

85TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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PRESIDENT:

The hour of twelve having arrived, the Senate will please come to order. Will members be at their desks and will our guests in the gallery please rise. Our prayer this afternoon by Reverend Rudolph Shoultz, Union Baptist Church, Springfield, Illinois. Reverend.

REVEREND RUDOLPH SHOULTZ:

(Prayer given by Reverend Shoultz)

PRESIDENT:

Thank you, Reverend. Reading of the Journal. Senator Vadalabene. I'm sorry, Madam Secretary.

SECRETARY:

Senate Journals of Thursday, November 17th; Tuesday, November 27th; Wednesday, November 30 and Thursday, December 1, 1988.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Vadalabene.

SENATOR VADALABENE:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. I move that the Journals just read by the Secretary be approved unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDENT:

All right. You've heard the motion as placed by Senator Vadalabene. Is there any discussion? If not, all in favor indicate by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The motion carries and it's so ordered. (Machine cutoff)...resolutions.

SECRETARY:

(Machine cutoff)...Resolution 1455 offered by Senator Ralph Dunn.

Senate Resolution 1456 offered by Senator Geo-Karis.

(Machine cutoff)...Resolution 1448 offered by Senator Jones.

Senate Resolution 1449 offered by Senator Hall.

Senate Resolution 1450 offered by Senator Topinka.

Senate Resolution 1451 offered by Senator Topinka.

Senate Resolution 1452 offered by Senator Watson.

Senate Resolution 1453 offered by Senator Berman.

Senate Resolution 1454 offered by Senators Smith, Newhouse and all members.

They're all congratulatory.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar, Madam Secretary.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution 1457 offered by Senator Ralph Dunn, it's a death resolution.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY:

Senate Joint Resolution 183 offered by Senator Demuzio and all members.

Senate Joint Resolution 184 offered by President Rock, it is a...they're both...commemorative.

PRESIDENT:

(Machine cutoff)...Secretary, take those two out of the record for a moment until we get...message from the House.

SECRETARY:

A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am 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 224, it is substantive.

PRESIDENT:

(Machine cutoff)...that out of the record for a moment. If I can have your attention, please...if I can have your attention, ladies and gentlemen, Senator Ralph Dunn has some

distinguished people from his district and an award winner from his district he would like to introduce to all of us. The Chair will yield to Senator Dunn.

SENATOR RALPH DUNN:

Thank...thank you, President Rock, members of the Senate. I have a distinguished group of my constituents from Columbia, Waterloo, Monroe County area I would like to introduce...particularly I want to introduce and have her come up here, Stephanie Sanders, who is a winner of a essay contest on peace. She recently won a thousand dollar prize and a trip to Stockholm, Sweden for the Nobel Peace Prize Award by writing a contest...winning a nationwide contest on the subject of peace. With her are...is her mother, Margaret Esker...okay, good...and her teacher, Ms. Katherine Gleason, and assistant superintendent...Regional Superintendent of the Schools Faye Hughes, Regional Superintendent of Schools in Monroe and Randolph County Jim Carpenter, principal and...of the Waterloo High School, Phil Sillsby and Leo Hefner, the superintendent of the schools. I'd like for Stephanie to say a few words and want all to give her a nice round of applause for winning a national peace contest.

MS. STEPHANIE SANDERS:

(Remarks given by Stephanie Sanders)

SENATOR RALPH DUNN:

Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT:

Resolutions, Madam Secretary.

SECRETARY:

(Machine cutoff)...Resolutions 1457 through 1464 all offered by Senator Topinka and they're all congratulatory.

Senate Resolution 1465 offered by Senator Mahar, it is congratulatory.

Senate Resolution 1466 offered by Senator del Valle, it is also congratulatory.

Senate Resolution 1467 offered by Senator Topinka, it is a death resolution.

PRESIDENT:

(Machine cutoff)...Calendar. Resolutions.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution 1468 offered by Senator Topinka.

Senate Resolution 1469 offered by Senator Topinka.

Senate Resolution 1470 offered by Senator Holmberg.

And they're all congratulatory.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar. Ladies and gentlemen, if I can have your attention...if I can have your attention, Senator Philip and I have...are scheduled to be at a meeting at one-thirty with the other leaders and the Governor. In the meantime, there are some things on the Calendar we can do. At one-thirty we'll recess for about an hour to see what the conclusion of the 85th General Assembly will bring, but on the Calendar itself, there have been a couple of requests by members and I can tell you that there are at least two items over in the House that members have expressed...that are of an emergency nature, both will be coming over, I am told, so we will have a supplemental Calendar. So we will reconvene later this afternoon and will have a number of roll call votes. In the meantime, just to refresh your recollection, on page 3 on the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, we have previously suspended the rules for the purpose of 3769 and 4213, both sponsors have indicated the amendments are not yet ready. We have a number of resolutions on Secretary's Desk resolutions. If any member has a resolution on page 4...if any member has a resolution that they would wish to have heard, we are optimistic that tomorrow will be the last day of the 85th General Assembly, so it's today or tomorrow. On the Order of Conference Committee Reports, on the bottom of page 5, Senator Welch has indicated he wishes to...to request

a Second Conference Committee on 1806. The middle of page 6, Senator Berman has indicated that Senate Bill 43 will be called. Bottom of page 6, Senator Jones has indicated he wishes to call Senate Bill 898 and the middle of page 7 on the same Order of Conference Committee Reports, Senator Berman has indicated he wishes to go to a Second Conference Committee on Senate Bill 2185 and on the Order of Motions in Writing at the top of page 8, there is a motion in writing by Senator Welch to take the revisory bill from the Rules Committee and get it out on the Calendar for the Reference Bureau. That essentially is what we have before us absent what comes over from the House, and I think there are at least two measures that will be coming over from the House. Ladies and gentlemen, why don't we then just go through and do what...what is available. Senator Savickas, are you ready? Messages from the House.

SECRETARY:

A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am 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 224.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Savickas.

SENATOR SAVICKAS:

(Machine cutoff)...Mr. President, I would move to suspend the rules for immediate consideration and adoption of House Joint Resolution 224. House...Joint Resolution 224 requests that the Illinois General Assembly establish an advisory board to work with the Department of Public Health to study and evaluate abortion complication data on abortion risks and effects and specific recommendations on problems to be made by May 1st of 1989. It does three things that they hope will

happen. One is the extent of the problem Illinois would be learned, that state agencies and the public will gain an awareness of the problem, and the third item is that not working in outreach efforts can be worked out with existing agency resources and private not-for-profit organizations in the state to help these women. It's all this resolution does and I would move for its adoption.

PRESIDENT:

All right. Senator Savickas has moved to suspend the rules for the immediate consideration and adoption of House Joint Resolution 224. Discussion? Senator Topinka.

SENATOR TOPINKA:

Yes, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I appreciate what's being done here and I'm somewhat in sympathy with the resolution. However, I would like to point out that this does have a financial impact according to the Illinois Department of Public Health to the tune of around seventy thousand dollars. Furthermore, it's my understanding from the Department of Public Health that there are at least two court decisions which preclude the Department of Public Health from even being able to get this data. So if we do pass this and it costs us seventy thousand dollars, it may go around in a big circle accomplishing nothing, and I'm wondering why we're doing this.

PRESIDENT:

Further discussion? Senator Marovitz.

SENATOR MAROVITZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. Well, some time ago we talked about abandoning commissions and spending money for commissions because there were certain irregularities going on. We have committees as part of the legislative process, we have the Committee on Public Health as part of the legislative process. The subject matter involved in this resolution is certainly a subject matter that's dealt with regularly by the

Department of Public Health. Why we would...want to begin setting a precedent to spend seventy thousand dollars on a...on a...a commission, call it advisory or whatever you want to call it, that's going to study a subject matter that's already the subject of study by an existing standing committee of this Body sets an unbelievable precedent. If we're going...if we're going to open up Pandora's box to a plethora of advisory committees and we're going to fund those then let's just say, okay, we're going...no holds barred, let's open...everything up and...and study all subject matters that have...are the interest of certain special interest groups. Let's be consistent. Let's let the standing committees do their job that we're paid to do or let's open up the doors and let special interest groups have advisory committees or commissions for any interest that they want, one or the other.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Savickas, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR SAVICKAS:

Well, Mr. President, obviously with our lax attendance here and this emotional concern, I didn't think this...an advisory committee would bring this much debate. I would take it out of the record.

PRESIDENT:

All right, take it out of the record, Madam Secretary. All right. As I indicated, with leave of the Body, then we'll move to the Calendar on...the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading. Both sponsors have indicated they are not prepared to move ahead. (Machine cutoff)...member have a...resolution on the Order of Secretary's Desk Resolutions that he or she wishes to pursue? If not, we'll move to page 5 on the Calendar on the Order of Conference Committee Reports. Senator Welch. On the Order of House...Conference Committee Reports, there's a report with respect to House Bill 1806, Madam

Secretary.

SECRETARY:

First Conference Committee Report on House Bill 1806.

PRESIDENT:

(Machine cutoff)...Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would move to nonconcur with the First Conference Committee Report on House Bill 1806 and ask that a second conference committee be appointed.

PRESIDENT:

All right. The motion has to be put in the affirmative and the question is then shall the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on House Bill 1806. Senator Welch is asking for a negative vote. Those in favor vote Aye. Opposed vote Nay. The voting is open...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 9 Ayes, 23 Nays, none voting Present. The conference committee report is not adopted and the Secretary shall so inform the House and Senator Welch has requested the appointment of a second conference committee. Senator Geo-Karis, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President, I guess I misunderstood you. I planned to vote No on that and I ended up voting Yes by mistake.

PRESIDENT:

The transcription will so reflect. Middle of page 6, Senator Berman. Senator Berman on the Floor? You want to do 43, Senator Berman? All right. Senator Berman indicates he requests leave of the Body to get to it later. Bottom of page 6, Senate Bill 898. Senator Jones, you wish to proceed? Ladies and gentlemen, on the Order of Conference Committee Reports, bottom of page 6. Bottom of page 6, there's a Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 898, Madam Secre-

tary.

SECRETARY:

First Corrected Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 898.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES:

Yeah, thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. First Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 898 clears up a drafting error when we passed Senate Bill 1926, and what it does is restore the thirty-day time period to which boards of education can fill vacancies due to death or resignation. I know of no opposition. I ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDENT:

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 898. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. The Senate does adopt the Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 898 and the bill having received the required constitutional majority is declared passed. (Machine cutoff)...of page 7, Senator Berman, 2185. On the Order of Conference Committee Reports, there's a conference committee report on Senate Bill 2185, Madam Secretary.

SECRETARY:

First Corrected Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 2185.

PRESIDENT:

All right. Senator Berman indicates he wishes to take it out of the record. Page 8 on the Calendar, on the Order of Motions in Writing. Top of page 8, a motion in writing with

respect to House Bill 4293, Madam Secretary.

SECRETARY:

(Machine cutoff)...move to discharge the Committee on Rules from further consideration of House Bill 4293 and that the bill be placed on the Calendar on the Order of 2nd Reading. Filed by Senator Welch.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would move that the bill be discharged from committee. This is the Revisory Act. It will be the final Revisory Act for this Session. I would ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDENT:

All right. The question is, shall House Bill 4293 be...shall the Committee on Rules be discharged from further consideration of 4293 and placed on the Calendar on the Order of 2nd Reading. Discussion? If not, all in favor indicate by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The motion carries and it is so ordered. It'll be shown on the Order of 2nd Reading, Madam Secretary. Madam Secretary, I think in the interest of time, we ought to have that bill read a second time. So, with leave of the Body, we'll move to the Order of House Bills 2nd Reading.

SECRETARY:

House Bill 4293.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDENT:

Are there amendments from the Floor?

SECRETARY:

Amendment No. 1 offered by Senator Welch.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Welch on Amendment No. 1.

SENATOR WELCH:

Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment No. 1 is the Revisory Act itself. I would ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDENT:

All right. Senator Welch has moved the adoption of Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 4293. Any discussion? If not, all in favor indicate by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there further amendments?

SECRETARY:

No further amendments.

PRESIDENT:

3rd reading. (Machine cutoff)...Demuzio, for what purpose do you arise, sir?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

For an announcement, if I might,...Senator Kelly will not be here today because of a death in the family.

PRESIDENT:

All right. The record will so reflect.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

And, also, if I might take this opportunity for the members of the Senate to introduce our newest acquisition...an individual who has come to the Illinois Senate after realizing ten years in the lower Chamber...then has served his training and came to the House of the Lords, outstanding representative from southern Illinois who is our newest member. I'd like for the members of the Senate to meet and greet Senator James Rea.

PRESIDENT:

Senator, welcome. Senator Rea, in your own defense.

SENATOR JAMES REA:

(Machine cutoff)...very much, Mr. President, members of the Senate. It is indeed a pleasure and an honor for me to serve in this upper Chamber. I...I look forward to working

with each and every one of you. Many of you I've had the opportunity to serve with in the House, and most of you I've had an opportunity to work with over the past few years on different programs, and I look forward to that continuing relationship. I look forward to learning the...the rules of the Senate and to try to abide by those and to be a...another member of the Senate that hopefully will carry forth a great tradition as you have done always in the past. So, thank you, very much for the opportunity of serving with you and I look forward over the next hopefully decade as...in serving here in the Senate. Thank you.

PRESIDENT:

Resolutions.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution 1471 offered by Senator Dudycz.

Senate Resolution 1472 offered by Senator Dudycz and they are both congratulatory.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

Resolutions.

SECRETARY:

Senate Joint Resolution 183 offered by President Rock.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

All right. Can we have some order, please. Senator Rock.

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is...Senate Joint Resolution 183 and I would move this Body to suspend the rules for its immediate consideration and adoption. It is a resolution requesting that the United States Postal Service designate Oak Park, Illinois, to the first issue of the Hemingway Stamp and allow Oak Park to host the first-day issue. I'm not a stamp collector

but I am told that first issues of stamps honoring people and places are something of a big deal, and Ernest Hemingway is to be so honored in July of 1989. I have been in touch with our congressional delegation and have asked them to do the same thing. So this resolution merely suggests to the post office...the Postal Service that Oak Park, Illinois as the birthplace and home of Ernest Hemingway be the logical place for the stamp to be issued with the concomitant ceremonies as opposed to some place in Arizona where they've currently planned it, and I would move to suspend the rules for the immediate consideration and adoption of this joint resolution so that the House can act on it today also.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

All right. Discussion? Senator Fawell.

SENATOR FAWELL:

Thank...thank you, very much. As a...as a former resident of Oak Park who was born and raised there and as one who therefore had to read all of Hemingway's novels as required at Oak Park High, I certainly join in your resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

All right. Senator Rock...further discussion? If not, Senator Rock has moved to suspend the rules for the immediate consideration and...and adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 183. Those in favor will indicate by saying Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it. The rules are suspended. Senator Rock now moves the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 183. Those in favor will indicate by saying Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it...Senate Joint Resolution 183 is adopted. Ladies and gentlemen, if I could have your attention, please. Senator Geo-Karis. If we could...we have some special guests with us today and on the Order of Resolutions, Madam Secretary, would you read Senate Joint Resolution 184, please.

SECRETARY:

Senate Joint Resolution 184 offered by Senator Demuzio,

President Rock and all members.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

Would you please...read the resolution, please.

SECRETARY:

(Secretary begins to read SJR 184)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

A little slower.

SECRETARY:

Pardon me.

(Secretary reads SJR 184)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

All right. Senator Rock has moved that the Senate...that the rules be suspended and Senate Joint Resolution 184 be adopted...on the suspension of the rules, those in favor indicate by saying Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it. The rules are suspended and Senator Rock now moves the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 184. Those in favor will indicate by saying Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it. Senate Joint Resolution 184 is adopted. First of all, I would like to recognize the mayor of the City of Jacksonville, who among her other more notable opportunities that she's had during her career and serving as her last term of...as mayor, taught President Reagan in one of his classes of some sort, and although she is not as old as the president, she is certainly more knowledgeable I'm...I am told, and I'd like to recognize Mayor Foreman today. Number one, because of the fact that she is the mayor of the City of Jacksonville whereas the Illinois School for the Deaf...currently resides, and also since the fact that this is her last...her last term and probably her swan song before the Senate. So I'd like for her just to say a few words. Mayor Foreman.

MAYOR FOREMAN:

(Remarks given by Mayor Foreman)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

And...and if I may, I'd like to also recognize Phil Bradley, who is the director of the department, and say, first of all, how proud I am that the Illinois School for the Deaf is celebrating its hundredth and fiftieth birthday this sesquicentennial and ask Phil Bradley if he might come forward and make a few remarks himself. Director.

MR. PHIL BRADLEY:

(Remarks given by Mr. Bradley)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

All right. Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, on a point of personal privilege. I had the pleasure of meeting Mayor Foreman of Jacksonville a couple of years ago, and I just want to say that she has done an outstanding job as the mayor and I'm very happy to see you, and I'm sorry to hear you're retiring, 'cause we are ageless wonders, from one mayor to another.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

All right. Thank you, very much, for having us here today. (Machine cutoff)...Rock.

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you, Mr. President. I think the moment is opportune now for us to call for a recess. Senator Philip and I are due to meet with the Governor and the other leaders and when we come back we should have a supplemental Calendar ready that will reflect, I hope, House action on two matters; the low energy assistance bill to continue that program for the coming year, and a matter dealing with Senator Jacob's district, the...the Oletto Civic Center. So we will not have a lot of work when we come back but there will be a couple of important roll calls. So I'd ask that we stand in recess until the hour of three o'clock and ask everybody to promptly return at three o'clock so that we can conclude our business

rather summarily. I move we stand in recess till three o'clock.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

All right. The Senate will stand in recess till the hour of three o'clock.

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PRESIDENT:

The Senate will please come to order. Resolutions, Madam Secretary.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolutions 1474 offered by Senator Macdonald.

Senate Resolution 1475 offered by Senator Macdonald.

Senate Resolution 1476 offered by Senators Hall, President Rock and all members.

Senate Resolution 1477 and Senate Resolution 1478, all...both offered by Senator Hall, President Rock and all members.

Senate Resolution 1479 offered by Senator Jones.

They're all congratulatory.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar. (Machine cutoff)...messages from the House.

SECRETARY:

A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

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

Senate Bill 1915 with House Amendments 1, 4, 5 and 9. John F. O'Brien, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDENT:

All right. That will appear on the Order of Secretary's Desk Concurrence. Messages from the House.

SECRETARY:

A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am 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 228.

And I have a like Message on House Joint Resolution 227, they're both congratulatory.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar. All right, ladies and gentlemen, if I can have your attention. The Secretary has distributed Supplemental Calendar No. 1. There are two matters of an emergency nature and of interest to many of the members. We will address both those matters and that will effectively conclude our business for this afternoon. So I'd ask the members to please join us on the Floor those who are not and the others to please be in their seats and attentive so we can handle this matter with some dispatch. Madam Secretary, with leave of the Body, we'll move to Supplemental Calendar No. 1 on the Order of Secretary's Desk Concurrence. Senate Bill 1915, Madam Secretary, please.

SECRETARY:

House Amendments 1, 4, 5 and 9 to Senate Bill 1915.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JEROME JOYCE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1915 is now the IRAP Program. House Amendment No. 9 deleted everything after the enacting clause, and with that statement, I would...yield to Senator D'Arco to explain it, as it is his recommendation.

PRESIDENT:

Senator D'Arco.

SENATOR D'ARCO:

Thank you, Mr. President. The...the IRAP Program passed the Senate with a 53 to 0 vote in the last General Assembly and what happened is it got waylaid in the House. They put it on the amendatory veto Calendar for noncompliance and it never passed the House. So this bill in effect becomes the IRAP Program which I would have you know has since passed the House today. So all we have to do at this point is pass this bill and send it on to the Governor for his signature and the intent of the General Assembly concerning low energy assistance...energy assistance for low-income people will be realized.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Joyce has moved concurrence in House amendments to Senate Bill 1915. Discussion? Senator Maitland.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you, very much, Mr. President and members of the Senate. I rise in support of this motion to concur. The...the language contained in this concurrence motion is I believe exactly the same as that that was contained in the Governor's amendatory veto backing this back to a six-month program, which is really one month more than what the current plan is now. I might also add just for the information to the Body that we are facing a very serious fiscal crisis as we attempt to fund the IRAP Program. The Exxon money has expired. We are in a temporary period right now. The Governor has appointed a fourteen-member task force to study ways by which we can fund this program. Senator D'Arco is on that...that task force and we have two House members on it with us, but it's a monumental task for us between now and April. We all accept the fact that the plan is in...is here, we're going to have to fund it, and we have to be about the task of trying to fund it, and I would...would also support this motion.

PRESIDENT:

Any further discussion? Further discussion? Senator Joyce, you wish to close? All right. The question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments 1, 4, 5 and 9 to Senate Bill 1915. Those in favor will vote Aye. 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 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. The Senate does concur in House Amendments 1, 4, 5 and 9 to Senate Bill 1915 and the bill having received the required constitutional majority is declared passed. (Machine cutoff)...Jacobs. Okay. Ladies and gentlemen, again, on the Order of Supplemental Calendar No. 1 on the Order of Conference Committee Reports, there's a conference committee report on House Bill 2993, Madam Secretary.

SECRETARY:

Second Conference Committee Report on House Bill 2993.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the...of the Senate. The Second Conference Committee Report on House Bill 2993 strictly takes it back to its original form; which is a name change technical in nature, and I ask that we accept the Second Conference Committee Report.

PRESIDENT:

Any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on House Bill 2993. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed vote Nay and the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. The Senate does adopt the conference committee report on House Bill 2993 and the bill having

received the required constitutional majority is declared passed. Resolutions, Madam Secretary.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution 1480 offered by Senator Savickas.

Senate Resolution 1481 offered by Senator Zito, they're both congratulatory.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar. Any further business to come before the Senate? The Chair would just like to again remind the members that tomorrow, Tuesday, January the 10th, will be the last day for the 85th General Assembly. So whatever needs to be done will have to be done tomorrow. Any further business? Any announcements? If not, Senator Vadalabene moves the Senate stand adjourned until Tuesday, January the 10th, tomorrow morning, at the hour of eleven o'clock. Eleven o'clock, tomorrow morning, ladies and gentlemen. Have a good evening.

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