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NO. 1

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The House met pursuant to a proclamation from the Governor to convene Special Session.

Speaker of the House Madigan in the chair.

Prayer by Lee A. Crawford, the Pastor of the Cathedral of Praise Christian Center in Springfield, IL.

Representative Mautino 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:
80 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Acevedo, Arroyo, Bassi, Berrios, Richard Bradley, Brauer, Brosnahan, Burke, Coladipietro, Colvin, Coulson, Dunn, Durkin, Feigenholtz, Flowers, Ford, Fritchey, Golar, Graham, Granberg, Hamos, Hassert, Hernandez, Joyce, Krause, Lyons, Mendoza, Molaro, Mulligan, Myers, Nekritz, Osterman, Pihos, Riley, Rita, Ryg, Scully and Yarbrough were excused from attendance. At the hour of 1:48 o'clock p.m., by unanimous consent, Representative Miller was added to the list of excused absences for the day.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Shipley, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted the following Senate Resolution, to-wit:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, AT THE TWENTY-FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION THEREOF, that the Secretary inform the House of Representatives that a majority of the members of the Senate has assembled pursuant to the proclamation of the Governor, convening a Twenty-Fifth Special Session of the General Assembly, and are now ready for the transaction of business.

Adopted by the Senate, September 22, 2008.

Deborah Shipley, Secretary of the Senate

ACTION ON MOTIONS

Representative Currie moved for the immediate consideration and suspension of applicable House Rules for the adoptions of House Resolutions 1 and 2.

A voice vote was taken on the motion.

The motion prevailed.

RESOLUTIONS

Representative Currie offered the following Resolutions:

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1 TWENTY-FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION

RESOLVED, that the Rules of the House of Representatives of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly be adopted as the Rules of this Twenty-Fifth Special Session, so far as the same may be applicable, and that the Committees of the House of Representatives of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly, including the House Journal Review Committee and their membership, shall constitute the Committees of the House during this Twenty-Fifth Special Session.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 2 TWENTY-FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION

RESOLVED, that the Clerk inform the Senate that a majority of the House of Representatives has

assembled, pursuant to the proclamation of the Governor, convening a Twenty-Fifth Special Session of the General Assembly, and are now ready for the transaction of business.

The motion prevailed and House Resolutions 1 and 2 were adopted.

PROCLAMATION 2008-366

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Illinois deserve to have full faith and trust in the integrity of governmental decision-making and the process by which taxpayer dollars are spent; and

WHEREAS, I am committed to enhancing public trust in government by promoting high ethical standards in the procurement process and other areas of State government, and by supporting strong measures to enforce those standards; and

WHEREAS, I have signed an Executive Order that implements enhanced ethical standards in the State procurement process as applied to all State agencies under my jurisdiction and control; and

WHEREAS, to ensure full transparency in government and its decision making, it is imperative that all State elected officials adhere to the same high standards in ethics, and avoid transactions that may appear to compromise the independence of governmental decisions; and

WHEREAS, political contributions by State contractors to State elected officials or to political organizations that make expenditures on behalf of such officers contribute to public cynicism regarding the integrity of the government procurement process; and

WHEREAS, the potential for conflicts of interest created by dual governmental employment jeopardizes public trust in government; and

WHEREAS, to promote transparency, it is crucial that those State elected officials who lobby or appear before a governmental entity on behalf of clients, for economic gain, be required to disclose such information; and

WHEREAS, to ensure accountability, it is important that all increases in pay, whether for members of the executive or legislative branch, be subject to the affirmative approval of the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, I have proposed recommendations to House Bill 824 to enhance ethical standards by uniformly applying restrictions to political contributions by State contractors to all State elected officials who play a role in the procurement process, enhancing lobbying disclosures, prohibiting dual public employment, and requiring an affirmative vote for executive and legislative pay raises; and

WHEREAS, these measures are intended to and will increase transparency, accountability, and public confidence in government; and

WHEREAS, given the significance of ethics in government, it imperative that the General Assembly promptly engage in debate and discussion aimed at implementing comprehensive ethics reform in the State of Illinois.

THEREFORE, pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 (b) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby call and convene the 95th General Assembly, in duly constituted quorums capable of conducting business, in a special session to commence on September 22, 2008, at 1:00 p.m., to consider measures aimed at formulating and implementing comprehensive ethics reform.

s/ROD R. BLAGOJEVICH
Governor

Dated: September 18, 2008

At the hour of 1:23 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn until Tuesday, September 23, 2008, at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

The motion prevailed.

And the Twenty-Fifth Special Session stood adjourned.

STATE OF ILLINOIS
 NINETY-FIFTH
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
 HOUSE ROLL CALL
 TWENTY-FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION
 QUORUM ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE

September 22, 2008

0 YEAS

0 NAYS

79 PRESENT

E Acevedo	P Dugan	E Krause	P Reboletti
E Arroyo	P Dunkin	P Lang	P Reis
E Bassi	E Dunn	P Leitch	P Reitz
P Beaubien	E Durkin	P Lindner	E Riley
P Beiser	P Eddy	E Lyons	E Rita
P Bellock	E Feigenholtz	P Mathias	P Rose
E Berrios	P Flider	P Mautino	E Ryg
P Biggins	E Flowers	P May	P Sacia
P Black	E Ford	P McAuliffe	P Saviano
P Boland	P Fortner	P McCarthy	P Schmitz
P Bost	P Franks	P McGuire	P Schock
P Bradley, John	E Fritchey	E Mendoza	E Scully
E Bradley, Richard	P Froehlich	P Meyer	P Smith
P Brady	E Golar	E Miller (REMOVED)	P Sommer
E Brauer	P Gordon	P Mitchell, Bill	P Soto
E Brosnahan	E Graham	P Mitchell, Jerry	P Stephens
E Burke	E Granberg	P Moffitt	P Sullivan
P Chapa LaVia	E Hamos	E Molaro	P Tracy
E Coladipietro	P Hannig	E Mulligan	P Tryon
P Cole	P Harris	P Munson	P Turner
P Collins	E Hassert	E Myers	P Verschoore
E Colvin	E Hernandez	E Nekritz	P Wait
E Coulson	P Hoffman	P Osmond	P Washington
P Crespo	P Holbrook	E Osterman	P Watson
P Cross	P Howard	P Patterson	P Winters
P Cultra	P Jakobsson	P Phelps	E Yarbrough
P Currie	P Jefferies	E Pihos	P Younge
P D'Amico	P Jefferson	P Poe	P Mr. Speaker
P Davis, Monique	E Joyce	P Pritchard	
P Davis, William	P Kosel	P Ramey	

E - Denotes Excused Absence