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PRESIDENT JONES:

The regular Session of the 94th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Donald Meehling, St. Aloysius Church, Springfield.

FATHER DONALD MEEHLING:

(Prayer by Father Donald Meehling)

PRESIDENT JONES:

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Maloney.

SENATOR MALONEY:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Maloney)

PRESIDENT JONES:

Madam Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Journal of Thursday, April 21, 2005.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. President, I move that the Journal just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Hunter moves to -- to approve the Journals just read by the Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. Will the Members of the Rules Committee please come to the Antechamber? There'll be a -- a -- a meeting of the Rules Committee immediately in the Antechamber. The -- the Decatur Herald and -- and Review News -- wish to videotape or record the Session. Is leave granted? No objection, so ordered. Senator - - Senator Shadid, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SHADID:

A -- Mr. President, a moment of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Proceed.

SENATOR SHADID:

Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, it's a great pleasure and honor for me to introduce a young man who -- is graduating from ISU and I'd like to introduce to all the Senators

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a young man named James "Boomer" Grigsby and his family. He's from Canton, Illinois, which happens to be in my district. And I'm very proud and pleased of that. For those of you who don't know, Boomer was the second pick of the fifth round of the NFL draft for the Kansas City Chiefs. And joining Boomer today are his parents, Dave and Paula Grigsby; his grandparents, Joann and Jack Waughtel and Betty Grigsby; and his sister and brother-in-law, Jim and Jenni Grigsby-Rogal. Which I'm sure you know Jim Rogal, Mr. President. He works for you on your staff. Boomer's going to be graduating from Illinois State University, where he played football and played it well for the ISU Redbirds. It gives me great pleasure to introduce you to Boomer Grigsby. And if you would, please look on your desk where we gave you a handout on some literature publicity for Boomer. So, how about a big hand from the State Senate?

PRESIDENT JONES:

Will our guest and their family rise and be recognized by the Senate? Senator, what team you say he was drafted by?

SENATOR SHADID:

He had a chance to play for your team, the Bears, but he decided to play for the Kansas City Chiefs.

PRESIDENT JONES:

The great Chicago Bears. Senator Wendell Jones, what purpose you rise?

SENATOR W. JONES:

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Yes. I'd like to introduce some people from the great District 27 in Arlington Heights. In the audience behind the Republicans, we have Sharon Gaske; and with me as Pages today are her son and daughter, Nelson and Marilyn from Arlington Heights, Illinois.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Will our guests please rise and be welcomed by the Senate? Madam Secretary, Committee Reports. No, no. Resolutions, Madam Secretary.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

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Senate Resolution 165, offered by Senator Clayborne and all Members.

Senate Resolution 166, also offered by Senator Clayborne and all Members.

Senate Resolution 167, offered by Senator Risinger and all Members.

Senate Resolutions 168, 169 and 170, offered by Senator Forby and all Members.

Senate Resolutions 171 and 172, offered by Senator Dillard and all Members.

Senate Resolutions 173, 174 and 175, all offered by Senator Althoff and all Members.

Senate Resolution 176, offered by Senator Hunter and all Members.

Senate Resolution 177, offered by Senator Brady and all Members.

They're all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

And Senate Resolutions 178, offered by Senators Collins, Radogno and Sandoval.

And Senate Joint Resolution 179, offered by -- pardon me, that would be Senate Joint Resolution 43, offered by Senator Trotter and all -- pardon me, just Senator Trotter. They're both substantive.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Madam Secretary, Messages.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

A Message from the President, dated April 29, 2005.

Dear Madam Secretary - Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-10, I hereby establish May 31, 2005, as the committee deadline for the following bills:

Senate Bill 20, 50, 150, 154, 243, 276, 280, 447, 1344, 1345, 1346, 1347, 1348, 1349, 1350, 1351, 1352, 1353, 1716, 1717, 1718, 1719, 1978, 1979, 1980 and 1981.

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

PRESIDENT JONES:

Madam Secretary, Messages from the House.

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SECRETARY HAWKER:

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

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives had 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 No. 10.

It is substantive.

And House Joint Resolution No. 13, which is also substantive.

They have both been picked up by Senator Althoff. They were both adopted by the House -- pardon me, House Joint Resolution No. 10 was adopted by the House, March 15 and House Joint Resolution 13 was adopted by the House, March 15, 2005.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Madam Secretary, Committee Report.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senator Viverito, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture and Conservation Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 669; refer to Education Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 881 and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1815; refer to Environment and Energy Committee - Committee Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 3048; refer to Executive Committee - House Bill 1101; Committee Report No. 2 -- pardon me, I'm sorry, Committee Amendment No. 2 to House Bill 1058 and Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2697; refer to Health and Human Services Committee - Committee Amendment 3 to House Bill 130, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 190, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 480, Committee Amendments 1 and 2 to House Bill 595, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2004, Committee Amendments 2 and 3 to House Bill 2531, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 3812 and Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1026; refer to Housing and Community Affairs Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 55 and Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill -- 4023; refer to Insurance Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 316; refer to Judiciary Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 340, Committee Amendments 1 and 2 to House Bill 350, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 360,

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Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 394, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 596, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 893, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 1173, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 1469, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2582 and Committee -- Committee Amendments 2 and 3 to House Bill 3628; refer to Labor Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 1480, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2137 and Floor Amendment 2 to -- to Senate Bill 1791; refer to Licensed Activities Committee - Committee Amendments 1, 2 and 3 to House Bill 875, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 1445, and Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 1517; refer to Local Government Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 27 and Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 62; refer to Pensions and Investments Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 157; refer to State Government Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2244; and refer to Transportation Committee - Committee Amendment 2 to House Bill 21, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 769, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 1195 and Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 392.

PRESIDENT JONES:

The Chair recognizes Senator Crotty.

SENATOR CROTTY:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise on a point of an announcement.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Proceed.

SENATOR CROTTY:

Thank you. At 1 o'clock Local Government will be meeting in the Stratton Building A-1. That's 1 o'clock, Local Government.

PRESIDENT JONES:

The Chair will recognize Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

For a point of announcement.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Proceed.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Insurance Committee will meet tomorrow at 1 p.m. in Room 400. 1 p.m. in 400. And also the Environment and Energy Committee will meet tomorrow at 9 a.m. in Room 212.

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PRESIDENT JONES:

The Chair recognizes Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

For purpose of announcement.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Proceed.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

I have two announcements. The Housing and Community Affairs Committee will meet at 2:30 in A-1. And the -- the -- I'm sorry, the Committee on Pensions and Investments will meet at 4 o'clock in Room 400.

PRESIDENT JONES:

The Chair will recognize Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have an announcement. The Judiciary Committee will meet in Room 212 at 2:30. And then we will move to Room 400 after the Pension Committee is adjourned.

PRESIDENT JONES:

The Chair will recognize Senator Ronen.

SENATOR RONEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have an announcement. The Health and Human Services Committee will meet tomorrow morning at 9 a.m. in Room 400.

PRESIDENT JONES:

The Chair will recognize Senator Shadid.

SENATOR SHADID:

Thank you, Mr. President. Transportation Committee is in Room 400 at 2:30.

PRESIDENT JONES:

The Chair recognizes Senator Wilhelmi.

SENATOR WILHELMI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Point of announcement. Agriculture and Conservation will meet tomorrow morning at 9 a.m. in Room A-1 of the Stratton Building.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Mr. President, I'd like to announce there will be a Democratic Caucus in the President's Office immediately for

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approximately forty-five minutes.

PRESIDENT JONES:

The Chair will recognize Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. For a point of announcement.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Proceed.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Appropriations I will meet today at 4 p.m. in Room 212.

PRESIDENT JONES:

The Chair will recognize Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Republicans would request a caucus immediately after we recess or adjourn here today, as well, at the same time as yours.

PRESIDENT JONES:

The Chair will recognize Senator Forby.

SENATOR FORBY:

At 1 o'clock today Education meeting will meet in Room 212.
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PRESIDENT JONES:

Since there will be two caucuses today, Senator Burzynski and Senator Link, the committees scheduled for 1 o'clock will convene at 1:15. 1:15 all the committees will convene. So, therefore, those individuals who are -- who are chairing those committees, the committees will convene at 1:15. We expect the caucuses to be over with by 1:15. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate will stand -- adjourned until the hour of 12 noon, on Wednesday. The Senate stands adjourned.