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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The regular Session of the 98th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desk? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, Sr., President and Founder, National Rainbow PUSH Coalition. Reverend Jackson.

THE REVEREND JESSE L. JACKSON, SR.:

(Prayer by the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, Sr.)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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

SENATOR JACOBS:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Jacobs)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Collins, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR COLLINS:

For a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR COLLINS:

I would like to make a few remarks about our honored guest, Reverend Jackson. If he would join me, please. Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I would like to share a few remarks to acknowledge the accomplishments and the achievements of Reverend Jackson, Louis Jackson, our honored guest today. He is the founder and President of the Rainbow PUSH Coalition. Reverend Jackson is perhaps one of the last remaining protégés and disciples of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. And on Saturday, the Chicago Urban League will honor him with the 2013

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Edwin C. Berry Civil Rights Award in recognition of his stature as one of America's foremost civil rights, religious and political figures. One of the reasons we have such a diverse Body in the Illinois General Assembly, diverse by gender and race, is because Reverend Jackson marched from Selma to Montgomery with Dr. King in 1965. And as an ambassador for peace, he has traveled the world to negotiate the release of many prisoners of war and human shields. In 1984, he negotiated the release of Navy Lieutenant Robert Goodman from Syria. Also, in 1984, he negotiated the release of forty-eight Cuban and Cuban-American prisoners in Cuba. In 1991, he negotiated the release of foreign nationals and British and American -- more than twenty Americans from Iraq. And in 1999, he negotiated the release of U.S. POWs captured during the Kosovo War. In recognition of his international and national activism for social justice, civil rights, peace, empowerment, and gender equality, President Clinton awarded Reverend Jackson the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2000. This is the nation's highest civilian honor. And last, but not least, who can forget his historic presidential campaigns of 1984 and 1988 that laid the groundwork for the successful 2008 presidential run of our former colleague and now President Barack Obama. He has many more accolades to be recognized for, achievements, but just in the interest of time, please extend a warm and generous welcome to this outstanding and great humanitarian and human rights leader.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

...welcome you, Reverend Jackson, to the Illinois Senate. Thank you for all of your advocacy on behalf of all the people of the State of Illinois. Tony J. Yuscus, [Blueroomstream.com](http://Blueroomstream.com), requests permission to videotape. Leave is granted. James R. Carder,

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Blueroomstream, requests permission to videotape. Leave is granted. Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Madam President. If I may, point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Absolutely. State your privilege.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Madam President. We're very happy today to have the future of Illinois with us. In the President's Gallery, we have high school students from Arcola High School. And the American History class in this gallery, if they'd stand. And also, behind me, we have fourth graders from Prairieview-Ogden School District, and if they'd stand and wave. And this is the future of our State. We're very happy to have 'em here today. And let's give 'em a big Springfield welcome, if we may. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please rise and be welcomed to the Illinois General Assembly. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, November 6, 2013.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Madam 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 LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Hunter moves to postpone the



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reading and approval of the Journal, pending arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 691, offered by Senator Oberweis and all Members.

It's a death resolution, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Mr. Secretary, Resolution Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Harmon, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive, reports Motions to Concur - House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1523, House Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1523, House Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 1523, House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1787 and House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1787, House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2365 Recommend Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Mr. Secretary, Introduction of Senate Bills.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2622, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2623, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2624, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2625, offered by Senator McCarter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2626, offered by Senator McCarter.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of these Senate bills.

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Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, 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 635.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Together with the following amendment which is attached, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 635.

We have received a like Message on Senate Bill 2335, with House Amendments 1, 2, 4 and 5. Passed the House, as amended, November 7th, 2013. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Doug Wolfe, WAND-TV, requests permission to record. Leave is granted. Senator Connelly, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CONNELLY:

For purposes of introduction, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your introduction, Senator.

SENATOR CONNELLY:

Thank you, Madam President. Members of the Senate, I would like to introduce my Page for a Day, Kathryn Lawlor. Kathryn is from Naperville, a graduate of Neuqua Valley High School. She's

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currently a sophomore at the University of Illinois - Champaign-Urbana, studying atmospheric sciences - something I never studied when I was in college. Her plan is to -- is to pursue a career in public education, broadcasting, or law, and she also has an interest in public speaking and, in particular, the Spanish language. So, how about a big hand for my Page for a Day, Kathryn Lawlor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Welcome to the Illinois General Assembly. Senator LaHood, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LaHOOD:

A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR LaHOOD:

Thank you, Madam President. Today, I'm joined by my Page for the Day, Elicora Katz. And Elicora is a freshman at University of Chicago, majoring in econ and philosophy. And we have a number of students from University of Chicago Institute of Politics that are here today, and I'd like to welcome them as well. Elicora is here for the first time, and her hobbies include blogging, studying Talmud, and journalism. She plays basketball, piano, and participates in Russian character ballet. She is fluent in English, Farsi, Hebrew, and is conversational in French, Arabic, and Spanish. She is interested in Farsi, philosophy, politics, and particularly international affairs in the Middle East. And we've enjoyed having her in Springfield. Like everyone to give her a warm welcome. Thank you.

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Welcome to the Illinois General Assembly. Senator Steans, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR STEANS:

A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR STEANS:

I, too, have a Page for the Day with me from the University of Chicago. She's originally from Philadelphia and has seen the wisdom and prefers Chicago now. She's in -- living in Hyde Park. She's a junior, studying public policy and international studies. She's been involved in Model UN and is also fluent in Chinese and Spanish. And she's also been participating in the Institute of Politics programming. So we're glad to have that program here and getting kids interested in what we're doing here in Springfield. And please welcome Laura Wang to -- with us here today. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Welcome to the Illinois General Assembly. Senator Biss, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BISS:

A point of personal privilege, if I might.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Madam President. I also want to introduce to our colleagues Tyler Kissinger, also from the Institute of Politics at the University of Chicago, who is here with me for the day. Tyler is majoring in applied math at the University of Chicago, but

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nonetheless has an interest in public policy, a combination that surely makes -- causes all of us significant surprise. He comes from North Carolina and we're thrilled to have him, not only in the State of Illinois, but here in the Capitol. And please join me in giving him a very warm welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Welcome to the Illinois General Assembly. Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RAOUL:

Point of personal privilege, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR RAOUL:

I have with me Marissa Lee, who is a fourth-year student, economics major, at the University of Chicago. And she's down here with the University of Chicago Institute of Politics, the great institute of higher learning in the 13th Legislative District. And I want -- would like the Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate to give Marissa a warm welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Welcome to the Illinois General Assembly. 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 you please come to the President's Anteroom immediately? The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) Senator Silverstein in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Murphy, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

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Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Please state your point.

SENATOR MURPHY:

I have a Page today with me, who is -- you know, just as yesterday, I can't claim him as being from the 27th District, but an impressive young man from, actually, Atlanta. He's a freshman at the University of Chicago, whom I met recently, along with Senator Althoff, at the University of Chicago's Institute of Politics. He is a bright young man with a -- with a tremendous future - Anthony Schnaub {sic} (Downer). And I would ask that we give him a warm Senate welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Thank you. Anthony, welcome to the Senate. Senator McCann, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCANN:

For a point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Please state your point.

SENATOR McCANN:

I have with me my good friend, Jesse Kamees. He is my Page for -- for the Day. He is from Auburn, Illinois, just down the road here a few miles. Jesse is a junior at the University of Illinois at Springfield. And at some point, he would like to pursue a career in politics. He would like to serve here in this Chamber one day and I think he would do an absolutely awesome job. I hope you all join me in welcoming him to the Illinois State Senate. Thank you.

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Thank -- thank you. Welcome to the Senate. Anthony -- Anthony from -- Perez from the Chicago Tribune asks leave to take photographs. Leave given? Leave is given. Senator Forby, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR FORBY:

Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

State your point.

SENATOR FORBY:

Today, we have a guy that works for the Senate -- Senate here. Has been for a long time. And he's helped me out a bunch. He's in the Labor -- Labor Committee. His name is Jake Butcher. Most people don't know Jake. Jake and me, we've had quite a time. So, he took care of all the Labor Committee. We got going together that -- we'd have bills come up in my committee, I'd say, "Jake, I don't like this bill. We're going to put it in subcommittee." He said, "Oh, Gary, Gary, you can't do that. You can't do that. Let me look at it. Let me work on it. Let me work on it." Well, Jake would always come back and go see everybody and he'd work on it. He'd come back and we worked things out. But Jake's leaving us here. And we're all going to miss him. He's going to go on up the ladder. He's going to be one of the best lawyers in the State of Illinois one -- one of these days. And let's give Jake a nice happy hand from the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Thank you for your service, Jake. Thank you. Senator Muñoz, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

State your point.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, one of our former colleagues of the Senate, Senator Jacobs' birthday is Saturday. I know a lot of us see him around here. He's normally on the first floor. But, when you see him, wish him a happy birthday, my former seatmate, good man. Wish him many, many more birthdays to come. And also, another friend of ours, Bobby Myers, his birthday is Saturday. His Mrs., I ran into her this week and she says, "Senator, would you do me a favor? Bobby put my birthday in the newspaper. And I don't know how to get him back." And I'm thinking, well, maybe I can announce his birthday. So, he's up in the gallery right now. So, happy birthday, Bobby, on behalf of your Mrs.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senate please rise and wish happy birthday to Senator Jacobs and Bobby, if he's back up there. Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Mr. President, point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Please state your point.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, for the -  
- over the last year, I've had the pleasure of chairing the  
Judiciary Committee. And I've got to say, I -- I've really looked  
good doing it. I looked -- I -- I've really looked like I knew  
what I was talking about at all times. And I'd love to say that  
I was personally responsible for what was coming out of my mouth



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and -- and being precise with all the opinions that I expressed, but there was one person who was essential to me being right all the time, and that's Amy Bowne. Unfortunately, I may have to resign my chairmanship of the Judiciary Committee, 'cause today is Amy's last day on Senate staff. And she's going to be going to the Supreme Court to help the Supreme Court opine on what we'll be sending them soon. And so I've got some final thoughts to share with you, Amy. We'll talk about that before you leave us, because we expect us -- we expect you to continue to working -- continue working for us as you go to the Supreme Court. Please join me in thanking Amy for her -- her service.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Thank you, Amy. Senator Althoff, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Please state your point.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

I, too, have a quest with me today from the University of Chicago. He is José Morales. He is a second-year medical student. He was originally born in Puerto Rico and now makes Florida his home. But, again, is a student at the University of Chicago, here with the group that is viewing government up close and personal. And I'm going to -- I'm going to ask everybody to -- thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Can we give Senator Althoff our undivided attention, please?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

There is an opportunity for all of us in this Chamber to take

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advantage of. The University of Chicago has a program every summer for interns to work with elected officials. This past year, I was the only State elected official that took advantage of it and had a wonderful young man work in my office, cost me nothing, and he was phenomenal. I would strongly urge each and every one of you in this Chamber to make sure that you contact the University and take advantage of this program. They have students from all over the State of Illinois, as well as from all over the country and other international countries. So I encourage all of you to take advantage and provide this wonderful opportunity for those students. Thank you very much, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

...you. Welcome to the Senate. And thank you for the plug. Mr. Secretary, any committee reports?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Executive Appointments Committee - Appointment Messages 360 through 362; Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Resolution 661, 672, House Joint Resolution 35, House Joint Resolution 44, House Joint Resolution 47, House Joint Resolution 57, House Joint Resolution 58, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 635, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 2071, Motion to Concur on House Amendments 1, 2, 4 and 5 to Senate Bill 2335.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

To fulfill our responsibilities under Article V, Section 9 of the Constitution, we will now proceed to the Order of Advise and

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Consent. Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on appointments set forth -- Appointment Messages 41, 123, 124, 150, 152, 162, 173, 189, 191, 204, 221, 234 to 237, 240 through 242, 244, 245, 246 through 249, 258 through 262, 265, 267, 270 through 286, 292, 293, 311 through 316, 319, 324 through 332, 339, 354, 358 and 359.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz moves that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on the Appointment Messages just read. All those in favor, say Nay {sic}. Opposed, No. The Ayes have it. The motion carries. The Senate is resolved into Executive Session. On page 5 of regular Calendar is an -- is the Order Executive Appointments - Appointment Messages. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message No. 41.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be the Superintendent of the School for the Visually Impaired: Serena Preston.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

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There any discussion? The question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor will vote Nay {sic}. The opposed, 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 49 Yeas, no voting No, 1 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr.... Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message 123.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be the Director of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency: Jonathon Monken.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

There any question? If not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read. All those in favor will vote Yea. The opposed, No -- 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 49 voting Yea, no voting No, 10 not voting. A -- a majority of the Senate voters elected by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment No. --

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Appointment Message 124.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be the Assistant Director of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency: Joseph G. Klinger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Any discussion? If not, the question, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor will vote Yea. The opposed, vote Nay. The voting is -- open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. ...that question, there are 46 voting Yea, no voting No, and 2 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment No. -- Message -- Appointment Message 150.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be the Chair of the Department of Employment Security Board of Review: William H. McClusky.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

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Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? If not, does -- does -- if not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor will vote Yea. The -- voting 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 48 voting Yea, no voting Nay, and 1 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Message 152.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a member of the Department of Employment Security Board of Review: Marilyn S. Orso.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? If not, does the Senate -- if not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor, vote Yea. The

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opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? On that -- take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, no -- no voting Nay, 2 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message 191. I'm sorry. Mr. Secretary, Message Appointment {sic} No. 162.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the Prisoner Review Board: William Charles Norton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor, vote Yea. Opposed, 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 50 voting Yea, no voting No -- Nay, 3 voting Present. A majority of voter -- of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment No. -- Message 191.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the State -- Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be the Director of Human Resources for the Office of the Illinois Comptroller: Matthew Magalis.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Any discussion? If not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor will vote Yea. Opposed, 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 51 Ayes, no voting No -- Nay, 3 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Message -- Appointment Message 204.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the Prisoner Review Board: Eric Eugene Gregg.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.



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SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

If any -- is there any discussion? If not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor -- I'm sorry. Senator Bivins, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the appointment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

To the appointment.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just to alert the Members, there were -- on our side of the aisle, there were some concerns; there were two Present votes and a No vote. Just to let Members know. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Seeing no further question, the question -- or, discussion, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor will vote Yea. Opposed, 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 38 Yea, 12 voting Nay, 3 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record {sic}, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message 245.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments

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recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the State Police Merit Board: Earl Hernandez.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor, vote Yea. Opposed, 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 50 Yeas, no Nays, 3 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message No. 249.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be the Executive Director of the Illinois Pollution Control Board: Thomas E. Johnson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to

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the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

There any discussion? If not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message -- Message just read. All those in favor, vote Yea. The vote -- opposed, 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 51 Yeas, no voting Nay, 2 voting Present. The majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment No. 270.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be the member -- to be a Member of the Department of Employment Security Board of Review: Charles Richard Vernier.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor will vote Yea. Opposed, 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 51 voting Aye, no voting Nay, 1 voting Present. A majority of

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Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. -- Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message 271.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the Department of Employment Security Board of Review: Rosetta Shinn.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? And if not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor, vote Yea. Opposed, 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 50 voting Aye, no voting Nay, 3 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message 281.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority:

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James Banks.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor will vote Yea. Opposed, 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 51 voting Aye, no voting Nay, 3 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message -- 282.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority:  
Earl Dotson, Jr.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, does the

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Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read. All -- all those -- in favor, vote Yea. Opposed, 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 51 voting Aye, no voting Nay, 3 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message 283.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority:  
James M. Sweeney.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor will say Yea - - vote Yea. Vote -- and opposed, 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 49 voting Yea, 3 voting Nay, no voting Present. A majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message 284.

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ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member and Chair of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority: Paula Wolff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

There any discussion? If not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor, vote Aye -- Yea. Opposed, 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 50 Yeas, vote -- no voting Nay, 3 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to this appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message 319.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the Prisoner Review Board: Vonetta Rush.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

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Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor will vote Aye -- Yea. Opposed, 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 49 Yeas, no voting Nay, 3 voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message 339.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a Member of the Civil Service Commission: Casey Urlacher.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor will vote Yea. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. All -- have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there



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are 51 Aye -- Yeas, no voting Nay, 3 voting Present. A majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Message 359.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments recommends that the Senate do advise and consent to the following salaried appointment:

To be a -- to be the Superintendent of the Illinois School for the Deaf: Janice Smith Warshaw.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the Appointment Message just read. All those in favor will vote Yea. Opposed, 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 52 voting Yea, no voting Nay, 3 voting Present. A -- and a majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the appointment just read. On page 10 of the regular Calendar, Mr. Secretary, Motions in Writing - Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I have a motion in writing from Senator Muñoz, Chairman of the Committee on Executive Appointments.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Mr. Secretary, read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Motion to Compile Appointment Messages.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 10-1(c), as the Chairman of the Executive Appointments Committee, I move to compile the following Appointment Messages to be acted on together by a single vote of the Senate:

Appointment Messages 240, 241 and 242 - the Affordable Housing Advisory Commission; Appointment Message 221 - Board of the Illinois State Museum; Appointment Message 354 - Central Illinois Economic Development Authority; Appointment Message 316 - Board of Trustees of Chicago State University; Appointment Messages 279 and 280 - Children and Family Services Advisory Council; Appointment Message 265 - East St. Louis Financial Advisory Authority; Appointment Messages 236 and 237 - Financial Reporting Standards Board; Appointment Message 275 - Havana Regional Port District Board; Appointment Messages 326, 327 and 328 - Health Facilities and Services Review Board; Appointment Messages 234 and 235 - Historic Preservation Agency Board of Trustees; Appointment Messages 246, 247 and 248 - Illinois Health Information Exchange Authority; Appointment Messages 311, 312, 313 and 314 - Illinois Housing Development Authority; Appointment Message 330 - Illinois Student Assistance Commission; Appointment Messages 272, 273, 274 and 358 - the Kaskaskia Regional Port District Board; Appointment Message 315 - Lottery Control Board; Appointment Message 244 - Medical Licensing Board; Appointment Message 278 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Bond County; Appointment Message 292 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Clay County;

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Appointment Message 293 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Edgar County; Appointment Message 261 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Ford County; Appointment Message 286 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Johnson County; Appointment Message 332 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Macon County; Appointment Message 277 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Macoupin County; Appointment Message 331 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Marshall County; Appointment Message 259 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Peoria County; Appointment Message 285 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Pope County; Appointment Message 258 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Rock Island County; Appointment Message 260 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Saline County; Appointment Message 262 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Shelby County; Appointment Message 173 - Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Williamson County; Appointment Messages 276 and 324 - Southwest Regional Port District Board; Appointment Messages 267 and 329 - State Board of Health; Appointment Message 189 - Tri-County River Valley Development Authority Board; and Appointment Message 325 - Western Illinois Economic Development Authority.

Dated, November 5th, 2013. And signed, Assistant Majority Leader Antonio Muñoz, Chairman, Executive Appointments Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? If not, Senator Muñoz moves to compile the Appointment Message {sic} into -- to be acted on together on a single vote of the Senate. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Nays {sic} have it. The motion carries. Mr. Secretary, read the compiled -- appointments.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

To be Members of the Affordable Housing Advisory Commission:  
Willie B. Nelson, Shelia T. Romano, and Phyllis Mitzen.

To be a Member of the Board of the Illinois State Museum:  
Leo Welch.

To be a Member of the Central Illinois Economic Development  
Authority: Edward Heck.

To be a Member of the Board of Trustees of Chicago State  
University: Nikki Michele Zollar.

To be Members of the Children and Family Services Advisory  
Council: Cathy McCoy and Patricia Martin.

To be a Member of the East St. Louis Financial Advisory  
Authority: Eleanor E. Gregory.

To be Members of the Financial Reporting Standards Board:  
Larry Lascody and Sean Vinck.

To be a Member of the Havana Regional Port District Board:  
Ronald Hills.

To be Members of the Health Facilities and Services Review  
Board: Dale Galassie, Alan Greiman, and John Hayes.

To be Members of the Historic Preservation Agency Board of  
Trustees: Gary Hammons and Theodore Flickinger.

To be Members of the Illinois Health Information Exchange  
Authority: William E. Kobler, David G. Holland, and Nicholas E.  
Panomitros.

To be Members of the Illinois Housing Development Authority:  
Melody Reynolds, William J. Malleris, Karen A. Davis and Mary Kane.

To be a Member of the Illinois Student Assistance Commission:  
Kim Savage.

To be Members of the Kaskaskia Regional Port District Board:

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George W. Obernagel, Rodney Linker, Brian O. Funk, and Clement Esker.

To be a Member of the Lottery Control Board: Paul Schaefer.

To be a Member of the Medical Licensing Board: Philip Dray.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Bond County: Kevin Sybert.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Clay County: Diane Frye.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Edgar County: Matthew Myrick.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Ford County: Janet Brewer.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Johnson County: Louise Cook.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Macon County: Suzanne Johnson.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Macoupin County: Aaron Bellm.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Marshall County: Jane Johnson.

To be a Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Peoria County: David Wentworth II.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Pope County: Janet Proctor.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Rock Island County: Michael Halpin.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Saline County: Tammi Jackson.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Shelby

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County: Elizabeth Nohren.

To be the Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Williamson County: John Cooksey.

To be Members of the Southwest Regional Port District Board: Scott Penny and Herbert Simmons.

To be Members of the State Board of Health: June Lee and Victoria Persky.

To be a Member of the Tri-County Valley Development Board: Martin Helfers.

To be a Member of the Western Illinois Economic Development Authority: Earl Godt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate do advise and consent to the appointments just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the compiled Appointment Messages. All those in favor, vote Yea. The opposed, 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 voting Aye, no voting Nay, no voting Present. A majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does advise and consent to the compiled Appointment Messages. Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move that the Senate arise from Executive Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SILVERSTEIN)

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Senator Muñoz moves that the Senate arise from Executive -- Executive Session. All those in favor, vote Yea. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate has now arisen from Executive Session. Senator Lightford back in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Raoul, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RAOUL:

A point of personal privilege, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, in the gallery behind us, we have the -- a guest from Chicago, the Superintendent of the Chicago Park District, Mr. Michael Kelly. Can we give him a warm Senate welcome?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Welcome to the Illinois General Assembly. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, please turn your Calendars to page 2, on the top of page 2, on the Order of 3rd Reading, and if you could please lower your voices so that Members can be heard during their debate. On the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, Senator Kotowski. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 209.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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Senator Kotowski.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Thank you very much, Madam President. Good morning to you. As passed by the House, H Bill -- House Bill 209 includes fiscal year '14 supplemental appropriations and technical changes to the enacted fiscal year '14 budget. The bill totals 50.2 million, of which only 514.7 thousand is GRF, which represents three Court of Claims award payments. The remaining 49.7 million is non-GRF, of which 37.3 million is other State funds and 12.4 million is federal funds. The bill includes 33.9 million other State funds and appropriation authority related to the implementation of the Firearm Conceal Carry Act. The increase in spending authority is in an anticipation of revenues once the application process is started on January 1st, 2014. Be more than happy to answer any -- any questions you may have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Senator Murphy, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY:

Question of the sponsor, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Senator, I know you had indicated, and -- and just to reiterate for the Chamber, that this supplemental includes the money necessary to implement the concealed carry law that was passed earlier this year. What percentage of this supplemental is to fund the concealed carry law and what percentage of this total fifty million comes from GRF?



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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Kotowski.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Thank you, Senator Murphy. The -- of the total supplemental, Senator Murphy, about -- it's about fifty million, but only five hundred and fourteen thousand is GRF. And if you break down the other State funds, the other State funds, about 33.9 million is for the implementation of the Firearms Concealed Carry Act, and the rest is about 49.7 million. So it's about 33.9 million of 49.7.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

To -- to the bill: Thank you, Senator, for the answers on that. I encourage an Aye vote so we can implement the concealed carry law that has been put into effect and allow the people in this State - the fiftieth in the Union to get this right - to actually exercise their Second Amendment right. So, I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Any further discussion? Senator Jacobs, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR JACOBS:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Senator, does this include the dollars that we owe State employees for back pay?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Kotowski.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

No, sir.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

I just think it's important that the Senate is aware that we owe this money, and at some point in our career and our life, we ought to -- we ought to pay it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HUNTER:

Question for the sponsor, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Senator Kotowski, are the funds in -- in the supplemental budget for the revolving -- the transfer for the Road Fund into the Revolving Loan Fund?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Kotowski.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Yes, Senator Hunter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Kotowski, to close.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

I would simply ask for an Aye vote. Thank you for your time.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall House Bill 209 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 54 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, 2 voting Present. House Bill 209, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Clayborne, on House Bill 1002. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1002.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Mr. -- Madam President. Senate Bill -- 2002 -- I mean, 1002 is just a -- a increase of the debt limit for the school district of Lebanon. They passed a referendum increasing the ability to issue bonds to build a new elementary school building. So the voters have already approved this and they want to use about -- a little over three and a half million dollars to build this new school. There's no opposition that I'm aware of.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1002 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present.

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House Bill 1002, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Hutchinson, on House Bill 2327. The lady indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2327.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Senate. House Bill 2327 increases from fifteen dollars to twenty-five dollars the maximum filing fee a county board may direct a circuit clerk to charge for automated recordkeeping. Current law also requires a clerk who collects an automated recordkeeping fee to also charge and collect an equal amount from any guilty defendant in a felony, traffic, misdemeanor, municipal ordinance, or conservation violence -- or, violation case. House Bill 2327 amends the Act to cap these additional fees at fifteen dollars. And I'd ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

She indicates she will yield. Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

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Senator, the cost of processing this task, has it increased so that we have to increase the amount to charge?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Yes, especially in Cook County with the sheer number of records that need to be digitalized. So the proponents argue that the fee -- that the fee increase is necessary to keep up with the ever-increasing digitalization of the legal process; new electronic innovations coming to courthouses, including allowing officers to issue electronic citations, which are sent automatically to the courthouse database; the expansion of e-filing; and interactive systems that allow judges and lawyers to look at electronic documents on screens placed throughout the courtroom rather than passing around paper copies. The issue also is that they -- the -- very few circuits charge the current maximum automation fee, so this is very unlikely to affect the great majority of circuits.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

To the bill: I think -- I think the sponsor has just made a great argument for voting No on this bill. You -- automation reduces cost. You just talked about everything was e-filed and instead you're going the opposite direction. This is one of the highest filing fees in the State. This doesn't make a bit of sense. If you -- if you -- if you increase the number of -- transactions by ten times, it only -- it costs you ten times as much, and by automation, you've reduced the cost per transaction.

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You're going in the opposition direction. This -- this is -- this is not needed. I urge a -- a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Further discussion? Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Madam President. I rise in support of the bill. And I -- I need to respond to the prior speaker. I think he mischaracterized what's at issue here. It's not that there are more transactions being processed by the same system; it's that the ever-expanding electronic world requires more systems. Those need to be developed. There are more records being processed in more different ways and all of that comes out of the same fee. This is simply recognizing that as we expand the electronic digital world in the courts, there's much more work to be done. And in a county like Cook County, the fee needs to be increased in order to pay for all those new electronic recordkeeping systems. I urge your -- your support of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hutchinson, to close.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you for those things. I understand when people are concerned about this. I just -- in addition to everything that was just said, the -- the -- we still require courts to keep all paper documents. And so the cost of those storage things are increasing. So this is a commonsense bill. It shouldn't affect most courts across the State. And I would ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall House Bill 2327 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. 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 39 voting Yea, 15 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2327, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2427. Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 2427 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Senator Harmon has chose to pull the record -- the -- out of the record. Senator Hutchinson, on House Bill 2453. Senator Hutchinson. Out of the record. Senator Sullivan, on House Bill 2494. Senator Sullivan. Out of the record. Senator Manar, on House Bill 2536. Senator Manar. Ladies and Gentlemen, please turn your Calendars to the top of page 3 on the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading. Senator Harmon, on House Bill 2747. Out of the record. Senator Harmon, on House Bill 2977. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. 2977. Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 2977 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 2977. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by President Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

I believe that President Cullerton has the amendment. I'd be happy to present it, but I -- it's the President's amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

President Cullerton, on your Floor amendment.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

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Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. This amendment is an initiative of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association. It fixes an issue with the Manufacturer's Purchase Credit. When it was reinstated in 2004, there was a drafting error that -- that omitted one of the dates of the Service Use Tax Act. So the -- the Department of Revenue is aware of this. Does not object to it. And I move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is House Bill 2977. Then -- Senator Harmon indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2977.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. As the Senate President explained in presenting the amendment, this is a technical fix to the Manufacturer's Purchase Credit. Came out of the Executive Committee without controversy.



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I'm not aware of any opposition. And I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall House Bill 2977 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2977, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3271. President Cullerton. Oh! Sorry. That will be Tom Cullerton. Out of the record. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we will be going to Secretary's Desk of Concurrences on page 4 - the top of page 4 on Secretary's Desk, Concurrence, Senate Bills. Senate Bill 45. Senator Raoul. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 45.

Signed by Senator Raoul.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 45, as amended, amends the Liquor Control Act to permit the following entities to sell liquor within a hundred feet of a church, school, or hospital. The entities included in this are the Northwestern Memorial Hospital, which has a restaurant at one -- in one of its medical facilities; Harper Court Theater; the Family Den Lounge, a lounge that's existed for thirty years, but a mosque has moved into the same building; the Museum of

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Science and Industry; Quarry Restaurant; and Rico Fresh foods. I urge your support and would yield for any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendment No. 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 45. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 52 voting Yea, 4 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 45, having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendments No. 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 45, and the bill is declared passed. Senator Raoul, on Senate Bill 492. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendments 3 and 4 to Senate Bill 492.

Signed by Senator Raoul.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This past spring, we had -- we passed Senate Bill 2233, which sought to extend the repeal date for the design-build provision in the Public Building Commission's Act. However, that repeal date was June 1. We didn't deliver the bill until June 10th, so this is to correct and -- the intention of the bill that we had passed in -- in -- in May.

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Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments No. 3 and 4 to Senate Bill 492. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 492, having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendments No. 3 and 4 to Senate Bill 492, and the bill is declared passed. Senator Dillard, on Senate Bill 578. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 578.

Signed by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Madam President and Members. After the two House amendments, Senate Bill 578 establishes renewal procedures for Professional Educator Licenses for teachers. In 2011, the General Assembly passed a bill which established a new system for educator licensure in Illinois. This bill is now a follow-up and addresses professional development activities required for licensure renewal. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments No. 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 578. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting

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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 Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendments No. 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 578, and the bill is declared passed. Andy Shofstall, WSIL, requests permission to record video and audio. Leave is...(microphone cutoff)... Senator Morrison, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Madam President. May the record please reflect that it was my intention to vote Aye for House Bill 2977? Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

You're welcome. Absolutely. The record will reflect your intentions. Senator Bertino-Tarrant, on Senate Bill 1219. Senator Bertino-Tarrant. Out of the record. Senator Muñoz, on Senate Bill 1448. Out of the record. Senator John Cullerton. President Cullerton. He indicates he wish to proceed. Please read -- out of the record. Senator Haine, on Senate Bill 1595. The gentleman indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1595.

Signed by Senator Haine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Madam -- thank you, Madam President and Ladies and

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Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a -- a -- an exemption created for the Chester Community Unit School District, which is in Senator Luechtefeld's district and Representative Jerry Costello's. They're being exempted from a LEED's Green Building Rating System because of the emergency need to construct this building. The -- the school is literally going over a cliff. Chester is a unique place. And we would ask that this be granted so they may proceed. This is a -- necessary for a CDB grant, which is being matched by local money. I would ask for an Aye vote. There's no...(microphone cutoff)...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator Luechtefeld, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. I want - first of all, want to thank Senator Haine for doing this. As he said, this is in my district. It is an emergency situation with a building that is kind of sliding off of a -- of a hill. So, thank you and hopefully we can get everyone's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments {sic} No. 1 to Senate Bill 1595. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Excuse me. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1595, and the bill is declared passed. Thank you. Senator Haine, on Senate Bill 1600. The gentleman indicates

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he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1600.

Signed by Senator Haine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Corrections. It does several things. It -- it moves back, for an additional six months, the implementation period for new licensing and the disciplinary process for sex offender evaluators. Because of the -- the lag in signing the bill and going through JCAR, they're just not physically equipped to get this thing done on time. It'll cause tremendous problems if January 1 comes and they're not able to do it. That's number one. Number two, it grandfathers in people who are qualified but do not have supervisory experience because they've been providers. And it grandfathers them into the approved provider list for at least two years if they've been on that list prior to the application of the law. There's -- there's no opposition. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments {sic} No. 1 to Senate Bill 1600. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record.

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On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1600, having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendment No. 1 to the Senate Bill 1600, and the bill is declared passed. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

On a point of personal privilege, if I might, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you very much, Madam President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Chamber, it is my pleasure to introduce to you someone who's very special in my life and, in a way, is special to all of our lives and -- and touches all of our families directly or indirectly. My stepmother, Rita, is here with us, who, among her many wonderful acts on behalf of our family, is also a retired hospice nurse. And I know, as we oftentimes talk out here on this Chamber about sometimes life and death issues and as we rise to honor members of the armed services who have -- who have -- who have given their lives, the ultimate sacrifice, for our country, sometimes we -- we forget about the people around them and who are -- who are required to give them care in those last minutes or those last hours. And my stepmother spent a career doing just that. But with that, Mr. -- Madam President, I'd ask if the Senate would give her a warm welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Welcome to the Illinois General Assembly. Senator Biss, on Senate Bill 1845. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's motion.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1845.

Signed by Senator Biss.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Chamber. This is a fairly simple bill related to the alternate certification for teachers' programs. These programs were changed in statute a few years ago, and because the rules for the new programs weren't in place until June, the schools that offer these programs weren't able to complete applications until now. And so this bill simply pushes back the implementation by a year to give time for those applications to go through the system, so the programs don't have to be stopped for a year. I know of no opposition. And I, frankly, can't think of a reason to oppose it. But I will say that it's a little disappointing that we're here. It would have been nice to have this program up and running at this point. And I certainly stand before you today with the expectation that by granting this additional time, we'll be able to see especially high quality applications once the program is up and running a year from now. Happy to take any questions and I'd appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1845 -- shall the Senate concur, excuse me, in House Amendments {sic} No. 1 to Senate Bill 1845. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take



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the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1845, and the bill is declared passed. Senator Biss, on Senate Bill 2196. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2196.

Signed by Senator Biss.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

Thank you, again, Madam President. Senate Bill 2196, as amended in the House, accomplishes three somewhat related things. The first is some corrections to a bill that we passed just this past spring, which in turn was clarifying the bill creating the Tier 2 pension system for the State University Retirement System. These are entirely technical clarifications to make the intent of that bill entirely unambiguous. The second is some changes to the return to work laws for the State University Retirement System. There's some -- some technical changes that were worked out between the employers and the Retirement System to make sure that implementation would be smooth. And there's also a -- a -- a fairly modest change to tighten, simplify, and strengthen the reform by eliminating what's known as the "eighteen paid week" condition. I do want to make special mention, 'cause I know there was some anxiety on a related topic last spring, that there's no -- no delay of the reform in this language, and I believe that

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this clarification to the return to work provision is entirely uncontroversial and indeed supported by -- by all parties. Finally, there's a provision that the University of Illinois shall operate the School of Labor and Employment Relations as a district {sic} and autonomous entity within the University of Illinois for purposes of offering curricula and other educational programs. Appreciate your support and happy to take any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 2196. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 43 voting Yea, 12 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendments {sic} No. 2 to Senate Bill 2196, and the bill is declared passed. Senator Steans, on Senate Bill 2352. Out of the record. Senator Link, on House Bill 1604. Senator Link. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're on page 5 and Secretary's Desk, Non-concurrence. Senator Link indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to recede from Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 1604. Signed by Senator Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Madam President. The underlying bill of 1604 amends the Property Tax Code and would allow assessors in counties

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with less than three million to declare a property that receives homestead exemption that it is not entitled to as an omitted assessment, but we -- that is the underlying bill that we passed and I would like that to be the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

A comment to the bill, please, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much. I'd like to thank Senator Link. This has been a work in progress for a very long time. We were working with the Realtors, not only over the Session, but over the summer. This is an excellent bill. It's supported by every single assessor, I believe, in the collar county area and I certainly, when we get to that opportunity, would urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall the Senate recede from its -- from House Amendment No. 1 -- Senate Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1604. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. The Senate recesses from Senate Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1604, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Muñoz. Senator Muñoz, on Senate Bill 341. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary -- oh! Senator Muñoz

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seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 341 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 341. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Muñoz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Madam President. The bill creates a tax credit to the incentive {sic} developers to develop properties -- are owned by the State and had more than a hundred employees at any time during two years preceding the bill's effective date. The credit would be equal to thirty percent of expenditures. The credit cannot exceed ten million per project. Only a total of forty million of credits can be issued. Credit can be transferred and be used against some income taxes or insurance taxes. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator Hastings, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HASTINGS:

To the bill, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

I want to say thanks to the -- to the sponsor for bringing this bill. Tinley Park Mental Health Center is one of the properties that'll be affected by this. It has a lot of issues in

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terms of environmental impact when it's destroyed, rebuilt or redeveloped. This bill will help developers, incentivize them to revitalize our area. And I want to say thanks to Senator Muñoz for that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Further discussion on the amendment? We're on the amendment, Ladies and Gentlemen. Discussion on the amendment. Senator McGuire, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

To the bill, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

We're...

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

To the amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

...we're on the amendment, Senator. Did you...

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

To the amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the amendment.

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

I wish to echo Senator Hastings' thanks to Senator Muñoz for sponsoring this amendment. I, too, have a facility in my community which was closed and seemed to have -- seems to have become invisible to the State of Illinois. But it's certainly not invisible to my constituents. And this bill should help spark private investment in shuttered State facilities, which will be a great boon to the affected communities. So, again, thank you, Leader Muñoz. I urge an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senator Muñoz indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 341.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Madam President. I explained the amendment, which became the bill. I will answer any questions, if there are any.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, I -- I think this bill's got some good things in it, and I know how it could affect my district potentially, because

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I'm not claiming that Murray Center has been closed yet, but we know that it's still a possibility. It's a large facility that has great value to the community. Here's my concern, and -- and hopefully you can keep me from thinking this is enough problem to say -- to vote No against this bill. But what would keep someone on the east side of town - the other side of town is this facility - from closing their facility and coming across town to take advantage of this program?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

The way it's in the bill, this is not for any other company to come in unfairly or to take advantage of the opportunity. This is for -- in areas that are having this problem or it's an eyesore. The State owns the facility. The State is spending money. I'll give you a simple example. In Joliet, the mayor that spoke in committee, it's 3.7 million dollars just to keep it secured for the prison in Joliet. That's an example. I don't know if that helps you any.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Not -- not really, Senator, because here's -- here's the -- here's my concern. You want to make sure that a abandoned State property, like one of our developmentally disabled institutions or prisons, doesn't cost the State more to upkeep. I understand that. You don't want it being an eyesore. I understand that. You're going to give someone an advantage, a saleable tax credit, which I think are great, to actually come in there and do something with

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it. But if we're just shifting it from one side of a town to the other side of a town, we've created a -- the same problem on the -- where these people left from. Now, if you're saying if somebody comes from out-of-state or, you know, to -- to -- to locate there and invest there in the community, that makes sense to me. I'm just afraid, as much as we need the -- we need to -- the State needs to get out from under the -- the burden of these properties and to allow that to be invested in the communities, specifically my community, that we're just going to have a -- a shifting, just like we did with STAR bonds, potentially, to give people the -- the -- the motivation to relocate from one side of town to the other. Is it possible that we can come back, kind of qualify that, so that this can be a better and safer bill for those communities, including mine?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

I would say what's in the bill now -- there is safeguards in it, and I'll tell you this much, Senator, if a certain municipality wants to do what this bill talks about, they're going to have to go to the local mayor. I'm sure they're going to vote on it. There's going to be -- they have their own safeguards. Each municipality's going to do it. I -- I don't think a company can just come in and say, from one side of town, and -- we're going to go in there and take control over a certain property. That's not what this bill does.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Further discussion? Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:



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Senator, the plan that has to be approved, according to the language in the legislation, in that approval process, can someone say "you're going to leave a defunct property on the other side of town, therefore we don't approve it"?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

I'll look for that in the bill, but that's not the way I have it here. In order -- I can tell you this, from what I'm reading from the bill, to qualify, the facility closure has to have occurred within past two years and would have employed at least a hundred employees. DCEO must approve a qualified rehabilitation plan outlining eligible expenditures for qualified structures for qualified taxpayers.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter, to the bill. To the bill, Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Thank you. I understand what they're approving. They're approving the actual rehabilitation cost and expenses. They're not approving whether it is going to negatively affect another part of their town. They don't have the ability to stop that. They only have the ability to approve the expenses and especially when -- and they -- then they have to get an actual audit when it gets up to a million dollars. So that's my concern about the bill. I think it's -- we're thinking in the right direction. Until you can come back and protect our communities from a -- a simple transfer from -- of one company from one side of the town to the other, I have to be in opposition to the bill. I apologize.

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Further discussion? Senator Stadelman, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR STADELMAN:

To the bill, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

I just also want to commend the sponsor for bringing forth this legislation. About a year ago, Singer Mental Health facility in Rockford was closed. Right now, the property sits vacant. And a couple months ago, I received pictures from people of overgrown weeds on this property. So not only has the community lost jobs and services to help those with mental illness, but now there's a potential of an eyesore in our community. This is a good bill for the community and the State of Illinois to alleviate us from its maintenance costs. So I support a -- or urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Forby, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR FORBY:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR FORBY:

Tony, I want to thank you for bringing this bill today. It's a good bill. You know, I have a facility in my -- my district closed. It's Tamms. And this bill here, down the road, could help some of that and help the business. Appreciate this bill. Everybody should vote Aye on this bill.

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Further discussion? Senator McCann, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCANN:

To the bill, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR McCANN:

I just want to say thank you to the sponsor for bringing a - a very good bill. There are many communities. Jacksonville, one of the communities I'm proud to represent, is one of those communities that has lost an institution that's as old as the town is. And there are so many communities around the State that the State of Illinois became a partner and a neighbor in -- in that community whether they wanted us or not, and after decades and sometimes over a century, we decide to leave and we leave them hanging high and dry and this is a wonderful opportunity for us to be -- to be a good neighbor and a good partner with -- with our municipalities. And I commend the sponsor and I urge an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz, to close. The question is, shall Senate Bill 341 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 341, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Harmon, on Senate Bill 497. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 497 to the

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Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate -- is Senate Bill 497. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senators Harmon and Althoff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Harmon, on Floor Amendment No. 1.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Madam President. The amendment becomes the bill. I move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 497. Please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 497.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. In the last Session, Senator Althoff sponsored a bill to assist the townships. It imposed substantive regulations on citizen-initiated ballot measures. After the bill was passed, there were some citizen groups that raised concerns about it. The Governor amendatorily vetoed the bill. Instead of attempting to override the Governor's veto, I worked with Senator Althoff on a -- an alternative procedural mechanism that should accomplish the same desired outcome for the townships without infringing on the rights of citizens to petition their government and present ballot questions for consideration by the voters. So, with Senator Althoff's support, I would ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

I'd like to start by thanking Senator Harmon for taking an interest. But also, so the Body knows, this is an agreed bill with the Township Officials that sponsored the original legislation, as well as Representative Fortner, who carried the bill in the House. So this is really a perfect piece of legislation. Thank you so much for making it happen.

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Is there any discussion? Senator Harmon, to close? The question is, shall Senate Bill 497 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 497, receiving the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, please return your Calendars to page 4 on the Order of Secretary's Desk, Concurrences. Page 4. Senate Bill 1219. Senator Bertino-Tarrant. She indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1219.

Signed by Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

SENATOR BERTINO-TARRANT:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1219 removes a clause that makes I-55 and Weber Road project contingent on sale of surplus land. It allows IDOT to move forward as scheduled. This project is partially funded by local and county dollars. This passed unanimously from the House and I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments {sic} No. 1 to Senate Bill 1219. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?

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Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Having received the -- constitutional required majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1219, and the bill is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, please check your Calendars, Senate Calendars, for Supplemental Calendar 1. Supplemental Calendar No. 1. Secretary's Desk of Concurrences. Supplemental Calendar 1. We will begin with Secretary's Desk, Concurrences. Senate Bill 635. Senator Koehler. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 635.

Signed by Senator Koehler.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Madam President. Members of the Senate, we passed this bill two weeks ago. This allows Illinois corn processing to be eligible for natural gas energy efficiency tax exemptions. What the House did was amend it just to ensure that it will be properly implemented. I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, shall the Senate concur in House Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 635. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional

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majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendments {sic} No. 2 to Senate Bill 635, and the bill is declared passed. Senate Bill 1523. Senator John Cullerton. Please read the gentleman's motion.  
SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendments 2, 3 and 4 to Senate Bill 1523.

Signed by Senator -- President Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

President Cullerton.

SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. This bill amends the Chicago Park District Pension Article. And the bill phases in an increase in employee contributions from the current nine percent to twelve percent in 2019. Employer contribution will also be increased and the supplemental employer contributions will be made in 2015, '16 and '19. The bill reduces benefits for Tier 1 members, and the retirement age for those younger than forty-five will increase from fifty to fifty-eight. The COLA for Tier 1 members will be reduced to the Tier 2 COLA, and there will be no COLAs in 2015, '17 and '19. There's also a duty disability, which will be reduced from seventy-five percent of salary down to seventy-two percent of salary. And any benefit increases that we in the General Assembly may pass in the future, we would have to identify a funding source, otherwise the benefit increase will be null and void. The bill also does lower the retirement age for Tier 2 members from sixty-seven to sixty-five for regular retirement and sixty-two to sixty for early retirement. Now, it is true that there are some unions that are not even representing anyone at the Park District who've indicated that they're opposed



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to the bill. And I assume that that is because they're taking the position that the bill is unconstitutional. But as I've said before on a number of occasions, we here in the Senate are not the Supreme Court, and unless we pass a bill that someone can challenge, it's all -- we're never going to know. This is a bill that's very similar to the bill we passed for the Water Reclamation District, which I sponsored and which has not been challenged. If -- if these unions object to this bill, they can go to court. They can -- we know what their arguments would be. They would say that we're unilaterally increasing employment -- contribution rates without any benefit increase, and there's no consideration. All those arguments would be made. There's no funding guarantee. But let 'em make it in court. In the meantime, we should pass this bill and recognize the fact that this pension system has come together to try to improve their finances. They need our support. And for that reason, I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator McCarter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR McCARTER:

A question, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Sponsor indicate he'll yield. Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, have the -- what has the -- have -- have you been talked to by the unions in any way that they -- and have any indication from them they might file a lawsuit over this plan?

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President Cullerton.

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SENATOR J. CULLERTON:

No. There's a number of unions that are affected. Some of those unions -- when I say affected, they have members in the Park District. Some of those unions have indicated they're supportive of the bill. Others are neutral and some are against. So, you know, we can't predict what -- what they want to do. As I said, the Water Reclamation District was a bill we passed. That's been on the books for, I don't know, a year and a half or so. No one's filed a lawsuit there. And that was a similar type of bill, where we increased contributions from employer/employee. And the same arguments, legal arguments, could be made, but they haven't been made yet.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator McCarter. Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments No. 2, 3 and 4 to Senate Bill 1523. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 46 voting Yea, 4 voting No, 4 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendments No. 2, 3 and 4 to Senate Bill 1523, and the bill is declared passed. Senator Muñoz, on Senate Bill 1787. Senator Muñoz, on Senate Bill 1787. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 1787.

Signed by Senator Muñoz.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Madam President. Amendment 1 and 2 amends the Funeral or Burial Funds Act to allow the Comptroller to refuse to issue or suspend the license of a seller of pre-need contracts under Illinois Funeral and {sic} Burial Funds Act and -- if the applicant/licensee engages in a lockout, as defined in the Employment of Strikebreakers Act, and the Comptroller has a reason to believe that the lockout is negatively affecting consumers. I -- ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator Dillard, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DILLARD:

Just -- can you come back to me, Madam President, after Senator Muñoz is finished on this bill, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Absolutely. Senator Righter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To the bill, if I -- I'm sorry, to the motion, if I might, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

To the motion, Senator, please.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Madam President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Bill 18 -- 1787 was the subject of some discussion, some heated discussion, in the Executive Committee earlier today. What we have before us is a situation whereby the Comptroller's

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Office in Illinois regulates the sale of these -- these pre-need insurance products. So if a family doesn't want to have to deal with the details of a funeral at the time when they're grieving, they can go in early and make those arrangements early and -- and a funeral home or funeral home chain has to be licensed by the Comptroller in order to sell those products. Now, the Comptroller has a legitimate role to play when it comes to consumer protection. In other words, if there is a funeral home or chain or {sic} funeral homes who are selling products and then not making good on the contract or if there's some other kind of scam going on. That's not what we have here today before us. The bill before us would allow the Comptroller to revoke the license of a funeral home or funeral home chain to sell these products if there's a labor dispute, having nothing to do with protecting the consumer. There is a labor dispute ongoing now in the northern part of the State with, I think, sixteen different funeral -- a chain that owns sixteen different funeral homes. Federal law regulates labor issues. The federal Labor Relations Act regulates labor issues in this country. It preempts State efforts to put -- give an advantage to one side or another. This General Assembly, several years ago, passed something very similar to this. It was struck down by the federal appellate court and, in fact, if you read the opinion, the federal court chastised the State government for what it said was an obvious act -- an unconstitutional Act, weighing in on behalf of one side or another. That's what you have here today. The consumer complaints, with all due respect, are from the Teamsters. That's it. This has nothing to do with the actual quality of the pre-need products that the Comptroller is supposed to license. Now, we talk about and we read about and we commiserate

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with our constituents and the taxpayers about, you know what, sometimes Illinois is just a place where politics is a dirty business and things get done for the wrong reason. And we bemoan with our constituents, Democrats and Republicans do, about the fact that Illinois is a bad place to do business. And one of the reasons it's a bad place to do business is because business entities come in and they understand that they got a set of rules by which they have to abide - and in this instance, it's the federal Labor Relations Act - but then if something goes wrong, if there's a controversy, if they irritate the wrong special interest group, then, look out, the next thing you know you're going to be in Springfield trying to defend yourself because someone has decided to bring a bill to send a message or teach a lesson or something like this. This is exactly why we are the butt of so many jokes across the country about the way things are administered and the way this government operates. Right here. This is why people are disgusted with politics. This is why people don't want to get involved in our process of self-governance. It's because of issues just like this bill. This bill has nothing to do with protecting consumers. It is blatantly unconstitutional and I hope that this Chamber will reject this effort. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Any further discussion? Senator Muñoz, to close?

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Yes. Thank you, Madam President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, this is a consumer protection concern that the Comptroller herself identified. And we're trying to get some type of resolution to protect the public's welfare. Regarding any type

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of lawsuits, it can happen. Can somebody file something? Yes, they can. But let the courts deal with that. This is a simple bill for protection of the consumers and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments No. 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 1787. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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 36 voting Yea, 18 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendments No. 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 1787, and the bill is declared passed. Senator Harris, on Senate Bill 2071. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 2071.

Signed by Senator Harris.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Harris.

SENATOR HARRIS:

Senate Bill 2071, Amendment 2 deletes all and becomes the bill. It extends the TIF districts for Germantown, Gibson City, Washington Park, and Harvey. There's no opposition and I request an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments No. 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 2071. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting

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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 54 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendments No. 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 2071, and the bill is declared passed. Senator Harmon, on Senate Bill 2335. Senator Harmon. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendments 1, 2, 4 and 5 to Senate Bill 2335.

Signed by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. In its final form, Senate Bill 2335 adjusts two dates. It extends the deadline for the 9-1-1 Service {sic} (Services) Advisory Board to make its recommendations from February 1st of next year until May 1st. And then it extends the statutory sunset date for the Public Utility Fund's base maintenance contribution. The ICC has asked us for that. I'm not aware of any opposition or concerns with the bill and I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments No. 1, 2, 4 and 5 to Senate Bill 2335. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, 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

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are 55 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendments No. 1, 2, 4 and 5 to Senate Bill 2335, and the bill is declared passed. Senator Hutchinson, on Senate Bill 2365. Lady indicates she wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I move to concur with the House in the adoption of their Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2365.

Signed by Senator Hutchinson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is some clarifying language for the Illiana Act. This is about private partner procurement for the Illiana Expressway. It allows a 3P {sic} (P3) contractor to procure its design-build contractor prior to -- to executing the public-private agreement with IDOT. This change must be made in order to issue a clear and effective RFQ on November 8th to ensure a high level of interest from the infrastructure industry, avoid market confusion, and minimize the risk of a bid protest that will adversely affect the procurement and implementation schedule. I really look forward to your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the Senate concur in House Amendments {sic} No. 2 to Senate Bill 2365. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have



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all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 52 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Having received the required constitutional majority, the Senate does concur in House Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 2365, and the bill is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, please refer to the Supplemental Calendar No. 1 for Secretary's Desk, Resolutions. We will begin with Senate Resolution 661. Senator Biss. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 661, offered by Senator Biss.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Biss.

SENATOR BISS:

This is a resolution declaring December 13th, I think, 2013, Illinois Board of Higher Education Faculty Advisory Council Day in honor of their fifty years of distinguished service. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 661 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Althoff, on Senate Resolution 672. She indicates she wish to proceed. Please read the lady's resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 672, offered by Senator Althoff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, Madam President. Senate Resolution 672

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designates November 30th, 2013, as "Small Business Saturday" and urges the citizens of Illinois to support small business and merchants on Small Business Saturday. There are twenty-eight million businesses in the United States and they represent ninety-nine percent of American companies. They create two-thirds of net new jobs and they generate half of private gross domestic product. So we think it's appropriate that we create a day designating people to utilize and frequent their small business.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 672 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. House Joint Resolution 35. Senator Koehler. He indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the gentleman's resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 35, offered by Senator Koehler.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Yes, thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. I'm very honored and proud to be able to sponsor this joint resolution with my House Member, Representative Jehan Gordon-Booth. This is to name the section of Interstate 74 that goes through Peoria as Ray LaHood Highway. Ray LaHood, as we know, just stepped down as the Secretary of Transportation for the Obama administration, has served this nation and this -- this country very well. Prior to that, he was a Congressman from Peoria, representing the 18th District. Just this last Monday, the City of Peoria dedicated a portion of Main Street in downtown Peoria as Secretary Ray LaHood

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Roadway. Ray represents, really, the best of the -- the tradition of bipartisanship and he has always operated in that spirit. And his one warning at -- at the press conference we had last Monday was that, Senator LaHood, we -- we need to see a green vote up there on the board. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? As this resolution requires the expenditure of State funds, a roll call vote will be required. 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 53 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Joint Resolution -- House Joint Resolution 35, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Senator Luechtefeld, on House Joint Resolution 44. He indicates he wish to proceed. Please read the gentleman's resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 44, offered by Senator Luechtefeld.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Luechtefeld.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Senate. House Joint Resolution 44 designates Illinois Route 127 from the intersection of Illinois Route 127 to Route 152 north of -- of -- City of Pinckneyville limits to Wyatt Eisenhower Memorial Highway. Wyatt Eisenhower is a United States Marine -- United States Army, who gave his life in Southern Baghdad and -- in the service of his country on May 19th, 2005, while serving with the Headquarters -- Headquarters Company Battalion 2. Wyatt Eisenhower joined the United States Army in 2004, following in the footsteps of his

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father, Fred, and his grandfather, Fritz Eisenhower. He completed his basic training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and was stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas. Hopefully, we can get the support. You know, so often we do this for politicians. This, I think, is a person certainly who gave a little bit more than most -- most of us will ever be asked to give. So, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, as this resolution requires the expenditure of State funds, a roll call vote will be required. 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 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Joint Resolution 44, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. House Joint Resolution 47. Senator Barickman. Indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 47, offered by Senator Barickman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Barickman.

SENATOR BARICKMAN:

Thank you, Madam President. House Joint Resolution 47 designates the section of I-39 between Exit 8 and Exit 5 as the Firefighter Christopher R. Brown Memorial Highway. For those that don't know, Chris Brown was a twelve-year member of the Bloomington Fire Department; he was also a three-year member of the Hudson Community Fire Department and a two-year member of the Peoria Heights Fire Department and the Morton Fire Department. He was also a member of the Associated Firefighters of Illinois Honor

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Guard. Tragically, Christopher Brown was killed in the line of duty while responding to a traffic accident on I-39 just some months ago. Christopher Brown is survived by his wife, Amie; his sons, Max and Mason; his parents; his brother, Anthony; his sister, Jennifer; his maternal grandmother, Beverly; his paternal grandmother, Barbara; his in-laws, Robert and Joan Melton; and his many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. And I ask you to join me in adopting this resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Madam President. If we may, Chris Brown and I went to high school together and graduated Class of 1992 from Charleston. He was a great guy. And you always hear people say that, but there wasn't anybody nicer, more helpful than Chris Brown. Sadly, we just had our twentieth high school reunion this year and later he was struck and killed in the line of duty, serving us as he's always done. And sadly, also, I think we missed him. We didn't see him at our high school class reunion and -- and so, on behalf of all of us from Charleston, Charleston Trojan Family, everybody knew Chris, we absolutely want to extend our sympathies to his family. And I'd urge everybody here to please designate this in his honor. He certainly earned it. But you got to know, if you just knew Chris, you just knew that this is -- he was always helping people. And -- and that's what he loved to do. So I appreciate the Body's indulgence and Senator Barickman for bringing this forward. Thank you.

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As this resolution requires the expenditure of State funds, a roll call vote will be required. 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 Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Joint Resolution 47, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, please return to our -- our regular Calendar on page 3 - your regular Calendar on page 3. Secretary's Desk, Resolution, the last item on the bottom of page 3. Senator Manar, on House Joint Resolution 57. Senator Haine, on House Joint Resolution 4. He indicates he wish to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the gentleman's resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 4, offered by Senator Haine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Madam President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, HJR 4 designates a new bridge carrying Interstate 70 traffic, an entrance to it and an expressway, to be named after Jerry F. Costello. The Honorable Jerry F. Costello served twenty-four years in the United States House of Representatives. His tenure in Congress was marked by integrity and initiative and competence. He served with distinction. And one of the hallmarks of his tenure was his emphasis on the rebuilding and the repair of the infrastructure of the Metro East, indeed the entire St. Louis area. He was a regional force for great improvement. And I would ask that we do this as a small token of -- of the esteem which the people of Illinois, especially that congressional district, hold

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for our -- our former Congressman Jerry Costello.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? As this resolution requires the expenditure of State funds, a roll call vote will be required. 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 50 voting Yea, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Joint Resolution 4, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

Madam President, I rise on a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Absolutely. State your point.

SENATOR HAINE:

My point, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, is, as we know, four days from today is Veterans Day, November the 11th. And, historically, Veterans Day was known for the celebration of military service. The emphasis is not as Memorial Day is, upon the deceased, those who died, although the heroic dead are remembered on Veterans Day. The emphasis of Veterans Day is on service, heroic service, the battles that this republic has fought, the soldiers, sailors, Marines, airmen, all who have fought 'em over the years and served with distinction - some battles won, some lost. But the sum total has been victory for liberty. The emblematic speech that emphasizes what Veterans Day is about was written by Shakespeare, the famous speech of King Henry celebrating the battle which occurred at Agincourt on St. Crispian's Day. And Veterans Day emphasizes all of our St. Crispian's Days: June 6th,

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December the 7th, Concord, Lexington, Belleau Wood, Fallujah, and Dak To, Hué, all of them, and the Battle of Gettysburg, which is a hundred and fifty years ago this year. St. Crispian's Day is the day soldiers celebrate service and camaraderie. This day, as Shakespeare said, is called the Feast of Crispian: he that outlives this day, and comes safe home, will stand a tip-toe when this day is named. He will yearly say tomorrow is Crispian Day, and he will strip his sleeve and show his scars, and say, these wounds I had on Crispian's day. But we will be remembered forever; we few, we happy few, we band of brothers. The gentlemen in England now a-bed shall hold themselves accursed they were not here, and hold their manhoods cheap whiles any speaks that fought with us on -- on Crispian's Day. So, on Monday, Ladies and Gentlemen, let's visit a VFW or an American Legion Hall or an AMVETS hall, and let's toast the historic victors. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Muñoz, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Madam President. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Please state your point, Senator.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

I, too, want to rise to honor all our servicemen on Veterans Day as we leave this great Chamber and we go back home to our districts. Some of us in our districts will be going to parades. Others don't celebrate it. But please keep in mind too the men and women who have served this great country. It's unfortunate for some that gave the ultimate sacrifice, who never came back home from battle. Families are changed forever. Too, the men and



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women that have come home over the last eleven years, they weren't drafted; they decided to serve, enlist on their own, and have fought, not once, twice, but some of 'em even three or four times that -- have been in combat over the years. I, myself, never thought that I would have a son that would be in combat. And I'm sure Senator Bivins felt the same way too, when his son served out there. But, please, always thank a veteran, honor them, help them as much as we can. There are so many that are homeless. A lot of 'em that their limbs didn't -- they didn't lose, but a lot of 'em are mentally hurt. So please keep it in your mind and keep your prayers for the men and women that are in harm's way that are out there right now. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senators. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 692, offered by Senator Collins and all Members.

It is a death resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 693, offered by Senator Kotowski.

It is substantive.

And Senate Resolution 694, offered by Senator Noland and all Members.

It is also a death resolution, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. Introduction of Senate Bills.

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Senate Bill 2627, offered by Senator Lightford.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator LaHood, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LaHOOD:

Madam President, it was my intent to vote Yes on SB 1523, if the record will reflect that. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The record will reflect your intention, Senator. We will now proceed to the Order of Resolutions Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, all those resolutions read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolutions on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The motion carries and the resolutions are adopted. Messages from the House, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, 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 64.

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Offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads HJR No. 64)

Adopted by the House, November 7th, 2013. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

On the Order of Resolution is House Joint Resolution 64. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 64, offered by Senator Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Link moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of the immediate consideration and adoption of House Joint Resolution 64. Those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Link moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 64. All in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned -- pursuant to the adjournment resolution, House Joint Resolution 64. Senate stands adjourned.