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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

The regular Session of the 96th 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 Pastor Paul Black, Jerome United Methodist Church, here in Springfield. Pastor.

PASTOR PAUL BLACK:

(Prayer by Pastor Paul Black)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Duffy, to lead in the Pledge, sir.

SENATOR DUFFY:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Duffy)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Madam Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal, please.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Journal of Tuesday, February 16th, 2010.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you, Madam Secretary. Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. President, I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal just read by the Secretary, pending arrival of the -- printed transcript.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you. Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objections, so ordered. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports, please.

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SECRETARY ROCK:

Senator Delgado, Chairperson of the Committee on Public Health, reports House Joint Resolution 72 Be Adopted.

Senator Frerichs, Chairperson of the Committee on Agriculture and Conservation, reports Senate Bill 2556 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Maloney, Chairperson of the Committee on Higher Education, reports Senate Bills 2538 and 2801 Do Pass.

Senator Hunter, Chairperson of the Committee on Human Services, reports Senate Bill 2622 Do Pass.

Senator Wilhelmi, Chairperson of the Committee on Judiciary, reports Senate Bills 2508, 2509, 2540, 2553, 2570, 2606 and 2807 Do Pass; and Senate Bill 2514 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Meeks, Chairperson of the Committee on Education, reports Senate Bills 2507 and 2537 Do Pass.

Senator Sandoval, Chairperson of the Committee on Transportation, reports Senate Bills 2476, 2804, 2994 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 2566 and 2927 Do Pass, as Amended.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Madam Secretary, Resolutions, please.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Resolution 638, offered by Senator Demuzio and all Members.

Senate Resolution 639, offered by Senators Koehler, Risinger and all Members.

Senate Resolution 640, offered by Senator Sullivan and all Members.

Senate Resolution 641, offered by Senator Lightford and all Members.

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They are death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you, Madam Secretary. Messages from the House. Excuse me, before we go to the Messages from the House, Resolutions Consent Calendar, Madam Secretary. Now may we go to Messages from the House. Continuing on Resolutions, Madam Secretary.

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senate Resolution 642, offered by Senator Haine.

Senate Resolution 643, offered by Senator Lightford.

And Senate Resolution 644, offered by Senator Jacobs.

They are substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Now let's try Messages from the House, please.

SECRETARY ROCK:

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

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following title, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 4673.

We have received like Messages on House Bills 4721, 4765, and 4842.

All passed the House, February 16th, 2010. Mark Mahoney, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Risinger, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR RISINGER:

A point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Please state your point, sir.

SENATOR RISINGER:

Yeah, I have a Page for the Day. His name is Chris Layton. He's from Logan Junior High School in Princeton. In the gallery is his parents, Allen and Kathy Layton, and also his teacher, David Gray. Would you please give them a warm welcome to Springfield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

...our guests in the galleries please rise and be recognized? And, Chris, welcome to the Illinois State Senate. Welcome to Springfield. Madam Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading, please.

SECRETARY ROCK:

House Bill 4673, offered by Senator Muñoz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4765, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4842, offered by Senator Sandoval.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of these House bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Sullivan, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, I have a guest -- some guests with me here today in -- in the gallery. The Sheriff of

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Warren County, Martin Edwards, and his wife, Ann, are up in the gallery on the -- on the other side over there, and they are -- they are here to -- the Sheriff is here to testify on a bill that I have coming up in committee at noon. And I'd just like everybody to welcome them to Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Will our guests please rise and be recognized? Welcome to Springfield. Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Ladies and Gentlemen, for purposes of an announcement, we're waiting for the report on Committee on Assignments to be finalized. It should be finalized any moment and then we'll be having a Committee on Assignment {sic} meeting immediately. So I'd ask all members on Committee of Assignments please just stay put; we'll be meeting very momentarily. Thank you. Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, we -- the Committee on Assignments will meet immediately in the President's Anteroom. The Committee on Assignments will meet immediately in the President's Anteroom. I'd ask all members of the Committee on Assignments please report to the President's Anteroom. We'll stand at ease for just a moment and -- till -- while the committee meets and we'll come back in and read the committee assignments. Thank you.

(SENATE STANDS AT EASE/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

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

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on

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Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to the Agriculture and Conservation Committee - Senate Bill 3071; refer to the Consumer Protection Committee - Senate Bill 3578; refer to the Elections Committee - House Bill 2465; refer to the Executive Committee - Senate Bill 3268 and Senate Bill 3377; refer to the Human Services Committee - Senate Bill 3264 and Senate Bill 3315; referred to the Insurance Committee - Senate Bill 3480; refer to the State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee - Senate Bill 3249 and Senate Bill 3816; refer to the Transportation Committee - Senate Bill 2571, Senate Bill 3228, Senate Bill 3140, Senate Bill 3549, and Senate Resolution 435; re-referred from the Judiciary Committee to the Agriculture and Conservation Committee - Senate Bill 2632; Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Bill 384, Senate Bill 934, Senate Bill 1346, Senate Bill 2109, and House Bill 2376.

Signed by Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to the Commerce Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2577; refer to the Criminal Law Committee - Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 and House Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 2109; refer to the Licensed Activities Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2602 and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2814; refer to the Pension {sic} and Investments Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2483; Be Approved for Consideration - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2537.

Signed by Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you arise, sir?
Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Senate Republicans would like a thirty minute caucus in the Leader's Office immediately upon recess or adjournment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Okay, that request is always in order. We'll just have to make an adjustment on the committee hearings, so please pay attention. There's been a request for a Republican Caucus immediately upon recess, so there's been some time changes in the committees. So, today, Criminal Law will meet at 1 p.m. in Room 212. Criminal Law will be at 1 p.m. in Room 212. There's House Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 2109 that will be heard in Criminal Law today at 1:20 - at 1:20. Environmental {sic} has been canceled. Local Government will now meet in Room 409 at the hour of 1 p.m. Local Government will be at 1 p.m. Executive - Executive Committee will meet in Room 212 at the hour of 2:30. Executive, in Room 212 at the hour of 2:30. Licensed Activities will meet today at the hour of 2:20. Licensed Activities will meet at 2:20 in Room 409 - in Room 409. Revenue - Revenue will meet today at the hour of 2:20 in Room 400. Revenue, at the hour of 2:20 in Room 400. Insurance has been canceled. Executive Appointments will meet at its scheduled time in Room 212. Executive Appointments, in Room 212 at the hour of 4:30. Senator Syverson, are you seeking recognition, sir?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

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Just a point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Please state your point, sir.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

I'd like to welcome Senator Dale Risinger in -- who's in the President's Gallery, and thank him for joining us today. Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senator Risinger, welcome to Springfield. Welcome. Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, the Senate will stand in recess to call of the Chair. After committee meetings, the Senate will reconvene to receive committee reports and other matters not requiring Floor action. There will be no Floor action until the Senate reconvenes at the hour of 12 p.m. on the 18th of February, the year 2010. The Senate will stand in recess.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SCHOENBERG)

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

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senator Noland, Chairperson of the Committee on Criminal Law, reports Senate Bills 2488, 2551, 2578, 2589, 2952 Do Pass; and Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 and 3 to Senate Bill 2109 recommended Do Adopt.

Senator Koehler, Chairperson of the Committee on Local Government, reports Senate Bill 2523 and 2614 Do Pass; Senate Bill 2529 Do Pass, as Amended.

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Senator Martinez, Chairperson of the Committee on Licensed Activities, reports Senate Bills 2604 and 2800 Do Pass; Senate Bills 2602 and 2814 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Viverito, Chairperson of the Committee on Revenue, reports Senate Bills 2350, 2505 and 2579 Do Pass.

Senator Silverstein, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 416 recommended Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SCHOENBERG)

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 come to the President's Anteroom immediately. The Senate will stand at ease.

(SENATE STANDS AT EASE/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SCHOENBERG)

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

SECRETARY ROCK:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to the Executive Subcommittee on Campaign Finance - Senate Bill 3350, Senate Bill 3449 and Senate Bill 3580; re-referred from the Executive Committee to the Executive Subcommittee on Legislative Tuition Waivers - Senate Bill 3652 and Senate Bill 3511.

Signed by Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SCHOENBERG)

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House Bill 2516.

We have received like Messages on House Bills 4675, 4681, 4684, 4708, 4715, 4717 and 4744.

All passed the House, February 17th, 2010. Mark Mahoney, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SCHOENBERG)

Madam Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ROCK:

House Bill 2516, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4708, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4717, offered by Senator Righter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 4744, offered by Senator Althoff.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SCHOENBERG)

There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 12 p.m. on February 18th, 2010. The Senate now stands adjourned.