, in the Senate Revenue Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villanueva moves to waive all notice and postings requirements so that House Bill 1109, House Bill 2539 and House Bill 25 -- excuse me, 2579 can be heard at 5 p.m., today, in the Senate Revenue Committee. All those in favor say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notice and postings requirements have been waived. Moving back to House Bills 3rd Reading. House Bill 3522, Senator Villivalam. House -- House Bill 3524, Senator Johnson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Johnson seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 3524 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 3524. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Johnson. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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Senator Johnson, on your amendment.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Mr. President, I would like to adopt the amendment and explain it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. On the Order of 3rd Reading. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3524, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Johnson, on your bill.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3524, as amended, creates the Air Quality in Schools Working Group. This working group shall be formed by the State Board of Education with representatives from the Illinois Department of Public Health, as well as other professionals in health, ventilation, and education fields. The working group shall compile resources for schools relating to air quality in schools, best practices for assessing and maintaining ventilation systems, and possible State identify — possible State and federal funding sources for ventilation needs. The Illinois Board of Education shall make these resources

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available to schools and publish these resources on their website no later than August 1st, 2024. I know of no opposition, and I encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Preston, for what purpose do you seek recognition? Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3524 pass. Those in favor vote, Aye. Those Opposed, vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? One more time. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 -- 54, excuse me, voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3524, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3570, Senator Preston. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Preston seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 3570 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 3570. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Preston. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Preston, on your amendment.

SENATOR PRESTON:

I like to adopt the amendment and -- and explain on 3rd. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration? SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. On 3rd Reading. Mr. Secretary, read the bill. SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3570, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Preston, on your bill.

SENATOR PRESTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3570 is an initiative of the Chicago Teachers Union. The purpose of this bill is to update a teacher and educator evaluation system, in Illinois, that is almost 10 years old to better diversify the State's educator workforce. House Bill 3570 amends the Evaluation of Certified Employees' Article of the School Code to require the Illinois State Board of Education to analyze and assess the rating data from both the first and last evaluation cycle after the effective date for all probationary teachers and teachers that continue contractual services; broken down by race and ethnicity, of the teachers, at the race — at the race, ethnicity, and free and reduced price lunch status of the students, in the school, where the teachers work. I have no opposition, on this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 3570 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3570, having received the required constitutional

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majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3639, Senator Halpin. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3639, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Halpin, on your bill.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3639 is an initiative to cap the cost of epinephrine injectors, commonly known as EpiPens, to \$60 for a twin pack. As many of the folks in the Chamber know, these can cost now up to \$500. And it's simply too high a price to pay for a lifesaving medication. So, this bill would cover any insurers within the State of Illinois, capping that price, so that no one has to choose between buying this medication or paying for groceries or their mortgage. I'll defensively answer any questions. I would ask for a favorable vote. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Sally Turner, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR S. TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR S. TURNER:

Just want to thank you, Senator Halpin. This is an excellent bill. My father-in-law needs these EpiPens, I know. This is something that's really, really important, and I appreciate your commonsense approach. And I ask us all for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3639 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. Oppose will vote, 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3639, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3646, Senator Napoleon Harris. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3646, an Act concerning public employee benefits. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Harris, on your bill.

SENATOR N. HARRIS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 3646 amends the Municipal Employees Section of the Illinois Pension Code, by establishing what pay rate an employee must use to purchase service credit for prior employment with the Chicago Transit Authority or its predecessor, public utilities. There is no opposition and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 3646 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 voting Aye -- there are 53 voting Aye, 2 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3646, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3699,

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Leader Hunter. Senator Hunter seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 3699 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 3699. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration? Senator -- Leader Lightford, on Amendment No. 1. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 3699. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Lightford.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Lightford, on your amendment.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

I don't know that I have an amendment. Can you give me a moment, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Yes, ma'am. Mr. -- Mr. Secretary, reclarify the paperwork and actually the -- the amendment is for -- by -- presented by Senator Hunter not Senator Lightford.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Yes, Mr. President. Senate -- Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Hunter.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Hunter, on your amendment.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I Wish to adopt the amendment and I'll explain on three. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? 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?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on 3rd Reading. Mr. Secretary, can you please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3699, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Hunter, on your bill.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill -- Senate Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 3699 is a page and line amendment that deletes the underlying language and requires HFS and CMS to implement a pilot program that seems to connect parents in arrears on child support with work opportunities. I know of no opposition, and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Rose, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ROSE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR ROSE:

Well, I am disappointed. I was rising to say nice things about Leader Lightford on her birthday and it turns out I got to say nice things about Leader Hunter. This is not her birthday. This is a good bill. In fact, it's a great bill. It's frankly, the

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types of things that State government should do more of. So, whether it's Lightford or Hunter, vote for the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

With no further discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3699 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 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3699, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3707, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3707, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3707 requires that the Illinois Commerce Commission post a notice of administrative citations against the towing company and the outcome of those complaints on the ICC's website. I know of no opposition and would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 3707 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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3707, having received the required constitutional

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majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3733, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the...

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3733, an Act concerning employment. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3733 is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Labor. It amends the labor laws to provide for updated and modernized procedures. I don't know of any opposition and would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. Oh, sorry. Senator Wilcox, for what purpose do you seek recognition? SENATOR WILCOX:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Look forward to working with the sponsor, we talked in Committee. If this is good for remote workers, maybe this is something that can be done for all workers; digitally posting, mailing to them, save employers lots of bulletin board space, et. cetera. So, we'll be looking forward to work with you over the summer.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion, the question is, shall House Bill 3733 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The

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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 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3733, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3759, Senator Halpin. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3759, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Halpin, on your bill.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3759 is an initiative that's going to make our Illinois public universities a little bit more competitive in recruiting in-state students. The main purpose of the bill is to give those universities access to the high school student directory, to make sure that we can be the first universities to reach out to our students, at low cost, so that we can recruit as many of them possible before the -- the clutches of Iowa universities get their hands on them. So, this is a very good bill. I'm not aware of any opposition. I will answer questions, but I can't promise anyone will like the answers. And I'd ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Rose, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ROSE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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To the bill.

SENATOR ROSE:

First of all, your darn right we shouldn't let Iowa have our kids, that's for darn sure. Go Eastern, who beat them this year in basketball, I might add. Go Panthers. Senator Halpin, good bill. There's a history here, and it goes back about seven years to a bill that I'd filed, that was moving until the Memorial Day. When the State Board of Education showed up on Memorial Day, says, "Oh, we can't do this. We can't do it. We might have to work harder. We might actually have to do something". So, anyway, six years later, whatever it is, we're now going to pass the bill. Great job, Senator Halpin. I am so excited to tell the only State Board of Education to finally do what we should have been doing five years ago. It's absolutely ludicrous that ISBE has drug their feet this long. We're losing kids, hemorrhaging kids to all out-of-State schools and yes, Iowa Hawkeyes, but also Indiana, Michigan, Nebraska. My seatmate, Ole Miss, Alabama. Where's Seth Lewis? Alabama. He's got two at Alabama. We simply can't keep doing what we've been doing in this State. We're hemorrhaging kids. I salute the sponsor for bringing this forward. And yes, I'm going to be pleased as punch to see ISBE finally do something. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3759 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 voting Aye, 1 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3759, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3768, Senator Villivalam. Mr.

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Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3768, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Villivalam, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3768, as amended, adds people who are Middle Eastern or North African to the uniform list of racial classifications used by State agencies to compile statistical data. I -- it's a bill brought forward by Arab American Family Services, ICIRR and others. I know of no opposition, and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3768 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 -- have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3768, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3801, Senator Belt. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3801, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Belt, on your bill.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3801 is an initiative

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of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. It provides for retention bonuses of up to \$4,000 per year -- per year for two consecutive years to National Board of Certified Teachers that are employed in hard to staff schools. And it defines hard to staff schools as a public school in which no less than 30 percent of the student enrollment is considered low income, as reported by the State Board of Education's report card. Mr. President, I know of no opposition to the bill, and I'm here to discuss. If no discussion, I asked for Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Fowler, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Belt, I just really applaud you for bringing this legislation to the General Assembly. This is a step in the right direction. We all know how critical our teacher shortages is, and this legislation incentivizes high quality teachers to go to some of our lowest income schools, you know, representing probably the most economically depressed district in the -- in the State of Illinois. It's an honor to support this legislation. So, thank you for bringing it forward. And thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion, the question -- sorry. There's a late light here. Senator Erica Harriss, for what purpose do you

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seek recognition?

SENATOR E. HARRISS:

Thank you so much. To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR E. HARRISS:

I would also like to thank the sponsor for bringing this good bill forward, and I hope to work with the General Assembly to continue to help bring more highly qualified teachers to all of our schools. Thank.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3801 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 56 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3801, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3814, Senator Doris Turner. House Bill 3849, Senator Ventura. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3849, an Act concerning health. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Ventura, on your bill.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3849 defines the "quality date", safety date, and "sell by" date and requires the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Public Health to publish information to encourage food manufacturers, processors

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and retailers to voluntarily use uniform terms for food products labels to communicate quality dates and safety dates. It allows the Department of AG to accept non-State funds from private and public sources to be deposited into the Food and Drug Safety Fund for the purpose of educating consumers about the meaning of quality dates and safety dates. This is not a mandate. It simply encourages the manufacturers to do this. There is no opposition on this bill, and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Stoller, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR STOLLER:

Yeah. Thank you. Question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Stoller.

SENATOR STOLLER:

Yeah. Well, thank you, Senator, for this bill. And as someone who has drinking milk past the expiration date on numerous times and was scared to death, I -- I get the -- the need here for some clarification, but I just have a couple of concerns and questions. Are the terms in this legislation, are they in conflict with the federal guidelines from the FDA or USDA?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Not to my knowledge. It simply defines "quality date, safety date and sell by date". So, for example, a "quality date" would be things like, "best if used by, best if used or frozen by" whereas a "safety date" would be a "use by" or "used by or freeze by". So,

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these are common labeling that is used today.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Stoller.

SENATOR STOLLER:

Yeah. Thank you. To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR STOLLER:

Yeah. Well, thank you for that. I do have some concerns about this bill because it feels like we need to have this in the domain of the federal government. The food industry is very interstate based commerce, meaning we have manufacturers here in Illinois that ship across State lines. And we also have manufacturers from other states that ship into our State. And to have different standards by different states puts a burden on them and also creates confusion to the consumer. And I do appreciate the fact that this is not mandatory. I really think that is a good thing. But in doing so, that actually will create more confusion because some manufacturers may comply and others may not. And while I do agree with your intent, and I understand that, you know, we've got sell by, use by, best buy, all those types of different dates and it would be nice to have some uniform language on that. I don't think this really addresses it in the right way. And so, for that reason, I would encourage a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any further discussion? Seeing no further discussion. Senator Ventura, to close.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Yes, thank you. Other states are moving in the same

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direction. California has similar laws now, as does Massachusetts. And this is about education, making sure that people understand what these terms are so they can safely consume foods and not just go by the "smell by or taste by test". I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall House Bill 3849 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 34 voting Aye, 20 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3849, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3932, Senator Ellman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3932, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Ellman, on your bill.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3932 requires that the Comprehensive Health Education Program for elementary and secondary schools include instruction, study and discussion on the dangers of allergies, beginning with the 2024-25 school year. I know of no opposition, and I urge an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall House Bill 3932 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The -- the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?

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Take the record. On that question, there are 38 voting Aye, 17 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 3932, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3940, Senator Cunningham. House Bill 3955, Leader Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3955, an Act concerning health. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Leader Hunter, on your bill.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. 3555 {sic} (3955) amends the University of Illinois Hospital Act and the Hospital Licensing Act. The bill provides that hospitals, organized or licensed under these Acts cannot require a patient to pay a co-pay before receiving medical emergency care in the hospital's emergency room. It also states that all Illinois hospitals with an emergency room and licensed under the Illinois Hospital Licensing Act cannot delay appropriate medical screenings, examinations, or treatments to inquire about a patient's method of payment or insurance status. The House sponsor of this bill had an incident, in her district where this occurred, and hopefully this will remedy. I know of no opposition, and I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Anderson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

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The sponsor indicates she would yield. Senator Anderson. SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thanks. Senator, could you explain this a little more to me? Because I'm unaware of this being an issue. I've been a fireman and a paramedic and taken a lot of patients to the hospital over 17 years. Never once has there been an issue with treating a patient in the E.R. — in the E.R. It is about the most unpolitical environment in the world. They are there to treat you and it doesn't matter about anything. So, could you clarify a little more for me?

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Yes. Thank you very much, Senator Anderson, for that question. Things like this happen all the time in the inner city. This happened to have happened on the west side of Chicago. But this is not the first time that I've heard of incidents like this. This is not an ambulance issue or anything like that. I don't know if this was a policy of the hospital, or it could have been an aggressive employee in the financial unit that was taking the information. I don't know. But it happened.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Anderson. Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you. Senator, I just want to clarify. So, -- so, you're saying that there was a situation where somebody came into an E.R. and they kicked that person out of the E.R.?

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Leader Hunter.

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SENATOR HUNTER:

They refused to service that person without paying unless they pay -- make the copay. So, I don't know if they kicked him out. I know the person did not receive any services. This -- this... PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

This happens in the black community all the time. I mean, this is -- we hear - -we hear of things like this that happen all the time. It happens on the south side. It happens on the west side. It happens in the minority communities, all the time. You know.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Senator, I'm going to support this bill, but -- and I'll -- I'll have to consult with staff here. I think that is a violation of federal law. So, I guess, yeah. Like I said, I understand what you're trying to do. I've just never seen -- seen that in my time. I know that's kind of anecdotal, but I think this is a bigger issue if this is really happening and, and not sure that this will really cure that, but I'm happy to vote for it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Leader Murphy, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

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SENATOR MURPHY:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR MURPHY:

I think the key words in this bill are the -- anyone licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act and what's common practice that we've seen our hospital institutions develop immediate care centers that also serve as a quasi E.R. they're not level 1 traumas. And before you can get any service there, they require you to pay the copay. And then before they'll have any test, they require you to make a copay. So, as our hospital systems have expanded to also immediate care centers, they're requiring a copay to be made. So, I think it's happening throughout the State of Illinois and I'm so glad that Senator Hunter you have introduced this bill to eliminate that practice. Thank..., vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Seeing no further discussion Leader Hunter, to close. SENATOR HUNTER:

I would ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall House Bill 3955 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 voting Aye, 1 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. The House -- House Bill 3955, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and gentlemen, just a reminder, we have committees this -- this evening, this afternoon, committee's meetings this afternoon

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will be Executive at 3 p.m. in Room 212. License Activities at 3 p.m. in Room 400. State Government at 3 p.m. in Room 409. Local Government at 5 p.m. in Room 409 and Revenue at 5 p.m. in Room 400. Moving to the Order of Resolutions on page 24 at the bottom of page 24, we have Senate Resolution 169, Senator Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 169, offered by Senator Hunter. PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Hunter, on your resolution.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 169 declares May 10th, 2023, as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated Day in the State of Illinois. Whereas, the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated was founded on January 15th, 1908, with a mission to provide unity and friendship among college women to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their social stature, to maintain a progressive interest in college life, and to be of "Service to All Mankind". Whereas, in 1915, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, hosted its first political action conference in Illinois, Congressman in Illinois and human rights activists, Congressman and activist Martin B. Madden, as the speaker. Whereas, Through the years, establishing headquarters in Chicago since 1949, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated function has become more complex, expanding to mobile members worldwide for advocacy and service projects to improve socioeconomic, racial, political, and environmental conditions. Whereas, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sororities, diverse collaborative work throughout the United States, Caribbean, Europe, Africa and -- and

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the United Arab Emirates integrate an elevated level of personal engagement with the strong bonds of sisterhood and a productive life in community partners. (Whereas,) Alpha Kappa Incorporated annual event is an opportunity for members to speak with local lawmakers, engage in workshops, and advocate for critical issues such as Black maternal health, education, and suicide prevention. Whereas, Illinois is the home of 43 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated chapters, 15 of which are located on college and university campuses, and 28 active alumni chapters are located in communities throughout the State of Illinois. Whereas, The regional -- the Central Regional is home to 95 empowered and engaged chapters, serving Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Minnesota, Southeastern Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. Whereas, One member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority is serving in the Illinois legislature, that's me, y'all, Senator Mattie Hunter, I didn't know my name was in here. And whereas, currently one member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority is serving on the Illinois Executive Branch, 48th Lieutenant Governor Julianna Stratton. And also, as you can recall, our late staffer, retired staffer, Nia Hassan, is the one that coordinated this event for the past 30 years down here in Springfield on May -- So, Whereas, on May 10th, 2023, Illinois members of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated will participate in and has participated in Alpha Kappa Alpha Day in the State of Illinois. Thank you very much. Kappa.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 169 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted.

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There being no further business come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until 11:30 a.m., excuse me. Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President, I am directed to inform the Senate the House of Representatives passed a bill, the following title, the passage of which was instructed to ask the recurrence of the Senate, to wit: House Bill 2509, passed the House May 9th, 2023. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2509, offered by Senator Aquino, an Act concerning regulation. 1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 37, offered by Senator Bryant and - and Senate Joint Resolution 38, offered by Senator Villa. They are both substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Everyone, a reminder, please go to your committees, especially the 3:00 ones upon adjournment. Let's try this one more time. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until 11:30 a.m., on the 11th day of May, 2023. The Senate stands adjourned.

PERFUNCTORY SESSION 05-10-2023

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Pursuant to the directive of the Senate President, the regular Session of the Senate is now in perfunctory Session. Communication from the President. Letter dated May 10th, 2023. Dear Mr. Secretary - pursuant to Senate Rule 2-10, I am scheduling a perfunctory Session to convene on May 10th -- Wednesday, May 10th, 2023. Signed, Don Harmon, Senate President. Resolutions. Senate Resolutions 279 through 281, offered by Senator Koehler and all Members. They are celebration of life resolutions and will be referred to the Consent Calendar. Senate Resolution 278, offered by Senator Villivalam. It is substantive. Committee Reports. Senator Castro, Chair of the Committee on Executive, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1071 Recommend Do Adopt; House Bills 2204 and 2507 Do Pass; House Bills 1204, 1342, 1440, 2352, 2502, 2862, 2878, 2911, 3144 and 3551 Do Pass, as Amended; Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 780, Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 3129, Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill -- Senate Amendments 1 and 2 to House Bill 3751 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Joyce, Chair of the Committee on State Government, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 851, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1072 Recommend Do Adopt; House Bill 3892 Do Pass; House Bill 2054 Do Pass, as Amended; and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 3563 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Glowiak Hilton Chair of the Committee on Licensed Activities, reports House Bill 2365 Do Pass, as Amended; Senate Amendments 4 and 5 to House Bill 2077 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator -- Senator Villanueva, Chair of the Committee on Revenue, reports House Bills 1109, 2539, and 2579 Do Pass. Senator Holmes, Chair of the Committee on Local Government, reports Senate Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 895, Senate Amendment 3 to House Bill 475, Senate Amendments 2 and 3 to House Bill 1131 Recommend Do Adopt. There

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being no further business to come before this perfunctory Session, the Senate stands adjourned to Thursday, May 11th, 2023, or till the call of the Senate President. The Senate stands adjourned.