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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The regular Session of the 90th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? And will our guests in the galleries please rise? Our prayer today will be given by the Reverend Dan Seibert, First United Methodist Church, Springfield, Illinois. Reverend Seibert.

THE REVEREND DAN SEIBERT:

(Prayer by the Reverend Dan Seibert)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Will you please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance? Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Sieben)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Reading of the Journal. Senator Butler.

SENATOR BUTLER:

Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the Journal of Tuesday, April 28th, in the year 1998, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journal.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Butler moves to postpone the reading and the approval of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objection, so ordered. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Hawkinson, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary, reports House Bills 2326, 2447, 3000, 3279, 3463, 3500, 3790 and 3843, all Do Pass; House Bills 1612, 2306 and 3162 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Fawell, Chair of the Committee on Transportation, reports House Bills 2510 and 3248 Do Pass; House Bill 2746 Do Pass, as Amended.

And Senator Cronin, Chair of the Committee on Education,

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reports House Bills 2411, 3481, 3484 and 3793 Do Pass.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Message from the House by Mr. Rossi, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has refused to adopt the First Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 1031 and requests a Second Committee of Conference to consider the differences between the two Houses with regards to Amendment No. 1.

Action taken by the House, April 28th, 1998.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Without objections, the Senate accedes to the request of the House for a conference committee on these bills just read by the Secretary. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. We've had a request from WCIA-Channel 3 to tape the proceedings today. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. Senator Maitland, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you very -- thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. In the gallery, Mr. President, behind you, in the President's Gallery, on the Democratic side, a group of thirteen students from Normal and their -- their teacher, Mrs. Eich, and her assistant, Mrs. Schrag. I'd like for them to stand and be recognized by the Senate. I had a chance to speak with them this morning. And please welcome them to Springfield.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Yes. Will you please rise and be recognized by the Senate? Senator Shadid, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SHADID:

A point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

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State -- state your point.

SENATOR SHADID:

I'm certainly pleased to have joining us, in the President's Gallery, the students from the Pekin Edison Junior High School from Pekin, Illinois. Welcome to Springfield.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Would you please rise and be recognized by the Senate?
Messages.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Message from the Minority Leader, dated April 28th, 1998.

Dear Mr. Secretary - Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-5(c) of the Illinois State Senate of the 90th General Assembly, please be advised that Senator John Cullerton will replace Senator Arthur Berman on the Senate Rules Committee.

Signed by Senator Jones.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Joint Resolution 63, offered by Senators Madigan, Sieben, Philip.

It's substantive.

Senate Resolution 200, offered by Senator Shadid and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 201, offered by Senator Demuzio. They're both death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Consent Calendar. Senator Geo-Karis, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President, on a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your point.

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SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

We are honored today to have the retired Chancellor of the University of California at Santa Barbara sitting in the President's Gallery. And he's doing cogeneration work in energy in India. And we're also honored to have with him Robert G. Hansen, who is an industrialist from California, and he is the one who bought the Marlbold Mansion in -- in Menard County, Greenview. And he's restoring it. And he -- this happens to be in Senator Larry Bomke's district, in Menard County. So I would like you to welcome these gentlemen here. And we're delighted to have them be with us today.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Will our California friends please rise and be recognized by the Senate? ...page 9 of today's Calendar, in the Order of Constitutional Amendments 2nd Reading, House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 20. Read the amendment, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 20, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads HJRCA No. 20)

2nd Reading of the resolution.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. May I have your attention for one minute? Let you know that the two constitutional amendments will be called first thing tomorrow morning. I'm assuming we're going to come in at 9 o'clock, and that will be the order of business. So I hope that everybody will be here early and on time. And -- Senator Jones, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR JONES:

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

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your point.

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SENATOR JONES:

In the gallery behind us are the sales representatives from Pfizer Pharmaceutical, who is holding their conference here in Springfield. Yes, that's right, Pfizer. And -- and -- I don't know if they have any samples down here for you guys, but you want to check them out, you know. But -- but they're here. Let's give them a warm welcome.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Will they please stand and be recognized by the Senate? All right. All right. If we could have a little order, please. On page 6 of today's Calendar, in the Order of House Bills 2nd Readings. House Bill 2297. Senator Geo-Karis. I -- I'm sorry. House Bill 1422. Senator Hawkinson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 1422.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. House Bill 2297. Senator Geo-Karis. Senator Geo-Karis, House Bill 2297? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 2297.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. House Bill 2370. Senator Parker. Senator Parker. 2370. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 2370.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted one

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amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. House Bill 2503. Senator Karpziel. Senator Karpziel. Take it out of the record, Mr. Secretary. House Bill 2557. Senator Geo-Karis. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate {sic} (House) Bill 2557.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. House Bill 2700. Senator Dillard. Take it out of the record. House Bill 2729. Senator Weaver. Senator Weaver. 2729. Take it out of the record. House Bill 2887. Senator Karpziel. Take it out of the record. House Bill 3048. Senator Shaw. Senator Shaw. House Bill 3048. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 3048.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. House Bill 3254. Senator Walsh. Senator Walsh. Take it out of the record.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

If you turn your attention to the middle of page 4 of your regular Calendars, in the Order of Senate -- House Bills 3rd Reading, we will be going to the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading.

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Will Senators Parker, Trotter, Radogno, Rauschenberger, Peterson be ready? We will be starting very shortly in the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading. Senator Maitland, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you -- thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. I'd like to introduce this morning -- or, this afternoon a couple of very special guests. And if we could have the Body's attention. First of all, I'd like to -- to introduce Mr. John Houston, who is Executive Vice President for Consumer Marketing for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, and he was co-chair of the Chancellor's Commission on Extension. He's with us here this afternoon. And also, really someone who's no stranger to most of us in this Chamber, Mr. Orion Samuelson, who has been the agricultural voice for not only WGN, but, indeed, the whole Midwest and, frankly, the whole nation. Been a great advocate for the -- the American Ag industry. Orion has joined us this afternoon, too. And -- and, Orion and John, it's a delight to have both of you here this afternoon. Just please wave to the Body. And we're just delighted to have you here.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Welcome, to our guests, to Springfield. Shortly we will be going to the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, but first Senator Donahue is going to be making an introduction of some special guests that have joined us this -- this afternoon. So we will be at ease for a few minutes, then we will be going to the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, in the middle of page 4.

(SENATE STANDS AT EASE)

(SENATE RECONVENES)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The -- I will now turn the Chair over to Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you very much, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. It is really my pleasure today to have an opportunity to introduce to you the Illinois Class A champs in basketball. They're from Nauvoo-Colusa. And it seems like the State championship -- last year we had Warsaw. Had to go through western Illinois. And this year it's Nauvoo-Colusa. And it's a wonderful honor. I know that teamwork is very special, but this class -- or, this group of young men defeated a first-place, a second-place, and a fourth-place teams, or rated teams, to get where they were going. And the Coach, who is Reno Pinkston, made the comment that it takes teamwork to make things and to get things done, and he's never seen a team work better together than he did this team. So I'm going to introduce to you the Coach of Nauvoo-Colusa, Reno Pinkston, and he will introduce the young men that are here.

COACH RENO PINKSTON:

(Remarks and introductions by Coach Reno Pinkston)

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you all very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

If you turn your attention to the middle of page 4 of your regular Calendars, in the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading is House Bill 25. Senator Parker. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 25.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

The Chair would ask the Members to hold down their conversations. Staff, please take your conversations off the

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Floor. We are going into the Order of 3rd Reading. Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 25 amends the Code of Civil Procedure to permit a local sheriff or State's Attorney, with approval of the county board, to contract with a private entity to notify victims of crime under the Rights of Crime Witnesses and Victims {sic} (Victims and Witnesses) Act. I would ask for a favorable vote and answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 25 pass. All 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 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. And House Bill 25, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 38. Senator Trotter. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 38.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 38 is basically an anticrime bill which allows municipalities to demolish a residential or commercial property that is three stories or less if the building is open and vacant and an immediate and continuing hazard. This bill is actually being brought forth for Arnold Mireles, who was killed in my

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community, who was a community activist, and he was trying hard to get rid of these buildings that actually house these -- this criminal element. And I just like -- seek its passage at this time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 38 pass. All 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 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. And House Bill 38, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 94. Senator Radogno. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 94.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you. This bill requires the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs to develop a two-year pilot program to -- to expand the market for secondary materials, for recycled. We've done a very good job in collecting recyclables in most instances, but we need to move beyond that now and focus on the use of those materials. And so that's what this bill does, is direct the Department to do that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 94 pass. All 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

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that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. And House Bill 94, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 533. Senator Peterson. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 533.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 533, as amended, removes the sale of eligible technological equipment that is intended for leasing from the sales tax base and instead applies it to a new leasing tax at the rate of 8.25 percent of the lease receipts. Of that 8.25 percent, 1.65 percent points goes to counties and municipalities on a per capita basis. The remaining 6.6 percent goes to the General Revenue Fund. I ask for your support of 533, as amended.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator... The question is, shall House Bill 533 pass. All those in favor... Senator Hawkinson, what -- what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

If I'm too late, I'm too late. I was going to ask a question.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Go ahead. Go ahead, Senator. Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Senator, what's the current tax rate?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Peterson.

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SENATOR PETERSON:

Six and a quarter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

And this will take it to 8.25?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 533 pass. All 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 34 Ayes, 16 Nays, 5 voting Present. And House Bill 533, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. The bottom of page 4, in the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, is House Bill 1217. Senator -- out of the record. On top of page 5, in the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, is House Bill 1640. Senator Cronin. House Bill 1670. Senator Radogno. House Bill 1685. Senator Cronin. House Bill 2299. Senator Myers. House Bill 2333. Senator Peterson. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2333.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 2333 creates the Automobile Leasing Occupation and Use Tax Act. Specifically, it lowers the 6.25-percent State sales tax, use tax rate, on the purchase of car by the lessor to 1.25 percent. And this is distributed immediately to counties and municipalities,

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and this remains the same. It imposes a five-percent sales tax on monthly leasing receipts. It lowers the 6.25-percent State sales use tax on the purchase of the car by the lessee at the end of the lease to five percent. That's based on the residual value of the automobile. All this remains with the State. I ask for your support of House Bill 2333.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Will the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

I believe it was last year we passed legislation on this subject matter. Would you compare -- and I believe it was vetoed by the Governor. Can you compare what we did last year with what this bill does?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

It's the same bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 2333 pass. All 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 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting present. And House Bill 2333, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2364. Senator Weaver. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2364.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. This gives the elected student trustee voting privileges on university boards of trustees. It also provides that students shall not have the right to vote on board matters involving faculty tenure, promotion and certain issues that have a direct conflict of interest. It also sunsets on July 1st, 2001. We passed this bill before. The Governor put an amendatory veto on it. The House failed to act on the Governor's amendatory veto. And so, in this, we've included most of the provisions in the amendatory veto. And I would appreciate a favored roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 2364 pass. All 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 55 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting present. And House Bill 2364, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2369. Senator Hawkinson. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2369.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill creates the -- the

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International Arbitration Act for commercial matters. It's a complicated bill. I think Senator Obama probably described it best in -- in committee when he indicated that this bill fills the void when the parties to a commercial international contract do not provide for how disputes are to be resolved themselves. It adopts the model. It's been adopted by a number of states. I'll be happy to answer any -- specific questions a Member have about the Arbitration Act, but otherwise ask for your favorable support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 2369 pass. All 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 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting present. And House Bill 2369, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

...Bills 3rd Reading, middle of page 5. We have House Bill 2377. Senator Burzynski. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2377.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Basically this bill provides that a nail technician or a nail technology teacher registered or licensed outside of Illinois may not be granted a license in Illinois unless, in addition to meeting current requirements, they pass an examination authorized by the Department of Professional

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 2377 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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 voting Yes, no voting No, no voting Present. House Bill 2377, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2452. Senator Peterson. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2452.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 2452 amends the Property Tax Code. It states that the county clerk in each county in which an overlapping taxing district is located must certify the portion of the assessed value of the prior year for each overlapping taxing district portion of each affected township. Now the county clerk must certify the assessed value in each township, not the taxing district. This mainly affects those collar counties that border Cook County and where -- this basically is for a school district in Barrington, where the school district wishes that just the area that is in the school district in Cook County be given a factor, instead of the whole township being a factor. The Cook County Assessor's Office is neutral, and it's supported by the Department of Revenue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the

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question is, shall House Bill 2452 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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 Yes, no voting No, no voting Present. House Bill -- excuse me, House Bill 2452, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2473. Senator Myers. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2473.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill amends the Counties Code and the Municipal Code to prohibit the location of an adult entertainment facility within a thousand feet of the property boundaries of a forest preserve. Last year we passed a bill, which is Public Act 90-394, which prohibited the location of that kind of facility within a thousand feet of the boundaries of a school, day care center, cemetery, public park, public housing, and place of religious worship. And this year, the forest preserve came to us and asked if we would include this in this prohibition. That's what this bill accomplishes, and I would ask for a positive vote on this issue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 2473 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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 voting Yes, 1 voting

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No, no voting Present. House Bill 2473, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2533. Senator Luechtefeld. Out of the record. House Bill 2554. Senator Donahue. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2554.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill does create the Mid-America Intermodal Port Authority for five or six counties in western Illinois. It is going to be a tristate authority between the states of Iowa and Missouri. Their legislatures are both considering similar legislation. It's identical language to the thirteen other port districts that were created in Illinois. And I would simply ask for your -- or, your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 2554 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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 voting Yes, no voting No, no voting Present. House Bill 2554, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2580. Senator Peterson. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2580.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. House Bill 2580 amends the Township Code in regard to the purchase, sale or lease of real property. Prior to the sale of township property, the electors shall adopt a resolution stating the details of the property and the -- and the value of the property as determined by a certified appraisal. The township board may accept the high bid or any other bid determined to be in the best interests of the township by a three-fourths - now majority - vote, but in no event at a price less than eighty percent of the appraised value. It also includes an amendment to the township refuse collection disposable act, which authorizes townships to contract with a waste hauler, to require property owners to pay the costs directly to the provider, rather than the township. Ask for your support of House Bill 2580.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Senator Bowles.

SENATOR BOWLES:

Thank you, Mr. President. Would the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Bowles.

SENATOR BOWLES:

Senator Peterson, if -- the counties where they have a tax cap, if this fifteen-percent {sic} rate was not needed in the future for the waste -- for the collection, would that revert to some other use in the township, or would it be completely deleted?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

The bill doesn't circumvent the tax cap in any way.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Bowles.

SENATOR BOWLES:

It does not circumvent. Thank you very much. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any other discussion? Any other discussion? Question is, shall House Bill 2580 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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 voting Yes, no voting No, no voting Present. House Bill 2580, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Burzynski, with House Bill 2590. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2590.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a piece of clean-up legislation for the Department of Professional Regs. Contains several provisions. It amends the Illinois Physical Therapy Act. Amends the Professional Boxing and Wrestling Act. It also amends the Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional Counselor Licensing Act; Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, and Nail Technology Act; (Private Detective,) Private Alarm, Private Security, and Locksmith Act, as well. I'd be more than willing to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not,

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the question is, shall House Bill 2590 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. There are 59 voting Yes, no voting Present, no voting No, also. House Bill 2590, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2734. Senator Dudycz. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2734.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2734 requires that the Attorney General's investigators cooperate with other law enforcement officials, but it deletes the requirement that they contact local law enforcement officials prior to exercising their duties. The language in the -- in the bill mirrors Illinois State Police Statutes verbatim. The legislation does not give Attorney General's investigators any more powers than they possess currently, but the bill addresses a problem in the Attorney General's Office when their investigators have faced situations when they were asked to become involved in investigation of local law enforcement officials. These are sensitive investigations where notifying the local law enforcement official being investigated would not be appropriate. I know of no opposition at this -- at this language, and I would seek your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall House Bill 2734 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted

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who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?
Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yes, no
voting No, no voting Present. House Bill 2734, having received
the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate
{sic} Bill 2748. Senator Bomke. Madam Secretary, please read the
bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 2748.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate.
House Bill 2748 authorizes one additional water source from which
a municipal joint water -- joint action water agency may withdraw
water: the Sangamon River Valley Alluvium. It's requested by the
Village of Chatham and Rochester, in Sangamon County, to establish
a municipal joint action water agency. I know of no opposition,
and I would ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not,
the question is, shall House Bill 2748 pass. All those in favor,
vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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 voting Yes, no
voting -- 1 voting No, no voting Present. House Bill 2748, having
received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed.
House Bill 3068. Senator Bomke. Madam...

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

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Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 3068.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. House Bill 3068 amends the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois to authorize the Department of Agriculture to award grants to nonprofit organizations for the promotion of livestock shows. It's an attempt to bolster Junior Livestock shows at the Illinois and DuQuoin State Fair. I know of no opposition, and I would ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Senator Bomke, what kind of not-for-profits are we talking about? I'm just kind of curious.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Any livestock organizations, county fairs, to -- to mention two.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

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Will the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Senator Bomke, does this create a -- an appropriation mandate?
Does this bill require appropriation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

No, it does not; however, it would require a hundred thousand dollars to fund it, but it does not -- does not include a -- a mandate of a hundred thousand. It will require that, however.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

So this does include a -- a mechanism -- or, a request for a hundred thousand dollars a year to -- to support livestock shows, but it doesn't include a continuing appropriation, so...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

That is correct.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any other discussion? Senator Bomke, do you wish to close?

SENATOR BOMKE:

I would ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

The question is, shall House Bill 3068 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. 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 52 voting Yes, 5 voting No, 1 voting Present. House Bill 3068, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Luechtefeld. Senator Luechtefeld, on House Bill 3181? Out of the record. That concludes our 3rd Reading. Senator Burzynski, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Purpose of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Proceed.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to introduce a guest that we have with us today on the Senate Floor, a guest who can prove that not only I have a district that I represent, but that Senator Rauschenberger also has family, and therefore, truly must have a heart. I'd like for Laurel Kracen, the sister of Senator Steven Rauschenberger, to stand, be recognized. She's on the Senate Floor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Very good. Well, welcome to the Senate. Senator Mahar, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR MAHAR:

For the purpose of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Yes. Go ahead.

SENATOR MAHAR:

Senate Environment and Energy Committee will meet in Room 212 immediately upon adjournment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further announcements, I guess. Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

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Thank you, Mr. President. On a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

State your point.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, you may notice on my desk there is a very large trophy. Now, everyone is invited this evening to participate in festivities that will allow you the opportunity to take this -- this trophy, or three others, home. This includes the Senate secretaries, staff and the Members. The -- there is a reception the Coin Machine Operators are hosting at the Renaissance this evening. And a big-screen TV will be there for all of us Bull fans that do not wish to miss the Bulls game. But one of you, hopefully in the Senate, will take this trophy -- and deprive the -- the House Members from taking this away from us.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Karpiel, for what purpose do you rise, ma'am?

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. To announce a Republican Caucus in Senator Pate Philip's Office immediately upon adjournment. The Energy and Environment Committee will meet immediately after the caucus.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Republican Caucus immediately after adjournment. Committee Reports, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senator Weaver, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, reports that the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Education Committee - House Bill 2802; refer to Executive Committee - House Bills 2630, 2672, 3173, 3341, 3461 and 3556; refer to Licensed Activities Committee - House Bill 1335; refer to Local Government and Elections Committee - House Bill 2375; refer

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to Public Health and Welfare Committee - House Bill 705; re-refer from State Government Operations Committee to Rules Committee - House Bills 2630 and 2672; refer to State Government Operations Committee - House Bill 2909; refer to Transportation Committee - House Bill 3415; and Be Approved for Consideration - House Bill 1151.

Filed by Senator Stanley Weaver, April 29, 1998.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Madam Secretary, have there been any motions filed?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Yes. Senator Hawkinson has filed a motion with respect to Senate Bill 363.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Madam Secretary, the Chair requests that these motions be printed on the Calendar. So ordered. Senator Jacobs, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just as a matter of information. Just would make a request of Senator Mahar. He indicated that we would have the Energy and Environment Committee right after adjournment. But being's you're going to caucus, could we ask that the Secretary call us when the -- your caucus is over so that we'll know what time to -- to go to the meeting?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Jacobs, that's a request that ought to be granted, but I don't see Senator Mahar on the Floor. I would -- I would suggest maybe you call his office, and -- and I'm sure that that can be taken care of. Any further business? Any further business? If not, the Senate will -- Senator Bomke moves that the Senate stands adjourned until 9 a.m., Thursday, April 30th. 9 o'clock in the morning. Good afternoon.

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