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76TH LEGISLATIVE DAY

Perfunctory Session

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2017

At the hour of 10:07 o'clock a.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read by title a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules:

HOUSE BILL 4079. Introduced by Representative Drury, AN ACT concerning ethics.

HOUSE BILL 4080. Introduced by Representatives Wheeler, Keith - Breen - Winger - Durkin - McSweeney, Wehrli, Morrison, Sommer, Spain, Frese, Bryant, Parkhurst, Sosnowski, McAuliffe, McCombie, Davidsmeyer, Severin, Skillicorn, Swanson, Cabello, Butler, Jesiel, Reick, Demmer, Halbrook, Wheeler, Barbara and Brady, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 4081. Introduced by Representatives Halpin, Stuart, Yingling, Connor and Conroy, AN ACT concerning employment.

HOUSE BILL 4082. Introduced by Representatives McAuliffe - Winger - Breen - Wehrli - Wheeler, Keith and McSweeney, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 4083. Introduced by Representative Mussman, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 4084. Introduced by Representatives Breen - McAuliffe - Winger - Wehrli, AN ACT concerning local government.

SENATE BILL ON FIRST READING

Having been reproduced, the following bill was taken up, read by title a first time and placed in the Committee on Rules: SENATE BILL 1453 (Mussman).

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following resolution was offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 569

Offered by Representative Sims:

WHEREAS, The Declaration of Independence establishes one of the bedrock principles of our democracy, "that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among those are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."; and

WHEREAS, One of the foundational principles of America and the strengths of our great democracy is our diversity of thought, ideas, and people; we are a country where men and women of different races, faiths, sexual orientations, and political beliefs are united under the banner of the greatest country in the world, the United States of America; and
WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives and the people of the State of Illinois mourn the victims of the tragic events in Charlottesville, Virginia and stand unified in our condemnation of the hatred espoused by the hundreds of white supremacists in Charlottesville; and

WHEREAS, While the House of Representatives is resolute in its support for the free speech rights of Americans, it will not ignore or condone hate speech or violence committed by hate groups or anyone seeking to commit acts of domestic terrorism against racial, ethnic, and religious minorities or other classes of protected individuals as was the case in Charlottesville; and

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives mourns the death of Heather Heyer and wishes a speedy recovery to the dozens who were injured by an individual who sought to silence different voices who chose to stand up to show that hate will never win out over love and the true American spirit; and

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives mourns the death of the two Virginia State Police Officers, Lt. H. Jay Cullen and Trooper Berke M. M. Bates, who lost their lives in the line of duty defending the people of the Commonwealth of Virginia; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we repudiate and condemn white supremacists, neo-Nazis, the Ku Klux Klan, and any other group that espouses hate and seeks to undermine the very ideals of who we are as Americans; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we condemn the acts of violence in Charlottesville as domestic terrorism; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we celebrate the diversity of our State and nation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we condemn those who seek to spread hate and division while attacking the foundational values of our State and nation.

At the hour of 10:08 o'clock a.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Representative Lang in the chair.
Prayer by Reverend Wayne Kuna, who serves as president and founder of Soul Priority NFP.
Representative Mayfield led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.
By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:
103 present.  (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Butler, Fortner, Jesiel, McAuliffe, Sommer, Soto and Barbara Wheeler were excused from attendance.

REQUEST TO BE SHOWN ON QUORUM

Having been absent when the Quorum Roll Call for Attendance was taken, this is to advise you that I, Representative Arroyo, should be recorded as present at the hour of 11:28 o'clock a.m.

Having been absent when the Quorum Roll Call for Attendance was taken, this is to advise you that I, Representative Moeller, should be recorded as present at the hour of 1:34 o'clock p.m.

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS
FOR COMMITTEES NOT REPORTING

Representative Breen replaced Representative Severin in the Committee on Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education on August 9, 2017.

Representative Currie replaced Representative Mussman in the Committee on Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education on August 9, 2017.
Representative Willis replaced Representative Welch in the Committee on Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education on August 16, 2017.

Representative Currie replaced Representative Soto in the Committee on Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education on August 16, 2017.

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative Martwick replaced Representative Lang in the Committee on Rules on August 8, 2017.

Representative Ford replaced Representative Turner in the Committee on Rules on August 8, 2017.

Representative Greg Harris replaced Representative Turner in the Committee on Rules on August 16, 2017.

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on August 8, 2017, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 3 to SENATE BILL 1947.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measure is as follows:
3, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y  Currie(D), Chairperson
Y  Martwick(D) (replacing Lang)
Y  Ford(D) (replacing Turner)

A  Brady(R), Republican Spokesperson
A  Demmer(R)

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on August 16, 2017, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES APPROVED FOR FLOOR CONSIDERATION:

That the Floor Amendment be reported “recommends be adopted”:
Amendment No. 4 to SENATE BILL 1947.

That the bill be reported “approved for consideration” and be placed on the order of Second Reading—Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1707.

That the resolution be reported “recommends be adopted” and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTION 569.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

Revenue & Finance: HOUSE BILLS 4082 and 4083.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:
4, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y  Currie(D), Chairperson
Y  Lang(D)
Y  Harris, G.(D) (replacing Turner)

A  Brady(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y  Demmer(R)
MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by
Mr. Anderson, Secretary:
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House in the passage of a bill of the following title to-wit:
   HOUSE BILL NO. 162
A bill for AN ACT concerning revenue.
Passed by the Senate, August 13, 2017.

Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate

A message from the Senate by
Mr. Anderson, Secretary:
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of their amendment to a bill of the following title, to-wit:
   SENATE BILL NO. 734
A bill for AN ACT concerning local government.
House Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 734.
Action taken by the Senate, August 13, 2017.

Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate

A message from the Senate by
Mr. Anderson, Secretary:
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of their amendment to a bill of the following title, to-wit:
   SENATE BILL NO. 1446
A bill for AN ACT concerning State government.
House Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL NO. 1446.
Action taken by the Senate, August 13, 2017.

Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate

A message from the Senate by
Mr. Anderson, Secretary:
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, to-wit:
   SENATE BILL NO. 331
A bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.
Passed by the Senate, August 13, 2017.

Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate

The foregoing SENATE BILL 331 was ordered reproduced and placed on the appropriate order of business.

A message from the Senate by
Mr. Anderson, Secretary:
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill of the following title to-wit:

HOUSE BILL 3163

A bill for AN ACT concerning State government.
Together with the attached amendment thereto (which amendment has been printed by the Senate), in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit:

Senate Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 3163
Passed the Senate, as amended, August 13, 2017.

Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate

The foregoing message from the Senate reporting Senate Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL 3163 was placed on the Calendar on the order of Concurrence.

A message from the Senate by
Mr. Anderson, Secretary:
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title, the Governor’s specific recommendations for change to the contrary notwithstanding, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit:

Senate Bill No. 1

A bill for AN ACT concerning education.
I am further directed to transmit to the House of Representatives the following copy of the Governor’s specific recommendations for change to the Senate:

Passed by the Senate, August 13, 2017, by a three-fifths vote.

Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate

August 1, 2017

To the Honorable Members of
The Illinois Senate,
100th General Assembly:

Today, I return Senate Bill 1 with specific recommendations for change that will set Illinois students and schools on a brighter path with a fairer funding system.

This historic moment will help generations of Illinois children, and reflects the hard work and recommendations of the bipartisan Illinois School Funding Reform Commission. The changes submitted to SB 1 prioritize critical education funding reform and give schools the resources they need to provide the best education to our students across the state.

As written, SB 1 aligns in many ways with the Commission’s recommendations. This includes requiring that every school district receive an individualized adequacy target reflecting students’ needs and educational best practices; that every school district receive a local capacity target to guide their local contributions toward equitable funding; that the distribution of any new funds prioritize those school districts farthest away from adequacy; and that, as a matter of student-centered equity, district authorized charter schools receive funding parity.

Unfortunately, several provisions within the bill worked against the Commission’s recommendations and the purpose of providing fair funding for all our students across the state. Where the Commission unanimously recommended a per-pupil hold harmless, Senate Bill 1 fixes a per-district hold harmless in perpetuity. By freezing all districts’ base funding at an arbitrary moment in time, it limits the state’s ability to reflect fluctuations in enrollment and better target available money to students in need. Senate Bill 1 includes a regionalization factor but places an artificial floor on it, driving up costs and exacerbating our state’s already-
significant distance from adequacy. Senate Bill 1 also establishes an unsustainable minimum funding level that, if not met, triggers a shift of all new state resources to Tier I districts at the expense of Tier II districts. As written, Senate Bill 1 places the burden of the Chicago Public Schools’ broken teacher pension system on our rural and suburban school districts through three major provisions: pick-up of CPS’ normal pension costs, retention of the so-called Chicago block grant, and a deduction for the CPS unfunded pension liability. Taken together, these three provisions put Chicago in line for millions more in funding that are diverted from other, needier districts, thus going against the Commission recommendation that any additional money be distributed first to districts farthest from adequacy. This is not about taking resources away from Chicago. This is about making historic changes to help poor children in Chicago and throughout the state of Illinois.

Moreover, the pension provisions in SB1 tack on last-minute additions to a formula never designed to solve a pension crisis. CPS’ pension crisis should be resolved in a separate forum that also addresses statewide pension reform. To move toward treating all school districts in the state the same, this amendatory veto continues to fund CPS’ normal pension costs but shifts that funding out of the school funding formula. This ensures that new money going into the formula can achieve the stated goals of going first to the districts that need it most.

A number of changes to this bill are needed to return PK-12 funding reform to the original spirit of the Commission and its commitment to promote equity and adequacy statewide. The first change will maintain a per-district hold harmless until the 2020-2021 school year and then move to a per-pupil hold harmless based on a three-year rolling average of enrollment. The second change will remove the minimum funding requirement; while I am committed to ensuring that the legislature satisfies its duty to fund schools, the proposed trigger of one percent of the overall adequacy target plus $93 million artificially inflates the minimum funding number and jeopardizes Tier II funding. The third change will remove the Chicago block grant from the funding formula. The fourth change will remove both Chicago Public Schools pension considerations from the formula: the normal cost pick-up and the unfunded liability deduction. The fifth change will reintegrate the normal cost pick-up for Chicago Public Schools into the Pension Code where it belongs, and will finally begin to treat Chicago like all other districts with regards to the State’s relationship with its teachers’ pensions. The sixth change will Eliminate the PTELL and TIF equalized assessed value subsidies that allow districts to continue under-reporting property wealth. The seventh change will remove the escalators throughout the bill that automatically increase costs. The eighth change removes the accounting for future pension cost shifts to districts in the Adequacy Target. This provision would prevent districts from ever fully taking responsibility for the normal costs of their teachers’ pensions. The final change will retain the floor for the regionalization factor, for the purposes of equity, and will add a cap, for the purposes of adequacy.

The changes recommended here and the adoption thereof would transform our great state’s ability to provide an equitable and adequate education for all children.

Therefore, pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(e) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return Senate Bill 1, entitled, “An ACT concerning education,” with the following specific recommendations for change:

On page 3, by replacing lines 8 through 10 with: “formula, provided for in Section 18-8 of the School Code, until such time as all economic”; and

On page 17, by replacing lines 1 and 2 with the following:

“Section 17. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by changing Sections 16-158 and 17-127 as follows:”; and

On page 32, immediately after line 24, by inserting the following:

“(40 ILCS 5/17-127) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-127)
Sec. 17-127. Financing; revenues for the Fund.
(a) The revenues for the Fund shall consist of: (1) amounts paid into the Fund by contributors thereto and from employer contributions and State appropriations in accordance with this Article; (2) amounts contributed to the Fund by an Employer; (3) amounts contributed to the Fund pursuant
to any law now in force or hereafter to be enacted; (4) contributions from any other source; and (5) the earnings on investments.

(b) The General Assembly finds that for many years the State has contributed to the Fund an annual amount that is between 20% and 30% of the amount of the annual State contribution to the Article 16 retirement system, and the General Assembly declares that it is its goal and intention to continue this level of contribution to the Fund in the future.

(c) Beginning in State fiscal year 1999 and ending at the end of State fiscal year 2017, the State shall include in its annual contribution to the Fund an additional amount equal to 0.544% of the Fund’s total teacher payroll; except that this additional contribution need not be made in a fiscal year if the Board has certified in the previous fiscal year that the Fund is at least 90% funded, based on actuarial determinations. These additional State contributions are intended to offset a portion of the cost to the Fund of the increases in retirement benefits resulting from this amendatory Act of 1998.

(d) In addition to any other contribution required under this Article, the State shall contribute to the Fund the following amounts:

(1) For State fiscal year 2018, the State shall contribute $221,300,000.

(2) Beginning in State fiscal year 2019, the State shall contribute for each fiscal year an amount to be determined by the Fund, equal to the employer normal cost for that fiscal year for all teachers hired before the implementation date of the plan created under Section 1-161 of the Illinois Pension Code for the retirement system under Article 16 or before the resolution or ordinance date under Section 1-162 of the Illinois Pension Code for the retirement System under Article 17, whichever is earlier, plus the amount allowed pursuant to paragraph (3) of Section 17-142.1, to defray health insurance costs for all employees. The amount contributed under this paragraph (2) shall be reduced by the employer normal cost of the increase in benefits associated with the portion of salary in excess of the amount of the salary set for the Governor.

(e) The Board shall determine the amount of State contributions required for each fiscal year on the basis of the actuarial tables and other assumptions adopted by the Board and the recommendations of the actuary. On or before November 1 of each year, beginning November 1, 2017, the Board shall submit to the State Actuary, the Governor, and the General Assembly a proposed certification of the amount of the required State contribution to the Fund for the next fiscal year, along with all of the actuarial assumptions, calculations, and data upon which that proposed certification is based. On or before January 1 of each year, beginning January 1, 2018, the State Actuary shall issue a preliminary report concerning the proposed certification and identifying, if necessary, recommended changes in actuarial assumptions that the Board must consider before finalizing its certification of the required State contributions.

(f) On or before January 15, 2018 and each January 15 thereafter, the Board shall certify to the Governor and the General Assembly (i) the amount of the required State contribution for the next fiscal year and (ii) the amount by which the required State contribution was reduced pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (d) of this Section. The certification shall include a copy of the actuarial recommendations upon which it is based and shall specifically identify the Fund’s projected employer normal cost for that fiscal year. The Board’s certification must note any deviations from the State Actuary’s recommended changes, the reason or reasons for not following the State Actuary’s recommended changes, and the fiscal impact of not following the State Actuary’s recommended changes on the required State contribution. For the purposes of this Article, including issuing vouchers, and for the purposes of subsection (h) of Section 1.1 of the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act, the State contribution specified for State fiscal year 2018 shall be deemed to have been certified, by operation of law and without official action by the Board or the State Actuary, in the amount provided in subsection (d) of this Section.

(g) Beginning in State fiscal year 2018 on the 15th day of each month, or as soon thereafter as may be practicable, the Board shall submit vouchers for payment of State contributions to the Fund, in a total monthly amount of one-twelfth of the required annual State contribution under subsection (d). These vouchers shall be paid by the State Comptroller and Treasurer by warrants drawn on the funds appropriated to the Fund for that fiscal year. If in any month the amount remaining unexpended from all other State appropriations to the Fund for the applicable fiscal year is less than the amount lawfully vouchered under this subsection, the difference shall be paid from the Common School Fund under the continuing appropriation authority provided in Section 1.1 of the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act.
Section 18. The State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act is amended by changing Section 1.1 as follows:

(40 ILCS 15/1.1)

Sec. 1.1. Appropriations to certain retirement systems.

(a) There is hereby appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the General Assembly Retirement System, on a continuing monthly basis, the amount, if any, by which the total available amount of all other appropriations to that retirement system for the payment of State contributions is less than the total amount of the vouchers for required State contributions lawfully submitted by the retirement system for that month under Section 2-134 of the Illinois Pension Code.

(b) There is hereby appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the State Universities Retirement System, on a continuing monthly basis, the amount, if any, by which the total available amount of all other appropriations to that retirement system for the payment of State contributions, including any deficiency in the required contributions of the optional retirement program established under Section 15-158.2 of the Illinois Pension Code, is less than the total amount of the vouchers for required State contributions lawfully submitted by the retirement system for that month under Section 15-165 of the Illinois Pension Code.

(c) There is hereby appropriated from the Common School Fund to the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois, on a continuing monthly basis, the amount, if any, by which the total available amount of all other appropriations to that retirement system for the payment of State contributions is less than the total amount of the vouchers for required State contributions lawfully submitted by the retirement system for that month under Section 16-158 of the Illinois Pension Code.

(d) There is hereby appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Judges Retirement System of Illinois, on a continuing monthly basis, the amount, if any, by which the total available amount of all other appropriations to that retirement system for the payment of State contributions is less than the total amount of the vouchers for required State contributions lawfully submitted by the retirement system for that month under Section 18-140 of the Illinois Pension Code.

(e) The continuing appropriations provided by subsections (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this Section shall first be available in State fiscal year 1996. The continuing appropriations provided by subsection (h) of this Section shall first be available as provided in that subsection (h).

(f) For State fiscal year 2010 only, the continuing appropriations provided by this Section are equal to the amount certified by each System on or before December 31, 2008, less (i) the gross proceeds of the bonds sold in fiscal year 2010 under the authorization contained in subsection (a) of Section 7.2 of the General Obligation Bond Act and (ii) any amounts received from the State Pensions Fund.

(g) For State fiscal year 2011 only, the continuing appropriations provided by this Section are equal to the amount certified by each System on or before April 1, 2011, less (i) the gross proceeds of the bonds sold in fiscal year 2011 under the authorization contained in subsection (a) of Section 7.2 of the General Obligation Bond Act and (ii) any amounts received from the State Pensions Fund.

(h) There is hereby appropriated from the Common School Fund to the Public School Teachers' Pension and Retirement Fund of Chicago, on a continuing monthly basis, the amount, if any, by which the total available amount of all other State appropriations to that Retirement Fund for the payment of State contributions under subsection (d) of Section 17-127 of the Illinois Pension Code is less than the total amount of the vouchers for required State contributions lawfully submitted by the Retirement Fund for that month under that Section 17-127; and

On page 45, by replacing lines 12 through 14 with: “formula under Section 18-8 of the School Code until all economic development projects costs have”

On page 109, by replacing lines 12 through 13 with: “the School Code, until”

On page 120, by replacing lines 12 through 13 with: “Code, until all redevelopment”

On page 124, by replacing lines 15 through 17 with: “school aid formula under Section 18-8 of the School Code, until all economic development projects costs have”

On page 193, by replacing lines 14 through 16 with: “reimbursement level;”; and
On page 330, by deleting lines 2 through 7; and

On page 332, by deleting lines 9 through 13; and

On page 332, by replacing lines 17 through 22 with: “Employee benefits” means health, dental, and vision insurance offered to employees of an Organizational Unit, Social Security employer contributions, and Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund employer contributions.”; and

On page 333, by deleting lines 20 through 22; and
On page 336, by deleting lines 13 through 14; and
On page 337, by replacing line 20 through 26 with the following:

"Organizational Unit CWI" is determined by calculating the CWI in the region and original county in which an Organizational Unit’s primary administrative office is located as set forth in this paragraph, provided that if the Organizational Unit CWI as calculated in accordance with this paragraph is less than 0.9, the Organizational Unit CWI shall be increased to 0.9, and provided that if the Organizational Unit CWI as calculated in accordance with this paragraph is greater than 1.04, the Organizational Unit CWI shall be decreased to 1.04. Each county’s current CWI value shall be”; and

On page 338, by deleting line 16 through 20; and

On page 339, by deleting lines 16 through 17; and

On page 349, by replacing line 22 with: “each investment.”

By deleting lines 23 on page 349 through line 15 on page 350; and

On page 352, by replacing line 6 with: “Essential Elements, the State Superintendent shall”; and
On page 353, by replacing lines 10 and 11 with: “following salaries shall be used.”; and

On page 353, by deleting lines 16 through 18; and
On page 354, by replacing line 22 with: “Adjusted EAV by its”; and

On page 356, by deleting lines 16 through 24; and
By deleting line 24 on page 359 through line 15 on page 360; and

By deleting line 12 on page 361 through line 13 on page 362; and
On page 363, by replacing line 4 with “$13,121,600.”; and
By deleting line 5 on page 363 through line 12 on page 364; and
On page 364, by replacing line 13 with: “For Specially Funded Units, the Base Funding”; and
On page 364, by replacing line 17 with: “(2) For the 2018-2019 school year through the 2019-2020 school year, the Base”; and

On page 364, immediately after line 21, by inserting the following:

“(3) Beginning with the 2020-2021 school year and every school year thereafter, the Base Funding Minimum of an Organizational Unit shall be the sum of (i) the Evidence-Based Funding for the prior school year and (ii) the Base Funding Minimum for the prior school year divided by the Organizational Unit’s ASE for the prior school year multiplied by the Organizational Unit’s ASE for the current school year. For Specially Funded Units, the Base Funding Minimum shall be the sum of (i) the Evidence-Based Funding for the prior school year and (ii) the Base Funding Minimum for the prior school year.”; and

On page 367, by replacing lines 6 through 7 with the following:

“to one minus the Organizational Unit’s Local Capacity Percentage. Each Organizational Unit within Tier 3 or Tier 4”
By deleting line 3 on page 370 through line 1 on page 371; and

On page 371, by replacing line 2 with the following:

“(9) In the event of a decrease in the amount of the”

On page 371, by replacing line 25 with the following:

“(10) The State Superintendent shall make minor adjustments”

With these changes, Senate Bill 1 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner
GOVERNOR

CHANGE OF SPONSORSHIP

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Crespo was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Currie became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 1947.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Lang was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Greg Harris became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 1707.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 531

Offered by Representative Swanson:
Congratulates the Henry County Farm Bureau on its 100th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 532

Offered by Representative Evans:
Mourns the death of Tameka Marie Moore.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 534

Offered by Representative Bellock:
Recognizes Diane Main on her dedication and support for the Village of Westmont.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 535

Offered by Representative Gordon-Booth:
Recognizes the Peoria Heights Fire Department on its 100th anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 536
Offered by Representative Greenwood:
Recognizes the advocacy of Community Development Sustainable Solutions and declares Stephanie Bush, Terrance Taylor, Tracy Johnson, and Shamika Croom to be "pillars of excellence" within their community.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 538

Offered by Representative Chapa LaVia:
Mourns the death of Henry Cowherd of Aurora.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 539

Offered by Representative DeLuca:
Honors the Village of Beecher, the Village of Crete, the Village of Olympia Fields, and the Village of Steger's Vietnam Veterans.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 541

Offered by Representative Keith Wheeler:
Recognizes the 50th anniversary of the Sugar Grove Corn Boil.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 545

Offered by Representative Durkin:
Congratulates Bill Rodeghier on his retirement as Western Springs Village President.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 546

Offered by Representative Durkin:
Congratulates Patrick R. Higgins Ph.D. on his retirement as Western Springs Village Manager.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 547

Offered by Representative Ammons:
Mourns the death of Fred Kummerow of Urbana.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 549

Offered by Representative Crespo:
Congratulates William Franklin Squires IV on obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout with Boy Scout Troop 493.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 551

Offered by Representative Parkhurst:
Congratulates George Grosso on his 59 years of dedication and service to the Limestone Township Fire Protection District.
HOUSE RESOLUTION 552

Offered by Representative Scherer:
Mourns the death of Ella Mae Currie.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 553

Offered by Representative Yingling:
Congratulates Robert and Valerie Mosier on the birth of their daughter, Olivia Pearl Mosier.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 554

Offered by Representative Walsh:
Recognizes the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Senior Citizens Association.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 555

Offered by Representative Pritchard:
Congratulates Dan Long on his retirement as Executive Director of the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 556

Offered by Representative Kelly Burke:
Recognizes the 100th anniversary of the Beverly Improvement Association.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 557

Offered by Representative Chapa LaVia:
Mourns the death of Donald F. Futymoski of Aurora.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 559

Offered by Representative Martwick:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Michael S. Holewinski of Chicago, who passed away on June 19, 2017; and
WHEREAS, Michael Holewinski was born to Stanley and Genevieve Holewinski on April 30, 1947; and
WHEREAS, Michael Holewinski held numerous positions throughout the years, including toy buyer for Montgomery Ward, pilot, Illinois legislator, attorney, administrative assistant to Mayor Harold Washington, vice chairman of the Illinois Gaming Board, chairman of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association and, most significant to him, a manufacturer; he took over the family business, the Ace Plating Company, and continued to build his manufacturing empire with the Acme Spinning Company, F&S Stamping, Cano Tool, Art Specialty, and Barnes Planting; and
WHEREAS, Michael Holewinski was elected to the Illinois House of Representatives in 1974 at the age of 26 and served for two terms; he was the founder of the 35th Ward Independent Precinct Organization; he was a two-time recipient of the Independent Voters of Illinois and Independent Precinct Organization's Best Legislator Award; and
WHEREAS, Michael Holewinski preferred to relax on the beaches of South Maui and Chetek, Wisconsin; he always looked forward to spending time with his family, the "Cousins", and his many friends and neighbors; he was a political junkie who relished a good debate; and
WHEREAS, Michael Holewinski was preceded in death by his parents and his daughter, Annie; and
WHEREAS, Michael Holewinski is survived by his wife of 53 years, Mary (Plaza); his son, Jeff (Jamie);
his sister, Joyce (Jim) Walschlager; his sister-in-law, Jennie (Tony) Fontanetta; his brothers-in-law, Joe
(Emilie) Plaza and Rich (Sharie) Plaza; and many nephews, nieces, and great-nieces; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Michael S. Holewinski, and
extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Michael Holewinski as
an expression of our deepest sympathy.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 560

Offered by Representative Davidsmeyer:
Congratulates the Orr Agricultural Research Center on their 40th Anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 561

Offered by Representative Scherer:
Recognizes the Rev. Robert Freeman as he departs Springfield for First United Methodist Church in
Urbana.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 562

Offered by Representative Evans:
Recognizes the life and service of Rev. Joseph P. Hill.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 563

Offered by Representative DeLuca:
Recognizes the 28th Annual Black & Gold Scholarship Gala to be held on November 18, 2017.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 72

Offered by Representative Pritchard:
Congratulates Dan Long on his retirement as Executive Director of the Commission on Government
Forecasting and Accountability.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 531, 532, 534, 535, 536, 538, 539, 541, 545, 546, 547, 549, 551, 552, 553,
554, 556, 557, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566 and 568 were taken up for consideration.
Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.
The motion prevailed and the agreed resolutions were adopted.

RECESS

At the hour of 11:28 o'clock a.m., Representative Lang moved that the House do now take a recess until
the call of the Chair.
The motion prevailed.

DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR
Supplemental Calendar No. 1 was distributed to the Members at 11:34 o'clock a.m.

At the hour of 1:34 o'clock p.m., the House resumed its session.
Representative Lang in the Chair.

SENATE BILL ON SECOND READING

SENATE BILL 1947. Having been read by title a second time on May 28, 2017, and held on the order of Second Reading, the same was again taken up.
Floor Amendments numbered 1 and 2 remained in the Committee on Rules.
Floor Amendment No. 3 remained in the Committee on Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education.
Representative Davis offered Amendment No. 4 and moved its adoption.
And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:
0, Yeas; 60, Nays; 33, Answering Present.
(ROLL CALL 2)
The motion was lost.
There being no further amendments, the bill was held on the order of Second Reading.

RESOLUTION

Having been reported out of the Committee on Rules on August 16, 2017, HOUSE RESOLUTION 569 was taken up for consideration.
Representative McSweeney requested a roll call vote on the resolution.
Representative Breen moved that all Members of the House of Representatives be added as sponsors.
Representative Sims moved the adoption of the resolution.
And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:
105, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.
(ROLL CALL 3)
The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

At the hour of 3:18 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.
The motion prevailed.
And in accordance therewith and pursuant to HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 65, the House stood adjourned until the call of the Speaker.
August 16, 2017

0 YEAS 0 NAYS 105 PRESENT

| P Ammons   | P Drury   | P Long   | P Sims   |
| P Andersson| P Durkin  | P Mah    | P Skillicorn |
| P Andrade  | P Evans   | P Manley | P Slaughter |
| P Arroyo(ADDED) | P Feigenholtz | P Martwick  | E Sommer  |
| P Batinick | P Fine    | P Mayfield| P Sosnowski |
| P Beiser   | P Flowers | E McAuliffe| E Soto   |
| P Bellock  | P Ford    | P McCombie| P Spain   |
| P Bennett  | E Fortner | P McDermed| P Stewart |
| P Bourne   | P Frese   | P McSweeney| P Stratton |
| P Brady    | P Gabel   | P Meier  | P Stuart |
| P Breen    | P Gordon-Booth | P Mitchell, Bill | P Swanson |
| P Bryant   | P Greenwood| A Mitchell, Christian | P Tabares |
| A Burke, Daniel | P Guzzardi | P Moeller(ADDED) | P Thapedi |
| P Burke, Kelly | P Halbrook | P Morrison | P Turner |
| E Butler   | P Halpin  | P Moylan | P Unes |
| P Cabello  | P Hammond | P Mussman | P Wallace |
| A Cassidy  | P Harper  | A Nekritz | P Walsh |
| P Cavaletto| P Harris, David | P Olsen | P Wehrli |
| P Chapa LaVia | P Harris, Gregory | P Parkhurst | P Welch |
| P Connor   | P Hays    | P Phelps | P Welte |
| P Conroy   | P Hernandez| P Phillips | E Wheeler, Barbara |
| P Conyers-Ervin | P Hoffman | P Pritchard | P Wheeler, Keith |
| P Costello | P Hurley  | P Reick  | P Williams |
| P Crespo   | P Ives    | P Reis   | P Willis |
| P Currie   | E Jesiel  | P Riley  | P Winger |
| A D'Amico  | P Jimenez | P Rita   | P Yingling |
| P Davidsmeyer | P Jones | P Sauer | P Zalewski |
| P Davis    | P Kifowit | A Scherer | P Mr. Speaker |
| P DeLuca   | P Lang    | P Sente  | |
| P Demmer   | P Lilly   | P Severin | |
STATE OF ILLINOIS
ONE HUNDREDTH
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE ROLL CALL
SENATE BILL 1947
SCH CD-CHRONIC ABSENT PUPILS
SECOND READING
AMENDMENT NO. 4
LOST

August 16, 2017

0 YEAS  60 NAYS  33 PRESENT

N Ammons  N Drury  P Long  N Sims
NV Andersson  P Durkin  N Mah  P Skillicorn
N Andrade  N Evans  N Manley  N Slaughter
N Arroyo  N Feigenholtz  N Martwick  E Sommer
NV Batinick  N Fine  N Mayfield  P Sosnowski
N Beiser  N Flowers  E McAuliffe  E Soto
P Bellock  N Ford  P McCombie  P Spain
P Bennett  E Fortner  P McDermid  NV Stewart
P Bourne  P Frese  NV McSweeney  N Stratton
P Brady  N Gabel  P Meier  N Stuart
P Breen  N Gordon-Booth  P Mitchell, Bill  P Swanson
P Bryant  N Greenwood  A Mitchell, Christian  N Tabares
A Burke, Daniel  N Guzzardi  N Moeller  N Thapedi
N Burke, Kelly  NV Halbrook  P Morrison  N Turner
E Butler  N Halpin  N Moynan  P Unes
NV Cabello  P Hammond  N Mussman  N Wallace
A Cassidy  N Harper  A Nekritz  N Walsh
P Cavaletto  NV Harris, David  P Olsen  NV Wehrli
N Chapa LaVia  N Harris, Gregory  P Parkhurst  N Welch
N Connor  P Hays  N Phelps  P Welter
N Conroy  N Hernandez  NV Phillips  E Wheeler, Barbara
N Conyers-Ervin  N Hoffman  P Pritchard  P Wheeler, Keith
N Costello  N Hurley  P Reick  N Williams
N Crespo  NV Ives  P Reis  N Willis
N Currie  E Jesiel  N Riley  P Winger
A D'Amico  P Jimenez  N Rita  N Yingling
NV Davidsmeyer  N Jones  NV Sauer  N Zalewski
N Davis  N Kifowit  A Scherer  N Mr. Speaker
N DeLuca  N Lang  N Sente
P Demmer  N Lilly  P Severin

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August 16, 2017

105 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 PRESENT

Y Ammons  Y Drury  Y Long  Y Sims
Y Andersson  Y Durkin  Y Mah  Y Skillicorn
Y Andrade  Y Evans  Y Manley  Y Slaughter
Y Arroyo  Y Feigenholtz  Y Martwick  E Sommer
Y Batinick  Y Fine  Y Mayfield  Y Sosnowski
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Y Demmer  Y Lilly  Y Severin

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At the hour of 3:32 o'clock p.m., the House reconvened perfunctory session.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced, read by title a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules:

HOUSE BILL 4085. Introduced by Representatives Batinick - Wehrli - McDermed - Wheeler, Keith - Sauer and Davidsmeyer, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 529

Offered by Representative McSweeney:

WHEREAS, Illinois is broke; and
WHEREAS, As a result, our State is facing a major tax increase and a tax increase-fueled budget in the forms of Senate Bill 6, as amended, and Senate Bill 9, as amended; and
WHEREAS, Senate Bill 6, as amended, the appropriation bill, contains a line item that appropriates over $4.8 million dollars specifically earmarked for three enumerated capital projects at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston; and
WHEREAS, It is inappropriate for a state that is broke to earmark money; and
WHEREAS, Questions have arisen as to why this line item was included in House Amendment #3 to Senate Bill 6; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Auditor General is directed to conduct a performance audit of the appropriation, on lines 10 through 16 of page 508 of House Amendment #3 to Senate Bill 6, of monies to Eastern Illinois University for three enumerated capital improvement projects; and be it further
RESOLVED, That the Auditor General is directed to scrutinize all other sections of Senate Bill 6 and to enumerate funds appropriated within this bill for earmarked recipients; and be it further
RESOLVED, That the Auditor General commence this audit as soon as possible and report his findings and recommendations upon completion in accordance with the provisions of Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 530

Offered by Representative David Harris:

WHEREAS, When the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. was finished in 1983, the wall listed more than 58,000 servicemen and women who had either died in action or went missing during the Vietnam War; and
WHEREAS, Due to a fire at government storage facility in 1973, the United States military lost millions of personnel records, including many of those who were listed on the wall; and
WHEREAS, The military and other organizations made efforts to recover the lost data; 24,000 veterans listed on the wall still had no picture in military records as of 2013; and
WHEREAS, In January of 2017, the Illinois Press Association Foundation joined the National Newspaper Association in coordinated effort to recover the 579 missing Illinois veterans' photos; and
WHEREAS, Illinois newspapers have worked with their communities to locate 100 of the missing photos; 45 counties in Illinois are home to the remaining 479 soldiers without photos; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge Illinois communities to become involved in the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Foundation's "Wall of Faces" project to help locate pictures of soldiers whose photos were lost and to further preserve the legacy of those who sacrificed all in the Vietnam War.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 533

Offered by Representative Hurley:

WHEREAS, The members of the General Assembly have passed a budget that cuts $3 billion dollars from government bureaucracy, including cutting waste from every State agency; and
WHEREAS, The House of Representatives has passed cost saving pension reforms; and
WHEREAS, Members of the General Assembly have cut over $100 million dollars in higher education administration costs; and
WHEREAS, All members of the General Assembly are committed to cutting waste and streamlining State government in order to ensure finite resources are spent on vital services in communities; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the General Assembly and the Governor to continue to work to identify and cut costs of State government and save tax payer dollars.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 537

Offered by Representative Flowers:

WHEREAS, The Medicare Rights Center (MRC) published "Medicare: A National Treasure for Forty Years" (2005); the Medicare program was created as part of the Social Security Amendments of 1965, and the program will celebrate its 52th anniversary on July 29, 2017; and
WHEREAS, The MRC's findings are still valid, to wit: the Medicare program has become a national treasure, reflecting the nation's commitment to the health and independence of older Americans and Americans with disabilities by providing health care coverage to 45 million people; and
WHEREAS, The original design of the Medicare program - its universality, shared risk, simplicity, and dependability - created the foundation for its 50 years of success; Medicare's universal nature ensures that virtually all older Americans and many people with disabilities receive the health care they need, while Medicare pools risk in order to share the financial burdens of illness across healthy and sick individuals and affluent and low-income families; for 50 years, Medicare has guaranteed coverage for a defined set of benefits at a uniform and predictable cost to all seniors and to people with disabilities regardless of their income, health status, or where they live and has dramatically improved the quality of life for millions of individuals; and
WHEREAS, Among the most important reasons to celebrate the past 50 years of Medicare are: (1) guaranteed access to care for people with Medicare; (2) improved quality of life for older Americans and people with disabilities; (3) administrative efficiency and cost containment; (4) critical support for America's healthcare system; and (5) guaranteed benefits and choice of providers; and
WHEREAS, Prior to Medicare, only half of older adults had health insurance; private insurers were unable or unwilling to provide comprehensive, affordable health care coverage to the growing aged population, who were either too old or too sick and therefore too high an insurance risk; through the guarantee of Medicare coverage, the federal government established protections for all people with Medicare that ensure that everyone - including those battling costly illnesses - have access to covered services; and
WHEREAS, Medicare is the second largest source of federal spending for HIV care and treatment, and approximately one out of every five HIV-positive Americans receiving regular medical care depends, at least in part, on the Medicare program; and
WHEREAS, Medicare has also improved access to care in other ways; for example, Medicare was, and continues to be, instrumental in reducing disparities in access and coverage for racial and ethnic minority groups; and
WHEREAS, A 2001 survey demonstrates that people with Medicare are generally more satisfied with their health care than are persons under age 65 who are covered by private insurance; people with Medicare report fewer problems getting access to care, greater confidence about their access, and fewer instances of financial hardship as a result of medical bills; Medicare creates access to health care across many dimensions: access to physician services; access to necessary care; and reduced financial barriers to care; older Americans with Medicare experience comparatively fewer financial barriers to care; and

WHEREAS, By the year 2030, 20% of the U.S. population - 77 million people - will be eligible for Medicare, compared to the 14% of Americans who are Medicare-eligible today; while Medicare gives all Americans a sense of security knowing their parents, grandparents, friends and neighbors can access the health care they need, before long the next generation of Americans will need to count on Medicare too; and

WHEREAS, Thanks to Medicare, millions of Americans are able to afford life-saving care, but Medicare also improves the quality of life for older Americans in other ways; for example, Medicare is also a social safety net that has lifted millions of people out of poverty; in fact, since Medicare was created in 1965, poverty among the elderly has been reduced by nearly two-thirds; by financing health care services, Medicare safeguards beneficiaries and their families from the ruinous costs of medical treatments and prevents individuals from spending unmanageable proportions of their incomes on medical care or being pushed into poverty by their medical bills; in addition, life expectancy has increased by three years and more people are living past the age of 85 than ever before, while disability rates among the elderly are decreasing; with improvements in Medicare coverage for preventive services, such as breast and prostate cancer screening, and advances in care management for people with chronic conditions, further reductions in morbidity and disability can be expected; and

WHEREAS, Equally important in assessing Medicare's success is Medicare's cost-effectiveness; Medicare has consistently contained health care costs better than private health plans; analysis of cumulative spending over a 30-year period further illustrates Medicare's ability to control costs over time; Medicare has been able to accomplish this cost-containment record, in part, by using its resources more efficiently, assessing the clinical effectiveness of services when making coverage decisions and when setting payment rates for certain services; and

WHEREAS, Medicare's payment structure supports the United States' health system infrastructure; for example, Medicare supports the nation's teaching hospitals and educational opportunities for health care professionals, through enhanced payments; by supporting graduate education for physicians and other providers, Medicare benefits all Americans, whether or not they are covered by Medicare; Medicare also provides extra support to hospitals that serve a disproportionate number of low-income patients and to rural hospitals, which are often more heavily dependent on Medicare reimbursement than other facilities; Medicare also provides enhanced payments to rural health clinics and Federally Qualified Health Centers in medically underserved areas to ensure that care is available for vulnerable people; and

WHEREAS, Medicare is the largest single payer for services provided by the 7,000 home health agencies nationwide; moreover, Medicare is an essential part of the entire U.S. economy as well as a pillar of the health system; and

WHEREAS, Medicare is simple, popular and reliable; seniors are very satisfied with the Medicare program; Medicare's success is related to the unparalleled choice and availability of physicians and health care services that it offers people; and

WHEREAS, Medicare has served Americans well; it is equally available to all seniors and to people with disabilities, regardless of health or financial status, and realizes the right to health care for many of America's most vulnerable individuals; Medicare continues to symbolize a rational, just and systematic approach to health care access for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, The enactment of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA) has prompted significant changes to the Medicare program; the MMA established a new outpatient prescription drug benefit - Medicare Part D - for people with Medicare coverage, and replaced Medicaid drug coverage with the new Part D program for people who receive health coverage from both Medicare and Medicaid; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we celebrate the past 50 years of Medicare and urge the United States Congress to make sure that the millions of seniors and Americans with disabilities who rely on it will be able to enjoy its dependability and simplicity in the years to come; Medicare's successes to date should guide future changes to the program, so that it can continue to ensure access to care, improve quality of life, support the health care system, and enjoy broad support among the people whom it helps every day; and be it further
RESOLVED, That strengthening Medicare and improving the Medicare Part D drug program should be a vital part of any reform of the American health care system; and be it further
RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to President Donald Trump and each member of the Illinois congressional delegation.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 540

Offered by Representative Scherer:

WHEREAS, Results of recent lead testing in Decatur schools identified service and plumbing lines in 12 school buildings that post a threat to students; and
WHEREAS, Exposure to lead can be detrimental to the development of school age children, as studies have found that even low levels of lead can lead to behavioral and learning disabilities; and
WHEREAS, Lead exposure is also associated with a variety of other harmful effects for both children and adults, including neurological, cardiovascular, kidney, developmental, and reproductive outcomes; and
WHEREAS, While the majority of children's lead exposure comes from sources such as soil contamination, dust, or paint chips, lead in drinking water can be a contributing factor to overall lead exposure; and
WHEREAS, Despite overall declines in blood lead levels in recent decades, students in communities with older school buildings continue to experience high levels of lead exposure; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we call on Governor Rauner and the Trump Administration to prioritize eliminating sources of lead exposure in schools; and be it further
RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to President Donald Trump, U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, U.S. Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, U.S. Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, U.S. House of Representatives Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, all members of the Illinois Congressional Delegation, and Governor Bruce Rauner.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 542

Offered by Representative Flowers:

WHEREAS, The Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) was created in 1983 to fix an error in how Social Security benefits were calculated that had become known as the "windfall"; however, the WEP did not always function as intended and often penalized workers by giving them a lower income replacement rate than they deserved; and
WHEREAS, The WEP is also overly complicated in addition to being overly punitive; it is not an issue for individuals who spend their entire career in one job where they do not pay Social Security tax; however, for those who work both at a job where they do pay the tax and one where they do not, it can be a very confusing process to deal with the WEP; in the modern economy, it is more likely that an individual will have multiple jobs over their lifetime rather than just one; and
WHEREAS, United States House Resolution 711 repeals the Windfall Elimination Provision and replaces it with the Public Servant Fairness Formula; this change would allow for the use of one benefit calculation for all beneficiaries; it will be easier to understand and more fair; and
WHEREAS, U.S. H.R. 711 is not supported by all as the best way to fix the problems created by the WEP; however, it has gone further in the process than previous attempts, showcasing the widespread belief that something needs to be done to correct the problems created by the WEP; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge President Trump and the United States Congress to continue to work to find a solution to the problems created by the Windfall Elimination Provision; and be it further
RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to President Donald Trump, U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, U.S. Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, U.S. Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, U.S. House of Representatives Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, and all members of the Illinois Congressional Delegation.
HOUSE RESOLUTION 543

Offered by Representative Greenwood:

WHEREAS, Willie Leavell Dancy was born on April 17, 1950 in the town of Shuqualak, Mississippi to the union of Bennie "Will" Dancy and Elizabeth Ross-Dancy; and
WHEREAS, Willie Dancy and his family relocated from Shuqualak to East St. Louis in 1952; and
WHEREAS, Willie Dancy attended East St. Louis public schools, starting with Lucas Elementary School and Hughes-Quinn Jr. High School; he graduated from Lincoln Senior High School in 1969; and
WHEREAS, Willie Dancy is the proud father of 12 children; and
WHEREAS, Willie Dancy has served the East St. Louis Community as a precinct committeeman, park district president, and Saint Clair County Board Member; and
WHEREAS, Willie Dancy served East St. Louis School District #189 for over 38 years; therefore, be it RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we express our sincere thanks and gratitude for the years of dedicated service by Willie Leavell Dancy, and we wish him good health, happiness, and continued success in his retirement; and be it further
RESOLVED, That we declare July 29, 2017 as Willie Leavell Dancy Day in East St. Louis; and be it further
RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Willie Dancy and East St. Louis Mayor Emeka Jackson-Hicks.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 544

Offered by Representative Fine:

WHEREAS, President Trump has proposed to move $54 billion from human and environmental spending at home and abroad to military spending, bringing military spending to well over 60% of federal discretionary spending; and
WHEREAS, Polling has found the U.S. public favors a $41 billion reduction in military spending, a $94 billion gap from President Trump's proposal; and
WHEREAS, President Trump himself admits that the enormous military spending of the past 16 years has been disastrous and has made us less safe, not safer; and
WHEREAS, Fractions of the proposed military budget could provide free, top-quality education from preschool through college, it could end hunger and starvation, convert the U.S. to clean energy, provide clean drinking water everywhere it's needed, build fast trains between all major U.S. cities, and double non-military U.S. foreign aid rather than cutting it; and
WHEREAS, One hundred and twenty one retired U.S. generals have written a letter opposing cutting foreign aid; and
WHEREAS, A United States responsible for providing clean drinking water, schools, medicine, and solar panels to others would be more secure and face far less hostility around the world; and
WHEREAS, Our environmental and human needs are desperate and urgent; and
WHEREAS, Economists at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst have documented that military spending is an economic drain rather than a jobs program; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the United States Congress to move our tax dollars in exactly the opposite direction proposed by the President, from militarism to human and environmental needs; and be it further
RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to President Donald Trump, U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, U.S. Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, U.S. Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, U.S. House of Representatives Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, and all members of the Illinois Congressional Delegation.
HOUSE RESOLUTION 548

Offered by Representative Slaughter:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to recognize former State Representative Monique D. Davis; and
WHEREAS, Ever since she was a little girl growing up in Chicago's Roseland (North) neighborhood (Black Bottom/Lilydale), Rep. Davis has been a distinguished citizen and public servant; and
WHEREAS, Rep. Davis excelled in her education and in all other pursuits; she taught in Chicago Public Schools and was counted among Golden Apple Teachers nationwide; and
WHEREAS, Rep. Davis was encouraged to run for elected office; her neighbors have relied on her for guidance in community improvement projects and in establishing the Lilydale Oldtimers Community Organization; and
WHEREAS, Rep. Davis has always been fully engaged in community services as well as in her church and politics in order to make the world better; and
WHEREAS, Rep. Davis retired from office after serving 32 years; in commemoration of her lifelong dedicated work for the public good in her Lilydale community, the City of Chicago, and the State of Illinois, a community movement has begun to rename the Abbott Park building in her honor as "The Monique D. Davis Folk-Art and Historical Museum of Migration"; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize former State Representative Monique D. Davis, and we thank her for her commitment to her community and to her State; and be it further
RESOLVED, That we declare August 5, 2017 as "State Rep. Monique D. Davis Day" in the State of Illinois; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented Rep. Davis as a symbol of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 550

Offered by Representative Mussman:

WHEREAS, In 2011, the Office for Civil Rights under President Obama issued guidelines that instructed universities that they were obligated to combat sexual assault and harassment under Title IX; and
WHEREAS, The guidelines also established a requirement that college disciplinary proceedings rely on a preponderance of evidence when adjudicating cases of sexual assault; and
WHEREAS, Recently, Education Secretary Betsy DeVos held meetings with a variety of advocacy groups on the topic of sexual assault; she also met with sexual assault victims who urged her to keep the guidance in place; 20 state attorneys general have sent her a letter also urging her to not roll back the Obama-era guidelines; and
WHEREAS, Secretary DeVos has indicated that she felt changes are necessary but gave no details regarding any specific plans; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge Education Secretary Betsy DeVos to listen to law enforcement and trust sexual assault survivors by keeping these guidelines in place and putting safety first; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to Secretary DeVos.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 558

Offered by Representative Reis:

WHEREAS, The Local Government Account Audit Act, the County Code Division of Audits, and the Municipal Code-Audit Report Contents requires units of local government to file audit reports of local government financial statements with the Comptroller's Local Government Division; and
WHEREAS, Audits of local government financial statements prepared on a cash basis accounting have been accepted by the Office of the Comptroller since the office was created by the 1970 State Constitution; and
WHEREAS, The Comptroller's Local Government Division has begun notifying units of local government who have submitted audits that as of December 5, 2016 audits of financial statements prepared on a cash basis accounting are no longer in compliance; and
WHEREAS, The Comptroller's Local Government Division has retroactively applied a change in practice in place since 1970 without any advance notice, stakeholder outreach, or consultation with the Comptroller's Local Government Advisory Committee; and
WHEREAS, Audit standards provide for audits of financial statements prepared on the cash basis of accounting; and
WHEREAS, The conversion from a cash basis system of accounting to an accrual basis system of accounting will be costly and time consuming for units of local government; and
WHEREAS, Local governments who have already received non-compliant letters from the Comptroller are more than half way through their current fiscal year and audit period and the Comptroller's Office is requiring the upcoming audit to be completed using an accrual basis of accounting; and
WHEREAS, An opinion has been requested from the Attorney General on the interpretation and application of Section 5/8-8-5 audit contents of the Illinois Municipal Code; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we encourage the Comptroller to suspend implementation of the accrual basis of accounting requirement pending the receipt of the Attorney General's opinion; and be it further
RESOLVED, That we encourage the Comptroller to work with stakeholders to minimize the impact of this change on units of local government; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to the Comptroller Susana A. Mendoza.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 567

Offered by Representative McSweeney:

WHEREAS, The taxpayers of the State of Illinois are currently facing a tremendous financial hardship due to the ever-increasing tax burden that is being placed upon them; homeowners and business owners are fleeing this State in order to escape the dismal economic climate; and
WHEREAS, Illinois has the second-highest property taxes in the country, and adding to this, the General Assembly recently approved a 32% increase in the income tax rate, in addition to adding a back-door sales tax increase to E10 gasoline, which will have a negative impact on families across this State; and
WHEREAS, In addition to the State creating a difficult financial situation for taxpayers, certain local units of government are exacerbating the problem; and
WHEREAS, The Cook County Board of Commissioners passed a sweetened-beverage tax on November 10, 2016 (Ordinance Number 16-5931) that, beginning July 1, 2017, would impose a sweetened-beverage tax at the rate of one cent per ounce on sweetened-beverages, including soda, fountain drinks, certain sweetened juices, ready-to-drink sweetened coffee drinks, and sports and energy drinks, purchased in Cook County; and
WHEREAS, The tax is unnecessary and injurious to Illinois families that are already facing difficult economic times; and
WHEREAS, This tax negatively impacts the State's economy by directly hurting the Illinois beverage industry; and
WHEREAS, The sweetened-beverage tax has been the subject of much public criticism and legal challenge; businesses have challenged the legality of the law (both under the uniformity clause of the Illinois Constitution and its overly vague construction); while the legal challenge brought forth delayed the implementation of the tax, the ordinance went into effect on August 2, 2017; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we strongly oppose the imposition of the sweetened-beverage tax and urge the Cook County Board of Commissioners to immediately repeal the sweetened-beverage tax for its negative effect on the already over-taxed residents of Cook County.
HOUSE RESOLUTION 570

Offered by Representative Skillicorn:

WHEREAS, The tragic events that took place on August 12, 2017 in Charlottesville, Virginia prove that violence threatens the maintenance of social order and individual freedom; and
WHEREAS, Our nation was built on the idea that bigotry is the disease of ignorance and all men and women should be judged by the content of their character; and
WHEREAS, Extreme rhetoric can reverse improvements in race relations, divide the nation, and foment hatred; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we strongly denounce and oppose the violent terrorism, extreme rhetoric, and bigoted ideologies that are being promoted; and be it further
RESOLVED, That we urge law enforcement to recognize this violence as domestic terrorism, and to pursue the criminal elements of these domestic terrorists in the same manner and with the same fervor used to protect the United States from other manifestations of terrorism; and be it further
RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the President of the United States, all members of the United States Senate, all members of the United States House of Representatives, the Governor of the State of Illinois, and all members of the Illinois General Assembly.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 71

Offered by Representative Ford:

WHEREAS, Illinois is experiencing a budget crisis that is one of the worst in the State's long history; and
WHEREAS, The financial condition of the State is affecting individuals, families, social services providers and their clients, State employees, units of local governments, educational institutions, businesses and other enterprises, large and small, and in some cases the State's financial condition is leaving those impacted without any avenue for relief; and
WHEREAS, Hundreds of millions of dollars of revenue to the State have been lost due to the recession that has gripped the entire nation; and
WHEREAS, At present Illinois has a budget shortfall that all agree is measured in billions of dollars; and
WHEREAS, The State of Illinois cannot ignore the talent of experienced Illinois citizen leaders who can assist the Governor and the General Assembly in identifying all appropriate means of effecting savings and gathering more income; and
WHEREAS, The effort made by the officials who share responsibility for governing the State of Illinois in this budget crisis must give a high priority to serving the people of Illinois and allow that important principle to guide all decisions made, in matters temporary or permanent; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the State Financial Crisis Task Force is established to address all appropriate means of cutting State government costs, identifying efficiencies that can be effected in State government and in the other entities that the State funds or serves, and obtaining more revenue and funding for the State of Illinois, all while maintaining a high priority service to the people of Illinois; and be it further
RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall consist of 8 persons, to be appointed as follows:

(1) Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and
(2) Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives; and
(3) Two members appointed by the President of the Senate; and
(4) Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate; and be it further
RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall deliver a written report to the General Assembly and the Governor by an early date, jointly established by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the Senate, that makes
findings and recommendations, and upon filing this report, the Task Force shall be available to assist the General Assembly as it addresses the budget crisis; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives and the Senate shall provide administrative and other support to the Task Force and that the members of the Task Force shall be reimbursed for their travel expenses and subject to the rules of the appropriate travel control board; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Governor, the Comptroller, and the Treasurer.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 73

Offered by Representative Ford:

WHEREAS, Greywater is gently used water from one's bathroom, sinks, showers, tubs, and washing machines; it may contain traces of dirt, food, grease, hair, and certain household cleaning products; it is not water that has come into contact with feces; it may look "dirty", but it is a safe, even beneficial source of irrigation water; and

WHEREAS, If greywater is released into rivers, lakes, or estuaries, it becomes a pollutant, but to plants, it is a valuable fertilizer; and

WHEREAS, Reusing greywater saves water and money on one's water bill; and

WHEREAS, Reusing greywater keeps it out of the sewer or septic system, thereby reducing the chance that it will pollute local bodies of water; and

WHEREAS, Reusing greywater is a way to increase the productivity of sustainable backyard ecosystems that produce food, clean water, and shelter wildlife; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we urge the State of Illinois to study the concept of greywater reclamation and implement a plan by the year 2025.

At the hour of 3:33 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.