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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

The regular Session of the 93rd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members be at their desks, and will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Reverend Meeks from Salem Baptist Church.

THE REVEREND SENATOR JAMES T. MEEKS:

(Prayer by the Reverend Senator James T. Meeks)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Please remain standing for the Pledge. Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Link)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

WICS-TV requests permission to videotape. And the Star -- the Journal-Register requests leave to take photographs. AP requests leave to take photographs. Leave is granted. Madam Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Journals of Thursday, July 1, and Friday, July 2, 2004, from the regular Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Crotty.

SENATOR CROTTY:

Thank you, Madam President. I move that the Journals just read by the Secretary be approved, unless a Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Crotty moves to approve the Journals just read by the Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. Letter from the President, Madam Secretary.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

July 6, 2004.

Dear Madam Secretary - Pursuant to Rule 3-5(c), I hereby appoint Senator Patrick Welch and Senator Terry Link to replace Senator John Cullerton and Senator Louis Viverito respectfully {sic}, as members of the Rules Committee. This appointment is effective immediately.

Very truly yours, Emil Jones, Jr., President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

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SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Resolution 623, offered by Senator Petka and all Members.

It is a death resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. There being no further business to come before the regular Session, regular Session will stand in recess till the call of the Chair.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

The regular Session of the 93rd General Assembly will now come to order. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senator Viverito, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Education Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1971; and refer to State Government Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2258.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Schoenberg, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

Purposes of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

State your announcement.

SENATOR SCHOENBERG:

The State Government Committee will meet today at 4:30 in Room A-1 of the Stratton Building.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Lightford, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Madam President. Education will meet, 4 p.m. in Room 212. Education at 4 in 212.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

The regular Session of the Senate will stand in Recess to the call of the Chair. After committee meetings, the Senate

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will reconvene to receive committee reports and other matters not requiring Floor action. The Senate stands in recess.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

The Senate will come to order. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senator Schoenberg, Chairperson of the Committee on State Government, reports Motion to -- Motion to Concur with House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2258 Be Adopted.

Senator del Valle, Chairperson of the Committee on Education, reports a Motion to Concur with House Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1971 Be Approved for Consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Resolution 624, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

It is a death resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 12:40 on Wednesday, July 7th, 2004. The regular Session of the Senate stands adjourned.