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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

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 Chance Newingham, Lifegate International Ministries.

CHANCE NEWINGHAM:

(Prayer by Chance Newingham)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

The Pledge of Allegiance will be given by Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Jacobs)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

James R. Carder with Bluestream.com {sic} (Blueroomstream.com) seeks to videotape. Seeing no objection, permission is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, April 30th, 2014.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Hunter moves -- I'm sorry. Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolutions 1125 and 1126, offered by Senator Dillard and all Members.

Senate Resolutions 1127 through 1129, offered by Senator Manar and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 1130, offered by Senator Bertino-Tarrant, Jacobs and all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 72, offered by Senator Luechtefeld. It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Landek, Chairperson of the Committee on State Government and Veterans Affairs, reports Senate Resolution 1002 Be Adopted, as Amended; House Bills 3748, 3833, 4283, 4491, 4556, 4557 and 4569 Do Pass.

Senator Martinez, Chairperson of the Committee on Licensed Activities and Pensions, reports House Bills 3902, 4535, 4593 and 4707 Do Pass.

Senator Harmon, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive, reports House Bills 4208, 4442 and 5017 Do Pass.

Senator Hutchinson, Chairperson of the Committee on Revenue, reports House Bill 3885 Do Pass.

Committee Report Correction, dated May 1st, 2014.

On April 30th, 2014, the Senate Committee on Transportation

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reported Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2620 and Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3398 to the Senate with a recommendation of Recommend Do Adopt. Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2620 and Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3398 were both postponed by the committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Mr. Secretary, House Bill 1st Readings.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4914, offered by Senator Collins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5674, offered by Senator Raoul.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 5701, offered by Senator Muñoz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Will all Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Floor for 3rd Readings? All Members at the sound of my voice, please come to the Floor -- Floor so that we can proceed with Floor action on 3rd Reading. All Members of {sic} the sound of my voice, please come to the Chamber so that we can proceed with 3rd Reading. We're going to proceed with House Bills 3rd Reading. Will all the Members at the sound of my voice please come to the Chamber? We're going to proceed on the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, page 12. House Bill 4403. Senator Silverstein. We will -- Senator Silverstein wishes to proceed. House Bill 4403. Oh! Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4403.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This makes a technical change to the (Community) Expanded Mental Health Service {sic} (Services) Act. This is a trailer bill to Senate Bill 150, which authorizes a property tax increase to fund any expanded health care services programs authorized by a majority vote of a contiguous area through the ballot referendum. Unfortunately, the methodology applied by Senate 150 did not match that of the Cook County Clerk, and therefore it could not be levied I guess. This flew out of the House and I'd ask for a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, does Senator Silverstein wish to close? The question is, shall House Bill 4403 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? On that question... Take the record. On that question, there are 47 voting Yea, none Nay, none voting Present. House Bill -- 4403, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. On the Order of 3rd Reading, House Bill -- Senator Sullivan, House Bill 4505. Do you wish to proceed? Senator Sullivan wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4505.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Sullivan, to explain.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 4504 -- 5 is a recommendation of the Department of Ag. It adds certain -- certain definitions to address cooking grease and cooking oils. It creates a Class "H" license for grease and oil processors and establishes a fee for those licenses. Also makes the definition of "garbage" consistent with federal law. Be more than happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4505 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. There are 47 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. House Bill 4505, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 4590. Senator Brady. Do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4590.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Brady, to explain.

SENATOR BRADY:

Thank you. Mr. President. House Bill 4590 is an initiative of Illinois Office of Comptroller, Judy Baar Topinka, which will provide State employees and annuitants an opportunity to make

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donations via payroll deductions to the American Red Cross in Illinois during times of a declared disaster. The Comptroller is very passionate about what the Red Cross does and what -- Illinois citizens' needs during disaster, and I think this is a good, good statement toward that. I ask for your favorable support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 4590 pass. 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 the record. On that question, there are 51 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. House Bill 4590, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Manar, on House Bill 4663. Out of the record. Now we'll proceed to top of page 11, Senate Bill 3rd -- Senate Bills 3rd Reading. Senator McConnaughay, on Senate Bill 3270. She wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read.. Senator -- Senator McConnaughay seeks leave of the Body to return House {sic} Bill 3270 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House {sic} Bill 3270. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator McConnaughay.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator McConnaughay, to explain.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you. I'll -- I move to amend this. I'd like to explain on 3rd, please.

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senate Bill 3270. Senator McConnaughay wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3270.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator McConnaughay, to explain.

SENATOR McCONNAUGHAY:

Thank you, Mr. President. 3270 reduces the shipping fees on short-duration trips of cobalt-60, a material used by the medical profession. This language has been negotiated between the Governor's Office and the business community, and I know of no known opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, on the question -- the question is, shall House Bill -- I mean, Senate Bill 3270 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 50 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill

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3270, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Morrison, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MORRISON:

For point of personal privilege, please, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Please -- please state your point.

SENATOR MORRISON:

I'm happy to welcome this morning the DeBell family from Highland Park - Diane and Glenn, and their daughters, Jessica and Allison, who are my Pages today. Jessica's in fourth grade, plays soccer and dances. Allison is in sixth grade and plays soccer and tennis. Allison is here today because she is advocating for cleaner air. She suffers from asthma and is here to ask the Legislature to please do our part to keep the air for her safe so she can participate in all the things that she loves. She is here representing the Respiratory Health Association. Please join me in welcoming the DeBell family from Highland Park.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Thank you for being here today. Welcome to Springfield. Thank you. Also, we're -- we're starting to get a little noisy in here. Can we hold down the side conversations? Thank you. We will proceed to Senate Bill 3398. Senator Hutchinson, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, this is a -- Senator Hutchinson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3398 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3398. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

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Senator Hutchinson, to explain.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Floor Amendment 2 actually becomes the bill and I can adopt that -- or I can discuss that on the full reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

All those in favor, vote -- 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:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Hutchinson, to explain.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3 is a technical amendment, just for some -- it strikes some language that was no longer needed and it allows it to match the federal language. I can also explain that upon further discussion of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

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 CLAYBORNE)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, Senator Hutchinson wishes to proceed. Please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3398.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Hutchinson, to explain.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Body. Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 3398 deletes all, becomes the bill, and it reflects an agreement between IDOT, ISP, the Farm Bureau, Mid-West Truckers, and Secretary of State. The amendment, upon the request of the vehicle owner, imposes a ten-dollar surcharge on small trucks, twelve thousand pounds or less, identifying them as a "covered farm vehicle". The fees collected from the surcharge shall be deposited into the Secretary of State's Special License Plate Fund. The amendment also defines "covered farm vehicles", aligning Illinois statute with the federal definition. It took a lot of work to get everybody to come together. And this, again, is an agreement between IDOT, Illinois State Police, the Farm Bureau, Mid-West Truckers, and the Secretary of State. And I would appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3398 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 52 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3398, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Luechtefeld,

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for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR LUECHTEFELD:

If I could get your attention, please. I have three people who are kind of special to me, maybe not to the rest of you, but they are two interns who are in my Carbondale office. First, let me introduce my assistant in the Carbondale office, Kathy Wills, and the two interns - these are not easy names - Darian Etienne and Andrew Mikulay. So if you'd please give them a welcome, I'd appreciate it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Welcome to Springfield. Thanks for coming. Hope you enjoy your day. Thank you. On the Order of 3rd Readings, page 11, Senate Bill 3478. Senator Muñoz. Senator Muñoz wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3478.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Muñoz, to explain.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. As amended, it prohibits the position -- possession and operation of certain gambling devices, so-called sweepstake games. A violation is a Class 4 felony. It's a -- a cleanup bill as it

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comes from the Crime Commission, the Coin (Machine) Operators Association. The only opponent that I know is the Casino Law Group.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question -- the question is, shall Senate Bill 3478 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. There are 52 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 3478, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Proceeding to page 5. Senate Bill 509. Senator Link. Senator Link seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 509 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 509. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Link, to explain.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment becomes the bill. I'll discuss it on 3rd Reading, but I wish it to be adopted.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

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

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No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 509.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Link, to explain.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. As amended, the -- we amend the Illinois Municipal Code and allow Waukegan to -- City of Waukegan to use funds in one TIF into another. Under the current law, the municipalities can do this if the TIFs are adjacent to each other or only a road between them. Waukegan has an -- older TIFs on the west side of town that are generating revenue and three new TIFs on the lakefront.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is -- is there any discussion? Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Sponsor indicates he will yield, Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Senator, I just want to confirm what we talked about in the committee - that this would be a good thing to do only as long as the taxing bodies were identical in all three TIFs, even though they weren't adjacent or just separated by a road, as the law

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currently says. So can you just confirm that all of these taxing bodies are identical and there would be no change in the -- the allocations of the money?

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Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

I -- matter of fact, I checked with the mayor of the town and it's exactly as I said yesterday. They are the same taxing bodies.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator McCarter.

SENATOR McCARTER:

Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Link, do you wish to close? The question is, shall Senate Bill 509 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. There are 51 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 509, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Page 6. Senator Manar, on Senate Bill 648. Senator Manar seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 648 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill -- 648. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Manar.

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Senator Manar, to explain.

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SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to adopt the amendment and debate the bill on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor, 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 CLAYBORNE)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 648.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Manar, to explain.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a bill that came from the county animal control administrators of Illinois. It would do a couple of very simple things. It would require animal shelters located in the State to release impounded dogs or cats to an animal control facility or a law enforcement authority within one business day of receiving an animal. This is supported by the Department of Agriculture, the Farm Bureau, the Pork Producers. It stems out of a situation that was in Macoupin County a few weeks ago. It seeks to prevent that situation from happening again. I ask for an Aye vote.

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Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 648 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. There are 54 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 648, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Haine, on Senate Bill 649. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 649.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Haine, to explain.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a shell bill at the moment and it is being -- I'm asking the indulgence of my distinguished colleagues to move this to the House. There is preliminary language over there. This deals with the negotiations between the railroads and the telecommunications industry and some of the utilities concerning the procedures and the costs and the remuneration of going under railroad rights-of-way, primarily under. It perhaps might be sometimes over. And that's exactly what it deals with. There's a disagreement between the railroads and these other entities as to those issues. We believe it'll be resolved. Jay Hoffman, a very able Member of the House, is helping to negotiate the bill, along with representatives of all those groups.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any discussion? Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Sponsor indicates he will yield, Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator Haine, thank you for the -- what you've offered up as the description of the bill. And I want to be clear - this is, as it stands right now before the Senate on 3rd Reading, a shell bill. That's correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Yes, sir. I would hope it would be a shell bill. Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

And I also -- I think I heard you reference in your comments that -- that you're placing your faith in the work of the Speaker and Representative Hoffman over there in the House to make sure that this bill comes back in a form that you'll be satisfied with. Right?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Yes, sir.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Any further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall

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Senate Bill 649 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. There are 36 voting Yea, 16 voting Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 649, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Muñoz wishes to proceed on Senate Bill 650. Senator Muñoz seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 650 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 650. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Muñoz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Muñoz, to explain.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment becomes the bill. I'll explain it on 3rd Reading, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

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 CLAYBORNE)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Senator Muñoz wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 650.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Muñoz, to explain.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The bill is a recommendation of the State Ambulance Association. It also amends {sic} the Transport Licensure Fund in the State treasury. It amends the -- amends the Emergency Medical Services. 650 mandates Department of Public Health to charge each medical provider a fee that must not exceed twenty-five per vehicle nor five hundred -- five hundred dollars per provider. The fee is required to be forwarded with each application for licensure and a license renewal. The intent of the bill is to regulate a form of patient transportation that currently exists for the safety of the patient and the public. The bill is modeled after the law the General Assembly enacted concerning the regulation and licensure of the stretcher van provider several years ago. I know of no opposition and I will answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any discussion? Senator Righter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please, Mr. President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Sponsor indicates he will yield, Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you. Senator Muñoz, I'm not sure I caught everything that you said in your opening. That -- but did you indicate that

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these modes of transportation are already being utilized? I -- I think that's the case. But are they currently being regulated or -- or is this to set up that regulatory process?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Senator, they're not currently regulated as of now. That's why we got the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

The twenty-five-dollar-per-vehicle licensure fee is new, I'm assuming. What is the connection between the twenty-five dollars and the regulatory scheme that your bill would create?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

The money, the twenty-five dollars, is going to be used to regulate it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Okay. Is there language in the bill that indicates that the twenty-five dollars will be used for that and can't be used for anything else?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Yes. There is language in there that it goes directly toward

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it - the twenty-five dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

To the bill, if I might, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

...bill. Thank you very much, Mr. President. Just a -- a note of caution for those of you who are regularly opposing new fees, new taxes, or whatnot - this bill, while I appreciate Senator Muñoz's effort - and it's probably a worthwhile effort - does contain a new fee that we'll be imposing here from Springfield. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Muñoz, to close. The question is, shall Senate Bill 650 pass. 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 the record. There are 38 voting Yea, 8 voting Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 650, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Sullivan in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Next up on the Calendar is Senate Bill 742. Senator Delgado. Indicates he'd like to proceed. Senator Delgado seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 742 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 742. Mr. Secretary, are there any committee -- or Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Delgado.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Delgado, to explain Floor Amendment 2.

SENATOR DELGADO:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 742 creates a new Section in the Public Aid Code, titled "personal needs allowance". This Section increases the monthly personal needs allowance for residents of intermediate care facilities for developmental disabilities from the federal minimum of thirty dollars to fifty dollars per month. This amount includes both federal and State resources. And we can discuss the amendment on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 742. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 742.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Delgado.

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SENATOR DELGADO:

Yes, Mr. President, I would just ask for your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 742 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 35 voting Aye, 17 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 742, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 855. Senator Kotowski. Indicates he'd like to proceed. Senator Kotowski seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 855 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading, we have Senate Bill 855. Mr. Secretary are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Kotowski.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Kotowski, on Floor -- to present Floor Amendment 1.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Floor Amendment No. 1 would require food service establishments where natural rubber latex gloves are used for the preparations of food for consumers, that they should provide notice to patrons by means of signs, printed materials, or other communication to read as follows: "Latex gloves are used by staff in the preparation and conveyance of food in this establishment. If you are allergic to latex products, please take appropriate action {sic} (precautions)."

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One of the reasons why this has been driven is because the National Occupation for Health and Safety {sic} (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health) has determined food that's been produced in -- in -- by people -- prepared by people wearing latex gloves could lead to allergic reactions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on the amendment? Seeing none, all those in favor will -- excuse me. Senator Kotowski, do you have something further you wish to say? Senator Kotowski.

SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

I made a commitment to Senator Oberweis that we would amend it in the House to have a initiation date for -- of this -- of January 1st of next year. I just wanted to clarify that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Very good. Thank you. Is there any discussion on the amendment? 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 SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 855. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 855.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Kotowski.

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SENATOR KOTOWSKI:

I've already discussed it. More than happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on the bill? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 855 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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 38 voting Aye, 12 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 855, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 1098. Leader Harmon. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1098.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1098 is an initiative of the Institute of Illinois Business Law. It responds to a recent Supreme Court decision and clarifies that the current survival statute, which permits claims to be brought against a dissolved corporation for things like breach of warranty and product liability issues, would also apply to a breach of contract where the contract was made before dissolution, but the breach arose after dissolution. I -- I held

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the bill. Before the deadline, there were some concerns from some business groups. I believe those concerns have -- have all been resolved. I'm not aware of any opposition and I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1098 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? Mr. Secretary, take the -- take the record. On that question, there are 46 voting Aye, 4 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1098, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 2620. Senator Hutchinson. Senator Hutchinson, on Senate Bill 2620, do you wish to proceed? Indicates she does. Senator Hutchinson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2620 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2620. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Sandoval.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Secretary indicates that he has received paperwork to allow Senator Hutchinson to carry the amendment. So, Senator Hutchinson, to explain Floor Amendment No. 2.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Floor Amendment No. 2 becomes the bill and I'm happy to discuss that upon reading of the full bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you very much. Is there any discussion on the amendment? 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 SULLIVAN)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, we have Senate Bill 2620. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2620.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hutchinson.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Body. Floor Amendment No. 2 deletes all, becomes the bill, and allows three- and four-axle sewer vehicles operated or hired by a municipality within the counties of Cook, Lake, McHenry, Kane, DuPage, or Will a weight limitation of sixty-six thousand pounds when executing emergency repairs. The weight exception for sewer cleaning vehicles are not applicable on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways or vehicles being operated on bridge or other elevated structures. This is an agreement between IDOT and the National Power Rodding company. We know of no -- oh, actually -- we know of no opposition. I would appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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Thank you. Is there any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2620 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2620, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Next up, we have Senate Bill 2764. Senator Haine, on 26 -- excuse me, 2764. Out of the record. Senate Bill 2929. Senator Martinez, on 2929. Indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2929.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Just as an FYI, we have received paperwork to transfer the sponsorship over to Senator Martinez. Senator Martinez, on Senate Bill 2929.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 2929 amends the Language Assistance Service {sic} (Services) Act to require a hospital that furnishes service in a geographic area where ten percent of the population speaks a language other than English to maintain an interpreter who speaks that language on duty for the twenty-four-hour operation of the hospital or have arrangements to -- to make an interpreter available through telephonic, video, or other modes. It also

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limits itself to hospitals. The Language Assistance Service {sic} Act also covers nursing homes and facilities licensed under -- the -- the ID/DD Community (Care) Act or the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act. And, again, this is a recommendation of the Illinois Hospital Association. I'll be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

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

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Will the sponsor yield, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates she will yield for questions. Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator Martinez, was there a particular incident, a news story or something like that, that prompted this bill? What's the origin of this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Senator Righter, this is an initiative of Senator Sandoval. And I believe that this is something that I think, right now, as you see the -- the population continue to grow with all ethnicities out there, I think it's important that our hospitals have interpreters there, ready to serve, and make sure that our -- that patient is getting the correct information and that's being -- and what they want is also, you know, being given back to the hospital, the doctors, and everyone that's taking care of that patient.

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Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

In the discussions that have gone on about this bill, have you been able to get a sense of the cost that would be mandated on these health care facilities to do this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

According to what I -- I hear, is that the Hospital Association -- it's the recommendation of them, and I believe that there is no -- there are interpreters at the hospitals, but I think that we just have to make sure that they're available much more than, you know, a few hours here and there. I just -- this is -- this is something that actually took place back in 1993, when former Senator Chuy Garcia and Miguel del Valle were involved with this, and this bill passed under the leadership of -- of Republicans. So I think this is a very important thing that we have going on right now. When we see the population has grown in many -- many, many geographic areas, then it's important that we do have people there to serve as interpreters.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

I'm a little shocked, Senator Martinez, that it took your second or third answer to try to work in the fact that some Republican, sometime in the last couple decades, may have been involved in something like this. But let's go back to your bill. The -- exactly what -- what are the hospitals going to be looking for? And what I'm saying is, the bill says something about ten

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percent are non-English. So, if in a community -- let's say in a particular community, you have twelve percent that are non-English speaking, but there are twelve different languages among the twelve percent that are not speaking English. Does that require the hospital then to have an interpreter who can speak each of those twelve languages, or can they get -- do they need twelve interpreters, one of which speaks each of those languages? I mean, what -- what are they supposed to do here if -- if you have a situation with multiple languages?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Like I said, this is Senator Sandoval's bill, but what I'm reading on the analysis, it says that it has a hospital furnish services in a geographic area where ten percent of the population speaks a language other than English. So I think the interpreters -- we're talking about, you know, areas that have -- you know, it could be from, you know, from -- from Spanish-speaking to Polish-speaking to Korean-speaking, whatever other language; that ten percent or more of that population of that area will constitute them having an interpreter that speaks that language.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

So the -- the ten percent figure is a percentage of non-English speech -- speaking population. I guess what I'm asking, though, is -- is, does the hospital need to have an interpreter for every language that they can find in that community, regardless of how many there may be?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

No, Senator Righter, that's not the case.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

So, we have a situation where twelve percent of the population is non-English speaking and the hospital has employed an interpreter that can speak Spanish and a patient comes in who speaks only Portuguese. Have -- have they violated this law, if it becomes law?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Why? They don't have an interpreter there that serve the patient's needs.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Let me read this for you again, Senator Righter. The Act requires a hospital that furnish services in a geographic area where ten percent of the population speaks a language other than English to maintain an interpreter who speaks that language. So if that is Portuguese there, I guess we're going to have a

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Portuguese interpreter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator, I appreciate that. A couple questions ago, I asked you whether the hospital will be required to have an interpreter who can speak every language among the twelve percent and you said no. Now what you just read to me tells me the answer to that is yes. So that if there are fourteen different languages being spoken in that community, the hospital has to have an interpreter or set of interpreters that can speak every one of those fourteen languages. That's correct. Right?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

What I'm -- what I'm saying -- let me -- let me go back, and it says that the geographic area of where ten percent of the population speaks a language other than English to maintain an interpreter who speaks that language on duty. If -- if -- if that area has a population of over ten percent, say -- and you're -- what'd you just finish saying? -- Spanish-speaking only, then they need to have an interpreter. Other than that, I'm pretty sure that they will have an interpreter -- if a patient who happens to be Polish walks in, I'm pretty sure that they will find an interpreter that will speak that language for them.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Senator Martinez, can an individual serve a dual role in the

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hospital - in other words, be a nurse and be an interpreter for one of the fourteen different languages that we're talking about?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

You know what, Senator, I really can't answer that, but I know that as someone who has been in the hospital environment around family members and everyone, I don't think that that is something that is -- if -- if a patient speaks to you in a language that you're familiar with, I'm pretty sure that they will be able to answer right back to that patient. So I don't think that it's a matter of bringing someone or that they're going to get paid as a dual -- person that can speak a second language, but I think that it's just pretty common that someone that does speak another language and if that patient happens to speak that language, I can see why they would be happy to facilitate a translation for them.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Well, Senator, I appreciate that. I -- I mean, but you're about ready to make it a violation of the law if they don't do this. So, what -- and -- and as always, when we pass mandates, we -- we carry the burden of making sure that the people upon whom we are placing the mandates have a clear expectation of what they need to do in order to comply with the law. So I'll ask you again, if a hospital has a nurse or some other person who's an employee there, who also speaks a different language or a set of different languages, does that qualify as the interpreter? Yes or no. And I'm asking for the several hospitals that are in my district.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Probably not, but, you know what, this is an initiative of the Hospital Association. So, if anything, they were the ones that came up with this recommendation. So I'm pretty sure that they are aware of this, and they are the ones that came up with the recommendation, so, you know, we will have to probably ask the Hospital Association of that case, because this is -- this is language they wanted us to put into this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

...you for -- thank you for your indulgence, Mr. President. Senator Martinez, I -- that's the second time you've said that this is an initiative of the Illinois Hospital Association. I'm being told that the Illinois Hospital Association was originally opposed and is now neutral. If it's their initiative, why were they against it and then they're like, well, whatever?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Senator Righter, the Hospital Association negotiated this language with the sponsor of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

So it might be more accurate to say that this is an initiative of Senator Sandoval and the Hospital Association came in to try to

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make it a better -- deal, as opposed to it's an actual hospital bill. That fair to say?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Yes, that's fair to say. So I -- you know, if -- the bill - the bill was presented by Senator Sandoval, but the hospital took very much interest and they helped negotiate the language so everyone's very comfortable with what's being asked of this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

I'm going to try and make this my last question, Mr. President, but I've failed you before on that, I know. Senator - Senator Martinez, I'm going -- I'm going to ask whether or not you would be willing to take this bill out of the record for -- and here's why I'm asking, is because it is -- it's -- I think it's important whether or not hospitals, who in many parts of the State are operating on scarce resources - and I've heard you talk about that before on this Floor - can use an employee they already have to fulfill a mandate that you are about ready to put on them. I think that's important for them to be able to know. I think it's important for the Members of this Chamber, who are going to be answering questions from the hospital later about this bill. Should be able to know whether or not they can utilize someone who is already working for the hospital. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Righter, was there a question in that? Senator Martinez.

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SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Yes, and -- and I will answer the question. No, I am not going to take this bill out of the record, because this is language that was negotiated by the Hospital Association with Senator Sandoval. So I really believe that we have to give the benefit of the doubt to the Hospital Association as to the -- you know, interpreters in their hospitals. And I believe that this is a good bill and I ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Further discussion? Leader Radogno, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill: I just want to be sure that I was understanding the exchange here. I do understand this has been negotiated with the Hospital Association. Senator, just clarify for me one last time. If an area has, for example, ten percent Spanish population, they need a Spanish interpreter. If a Chinese person comes in and they don't have a Chinese interpreter, they're not covered. We're trying to get to the issue where there's a large non-English speaking population to make sure there's translation services. We're not attempting to deal with every outlier situation. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Indicates she will yield for a question. Senator Martinez.

SENATOR MARTINEZ:

Senator Radogno, yes. This is some -- I think what the -- and I can't speak for Senator Sandoval, because I wasn't part of the negotiations, but I think, if I read this correctly and what I've been told by the staffer is that any area that has ten percent

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or more of a certain population, that they need to have an interpreter of that -- of -- that speaks that language. Now, I know many hospitals have other interpreters there, you know, or will make them available if there is someone that comes in that does not speak, you know, the language of the area -- the population of the area that has over ten percent. It's a matter of making sure that the hospitals that have a ten percent or more population of one certain, you know, ethnicity to have a -- an interpreter there available twenty-four hours or through other mechanisms that are part of this bill. But I do believe that any time there -- there is a patient that's brought in that doesn't speak, you know, a certain language other than that ten percent, I am almost sure that they will find an interpreter available to make sure that the patient -- that the conversation of the patient and the doctor is interpreted correctly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Leader Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you. I mean, I -- I do -- for the most part, I believe that hospitals in general are trying to do this, because it makes good sense in patient care. Does make sense, when you have a critical mass of a population, that we make sure there's that interpreter service. It does allow phones to be used as well. So I -- I do think this is a reasonable bill and I would urge people to support it. So, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, Senator Martinez, do you wish to close? Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2929 pass. All those in favor will say {sic} Aye.

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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? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 43 voting Aye, 10 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2929, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Leader Harmon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HARMON:

For purposes of an introduction, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please make your introduction, Leader Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. We have some special guests in the public gallery, behind me here on the Democratic side, two constituents of mine - Josie Corral, from Melrose Park, and Bridget Kern, from Oak Park. They're both student nurses at Rush Hospital. They're here for Respiratory Health Day. They're sitting with Jan Starr. And I'd like you to join me in giving them a warm Senate welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Will our guests rise? Senator Harmon's guests please rise. Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Great to have you here today. Thanks for joining us. Senator Noland, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. Also for a couple of introductions, if I may.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please make your introductions, Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

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Thank you, Mr. President. Many of our colleagues have been asking me how are things going in one of the State Rep districts. They've been -- which has been in the news as of late. I'm sure that I needn't elaborate on that. But let me just tell you that we have somebody here today. We have my new State Representative, who is really hitting the ground running, former City Councilwoman and also a former Executive Director of the McHenry County Council of -- of Government {sic} (Governments), who is high caliber stuff, has been doing a great job for the City of Elgin, and will do an awesome job for the people of the 43rd State Representative District. I'm asking you all to give her a standing ovation for - and a welcome to the General Assembly, please - Anna Moeller.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Representative, welcome to the Illinois State Senate. Welcome to the General Assembly. Great to have you here and thanks for joining us. Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. If I may also to continue. On behalf of my new State Rep and the people of the 22nd and of course the 43rd State Representative District, we have with us some mutual constituents. We have visitors from the -- the fifth grade at Channing Elementary School in the -- on the other side of aisle. There they are, giving us a big Channing Cheetah outcry. If you would, please give them also, too, a warm Senate welcome. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Will our guests rise? Please rise. Welcome to the Illinois State Senate. Everybody stand up. Thank you for joining us today. Enjoy your visit here. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're going to go to

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the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading on page 12 of your printed Calendar. We're going to go to House Bill 4522. It's up on the board. Senator Holmes, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4522.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. House Bill 4522 is just making a change to a bill we passed in 2011 in the Aurora area. And what House Bill 4522 does is it allows two or more, instead of four or more, which is what the original bill said, adjacent school districts with all or a portion of their territory located within the geographic boundaries of the same municipality to jointly operate, through an institution of higher education located in the municipality, a science/mathematics partnership school for serving some or all of grades kindergarten through eight.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 4522 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And 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 Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 4522, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, with leave of

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the Body, we are going to go to House Bill 4663. It's on page 13 of your printed Calendar. Senator Manar. Indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4663.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Manar.

SENATOR MANAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Agriculture. Makes some technical changes to the Swine Control Disease {sic} (Disease Control) and Cattle Disease Control Committees. I know of no opposition to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, Ladies and Gentlemen, the question is, shall House Bill 4663 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. House Bill 4663, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen, with leave of the Body, we will turn to page 17 of the printed Calendar, on the Order of Secretary's Desk, Resolutions. We have Senate Resolution 1090. Senator Holmes, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1090, offered by Senator Holmes.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Yes, very simply, what Senate Resolution 1090 does is designates the month of May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in the State of Illinois.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any discussion on the resolution? Seeing none, all those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 1131.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, disregard Resolutions. Mr. -- Ladies and Gentlemen, the Senate will stand at ease to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. Will all members of the Committee on Assignments please come to the President's Anteroom? All members of the Committee on Assignments to the President's Anteroom. The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Criminal Law Committee - Senate Bill 3502, House Bill 802, House Bill 4216, House Bill 4236 and House Bill 4781; refer to Education Committee - House Bill 2513; refer to Executive Committee - House Bills 8 and 5593 and 5622 and Senate Joint Resolution 70; refer to Financial Institutions Committee - House

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Bill 3681; refer to Higher Education Committee - House Bill 5323; refer to Human Services Committee - House Bill 671; refer to Judiciary Committee - House Bills 1532 and 4204; refer to Licensed Activities and Pensions Committee - House Bill 4790; refer to Local Government Committee - House Bills 5666 and 5856; refer to Public Health Committee - House Bill 4600; refer to Revenue Committee - House Bill 5893; refer to State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee - House Bill 3092 and 4769; Be Approved for Consideration - House Bill 4713.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 73, offered by Senator Rezin.

It is substantive, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, could I have your attention for the purposes of an announcement? On behalf of the -- of Senate President Cullerton, the Session day previously scheduled for May the 9th will be canceled. Session day on May the 9th will be canceled to allow Members to work in their districts. 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 on any resolution on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion on the resolutions? Seeing none, the

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question is, shall the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolutions are adopted. Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A 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 92.

Offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads HJR No. 92)

Adopted by the House, April 30th, 2014. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

On the Order of Resolutions is House Joint Resolution 92. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 92, offered by Senator Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Link moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of the immediate consideration and adoption of House Joint Resolution 92. Those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution -- and the -- the Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Link moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 92. All -- all in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Ladies and Gentlemen, there being no further business to come before the

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Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 12 noon on the 6th day of May, 2014. The Senate stands adjourned.