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Speaker Hoffman: "The House will be in order. Members, please be in your chairs. We shall be led in the prayer today by Wayne Padget, the Assistant Doorkeeper. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Padget."

Wayne Padget: "Let us pray. Dear heavenly Father, you are the pillar of strength and shield, you are our shepherd who internally guides us. Father, as we start Session today, be with us and guide our thoughts and actions. With your help, good things and new beginnings will happen to this great state. Father, we have faced many challenges in our state. Some with impossible odds and others that were simply unbelievable, but still, throughout both of them, you come through for us. Lord, finally we stand before you today because we hope for a better future. We pray that our investments, plans, and relationships will come to fruition. Walking in your light has taught us by your power we will persevere and win. Thank you for this Session and you deserve nothing less than eternal glory. This we pray, Amen."

Speaker Hoffman: "We shall be led in the Pledge of Allegiance today by Representative Jacobs."

Jacobs - et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Speaker Hoffman: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Hernandez is recognized to report any excused absences on the Democratic side of the aisle. Leader Hernandez."

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Hernandez, L.: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Representative Barbara Hernandez is excused today."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick for Republicans."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representatives Charlie Meier, Sandy Hamilton, Tim Ozinga, and David Welter are excused for the day."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all recorded who wish? Have all recorded themselves who wish? Have all recorded themselves who wish? Have all recorded themselves who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 110 Members answering the roll call, a quorum is present. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Mayfield, Chairperson from the Committee on Appropriations-Public Safety reports the following committee action taken on March 2, 2022: do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 4414. Representative Harper, Chairperson from the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation reports the following committee action taken on March 2, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 2382. Representative Gong-Gershowitz, Chairperson from the Committee on Immigration & Human Rights reports the following committee action taken on March 2, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5004. Representative Mussman, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies reports the following committee action taken on March 2, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 3 to House Bill 3296 and Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4716. Representative DeLuca, Chairperson from the Committee on Cities & Villages reports the following

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committee action taken on March 2, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5368. Representative Willis, Chairperson from the Committee on Adoption & Child Welfare reports the following committee action taken on March 2, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4304, Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4964, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5418. Representative Smith, Chairperson from the Committee on Economic Opportunity & Equity reports the following committee action taken on March 2, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4818. Representative Stuart, Chairperson from the Committee on Higher Education reports the following committee action taken on March 2, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 3 to House Bill 4247 and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5506. Representative Kifowit, Chairperson from the Committee on State Government Administration reports the following committee action taken on March 2, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 378, Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4203, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4384, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5049, Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 5108, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5326, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5546, and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5564. Representative Mah, Chairperson from the Committee on Health Care Licenses reports the following committee action taken on March 2, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4430, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4501, Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 4665, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4848, and Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4848, Floor

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Amendments(s) 1 to 5465. Representative Moylan, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 5463; and recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 3124, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4230, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4274, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4614, Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 5078, Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 5439. Representative Ammons, Chairperson from the Committee on Small Business, Tech Innovation, and Entrepreneurship reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 45... correction, 4715 and Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4715. Representative Guzzardi, Chairperson from the Committee on Prescription Drug Affordability & Accessibility reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4595. Representative Guzzardi also reported from the Housing Committee on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4784. Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation: Vehicles & Safety reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 107, Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4696, and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5369. Representative Jones, Chairperson from the Committee on Insurance reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 228, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4941,

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Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 5142, and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5534. Representative Conroy, Chairperson from the Committee on Mental Health & Addiction reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4306. Representative Moeller, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 3 to House Bill 4343, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4545, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4647, Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4662, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4674, Floor Amendment(s) 3 to House Bill 4763, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5196, and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to 5549. Representative Evans, Chairperson from the Committee on Labor & Commerce reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 3 to House Bill 1811, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4215, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4500, Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 4850, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4919, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5225, and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5574. Representative Gong-Gershowitz, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Civil reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4786. Representative Zalewski, Chairperson from the Committee on Revenue & Finance reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 448 and Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 5532. Representative Ann

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Williams, Chairperson from the Committee on Energy & Environment reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 3 to House Bill 4358 and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4988. Representative Kifowit, Chairperson from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 5184 and Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 5385. Representative Walker, Chairperson from the Committee on Financial Institutions reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4462. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 704, offered by Representative Conroy; House Resolution 705, offered by Representative Conroy; House Resolution 706, offered by Representative Stuart; House Resolution 707, offered by Representative Harper; and House Joint Resolution 72, offered by Representative Ramirez, are referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Hoffman: "Members, for a purpose of announcement. This is a reminder of House Rule 51.5. Please remember to wear a face covering that covers your nose and mouth. Face coverings should remain on while speaking on the microphone at your desks. To help reduce the spread of COVID-19, we ask that Members refrain as much as possible from eating or drinking on the House Floor and refrain from congregating in groups. We ask that all Members take these directives seriously to keep fellow Members and staff safe. Again, please remember to wear a face covering, including while speaking on the

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microphone, pursuant to House Rule 51.5. Thank you. The Chair recognizes Majority Leader Durkin... Minority Leader Durkin."

Durkin: "That's forward thinking there, Representative Hoffman. Thank you for the accolades. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "State your point."

Durkin: "Thank you. I'd like to welcome back to the chamber one of our Members, over my left, the Gentleman from Naperville, the ever so verbose and wily Grant Wehrli. Grant, welcome back."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Butler."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I appreciate the indulgement for a short point of personal privilege. Today it's our honor to have, over here in the gallery on the west side of the Capitol, David Adkins. David is the CEO and executive director of The Council of State Governments. All of us are members of this Council of State Governments by virtue of our position in the General Assembly. And if you're not familiar with CSG through the great work they do nationally or with CSG Midwest, I would encourage you to get involved. It's a great organization. So, David, a former Legislator from Kansas, thank you and welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Hoffman: "Welcome to Springfield. Representative Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "State your point."

Ford: "Mr. Speaker, it's always an honor for me to invoke Dr. King whenever I can. Dr. King once said, 'I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.' Mr. Speaker and Members of the

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House, I've been reading reports and watching this war that's taking place against Ukrainians, and I just wanted to make sure that I put on record that history is being written right now. And I really think that we have to make sure that we write the history right and get it right as we go along the way. Not all Russians are in favor of this war. And we have a lot of Russians here in Illinois in the City of Chicago, and we have some in Oak Park. And as a black man, I want to make sure that we recognize that we cannot stereotype all Russians. I know what it's like, and it's important that we remember that we respect the people in this state and in our cities that are Russian that does not support this war. That is all, Mr. Speaker. And I ask that we all remember all those that are suffering during this time of inhumane treatment of the Ukrainians."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Bos."

Bos: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

Bos: "Twenty-one years ago, a couple of kids started their journey of life together, and for the first time in those 21 years, were not together to celebrate. So, I wanted to wish my amazing wife a happy 21st anniversary. You are my rock, my best friend, my biggest supporter, and there is no one I would rather walk through life with than you. Happy anniversary. I love you more."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Andrade."

Andrade: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like everyone's attention, please. Just... first of all, one of our colleagues right now... many of you have asked. One of our colleagues right now,



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Representative Barbara Hernandez, is undergoing surgery right now. It's a very serious surgery, and I asked her permission last night if we can share and ask all of us a prayer for her, keep her in our prayers. But we do want to say we're very thankful for Representative Jacobs that... you know, he encouraged her to go to the hospital and... because we don't know what would've happened if she didn't go to the hospital. So, we're very, very grateful for that. And so, right now her parents are here. Surgery started around eight, so... but it's a very long surgery. We will keep everyone up to date. But I just want you to please keep her in your prayers. She's very healthy, and we know she'll be back. Even in the hospital bed, she was working. She wanted me to make sure that her Bills get passed. She's... you know, she is just... that's the kind of person she is. She did not want to stop working at all. So, we ask you to just keep her in our prayers. And if you don't mind, I'd actually like to say the Our Father. Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen. And we will leave... she is in the Lord's hand and we'll know (unintelligible). So, thank you very much. And if someone wants to drop off cards and stuff, you can drop off stuff at Room 109, and we will see her very shortly. Thank you very much. "

Speaker Hoffman: "Thank you. Leader Batinick."

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Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Republicans will caucus in Room 118. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Any idea how long, Leader?"

Batinick: "Hour. Thirty minutes. Sorry, 30 minutes. Thirty minutes."

Speaker Hoffman: "Republicans will caucus for 30 minutes. The Democrats will stand at ease. The House will come to order. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Harris, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted, referred to the floor is Floor Amendment(s) 3 to House Bill 4715. A corrected Committee Report from March 2, 2022 in the afternoon from the Health Care Licenses Committee was recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4430, Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4501, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4665, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4848, Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4848, and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 40... correction, 5465. Representative Slaughter, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Criminal reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4104, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4166, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4392, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4847, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5490, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5525. Representative Scherer, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: Administration, Licensing & Charter Schools reports the following committee action

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taken on March 3, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4243 and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5176. Representative Greenwood, Chairperson from the Committee on Health Care Availability & Accessibility reports the following committee action taken on March 3, 2022: do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 5013; recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4645 and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5014."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Gabel for a Motion."

Gabel: "Thank you, Speaker. I move that Representative Guerrero-Cuellar be allowed to participate and cast her vote remotely."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Gabel has made a Motion that Representative Guerrero-Cuellar be allowed to participate and cast her vote remotely. This is a roll call vote. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this Motion, there are 78 voting 'yes', 17 voting 'no', 7 voting 'present'. The Motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Is Representative Guerrero-Cuellar present?"

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes, Representative Guerrero-Cuellar is present."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar is present."

Speaker Hoffman: "On page 19 of the Calendar, under the Order of Second Reading, appears House Bill 2538, Representative Stoneback. Out of the record. Page 19 of the... excuse me, we are on the Order of Third Reading. On the Order of Third Reading. On page 19 of the Calendar appears House Bill 2991, Representative Lilly. Out of the record. House Bill 3286,

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Representative Ortiz. Out of the record. Moving to page 20 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 4296, Representative Stoneback. Out of the record. Representative Mussman on House Bill 4316. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4316, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mussman."

Mussman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 4316 is the promised trailer Bill to Faith's Law, which we passed last Session to address the problem of school staff grooming students into having inappropriate relationships. This Bill addresses how information regarding incidents of sexual misconduct or suspected sexual misconduct will be recorded in staff files and shared with potential employers using standardized forms so there was clarity and uniformity around the information being collected and shared. It is an open secret that when information cannot be stored or shared it makes it easier for predatory actors to move between schools, hiding and perfecting their techniques and potentially endangering students. The Bill prohibits separation agreements that would prevent a school from disclosing findings to another employer calling for a reference and requires schools to contact former employers of employee candidates to ask specific questions about potentially-known misconduct before making a hiring decision. It protects teachers against false accusations by removing from their file any accusations that are found to be false. It provides guidelines that align with current state policy to advise on how and when parents may be notified of alleged

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charges of misconduct against their child by an agent of the school and ensures parents will be informed of formal actions the school may take against the alleged perpetrator following the investigation. This Bill reflects months of work by our engaged stakeholders. It has bipartisan support. I believe it will improve our ability to identify and keep predatory actors out of our school buildings. I am not aware of any opposition, and I encourage an 'aye' vote.

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Reick."

Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to speak to the Bill.

I have no trouble at all with what the Sponsor of this Bill is trying to do. But several years ago, we had hearings on... up in the Bilandic Building in Chicago where two young ladies came and described the horrors that they went through when they were in high school. They were blamed for the fact that they were the ones who were raped by teachers. We made an issue out of that at the time. We tried to get... we tried to get the Chicago public school system to understand the fact and admit to the fact that what they were doing is shifting teachers from one school to another, allowing sexual predators to move on to other places of employment with absolutely no consequences. This Bill is a step in the right direction, but it is not the... it's not the step that we need. The step that we need is, when something like this happens, school employees should be found, whether... if they are guilty of what they are being found of, if an administrative hearing finds that they actually did sexually abuse students, they should not be allowed to retire and keep their pensions. I submitted a Bill several years ago, it never got anywhere, to

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do just that. And I would call on this Body to revisit that issue. Take this Bill, move it forward, but also move it forward to the point where those who prey on children in our schools are not rewarded by being able to take themselves off the payroll, move to Florida, and collect a pension for the rest of their lives. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "On the Bill, Representative Elik."

Elik: "To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Elik: "Rep Mussman, you are absolutely right. This has been a very long process to get to this point today, and it's referred to as Faith's Law Part 2. It has been my honor and pleasure to work with you on this and to meet Faith Colson, who has a story remarkably similar to my husband's cousin, Emily, who's not here to fight for herself. And I'm very appreciative of all those that are, including Faith and you. And I urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mussman to close."

Mussman: "Yeah, I just want to acknowledge that, when we talk about it in this sort of dry form, it does sound very dry and very practical and it is. But I... as Representative Elik indicated, it represents some very emotional stories, and I just want to make sure that it has the dignity that it deserves as everyone considers it. So, thank you. And again, I appreciate your support."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4316 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

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Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar's a 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 20 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4322, Representative Tarver. Out of the record. Representative Evans on House Bill 4390. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4390, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Evans."

Evans: "All right. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Sorry for the delay. I was expecting another one first. This is a... this Bill amends the Climate and Equity Jobs Act, or CEJA, that was agreed upon by the Illinois Clean Jobs, labor, and the (unintelligible). This particular Bill would allow DCEO to collect the full amount that was agreed in CEJA's negotiations to fund all of the workforce equity and fossil fuel's community transportation programs that was drafted in error in CEJA, and this Bill corrects that small error. This Bill does not affect any of the rate impacts that were estimated when we passed CEJA. I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "On the Bill, Representative Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates he'll yield."

Batinick: "Just reading directly from our analysis here. Provides that utilities shall charge a 1.3 percent surcharge per

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kilowatt hour for all eligible customers. I... we see this as a rate increase."

Evans: "It's not a rate increase. Actually I... whatever you have in your analysis, I think it's probably a misunderstanding. This is not affecting the rate."

Batinick: "Okay. We'll just go to the vote. We think it's a rate increase. We're going to vote 'no'. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Evans to close."

Evans: "I request your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4390 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 69 voting 'yes', 41 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Evans on House Bill 4604. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4604, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Evans."

Evans: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and the great Members of this Assembly. House Bill 4604, as amended, is an initiative of the OSHA Division of the Illinois Department of Labor. It amends the Occupational Health and Safety Act to allow post-



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inspection notices and communications to recipients of citations to be sent via email if the recipient chooses email as their preferred method of communication. The Bill also clarifies the process for when federal OSHA adopts a new standard in which Illinois already has a similar standard. It clarifies that all intentional violations of the Act would subject to a per-violation penalty, like all other violations currently are, which is already current practice. Amendment #2, which we already adopted, amends the Equal Pay Act to add a technical fix in the Equal Pay Registration Certificate Black Caucus pillar legislation passed last year to fix a reference to which employers must comply. There is no known opposition. This is an initiative of the Department of Labor. I request your support."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4604 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Guzzardi on House Bill 4618. Out of the record. Representative Halpin on House Bill 4622. Out of the record. Representative Collins on House Bill 4656. Out of the record."

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Representative Mah on House Bill 4664. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4664, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah."

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the Body. HB4664 amends the Regulatory Sunset Act to extend the sunset for wholesale drug distribution licensure to January 2028. It's a routine sunset extension. It's the initiative of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. Contains a few updates based on past precedents and current department practice. There's nothing unusual or unprecedented in this language.. in the language of the Bill. And I request an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Any debate on House Bill 4664? The Chair recognizes Representative Mazzochi."

Mazzochi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Mazzochi: "I would like everybody to know that this is not just a routine and ordinary update by the IDFPR. I'm actually disappointed that they phrased it that way because one of the things that they're doing is they're expanding their power to engage in criminal drug investigations, including with suspicious purchases and that sort of thing. And we usually don't give the licensing authorities the ability to look into criminal matters independent of the Illinois... of their relevant state's attorney or the Illinois Attorney General. One of the other things that this Bill is doing is massively expanding the subpoena power that the Illinois Department...

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that the agency has in our existing statutes. We already have rules that govern subpoena power. When I spoke to the agency to try to assuage my concerns that they were massively expanding their subpoena power, while they claimed they weren't doing it, they also refused to actually conform the language that they were offering to the existing subpoena power that they have in other sections where the nature and scope of the materials that they can compel and seek are going to be relevant in material. Instead, they are just using a very broad standard that is going to allow the agency to behave in a very abusive manner. And I simply don't agree that they should be allowed to violate people's due process rights or not even give people the right type of due process rights through an unlimited, unaccountable subpoena power. So, because of that, I urge a 'no' vote from everyone on our side. 'Cause I know you got... for it."

Speaker Hoffman: "Any further... I apologize. Are you done, Representative? Any further debate on House Bill 4664? The Chair recognizes Representative Mah to close."

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd just like to comment that the changes are based on past precedent and current department practice. The department currently already has subpoena powers, and the language contained in this Bill currently is found in other practice Acts as well. Any issued subpoena must be relevant to the investigation or the case and respondents have the opportunity to object to the subpoena and request a hearing before the ALJ. There's nothing unusual about the language in this practice Act... in this licensure regulatory sunset. And I request an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

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Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4664 pass?'  
All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is  
open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Aye."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who  
wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the  
record. On this question, there are 69 voting 'yes', 42 voting  
'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a  
Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page  
20 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4740, Representative  
Mazzochi. Mr. Clerk please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4740, a Bill for an Act concerning  
State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mazzochi."

Mazzochi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a Bill that came out  
of a meeting that I had in connection with the Illinois  
Hispanic State Employees Job Fair. One of the things that was  
mentioned is that they noticed that individuals who were being  
hired into bilingual positions were not being timely paid by  
CMS, and likewise, the CMS testing system was not allowing  
people to get their linguistics skills certified quickly.  
This Bill is designed to address that. We did discuss it  
yesterday. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4740 pass?'  
All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting  
is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

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Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Davis on House Bill 4784. Mr. Clerk, please move this Bill to Second Reading. Any Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4784, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. It was read previously... a second time previously. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Davis, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davis on Floor Amendment #1."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4784, this is a gut and replace Amendment, but it makes the following changes from the underlying Bill. And this is based on comments that we heard when we had the Bill in previous committees. So, the bonding has been changed and ARPA is referenced in the pilot program for up to \$30 million. The use of the words 'slum' and 'blighted areas' are taken out. The payment is based on cost... or the incentive payments for developers is based on cost rather than fair market value, which offers maybe a slightly higher incentive for developers. And IHDA gets to identify exactly which costs are available for reimbursement. They get to develop those rules for that purpose. That's what the Amendment does."

Speaker Hoffman: "We'd like to move the Bill to Third Reading and then debate it, if that's okay, Representative."

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Representative Davis moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4784. All in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4784, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davis."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4784, as amended, is an effort working with IHDA and the Center for Tax and Budget Accountability to create a program to assist communities to try to deal with blighted.. excuse me, deal with vacant and abandoned properties in their respective communities. This helps create a pilot program that works with IHDA in order to be able to offer an incentive for developers who want to come in and develop those properties in the communities. There are some rulemaking that IHDA will have to do to kind of really set forth parameters of it. I just spoke, just a moment ago, with regard to the Amendment, some of the changes that we made. So, with that, I might as well just answer any questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Demmer on House Bill 4784."

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."

Demmer: "Representative Davis, thanks for the description of what the Amendment does. I'm looking specifically at the section related to rehab program incentive fees. And I think I... it caught my attention because it's a little bit different language than what we typically see when something is subject

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to appropriation. Is it true to say that the incentive fees are established at \$30 million but your subject to appropriation language would say, if the General Assembly doesn't appropriate \$30 million to cover that, that the \$30 million would instead be taken out of ARPA funds?"

Davis: "Well, the language of the Bill doesn't specifically say ARPA funds. I think the language just kind of..."

Demmer: "It does."

Davis: "It references."

Demmer: "Yeah, it says..."

Davis: "Where?"

Demmer: "...it says, the \$30 million appropriation for the pilot shall be funded with proceeds from the... the state receives under the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021."

Davis: "Okay."

Demmer: "So, I'm asking about this because is this a... is this an appropriation of those ARPA funds? Do those ARPA funds not need an appropriation? Or what are we actually committing to with this legislation?"

Davis: "Well, I... well, this isn't an appropriations Bill. So, we aren't appropriating dollars. The suggestion is that a way that this project can be funded is with the use of ARPA dollars. Originally, we put bonding, which we thought was an appropriate way to do it. IHDA said we prefer not to have bonding language. So, the effort is going to try to be to find ARPA dollars, enough ARPA dollars to try to fund the project."

Demmer: "Okay. So... and I'm asking about it because a lot of times we see Bills that say, subject to appropriation, this program

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shall be created. Right? And this is... this is a little bit of a different version of that. So, in a typical setting, we pass a substantive Bill that says subject to appropriation. If we don't appropriate, the program doesn't happen. This appears though to set up an obligation for the program to happen, even if we don't appropriate money, by saying that if we don't appropriate money, instead ARPA funds will pay for it. And so, I guess my question is, if we choose not to appropriate, is it required that ARPA cover that difference?"

Davis: "Well, we put... we want... I guess we're saying that... the language says, 'To the extent authorized by the General Assembly.' So, it is a conversation about the use of ARPA dollars."

Demmer: "Okay. So... so to be clear on this, we would need to either appropriate something like general revenue or appropriate ARPA in order to facilitate these incentive payments. If we do neither, there will be no obligation for the incentive payments. Is that correct?"

Davis: "I would agree with that."

Demmer: "Okay. Thank you very much."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Halpin."

Halpin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates he'll yield."

Halpin: "Thanks, Representative. I... you know, I support your Bill, but I just have a couple questions about the geographic area that the Bill covers. Was there... is there a map of where these areas of concentrated poverty are located?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Davis."



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Davis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think the language of the Bill identifies a few geographic areas. Not... I guess you could say it makes references to the Chicago metropolitan area. Because I'm the Sponsor, it kind of does say the South Suburbs. It talks about Central Illinois, downstate Illinois, if you will, in that respect. But it doesn't get into any fine detail about specifically where, but I think it's open enough to where... working with IHDA, where we find developers who are in these regions that want to try to do these rehab projects that they could possibly be anywhere in the state."

Halpin: "And does IHDA already have the, like, the terms Central Illinois and Northwest Illinois, do they already have those regional distinctions or are they going to be accepting input as to what qualifies as central versus northwest versus southern?"

Davis: "I would say they're willing to accept input. So, again, the outline is not a hard and fast outline. But again, it's also acknowledging where developers are that may want to use this program as a way to help develop properties in those specific communities. Obviously, if there's a desire to kind of really carve that out or draft it, we still have an opportunity to make some specific changes in the Senate. You know, the idea as a pilot project... and it's only a small pot of money just to try to identify some areas. But I think there's always a conversation that can be had about what those areas mean and making sure that we're encompassing what we know are depressed, hard-hit areas where this kind of program could be beneficial."

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Halpin: "Thank you, Representative. And so, I definitely agree with you. And I believe that, although I know your focus is your district, I believe that there are many areas across the state that have that concentrated poverty, especially within the African American community in my area. And I would love to see and work with you to see where those census tracks are actually located throughout the state so we can make sure that IHDA can invest these dollars the very best they can to get the most effective results from the program. So, thank you very much, Representative."

Davis: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mazzochi."

Mazzochi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."

Mazzochi: "One of the issues that came up in committee had to do with the definition of what it means to be a qualified developer. And one of the things that I pointed out is that you were not actually not allowing for individuals to serve as qualified developers. You were only allowing for corporations, limited partnerships, limited liability companies, not-for-profit, or a land bank. Is there a reason why you're excluding individuals who could do smaller rehab projects that might actually have comparable impact?"

Davis: "Can you just give me the last part of your question again, please?"

Mazzochi: "Yeah. Is there a reason why you're excluding individual contractors or developers who might actually be able to do smaller projects, particularly in low-income areas?"

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Davis: "Well, let me answer it this way. So, I think one thing to consider is whether or not a single individual has the capacity to be able to do that. Okay, that's one consideration. But as I was just instructed by this gentleman standing next to me, if a single individual could be a... a single person LLC, which means that they could possibly, if they have the capacity to be able to do these kinds of projects. So, I don't think we're necessarily singling them out per se, but I think there's always a thought about who is and who can be available to do the projects 'cause we do want them to be successful. And... but I think if someone who you may be talking about is a business person, maybe they have their own LLC, therefore they could be considered to do this project."

Mazzochi: "Right. But you know... but not everybody necessarily wants to take advantage of the corporate form, for whatever reason. So, it just strikes me that you're... you're excluding, again, individuals who may not necessarily have... maybe I could call it legal sophistication, but you're just automatically excluding them on the front end. And I just didn't understand the reason for that. So, it doesn't sound like there's any reason in terms of skill set why somebody who's an individual qualified developer is going to be excluded. It's just... I mean, I got the impression at... during the committee hearing that that was just an oversight by the professor who drafted the Bill. But, I mean, is that something that you think is necessary or is it something that you think individuals should be allowed to participate?"

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Davis: "Well, Representative, it's always worth a conversation. If there are individuals who feel like they are being left out, I certainly would welcome them to give me a call and they can... we can have a conversation about that if they feel like they're being left out."

Mazzochi: "Yeah. You know, I..."

Davis: "I don't know who you're... I don't know who you're talking about specifically in this. And if there's a specific person that you know would like to possibly do this, please have them give me a call. Let's talk about it."

Mazzochi: "Yeah, well, I think that, again, because one of the issues that continues to come up this General Assembly relates to issues of equity and lowering barriers to access. And to basically say that you can't take advantage of a government program unless you've officially incorporated yourself or made yourself a partnership is not within the spirit of that. But we can move on to another section..."

Davis: "Right. But also... but, Representative, also know and understand that when we have those conversations, we also want to make sure that those companies also have the capacity to do it as well. So, it's not just xing them out just because we want to leave them out. It's always about can they get done what needs to be done as well. And for some small businesses, they can't. So, we have to create ways in which to bring them up. And those are many of the programs that many of us try to advance or ways to help build the capacity and grow small businesses that a lot of Members in this chamber seem to vote 'no' on. So, it's not arbitrary."

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Mazzochi: "Yeah, well... yeah, well like... like I said, to me, the types of developers who are likely to be working in these neighborhoods are people who are living in the neighborhoods. I think you even have some encouragement towards hiring people who are local minority developers or people who can actually do the work. So, it just seems that this... that provision is counter intuitive to that. Let's go to page seven, the definition of vacant and abandoned property. Do you have that?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative, we will be instituting a three-minute time."

Mazzochi: "You always do, Speaker. At least when I'm in the mic."

Davis: "Okay. Go right ahead."

Mazzochi: "All right. So, in connection with the vacant and abandoned property, this is one that basically says that if a property's been empty for six months and meets the criteria in your item 2, which is... it has become derelict. And derelict is a pretty broad description that could just mean any type of disrepair. All of a sudden somebody can come in and basically secure that property. You know, there's a lot of people who, maybe if you're an older person, you have to go into a nursing facility for some time, or maybe you... you're not necessarily living there but you don't want to surrender the house. It... at what point is something going to serve as almost like an accidental determination of vacant and abandoned?"

Davis: "Well, if what you're asking is the same conversation that I had with Representative Mayfield about taking someone's property arbitrarily, then we're going to contemplate some

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language. I think we may even have what that language could look like that we're going to add to this in the Senate to at least provide some level of notification for those individuals. Now, it's not as arbitrary as you make it seem. Whoever that... whoever the developer is, they have to work with IHDA. They have to come in and work for IHDA. They just can't just take property and then say, hey, I got this property, come... there's a conversation that needs to be had. You make it sound like somebody randomly can come in and just, hey, and just take property. That's not the intent here, and that's not the objective. So, again, we have the ability to develop rules which can address, probably, some of the things that you're speaking of. But the idea's not to just make this the wild wild west where somebody can just come in and take property. So, there is a process that will have to undergo with IHDA to make sure that things are done correctly."

Mazzochi: "Sure. And one of my concerns, of course, is that when the statutory language is clear, we don't necessarily have the ability to take that back through IHDA rules or anything along those lines or even the stated intent here on the floor. So, again, I think that this is language... again, I talked about it in committee. I warned you it would need to be cleaned up, but it appears that Representative Mayfield may agree. And I think it would be more appropriate to do it here in the House so that we actually know exactly what we're voting on. When it comes to the dollar amount on page 8, line 11, it says that, 'The authority may authorize qualified projects in any given calendar year in an amount not to exceed either \$50 million for the year in question.' So, I know later

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on in the... in here it was changed to 30 million. So, what is going to be the actual scope of authority? Is it 50 million or is it 30 million?"

Davis: "It's 30 million."

Mazzochi: "Okay. So, is this another Amendment then that needs to get changed in... on page 8, around lines 10 to 11?"

Davis: "No, I... that was a... that was a change that was in the Amendment that we just filed... or that was just adopted to make the change to 30 million. Up from 20 to 30."

Mazzochi: "Right. But on page 8, lines 10 to 11, it says... you're talking about authorizing qualified projects in any given calendar year in an amount not to exceed either \$50 million for the year in question. Now, the either is clearly a typo. I believe this is where you took out the 250 million in bonding authority that was originally there. But the 50 million didn't get changed to 30 million. Should it be changed to 30 million?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stephens yields his time."

Davis: "According to this gentleman, the intent is 30 million. So, if that's missed in the Amendment, then that's something that can be changed."

Mazzochi: "Okay. Yeah, I'm reading directly from the Amendment. So, yeah. So, that's another change that clearly needs to be made. Pages... at the end of page 8 where you were talking about the 10 communities that are going to be part of the pilot program, you've got the South Suburbs of Chicago, Central Illinois, Northwest Illinois, and Southern Illinois. You know, again, one of the concerns..."

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Davis: "You kind of... you kind of misunderstand that. There will be 10 pilot projects, and they can be any of the regions, possibly, that are listed. So, it's not... we don't specify the community. I think... the way you said that, it sounds like you had a different interpretation of what it actually means."

Mazzochi: "Well, you're saying that the 10 communities shall at a minimum include Chicago Metro, South Suburbs... actually, that's one question. How do you differentiate between the Chicago metropolitan area and the South Suburbs?"

Davis: "Well, the Chicago metropolitan area is bigger than the South Suburbs."

Mazzochi: "Right. So, why... well, why... why is Chicago getting two? And then Central Illinois, I'm not quite sure what those boundaries are, gets one. Northwest Illinois gets one. And Southern Illinois gets one."

Davis: "Well, you're saying they get one, I don't... I'm reading the language, I don't see one. There will be a total of 10 projects that will be dispersed amongst the areas listed."

Mazzochi: "Well, is there a requirement that, of these 10 projects, at least one go to each of these geographic regions that's listed here?"

Davis: "Well, I think there's some additional language that talks about, where there are areas of concentrated poverty, where these projects could possibly be."

Mazzochi: "All right. So, Central Illinois may not get some projects if they don't actually satisfy the definition of concentrated poverty you have above?"

Davis: "Well, I mean, we're using the definition of concentrated poverty. My guess is that there is some concentrated poverty



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in Central Illinois. Don't know where it is yet, but it'll be an admission of where there's concentrated poverty as well as where there are developers who want to come do the projects as well."

Mazzochi: "Is there going to be parody in terms of the funding amounts that are going to get distributed within these geographic areas?"

Davis: "Well, the language doesn't specify that, but it's a pilot project."

Mazzochi: "Right."

Davis: "So, if we're able to be successful with moving some of these projects, then maybe in the next iteration of this, there can be some specificity. But again, a lot of it is dependent upon developers that want to come to these areas and do the projects. And we just kind of lay out where we think projects could be."

Mazzochi: "Sure. And then one final thing. I didn't see in here in connection with project costs any requirement that prevailing wages be paid by the contractor. Do they have to pay prevailing wages? And if so, where is that specified in here?"

Davis: "Well, it's not in the Bill."

Mazzochi: "Okay."

Davis: "Don't know if... I don't know how to answer your question 'cause it's not in the Bill."

Mazzochi: "Okay. No, as long as you..."

Davis: "No, it's important enough because, with a lot of these projects, there's usually that conversation about it. But it's not... that language isn't in the Bill."

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Mazzochi: "Right. All right, well, to the Bill. I think that there's a recognition that, once again, we're dealing with a Bill that's not fully ready for a final vote. And I don't like... I don't like it when the default assumption is that some significant changes are going to be made in the Senate. We don't know... you know, there's statement in the Bill that this is going to be 50 million, maybe it's going to be 30 million in other parts. We don't know if this is going to be prevailing wage activity, is it not. And more over for our side of the aisle, there's no guarantee that, while there's a statement that there will be... that the 10 communities who are going to be getting this money maybe should be in certain geographic regions, what our experience has been is that the housing authority actually does not distribute funds into the downstate areas as promised. So, because, from my perspective, this Bill is not yet ready, I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Crespo."

Crespo: "Thank you, Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."

Crespo: "Thank you. Representative Davis, I think this is a great, great idea. Let me go back to the funding mechanism that Representative Demmer spoke about. And I know as we have all these initiatives we care about and we try to reconcile all the requests for funding, let me share with you some parts here that I'm trying to reconcile and see if in fact we're creating a liability. 'Cause it's not subject to appropriations, I understand."

Davis: "It's what?"

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Crespo: "It not subject to appropriations? Or is it subject to appropriations?"

Davis: "I would say it's not. The language doesn't specify that it's subject to approp."

Crespo: "Okay. So, if we go to page 7... bear with me one second. Page 7, line 18 and 19, where it says that the completion of a qualified project, the authority shall pay to a qualified developer responsible for such a project. So, it's saying they shall pay. And then on line... I mean on page 9... on page 9, line 2... let me start with line 1. 'The authority shall fund such incentive fees either with appropriation from the state or by issuing bonds as permitted under Section 14.' So, the way I read that is it seems like we are creating a liability to say the state shall pay either with ARPA dollars, with GRF, or the absence of that, they shall issue bonds to pay for it."

Davis: "So, what I think you're asking... and again, it's not subject to appropriation. That language isn't there. The idea was to be able to possibly use ARPA dollars as a way to help fund this project. And I believe in the way that we spend ARPA dollars is that ultimately it may show up in a piece of legislation, whether it's a budget Bill or a BIMP Bill, that suggests that IHDA shall, I'll just use the word receive, or utilize the sum of \$30 million of ARPA dollars to fund this project. In the same manner that we are hearing a lot of different requests from Members about how to spend ARPA dollars, ultimately this becomes a request. Whether or not it winds up in a final version of a Bill to designate that IHDA

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would receive or shall spend designated dollars that it has for this purpose, that still remains to be seen."

Crespo: "I appreciate that, and I understand that. Again, it's just the issuance of bonds, it seems like it's providing a third mechanism in the event that we can't use ARPA or GRF."

Davis: "Well, we took the bond language out. So, the focus is..."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davis, Representative Yednock yields his time."

Crespo: "Well, what I'm reading right now, unless the Amendment..."

Davis: "Are you reading the Amendment or..."

Crespo: "I'm reading the Bill as it's listed in our..."

Davis: "But that's what I'm saying. Are you reading the Amendment or the... or the introduced Bill? Because we did adopt an Amendment that did take the bond language out. I don't have the copy of the Amendment in front of me, but we did take the bond language out. And it's more or less encouraging the use of ARPA dollars as a way to help fund this project."

Crespo: "Okay. I'll take a closer look then. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative McCombie."

McCombie: "Thank you. Just to the Bill. Yesterday I got up and talked about what was going on in Iowa and how we need to be structurally reforming this. If you go to page 2 of this Bill, line through 14, it basically states that private developers are not willing to acquire or rehab vacant and abandoned properties located in communities of concentrated poverty because complying with federal, state, and local laws, rules and ordinances, covering everything from prevailing wage, environmental requisites, to building code standards, frequently pushes... basically pushes these projects to be

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unaffordable and not done. So, there again, if we were looking at the underlying issue and got government out of the way in a lot of these cases, we wouldn't be talking about spending 20 to 30 million dollars on a project."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mayfield."

Mayfield: "My name was used in debate a few times. Can I just clarify for the record that I did talk to Representative Davis about my concerns for the Bill and he stated he would address them in the Senate? Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davis to close."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I appreciate the comments of everyone that spoke on the Bill. Prior to Representative Mayfield, the previous speaker talked about the need for government to get out of the way. Not saying I necessarily disagree, but in some cases, government needs to be used to help these kind of situations. The idea that developers, in a lot of cases, don't want to come to communities like the ones that I represent is real. It may not be real for many on that side of the aisle because of the communities that they represent. They have no problem going to the Western Suburbs, the Northwestern Suburbs in a lot of cases. But when it comes to the South Suburbs, they do struggle to come to communities like the ones that I represent. The idea here is to try to put forth a program as a pilot project to help communities who are interested in dealing with a lot of the vacant and abandoned properties. Government's responsibility is to help communities. It is what we are supposed to do. We pass a huge budget that extends a lot of resources to help a lot of these communities. Now,

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I understand that many on that side don't want to admit the money that gets spent in their districts, but I'm willing to talk about the money that gets spent in my communities because it's what I advocate for. It's why those people sent me here to try to do what I can to try to help. So, this is a pilot project. Maybe in some eyes it's not perfect, but it's the beginning of a great conversation. And it's a conversation that I'm willing to engage in to try to make it and shape it so that it does do what I would like it to do in communities of concentrated poverty, in communities that are underserved. That is a big fight down here, trying to make sure that we expand state resources in those communities. And the more that we're able to do in those communities, the reality is that it benefits all of us. That is an opportunity that when we... when we rise... when the lake goes up, everybody benefits from the opportunities for some of these communities. We are indeed that backbone. I know it's tough for some to admit, but we are indeed that backbone. And when we help those that cannot help themselves, those that are underserved, then you see the benefits all over the state and the opportunities for everyone in the state to grow and to prosper. So, again, thank you for all the comments. And I certainly hope that this is a program that we can move over to the Senate, continue to work it, and then ultimately pass a great Bill that benefits communities all over the State of Illinois. With that, I ask for a 'yes' vote. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4784 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 74 voting 'yes', 35 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We'll let the record reflect that Representative McLaughlin is excused for the rest of the day."

Speaker Hoffman: "The record shall so reflect. On page 20 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4322, Representative Tarver. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4322, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4322 is a Bill that was drafted initially by the Illinois Real Estate Lawyers Association and then ultimately in conjunction with the Illinois Relators Association. It is an update to the Seller Disclosure Act. It has not been updated since its intro... well, it's not updated in a major way since its introduction in 1994. I know of no opposition to the Bill. If anybody wants to know, like, some of the updates, it now allows individuals to send the seller discloser report by email, because that was illegal up until this Bill passes. So, I urge an 'aye' vote. Happy to answer any questions."

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Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4322 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted... have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Didech on House Bill 4393. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4393, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Didech."

Didech: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4393 amends various local government procurement codes to create a best value bidder standard for the awarding of competitively bid contracts. This is a standard that is utilized by about a dozen other states, including large states such as Texas, New York, and Minnesota. This legislation is supported by a broad array of local government organizations that represent municipalities, townships, school districts, park districts, and library districts. Essentially this will give those governments the option of using a more holistic analysis that will take into account fiscal factors such as the bidder's ability to minimize cost overruns, the ability to minimize change orders and maintenance costs in the lifespan of the



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project. It includes strong ethics and transparency provisions that require the disclosure of bidders who have a familial, close economic, or political relationship with the board approving the contract. Additionally and importantly, this legislation will also allow many local governments, for the first time, to consider goals of awarding projects to women-owned, minority-owned, and disabled-owned businesses. Thank you, everyone, for your consideration. And I'm happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no seeking recognition on House Bill 4393, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4393 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Continuing on page 20 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 4386, Representative Yednock. Representative Lance Yednock. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4386, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Yednock."

Yednock: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4386, I believe, changes the way that we hunt deer in the State of Illinois."

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This is a project for a lot of hunters in my district, where they want to be able to use a rifle with straight-walled ammunition in order to take more deer without... with less wounding, and it's a much better way to hunt. And I'm asking for a positive vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative McCombie."

McCombie: "Just to the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

McCombie: "Thank you for bringing this Bill forward. My Bill happens to be better, but I'll still vote for yours. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4386 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar. Representative, could you try that again?"

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar is a 'yes'."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 20 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4580, Representative Tarver. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4580, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Tarver."

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Tarver: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is a Bill that codifies a policy that CPS has had for about 17, 18 years about remapping school boundaries. Although the policy had been in place for 17 years, the school... the maps have not been remapped, I believe, in like 50 years or so. And so, the policy had shallow language to say they would do this every year, provide a report. It has never happened. It also adds necessary language, and I think that was the way they slipped out the back door. So, this codifies it, puts it into statute, requires that CPS once at least every five years provide a report, doing an evaluation where the schools should be remapped. It does not require them to remap schools. It just requires them to at least do the evaluation and provide a report. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates he'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, it was partisan in committee before the Amendment. But then after the Amendment, it was unanimously adopted in committee. Is that correct?"

Tarver: "That is correct."

Batinick: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Butler."

Butler: "Question of the Sponsor, please."

Speaker Hoffman: "Sponsor yields."

Butler: "Representative, did you draft this Bill?"

Tarver: "Did I draft this Bill?"

Butler: "Yes."

Tarver: "No, Sir."

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Butler: "Okay. I just wanted to make sure 'cause usually on redistricting you tell us you haven't drafted the Bill. So, I just wanted to give you a little hard time."

Tarver: "No, I didn't say I drafted the Bill in redistricting. You asked me if I knew what was in the Bill, and I responded to you, 'Yes.' You asked me, 'What?' I said, 'Words.' There are words in this Bill too."

Butler: "You know what's in this Bill?"

Tarver: "Words."

Butler: "Very good. Thank you, Sir."

Tarver: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Tarver to use his words to close."

Tarver: "I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4580 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving to page 21 of the Calendar, on the Order of Third Reading appears House Bill 4798, Representative Stava-Murray. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4798, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stava-Murray."

Stava-Murray: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Today I'm presenting House Bill 4798, which would create the opportunity for more substitute teachers to educate our children by having certain qualified college students receive substitute teaching licenses. As an Illinois Representative and as a parent, education is one of the most fundamental values I hold true to my heart, as well as to the hearts of many students and family in the district I represent. However, in the last few years and especially recently due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are facing a shortage of teachers in our schools, which... with the shortage of educators, there's been a high demand for substitutes that many districts in Illinois cannot produce. With that being said, the Bill I am purposing would create the opportunity for increasing the number of substitute teachers for children in schools by having college students who are education majors with over 90 hours of credit experience become eligible for their substitute teaching license. I know of no opposition, and I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Bourne."

Bourne: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Bourne: "Thank you. I just want to commend the Sponsor for working with the opponents. We have a critical shortage of substitute teachers in Illinois, and I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stava-Murray to close."

Stava-Murray: "I urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

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Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4798 pass?'  
All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'.  
The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who  
wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the  
record. On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting  
'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a  
Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page  
21 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4825, Representative  
Costa Howard. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4825, a Bill for an Act concerning  
transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Costa Howard."

Costa Howard: "Thank you. House Bill 4825 amends the Illinois  
Vehicle Code to allow individuals who... when registering their  
vehicles, to voluntarily indicate that they or somebody in  
their car, a parent of a child who has a communication  
disorder, to make that known. This Bill has the opportunity  
to save lives. We know that during traffic stops our officers  
do not necessarily have the information that they need. This  
is an opportunity for a voluntary program through... with  
Secretary of State, to allow individuals to actually let  
somebody know what is happening in this car. I want to thank  
Representative Stuart. This Bill is actually kind of a joint  
constituent issue. It was brought to me by a young man named  
Henry Lytle in Wheaton. And he and the chief of police, Chief

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Murphy, worked with my office to bring this Bill forward. And Representative Stuart brought the piece to the Bill regarding a parent being able to indicate that they have a child. Again, this is a Bill that can save lives for many different families. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "On House Bill 4825, Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "Thank you. And thank you, Representative Costa Howard, for working together on this. I think it collectively, like, pulled everything in it. I just wanted to take a second to thank Matt Casper-Bassler from... who's from St. Clair County who is the one who brought this to me back in 2020. He has a young son with a communication disorder. He's actually a special education teacher, so he's probably still in his classroom or just finishing up. And I'm hoping that he's going to be really happy to hear that we finally got this across the finish line. So, thank you very much for all your work."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Lewis on House Bill 4825."

Lewis: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. To the Bill. I'd like to thank the Sponsor for working with me and letting me talk for an hour out loud going through this. I encourage my side of the aisle to vote 'yes'. It's a good Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Costa Howard to close."

Costa Howard: "Thank you. This is... this has been a labor of love for both Representative Stuart and myself in many ways. This is an example of one... we have a good Bill and one where we can work together. I want to thank Representative Lewis as well, and this is a true example of what bipartisan work looks like."

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Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4825 pass?'  
All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; all opposed 'no'.  
The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who  
wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the  
record. On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting  
'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the  
Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving to  
page 21 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 4843,  
Representative Collins. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4843, a Bill for an Act concerning  
State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Collins."

Collins: "So, this Bill is to ensure that the statewide children's  
saving account program in Illinois centers equity and  
promotes hope for the future in Illinois' families who need  
it the most. It requires the Treasurer's Office to report  
data... I can't hear... the Treasurer's Office to report data to  
see if it's actually being taken up by families who would  
most benefit from having a jumpstart to their post-secondary  
education savings. And it also centers equity by allowing the  
Treasurer's Office to make supplementary deposits to children  
in a financially insecure households if funds are available,  
narrowing the deposits to children... narrowing the college  
saving gap and promoting hope for the future amongst children  
who need it the most. I will note that this program already



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exists, but it remains unfunded. And I do have an appropriations Bill to secure that funding."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4843 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; all opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 100 voting 'yes', 5 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 21 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4849, Representative Williams. Out of the record. On page 21 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4846, Representative Lawrence Walsh, Jr. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4846, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Walsh."

Walsh: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. 4846 is an initiative of.. the initiative of the Illinois EPA. This is a solid waste site landfill certification. Basically, what this does is, instead of certifying every three years, they'll certify once and then have continuing education. The Amendments that were put forth move the fees back to their current level so there is no fee increase in this. I'd be happy to answer any questions. Ask for an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates he'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, so there was a fee increase in it. Republicans hate fees, so they voted 'no'. You took the fee increase out. Republicans loved it, and they voted 'yes' in the Amendment in the committee, correct?"

Walsh: "That is correct."

Batinick: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Walsh to close."

Walsh: "I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4846 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed voting 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 111 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 21 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4847, Representative Cassidy. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. Mr. Clerk, please move this Bill back to Second for the purposes of an Amendment."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4847, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. This Bill was read a second time previously. No

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Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Cassidy, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Cassidy on Floor Amendment #1."

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to adopt the Amendment and debate on Third if possible."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Cassidy moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4847. All those signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4847, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. In 2015, this Body passed historic legislation to recognize the fact that courts did not understand or consider the impact of domestic violence when a survivor is charged with a crime. The Domestic Violence Resentencing Act had bipartisan sponsors and was supported by a coalition of domestic violence and criminal justice advocates. Any of us who were in the General Assembly at that time voted for it, as it passed out of both chambers unanimously. We voted for it so survivors of domestic violence that were in prison could file a petition for resentencing when the court did not consider that violence originally. But we'd missed the mark. We didn't get it quite right. Despite the intent of that Act, it has failed to accomplish its intended goals because of ambiguity in the language that has been cited several times by courts. And in fact, only four known survivors have gotten relief under the

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law as currently written. As I said, we've had disparities between jurisdictions resulting in different rulings, some rather ridiculous ones. And so, we have different access to justice depending on what court room a survivor's motion is filed. So, it clarifies the original intent that... around the timing for a petition of resentencing. It defines the amount of previous evidence, and this was an issue that... that came up more than anything else. In the original Bill... or in the law, it says there could've been no evidence presented, but that's led to some absurd results. And one very jarring example is a survivor who literally in the... you go through every transcript, no mention of abuse at all. And the judge denied her petition for a hearing based on the fact that she was wearing a neck brace at her trial. And that led him to assume that... that she was a survivor. Others... there are women in prison who could not present evidence of their husbands raping them because it occurred before marital rape was even a crime. This is all about the things that we know better now. We went... we also created a new definition to expand beyond domestic violence to include other forms of gender-based violence, such as sexual assault and human trafficking. We... the Amendment that we just adopted addressed an assortment of concerns that were raised by the Sheriffs' Association. We responded to each one of their changes, making some definitional changes and making clarifications. There is a drafting error in this Amendment. So, it will have to be cleaned up in the Senate. So, it'll be back on Concurrence. And that will also allow us to address a couple of late-

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breaking questions that were raised by the state's attorneys when it gets over to the Senate. And I ask for your support."  
Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4847 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed voting 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 72 voting 'yes', 37 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Guzzardi on House Bill 4850. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. Mr. Clerk, please move this Bill back to Second Reading for the purpose of an Amendment."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4850, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. This Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Guzzardi, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi on Floor Amendment #2."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Amendment addresses some of the concerns of the opposition. Happy to debate it further on Third."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mazzochi, could we debate it on Third? Is that okay or would you like to discuss now? Representative Guzzardi moves for the adoption of Floor

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Amendment #2 to House Bill 4850. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4850, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi on House Bill 4850."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thanks, Members. House Bill 4850 contains a few Amendments to the Gender Violence Act. Two are relatively minor. One is that it clarifies that domestic violence is considered gender violence. We thought that would be obvious, but some judges have disagreed. So, we wanted to clarify that. Second, it makes it so that gender-violence claims can't be waived in divorce proceedings. But the sort of central issue here is around employer liability, for when their employee commits gender violence. So, we're clarifying the liability that courts have already found exists under the 2003 Gender Violence Act. So, I'll take us to the court system for just a moment. In 2019, there was a case called *Gasic v. Marquette*. Marquette was a management company who sent a maintenance employee to Ms. Gasic's apartment. He sexually harassed her in her apartment. And it turns out that he'd had a long history of these kinds of complaints of harassing people while they're at work. Ms. Gasic sued the company under the Gender Violence Act. And the court found that, under some circumstances, a legal entity, such as a corporation, can have liability under the Gender Violence Act. But it didn't define under what circumstances those are. So, right now we exist in this state of limbo,

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where employees can bring claims against their employers and it's just not clear when the employer might be liable. So, we wanted to clarify that with the statute. The statute purposes a few clear conditions under which an employer might be held liable. The Amendment, which you see before you today, is a result of some debate in committee and some feedback from the Chamber of Commerce. We were working towards progress there with the Chamber. We had a lot of back and forth. We were not able to reach consensus. They offered some language that would have undermined the entire Gender Violence Act, I think unintentionally. But I still wanted to recognize the concerns of the... of the minority in committee and the concerns of the chamber, so we adopted some of those changes here in this Amendment today. But I think this is a critically important piece of legislation, both for survivors to know when they have a case and also for employers to know when they might actually be liable under this Act and not just leave it up to the courts to decide. So, with that, I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "On House Bill 4850, Representative Mazzochi."

Mazzochi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Mazzochi: "House Bill 4850 is yet another example of why, in the State of Illinois, if you're an employer, you're damned if you do and you're damned if you don't. So, in the State of Illinois, we have imposed all sorts of penalties, we've even tried different incentives to encourage employers to hire people with a criminal history. Now, under this Bill, an employer who has hired somebody, if that person with a criminal history then turns around and actually engages in

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criminal activity in any activity associated with the employer, or maybe even not when the employer is actually supervising this employee, the employer is now liable for what the employee does. So, how can you expect an employer to say... and the reason why is because Representative Guzzardi, in this Bill, is essentially saying that since the employer should've known that the employee was a risk, now the employer is going to be held liable for that. This is a Bill that is putting liability on employers that makes it impossible for them to function. There's no out if the employer did a hire of someone with a criminal history in good faith. There is no relief if the employer was doing things that were... within the standard of care. There is no escape valve if the employee was acting on their own time and not on the employers. Now, for the Sponsor of the Bill to suggest that this is merely codifying existing law is flat wrong. The case that's being relied on was decided in the context of a motion to dismiss where a court has to assume facts that are alleged are true. And the basic premise was the court was not willing, at a motion to dismiss stage, to say that the bad acts of an employee, in the context of his employment, do not necessarily impute to the employers such that he was willing to say there was no claim under the Illinois Human Rights Act. That was an off... one-off court decision that is now being codified in a highly, much more expansive way that... frankly, if I were an employer, I would... I would look at this type of language and say, how am I supposed to function? This is not a good Bill. This is not helping survivors. All that this is doing is making it harder and harder for us to actually have jobs and



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real work going on in Illinois. And for... and it's counterintuitive to the majority caucus' stated intent of wanting to actually bring more people with bad criminal histories into the workforce. I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ugaste."

Ugaste: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates he'll yield."

Ugaste: "Thank you. I'm sorry. Will, does this cover violence against an existing employee by an employee?"

Guzzardi: "I'm sorry. I hate to do this to you. I know, it's just hard for me to hear you. You said, does it cover violence by an existing employee against an employee? Is that what..."

Ugaste: "A fellow employee, yes."

Guzzardi: "Yes. That Act... the proposed Act does. Yeah."

Ugaste: "Okay. So, what you're doing now though is creating double recovery since Workers' Compensation Act already provides that, correct?"

Guzzardi: "Well, so... we've had this discussion. And I believe that the Bill before us covers a wide variety of instances, including many which are not covered in the workers' compensation statute. For instance, gender violence doesn't always include a physical act, right? So, threats of action can be constituted as gender violence as is defined. And I feel quite certain that a threat of an action is not... there's no workers' comp claim that could be... could cover that. And also, of course, it covers cases like the *Gasic v. Marquette* case where it's a customer of a business who's the survivor of the gender violence."

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Ugaste: "So, then why don't you exclude workers' compensation coverage in your Bill if they're going to recover under this? Because what this is allowing for is double recovery against the employer."

Guzzardi: "Yeah, it's just there are some instances in which the gender violence... for instance, we've talked about the statute of limitations issue in committee. They're instances in which the Gender Violence Act provides greater opportunities for people to seek recompense than they could find in the workers' compensation statute. And I think that work comp is not really an appropriate venue for most of the claims we're describing here. We're talking about employees who commit gender violence against their customers, right, against people interacting with the business. There's just a wide variety of issues covered by this Act that workers' comp just simply doesn't deal with."

Ugaste: "Okay. To the Bill. The general idea behind this Bill may be acceptable. But to include double recovery, where there's already recovery allowed under state statute, is going too far. The Sponsor may have a good idea, but it needs to be worked on. The Bill should not pass as drafted, and I ask that you vote 'no'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi to close."

Guzzardi: "Thank you. Really briefly, I have very good news for the Lady from DuPage who spoke a minute ago. The provisions that she was referring to around employers having... knowing about a person's propensity to commit those acts. The Chamber of Commerce brought those concerns to me as well, and I pulled those out of this Bill in Amendment 2. So, we've addressed a

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lot of these issues already. I appreciate the Gentlemen's comments. But to say this Bill would not do anything for survivors, I think would contradict the organizations of survivors who were strong advocates for this Bill. The Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence who's fighting for this Bill, the Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation that's fighting for this Bill. This Bill, in the words of survivors themselves, will provide them remedies when they are... when gender violence is committed against them. I think's an incredibly important measure. I think it provides clarity for our employers and provides avenues for survivors of gender violence. I urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4850 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed voting 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 69 voting 'yes', 39 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 21 of the Calendar appears House Bill 5018, Representative Evans. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5018, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Evans."

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Evans: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to present House Bill 5018, which creates an innovative and sustainable way to meet the significant need for affordable housing supply in the Cook County suburban area. This initiative's been important to me and my family for many years. I live on the South Side of Chicago, but I also work and play on the South Suburbs and represent the South Cook area. And I'm happy to present a solution that will have an immediate, flexible impact. This Bill will authorize a program for the Housing Authority of Cook County to administer revolving... revolving fund for site acquisition, development, and rehabilitation of affordable and mixed-use housing. The fund will directly address long-standing countywide needs for safe, sustainable, and dignified housing that the pandemic has exacerbated. Most of the new units generated by this fund will be leased to members of populations of communities disproportionately impacted for a long time by simply... by the pandemic, such as people of color and individuals with disabilities. The housing authority has a proven track record of effectively addressing affordable housing needs, the site locations, the policies are flexible and based on local input and need. This Bill will benefit thousands of Cook County residents facing housing burden, it will improve the amount of quality of affordable housing in suburban Cook County, create jobs and draw local businesses, particularly those owned by women and minorities. I urge an 'aye' vote, and thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mazzochi."

Mazzochi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

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Mazzochi: "I certainly think that the Sponsor's goal, in terms of trying to find ways to encourage investment in his neighborhood, is laudable. However, this Bill is not necessarily the right way to do it, and here's some reasons why. It's basically creating a slush fund within the Cook County Treasure's Department so that the.. so that Cook County somehow, somehow can behave as a developer. And there's no goals for achievement. There's no oversight mechanism. There's no metrics. There's no even standards in terms of what's going to be deemed to be a successful project or not. Given what we've been seeing, including an indictment recently, in connection with abuses relating with zoning and other ways in which money moves around in the Cook County region, this is not the time to be creating a new unaccountable fund that's going to be funded with taxpayer dollars and that's got no guarantee that the taxpayers are ever going to see a recovery beyond corruption. I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Evans to close."

Evans: "I request your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5018 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed voting 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 71 voting 'yes', 39 voting

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'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 21 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4949, Representative Collins. Out of the record. Representative Delgado on House Bill 4973. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4973, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Delgado."

Delgado: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4973 is an initiative of the ICC. It will eliminate procedural uncertainty in ICC enforcement actions against alternative retail electric suppliers, alternative gas suppliers, an agent, broker, or consultants. It also streamlines enforcement processes by aligning remedies available to complainants before the ICC, regardless of whether a complaint is brought pursuant to the Public Utilities Act or the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act. What we're doing here is essentially codifying current practice at the commission. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one..."

Delgado: "And I'm available for questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "...seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill shall House Bill 4973 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed voting 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Severin on House Bill 5041. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5041, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Severin."

Severin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Could you put a one-minute timer on me so I don't go too long?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Thirty seconds."

Severin: "That'd be great. So, I appreciate the opportunity to bring this Bill before you. So, there are 16 juvenile detention centers throughout the state that are understaffed. They are having a hard time finding employees. And what this does, it allows those that apply for positions to have a... rather than a bachelor's degree, an associate's degree or 60 hours... credit hours. And it passed out of committee a hundred percent, and I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote. Thank you very much."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi."

Guzzardi: "Thanks. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates he'll yield."

Guzzardi: "I'll do my best to keep it under your one-minute timer. But I just want to know if you've been approached, Representative Severin, by any of the advocates who are in opposition to your Bill?"

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Severin: "Actually, I have. And thank you very much for that. The concern is that the AOIC and the DJJ, they oppose it. They oversee the program. It doesn't affect them initially, but there are some concerns with that. But basically, what we talked about earlier this afternoon as far as requiring substitute teachers.. instead of a bachelor's degree and a associate's degree. So, there are transitions that need to be made and need to be recognized. It was 25 years ago when this was put into statute, and times have changed. And we have a... actually, the facility that is actually across the street from my business, they are so short staffed that, if they don't get staffed, they may have to close. So.. and that is one of the only facilities in probably the 25 or 30 counties in Southern Illinois. So, that's a long answer. That's why I put a timer on me."

Guzzardi: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Guzzardi: "I appreciate the Gentleman's answer. And I just want to point out that I share your concern about the staffing issues in these facilities, but I think it's also important that the folks who are serving in these facilities have the adequate training. Obviously, people who are confined, juveniles who are confined in these facilities can have challenging behavioral issues, can require a high degree of care. And I would just express the concern that I think the language in the Bill, as it is, is a little vague. It says that.. it's the hiring of an applicant who possesses an associate's degree or has completed at least 60 credit hours at an accredited institution of higher education. So, if that



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person had spent 60 credit hours studying welding, they might be eligible to serve in this facility. I think it's a... the goal of the Gentleman with this Bill is admirable. We do need to get these vacancies filled. We need staffing at these facilities. But I just worry that if we dilute this standard for... for professionals who serve our children in these facilities, then we might pose higher risks for them when we have these folks serving. So, I just wanted to share those concerns. I appreciate the Gentleman's efforts here, and I thank you for your time."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates he'll yield."

Ford: "My question is simple. Are you nervous?"

Severin: "You know, I wasn't until three Bills before, and it all came out. Thanks, I appreciate that. I was going to bring it up. If Lou Lang was in the Chair, he was going to say, 'Severin are you nervous?' I am."

Ford: "So, are you? You're not nervous?"

Severin: "Oh, of course I am. If you had my blood pressure 10 minutes ago to now, it'd be like, boing."

Ford: "That is all. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I just rise in support of this Bill. I understand why my colleague, certainly on my side of the aisle, expressed. But the issues that we've experienced in juvenile detention centers and other detention centers, but specifically around juveniles, we've had some issues as described by Representative Guzzardi. But those

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issues did not pertain to whether they had a master's, bachelor's, or an associate's degree whatsoever. This Bill will allow for our detention center to expand its pool of applicants and give opportunities to community college graduates that they would otherwise not have."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Yes, Sir?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Evans in the Chair."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to share with my colleagues that the efforts that Representative Severin have put into this Bill, I looked deeply into this based on the data and statistics. And it's very clear that people who take criminology at the community college can do an effective job if they are trained in the departments that they would be working in as adequately as a person with a bachelor's degree in welding or any other field as well. And so, I appreciate the efforts of Representative Severin on this Bill, and we support it wholeheartedly. And I urge an 'aye' vote"

Speaker Evans: "Representative Tarver for questions."

Tarver: "Don't cut me off this time, Marcus."

Speaker Evans: "I'll do my best."

Tarver: "Thanks, Mr. Speaker. Representative Severin, I had not given much thought to this Bill, honestly, until you just presented it. I wanted to just... well, first of all, thank you for the Bill. Also, thank you for all your DJing efforts before a committee start. It's always appreciated. But on a more serious note, this applies to Cook County as well?"

Severin: "There are 16 facilities, so it would affect all 16 throughout the state."

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Tarver: "Okay. And this is not your issue, it's not an issue with your Bill, but I just want to take the opportunity 'cause you... 'cause this Bill is here to remind everyone. In Cook County, the chief judge oversees the juvenile court and the juvenile detention center. Okay? So, when these individuals are hired, FOIA cannot access, even if it's redacted, whose been hired, what their background is, if there's an investigation where they harm a child. Nobody will ever know. Now, that's not the problem of your Bill at all. So, I want to be clear about that, but it just made me think about it. As we bring more people on, there is a need for some level of oversight and the ability to subject the administrative functions of courts, investigations, and the like to FOIA. So, I think it's a great Bill. I think it's a necessary Bill. I have no issue with your Bill, it just made me think about the... the broader issue. So, thank you again very much."

Severin: "Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Severin to close."

Severin: "I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote. Thank you very much. No song."

Speaker Evans: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5041 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting in 'favor', 3 voting

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'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Continuing on page 21 of the Calendar, on House Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5060, Representative Vella. Out of the record. Leader Batinick, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Leader Brady is excused for the rest of the day. And Leader Spain is excused for the rest of the day. Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Continuing on page 21, under House Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5162, Representative Yingling. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5162, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Yingling is recognized."

Yingling: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. HB5162 will prohibit the disbursement of state funds to any organization that engages in so-called conversion therapy as outlined in Section 15 of the Youth Mental Health Protection Act. I'd appreciate a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Evans: "Is there any discussion? Representative Windhorst is recognized."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Evans: "He indicates he will."

Windhorst: "Representative Yingling, there were a couple questions I had about some terms in the Bill that I hoped you could clarify for us. First, as it relates to the term 'religious organization', does... is that defined in the Bill or referenced elsewhere in statute?"

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Yingling: "Yeah, it is referenced in other parts of the statutes."

Windhorst: "And is that to include a church or religious school or college?"

Yingling: "Correct."

Windhorst: "And the term 'conversion therapy', is that defined in your Bill?"

Yingling: "That's already defined in statute. It's Section 15 of the Youth Mental Health Protection Act."

Windhorst: "And is it your intent or understanding that, that would include religious teaching or counseling by a pastor relating to same-sex attraction?"

Yingling: "So, that... all of that definition is already in statute, Representative, under... under the Section that I just cited, Section 15 of the Youth Mental Health Protection Act."

Windhorst: "Yes, that Act, of course, is narrowed to a specific point. This, obviously, would be much broader than that. And I guess the question that came up in committee relating to potential conversations or discussion between religious leaders and their lay persons, whether this would impact that at all."

Yingling: "Yeah. All of that's already outlined in Section 15 of the Youth Mental Health Protection Act."

Windhorst: "Well, I guess the issue is I don't believe that it is and that's the question that is being raised. So, do you believe this would involve more than just conduct but also discussion or conversation, speech, in other words?"

Yingling: "So, Representative, I would just go back and reference Section 15 of the Youth Mental Health Protection Act where all of this is already outlined."

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Windhorst: "But this... this Bill does not amend that Act. It actually doesn't reference that Act. So, I want..."

Yingling: "The terminology is the same as outlined in Section 15 of the Youth Mental Health Protection Act."

Windhorst: "So, is it your intention that this involve speech or only conduct?"

Yingling: "It pertains to Section 15 of the Youth Mental Health Protection Act."

Windhorst: "Well, I... I think just a simple answer would be very much appreciated. To the Bill. There is a... a case, *Otto v. City of Boca Raton*, Eleventh Circuit case, which details that speech cannot be infringed upon if it's religious speech, that you can't infringe upon that. So, there are concerns, if this is not specific in the Bill, that it does not entangle speech. That could raise constitutional issues. I would ask for a 'no' vote."

Speaker Evans: "Thank you, Representative. Any further discussion? We have Representative Morrison for questions."

Morrison: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just to the Bill. For... we're not going to relitigate this issue, the underlying Bill. But we here so often talk about personal choice and personal autonomy and this issue belies the fact that individuals will not have that. So, please vote 'no'."

Speaker Evans: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Yingling to close."

Yingling: "Appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Evans: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5162 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 69 voting in 'favor', 37 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Continuing on. On page 22 of the Calendar, on House Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5175, Representative Kifowit. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5175, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Kifowit is recognized."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I mentioned this Bill when we adopted the Amendment. This Bill is technical changes to the Illinois Veterans Grant that was a request from ISAC. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Evans: "Seeing no discussion, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5175 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 109 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed."

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Continuing down page 22 of the Calendar, under House Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5189, Representative Davis. Out of the record. Continuing down the Calendar on page 22, House Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5225, Representative Harper. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. Mr. Clerk, please bring this Bill back to the Order of Second Reading."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5225, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. This Bill is read for a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Harper, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Harper, please speak to the Amendment."

Harper: "Sure. The Amendment routes the program through the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity instead of the Department of Labor."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Harper moves the adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Evans: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill on Third Reading."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5225, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Harper is recognized."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5225 requires the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to develop a



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five-year program that provides transportation assistance and child care subsidies to those enrolled in approved apprenticeship programs. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Evans: "Seeing no discussion, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5225 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 107 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Continuing on page 22, returning to House Bill 5189, Representative Davis. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5189, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Davis is recognized."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. In previous Bills, I have talked to you about the Budgeting for Results Commission. House Bill 5189 is another initiative of the Budgeting for Results Commission that came from the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. They ask that any statutory references to what is called the Energy Infrastructure Fund be removed. This fund never received any revenue and DCEO has no plans to operate the program through which the state would subsidize new electric generation facilities that use coal. I ask for a 'yes' vote."

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Speaker Evans: "Seeing no discussion, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5189 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Members, an announcement. This is a reminder of House Rule 51.5. Please remember to wear a face covering that covers the nose and mouth. Face coverings should remain on while speaking on the microphone at your desk. To help reduce the spread of COVID-19, we ask that Members refrain as much as possible from eating or drinking on the House Floor and refrain from congregating in groups. We ask that all Members take these directives seriously to keep fellow Members and staff safe. Again, please remember to wear a face covering, including while speaking on the microphone, as pursuant to House Rule 51.5. Thank you so much. Continuing on page 22, House Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5273, Representative Gonzalez. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5273, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Gonzalez is recognized."

Gonzalez: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. HB5273 expands the oversight provided by the Independent Office of the Ombudsman for IJJ

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to include the county run juvenile detention facilities in Illinois. Because youth in detention centers do not have access to independent office to request assistance, obtain info, communicate confidentially, or seek relief, very little info is available on how youth are treated in county facilities. Access to the protections this office provides should be available to every youth who is in custody and removed from the family and community."

Speaker Evans: "All right. Thank you, Representative. Any discussion? Representative Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm just looking at my notes here, and I know I had some... some conversation with some folks on this in terms of what you're trying to do here. So, we do notice... I have an increased cost in my notes. Is that correct?"

Gonzalez: "Can you repeat that one more time? My bad."

Batinick: "There's going to be an increased cost to the state."

Gonzalez: "If there's an increase in cost, it'll be very minimal. There won't be any additional cost to the counties. If anything, it would be to the state, to the Office of Ombudsman, but it'll be minimal."

Batinick: "So, simply put, that's a yes?"

Gonzalez: "Minimally."

Batinick: "Okay. Minimally, yes. And so, probation and court services are opposed, but I believe the goal is to try to... so this is so that they can show up kind of unannounced and surprised to find if anything... anything bad is happening at the detention centers. Is that correct?"

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Gonzalez: "Again, just a new level of.. an extra level of oversight so that the youth that are in these detention centers can have somewhere to go if there's anything they need to.."

Batinick: "Okay. I think I got that. I'm having a little hard time with the mask. But could you maybe repeat it a little bit? Or put the mic a little closer?"

Gonzalez: "Remind me the question again?"

Batinick: "The purpose of the Bill is to try and?"

Gonzalez: "Oh, I mean, just the Office of the Ombudsman will have oversight. So, the youth in county detention centers, they... if there's an issue, they need to go talk to somebody, they'll just go to somebody from the Office of the Ombudsman."

Batinick: "Okay. I think we got enough. Thank you. No more questions."

Gonzalez: "All right. Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Any further discussion? Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. Just a couple of Bills ago we had a pretty vigorous debate and discussion about the need to loosen standards for hiring in these facilities and some compelling arguments on both sides in terms of folks who want... who want to loosen those standards to address some serious shortfalls. But it would seem that this would be a good counterbalance to that. To ensure that, while we are loosening those standards, we are actually ensuring sufficient oversight to make sure that the youth that are in care in these facilities aren't negatively impacted by those loosened standards. So, I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Gonzalez to close."

Gonzalez: "Urge an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Evans: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5273 pass?'  
All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'.  
And the voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish?"

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?  
Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record.  
On this question, there are 92 voting in 'favor', 13 voting  
'against', 0 voting 'present'. And the Bill, having received  
a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed.  
Continuing down page 22 of House Bills-Third Reading, we have  
House Bill 5285, Representative LaPointe. Mr. Clerk, please  
read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5285, a Bill for an Act concerning  
education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative LaPointe is recognized."

LaPointe: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. HB5285 is a Bill that protects  
our youngest students, those who are in kindergarten, first  
grade, and second grade, from the harms of standardized  
assessment tests. The Bill recognizes that our youngest  
learners are developing rapidly in fits and starts and that  
standardized tests that take up valuable teaching and  
valuable socioemotional learning time are just not a good  
measure of what a young child is capable of. And in fact,  
these tests cause undue stress for both our teachers and our  
youngest children. This is why the Federal Government has  
never required annual math and reading tests in our early

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grades. So, this Bill would prohibit the state, through our Illinois State Board of Education, from supporting and paying for these tests for all our kids under third grade. However, our local school districts would still be able to rely on them if they pay for them, as many do today. The Bill makes clear that assessments used in screenings for a diagnosis of disabilities, developmental delays, or the need for remedial services are absolutely still allowed. And in addition, the Bill doesn't create any prohibitions on the KIDS observational tool that we now require for K students in Illinois public schools. Happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Evans: "There any discussion? We have Representative Bourne for discussion."

Bourne: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Evans: "She indicated she will."

Bourne: "Thank you. Representative, I know we had this conversation in committee, but I wanted to share it for the floor. Does this Bill prohibit testing at local schools for students K-2?"

LaPointe: "It does not prohibit testing as long as local school districts select and pay for those standardized assessments."

Bourne: "Thank you. And then does this Bill allow for, what was recently voted on, mandatory KIDS assessment at kindergarten?"

LaPointe: "Yes. If we pass this Bill, that is absolutely still allowed."

Bourne: "Okay. Thank you. To the Bill, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Evans: "Continue."

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Bourne: "If this Bill were simply saying that we should not test kids K-2 for the purpose of ranking them, ranking a classroom or a program, ranking a teacher, a school district, or a jurisdiction, I would wholly support this Bill. We should not be testing students K-2 to rank them in a classroom. But there is a lot of value and can be a lot of value in testing students K-2 to measure for growth, to see where they are developmentally. And we know that because, when we look across the state, 78 percent of schools are doing assessments K-2. Let me say that again. Seventy-eight percent of school districts are doing this. And they're paying for it out of their own pocket. By passing this Bill, you're requiring schools to continue to pay for that out of their own local property taxpayer dollars instead of providing a future opportunity where the state may pick up that cost. This is really important. And actually, a lot of Members on the other side of the aisle recognize the importance of following student growth and assessing kids so that we can better help them with their learning when you voted to mandate the KIDS assessment for kindergarteners. We need to uphold assessing children to make sure that they're learning what they need to learn and to help teachers have the tools to know what students need to learn. We need to look at student growth. We need this to be used as a tool by teachers in schools to give students what they need. Not to punish teachers, not to rank school districts, but to help assess kids. You know, I've got a preschooler, and every quarter they do assessments. Like, tell me where your stomach is, where are your thumbs, can you count to five. And they give us reports so we know if he's on

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track and we know where to focus on learning at home. This can be an important tool. Please don't cut off the ability of the state being able to pay for these for schools."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Lewis is recognized."

Lewis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. This is one of those situations in which maybe I may disagree with my colleague, Representative Bourne. Having an administrator familiar with the K-8 school districts, although they do want assessments, they do want to evaluate children, believe they should start in third grade or above. This system, K-2, absolutely does label children. It identifies achievement gaps, especially those in the low-income black and brown communities in which my wife is an administrator. They are looking just to teach reading, writing, and get these skills... kids up on their skill sets. In this case, I would ask for an 'aye' vote, but vote your district. Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Stuart for discussion."

Stuart: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I... I applaud you for bringing this forward. We don't want to put burdensome and stressful tests on the youngest of our children. I did just want to speak though to the... the work of ISBE. ISBE is currently in the process of looking into assessment and trying to determine how the state assessment system could be improved and to make it more useful to educators. And they have said that any kind of K-2 assessment that's ever offered by the state would be an optional assessment and it wouldn't be part of the overall accountability system. So, I'm just hoping that possibly, when this goes to the Senate, if there will be some consideration to possibly extending the effective date of the



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legislation, allowing the State Board to finish the work that's already been underway. They've already spent time and taxpayer resources to work towards this issue. So, I just hope there's some consideration given to allow them to complete it. So, I... I'm going to support the Bill. I support the idea of not having these high-stake, stressful tests on the very youngest of our children, but I'm really just asking and I'm hoping that there will be consideration for an extended effective date, like I said, to allow the board to finish the work they've already started. Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Crespo for questions."

Crespo: "Thank you, Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Evans: "Indicates that she will."

Crespo: "Representative, I guess... first of all, thank you for talking to me, reaching out to talk about this Bill. You are aware that the State Board of Education is looking at the assessments overall, has been meeting with stakeholders, and has... as been mentioned before, they do have, in their framework, have said that the tests for this particular group would be optional. Are you aware of that?"

LaPointe: "I am aware that ISBE is entertaining the idea of standardized... of supporting standardized testing for our youngest learners under third grade."

Crespo: "Okay. So... and again, we heard one of the former speakers talk about delaying this to let that play out. Also, you would think that as ISBE looks at potentially... at vendors, taking this off that program might cost a little bit more too. Not that that should be a concern, an issue, but something to think about. But my biggest concern is, again, we're not

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saying that school districts cannot give assessment tests for K-2, correct? We're just saying that the state will not pay for those tests."

LaPointe: "That's correct."

Crespo: "So, again, one of the former speakers talked about the fact that, if the state does not pay for those tests, it's going to fall on property taxpayers in some of our districts. So, I just want to make sure people are aware that it might impact property taxes in your communities. Thank you, Representative. Thank you, Speaker."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Ammons for discussion."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield for just two clarifying questions?"

Speaker Evans: "She indicated she will."

Ammons: "Thank you. Representative, can you clarify that in this Bill, if a school district determines that they want to do some kind of assessment, they can still do that, correct?"

LaPointe: "Correct. That's the current situation. And when we pass this Bill, it will still be the situation."

Ammons: "The difference though, in this Bill, is that the allocation of resources to school districts for these assessments would be prohibited, correct?"

LaPointe: "Correct. The allocation of state resources would be prohibited for these tests for our youngest learners under third grade."

Ammons: "And how does the money get used? If ISBE is not allocating it for this purpose, does the school district then lose resources that would otherwise come to them for this purpose?"

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LaPointe: "No. They wouldn't lose resources that were supposed to go for this purpose. They would be presumably used for other more evidence-based education related things."

Ammons: "So, the schools would still receive the dollars. They just cannot use it for this purpose?"

LaPointe: "Right. Nothing about this Bill is taking away any money from local school districts, currently."

Ammons: "Thank you for clarifying that. That is a... I just want to make sure on the record that school districts do not lose money because they can't use it for assessments. And that the dollars that we, the General Assembly, would allocate to ISBE for these purposes will still go to school districts and can be used for other purposes other than assessment testing. Is that your understanding?"

LaPointe: "Can you... can you repeat that one more time, please?"

Ammons: "Yes, Ma'am."

LaPointe: "Thank you."

Ammons: "For the purpose of allocation of resources, monies that would normally go to a school district for 0-2 testing would not be withdrawn from those school districts as a result of this Bill?"

LaPointe: "Today there is no state money going to local school districts to pay for standardized tests for our children under third grade."

Ammons: "For 0-2?"

LaPointe: "Correct. Right."

Ammons: "I think that just put me into another space. So, again, say... the purpose of this Bill, if we're already not giving

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money to school districts for 0-2 testing, can you restate the purpose of this Bill?"

LaPointe: "Yes. The purpose of this Bill is to prohibit the state from paying for standardized tests for our youngest learners under third grade, period, to prohibit the state from doing that. And the spirit of the Bill is that standardized testing for our youngest learners, taking away socioemotional learning time, play-based learning time in the classroom is actually harmful to our youngest learners and teachers rather than helpful."

Ammons: "And so, with the... assuming the Governor signs this Bill into law, ISBE would then no longer allocate resources for standardized testing or assessment testing for children in 0-2 or 3... under grade three?"

LaPointe: "Just to clarify, third grade."

Ammons: "Third grade."

LaPointe: "ISBE would not have the future option of using state dollars to pay for these standardized tests for students under third grade."

Ammons: "Okay. I just want to make sure this is clear on here that it would not take money from school districts but allow that money to be reallocated for other purposes in your schools."

LaPointe: "That is correct."

Ammons: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Evans: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Scherer for questions."

Scherer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to reiterate the importance of this Bill passing. And to be very clear, we

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have to choose if we're going to teach or are we going to test. And this state is going way too far in the direction of testing instead of teaching, to be very clear. And I am so glad Representative Ammons brought this question up. We can... there's so much money in the pot. So, you're either going to spend that money on testing these little babies or teaching these little babies. So, your vote is you choosing, do you want to test the babies or do want to teach the babies? It's as simple as that. I can't even believe we need this Bill. I can't even believe, as a teacher of 35 years, that anyone would even consider voting 'no' for this Bill. We're looking at life experiences that maybe some of you haven't had. Have you taught a student who peed their pants during a test in third grade because they were so nervous? And then you, as a teacher, pretended that you spilled a cup of water so they could go home without being totally mortified. Is that what you want? Have you taught where a child in third grade went... a boy went to the bathroom and peed in the sink instead of the toilet because he was so nervous, he... he just was beside himself? This Body, what do you suggest these teachers do? You're laughing? You wouldn't laugh if that was your son. You wouldn't laugh if your daughter came home crying. It's not funny. It's critical. And sooner or later people will wake up. I'm so tired of this. I can't take it. My daughter came home from third grade and peed her pants and had the best scores in her class, but she was so nervous that people in this room did it to her. And I'm supposed to stand here and watch you up front laugh about it? You should be disgraced. I only pray that it doesn't happen to your child, and you

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don't look your child in the eye and say, 'It's my fault you peed your pants at school and are mortified because I voted for this.' I'm talking to some Republicans up in the corner that are laughing. No, I know you were. In other countries, people have committed suicide over this. The research is there. Just take the time to go read it. Is that what we've come to? Suicide because you didn't get the test score you needed? Two hundred and twenty-eight million dollars on the table for testing right now. Dear God, please let us choose today to pay for class size teachers, to pay for tutoring, to pay for mentoring, to pay for social workers, school nurses. Anything to help our students learn instead of another way to point a finger at an underperforming school just so some rich schools can act like we're big shots 'cause our test scores are great. Well, guess what? You're ruining... you're ruining our society. Our best students are having severe emotional anxiety because you will... you will vote to actually allow a kindergartener to be tested and... and to an earlier Representative who talked about point to your nose, point to your eyes. You don't need standardized testing to do that. You need small class size. Anybody in their right mind knows that. I strongly urge an 'aye' vote. And if you want to know truth, I'm very disappointed that I even saw a need to stand up and talk on this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Tarver for discussion."

Tarver: "I promise to be brief, Marcus. Lindsey, first of all, thank you for bringing this Bill. And, Sue, to your point, I've never had the situation that you've had, but I do have

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a four-year-old daughter who pretty much... I brought this up when we all... we all voted for, by the way, a Bill to ban testing four-year-olds less than a year ago. Like, every single person voted for it. But I had a four-year-old daughter who went to IT in Chicago and had to test. Right? Now, when we were in committee, we asked questions like... on both sides of the aisle... who administers the test? What's on the test? Nobody knows. We just know that the kids get tested. My daughter, luckily, or unluckily, grew up pretty much in a brewery, so she was able to separate and go to someone who doesn't look like her. She had no problem doing that. But if you can't do that, then you can't test. Then you're relegated to whatever neighborhood school. Right? So, there are a lot of issues with testing children. There's no reason that my daughter has different opportunities than my neighbor's daughter. There's no reason for that at all. Except that she had two parents who could afford to put her into pre-k that would take her from three... from 18 months until 3 or 4 years old, whatever it was, and prep her for one exam that was going to determine where she went for the next 12 years, except for the fact that she was always going to get a good education. Testing did not somehow change that for her. So, I'm appreciative of this Bill. I think it's a great idea. I'm happy to support it. And I do feel as though, to Sue's point, we have to focus more on teaching than testing. So, thank you very much."

Speaker Evans: "Thank you, Representative. For further discussion, we have Representative McCombie."

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McCombie: "Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield for a couple questions, please?"

Speaker Evans: "She indicates that she will."

McCombie: "Thank you. Can you just clarify that in the spirit of the Bill this would not affect the diagnostic and screening purposes for, like, dyslexia or things like that? Is that correct?"

LaPointe: "That's correct. That's always been the spirit of the Bill, but we did an Amendment to clarify that even further because those types of screenings and assessment are extremely important for all grades."

McCombie: "And this wouldn't stop any teacher or administration setting up goals within their classrooms?"

LaPointe: "Setting up, did you say rules?"

McCombie: "Like goals. Like goals for..."

LaPointe: "Oh, goals. Okay. No, nothing in this Bill prohibits that."

McCombie: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Representative LaPointe to close."

LaPointe: "I appreciate the healthy debate on this issue. I appreciate the work of the chief cosponsors of this Bill. It's telling that when you talk to parents, most parents, when you talk to most teachers about this Bill, their eyes light up and they're very enthusiastic about the idea of relieving our youngest learners from having to deal with the undue stress of standardized testing. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Evans: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5285 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."



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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Evans: "All voted who wish? All voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 79 voting in 'favor', 26 voting 'against', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Continuing down page 22, under House Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5318, Representative Ford. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5318, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I move for the passage of House Bill 5318, as amended. It requires group health insurance policies that provide coverage for hospital or medical treatment or services for illness on the expense-incurred basis to provide coverage without imposing a deductible, coinsurance, copayment, or any other cost-sharing requirement for an annual prostate cancer screening upon the recommendation of a physician for three groups. An asymptomatic man, age 50 or older; African American men, age 40 and over; and men age 40 and over with a family history of prostate cancer. I want to thank the proponents and the individuals that worked hard on this Bill. ZERO - The End of Prostate Cancer, American Association of Clinical Urologists, American Urologists Association, and American Cancer Society for the work on this Bill. I move for the passage of House

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Bill 5318, and I urge men to receive a prostate screening because early detection saves lives."

Speaker Evans: "There any discussion? We have Representative Swanson for discussion."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I want to thank my colleague for bringing this Bill forward. He and I, too, have something in common. Four years ago, I was diagnosed with prostate cancer. This past December 2, I had surgery to remove my prostate. I would have not have... would not have known my medical condition if it would not have been for the PSA testing by the medical field. It was a... the first time you hear that word of cancer, it's very overwhelming, but we continued to monitor and surveillance the prostate. And the end result was a very successful happy ending to the story. But, men in this chamber, watch your prostates, your PSA scores. I know there's other Members in here who've had the issues too. But it is vital that we continue to monitor our health, especially in that prostate arena. So, thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Caulkins for further discussion."

Caulkins: "To the Bill. Fifteen years ago, through a chance screening, my prostate cancer was discovered. This is a vital screening that every man should take. I don't care if you're 55 or 60 or 40. This is a huge... hugely important piece of your medical well-being. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Ford to close."

Ford: "Thank you very much, Members, for sponsoring and also voting green for this Bill."

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Speaker Evans: "Thank you, Representative Ford. The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5318 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 108 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'opposed', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Proceeding down page 22 of... on the Calendar, under House Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5439, Representative Ford. Please move this Bill to the Order of Second Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5439, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Ford."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Ford, please speak to the Amendment."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. You're working me very hard, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5439, the Bill address problems our state is dealing with. One, people slowing down traffic so that cars can either drag race on our highways or so that cars can perform dangerous vehicle stunts, such as wheelies and donuts. And they're performing these dangerous stunts is not a criminal act in Illinois right now. This Bill will fix that. We criminalize drivers that slow down traffic so that these cars and drivers can... cannot race or perform dangerous stunts,

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and we criminalize the dangerous stunts themselves. So, House Bill 5439 aims to make our roads safer. I know of no opposition at this time, and I look for the passage of 5439."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Ford moves the adoption of Floor Amendment #2. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Evans: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill on Third Reading."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5439, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Ford is recognized."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I've spoke to the merits of the Bill, and I move for the adoption of the Bill, as amended."

Speaker Evans: "Seeing no discussion, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5439 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 107 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Continuing down the Calendar on page 22, House Bills-Third

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Reading, we have House Bill 5445, Representative Stoneback.  
Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5445, a Bill for an Act concerning State  
government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Stoneback is recognized."

Stoneback: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to adopt House Floor  
Amendment 1 to 54... 5574."

Speaker Evans: "Mr. Clerk, please..."

Stoneback: "The Amendment clarifies language in the... the original  
intent of the Bill and adds a term 'sexual harassment', which  
wasn't..."

Speaker Evans: "Representative, hold... one moment."

Stoneback: "Oh, I'm sorry. This is the wrong Bill. Nope. Out of  
the record."

Speaker Evans: "Out of the record."

Stoneback: "Apology."

Speaker Evans: "Continuing on page 22 of the Calendar, under House  
Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5472, Representative  
Yang Rohr. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5472, a Bill for an Act concerning public  
employee benefits. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Yang Rohr is recognized."

Yang Rohr: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5472 helps to  
address the substitute teacher shortages that many of our  
schools are facing by helping bring back... bring back some of  
our most experienced educators. Currently, retired teachers  
are allowed to come back into the classroom to substitute  
teach for 120 days each school year. This Bill allows them an  
additional 20 days for the rest of this school year through

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the end of this June. We worked with school management and administration groups, labor, and TRS to craft... carefully craft this Bill so that it would not trip any tax concerns with bringing back retired teachers into the workforce. I know of no opposition to the Bill. This passed unanimously through committee, and I ask for your support to bring back some of our most experienced educators into the classroom to help relieve the shortage of substitute teachers."

Speaker Evans: "There any discussion? Representative Davidsmeyer is recognized."

Davidsmeyer: "So, I believe that I've passed a similar Bill probably two or three times over the last eight years. Does this... this just takes it from 120 days to 140 days?"

Yang Rohr: "That is correct."

Davidsmeyer: "Okay. Okay. I appreciate it. And that just... it deals with the pension side, correct?"

Yang Rohr: "Yes."

Davidsmeyer: "It's not pensionable and all that?"

Yang Rohr: "Correct."

Davidsmeyer: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Yang Rohr to close."

Yang Rohr: "I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Evans: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5472 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

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Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 108 voting in 'favor', 0 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Continuing on page 22, under House Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5488, Representative Harper. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5488, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Harper."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members. House Bill 5488 would allow a middle or high school student who attends a public school to be excused for a full day to engage in a civic event. And a civic event can be described as any type of peaceful protest, rally, or march. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Evans: "Thank you, Representative. For discussion, we have Representative Ammons for discussion. Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Sorry, Mr. Speaker. I just wanted to correct on... correction on my vote on House Bill... now I can't see the Bill number. 5285, I intended to vote 'yes' for that Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Thank you. Representative Batinick on the Bill."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Evans: "She indicated she will."

Batinick: "Representative, I think one of the issues and why we thought there was going to be a possible Amendment on this Bill is, I know you described what a... what a civic event could

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be, but it isn't described in the Bill as what counts for as a civic event. It's not... not tight."

Harper: "That's fine. If we want to tighten up that definition in the Senate, we definitely can do that."

Batinick: "Okay. So, my bold... the bold on the bottom, it says, 'The Sponsor committed to hold the Bill on Second Reading to work to address the State Board's concern.' I'm just going to go to the Bill. This is extremely broad. I mean, we're... it's going to be a... kids are going to use this as an excuse to get out of school and anything can be labeled as a civic event. I could meet with my buddies and make signs to protest the fact that it's raining too much. This is way too broad. Urge a 'no' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Any further discussion? Seeing none... Representative Morrison, would you... okay. Seeing no... Representative to close. Harper to close."

Harper: "I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Evans: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5488 pass?' All those voting in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 62... on this question, there are 62 voting in 'favor', 38 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority,



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is hereby declared passed. Representative Butler is recognized."

Butler: "An inquiry of the Chair, please. What are the guidelines after you say 'take the record' three times? Because I believe when you said it three times under that last Bill, it was under 60 votes. On the board. And three extra votes went up after you said that."

Speaker Evans: "It's once the Clerk... my understanding it's once the Clerk takes the record. It was at 62 when the Clerk took the record."

Butler: "So, it's not when the Chair verbalizes it? It's when the Chair... when the Clerk takes the record?"

Speaker Evans: "When I complete my statement, the Clerk takes the record. It was at 62."

Butler: "And when you completed your statement, it was under 60."

Speaker Evans: "I'm looking at the screen. It was 62, Representative."

Butler: "There were 62 at the end, but not when you said, 'Take the record.' When you said that word 'record', there was 59 on the board."

Speaker Evans: "Yeah, Representative, when I complete the statement, the Clerk takes the record. I'm looking at the screen. At the end of my statement, the Clerk took the record at 62. I don't know if there was an echo or something on your view, but I'm looking at the screen. At the end of my statement, it was at 62. That's what we have for the record."

Butler: "When is... when you said the last word, there was 59 on the board. And there was ones that were added after you said 'record'. It happened quick."

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Speaker Evans: "I saw 62, Representative. So, I'm cleaning up, double-checking with the parliamentarian. I'm looking at the screen. At the end of me saying 'record' that completed my word, it was at 62. We have the record."

Butler: "No, it wasn't. I mean, you're the Chair, but it... that wasn't what happened."

Speaker Evans: "We have the record and... do you have any further questions, Representative?"

Butler: "I guess we'll send it to the replay booth."

Speaker Evans: "Thank you. Continuing on page 22 of the Calendar, House Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5574, Representative Stoneback. You have an Amendment, Representative. We're going to move the Bill to the Order of Second Reading. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5574, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Stoneback."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Stoneback, please explain the Amendment."

Stoneback: "The Amendment clarifies language and refines the language to clarify the original intent of the Bill. It was mostly cleanup language and an addition of a term, 'sexual harassment', that was inadvertently left off in the original Bill. I move for the adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Stoneback moves the adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

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Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Evans: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill on Third."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5574, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Stoneback is recognized."

Stoneback: "In recent years, after revelations of years of harassment in major organizations have surfaced, it's become apparent that the use of nondisclosure agreements, or NDAs, has played a role in silencing victims from disclosing harassment, discrimination, and abuse in the workplace. Silencing enables abuse to continue. Victims agree that if more people knew that others were being targeted, they might be better prepared to fight it. NDAs not only suppress employees' speech, but they also chill creativity and competition through expansive definitions. HB5574 amends the Workplace Transparency Act, providing that an employer may not require a prospective, current, or former employee to sign a confidentiality provision of a settlement agreement or termination agreement relating to a claim of discrimination retaliation, harassment, or sexual harassment in the workplace. This Bill would help prevent recidivist sexual harassment while making it so victims of harassment are not precluded from speaking about their experience. This Bill has very strong bipartisan support, and I'm happy to answer any questions. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Evans: "Is there any discussion? We have Representative Davidsmeyer for a discussion."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I actually had my light on before the Bill was moved to Third Reading. My only comment

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was going to be, I... I couldn't hear her go through her Amendment. With the masks and with people not getting close to their microphone, as well as everybody talking, it's very hard to hear in here. So, I just want to make sure that everyone tries to talk as close to the microphone as possible so that we can make sure that the good Bills move faster and we can move along our debate. So, thank you very much."

Speaker Evans: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Batinick for questions."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Evans: "She indicates she will."

Batinick: "Representative, this was 19-1 originally, and then I think it went back to committee for an Amendment. But then, there was actually more opposition with the Amendment."

Stoneback: "Yes. I believe the vote was 23-4."

Batinick: "Okay. Can you speak to the opposition?"

Stoneback: "I have not... it was voted this morning."

Batinick: "Wasn't that long ago. Let me read you some. Illinois Chamber is opposed. They stated that, 'This change undermines the agreement made in the Workplace Transparency Act in 2019 and will result in having a chilling effect on settlement agreements. The impact will harm both employees and employers.' The Chamber provided language that codified the recent federal changes regarding mandatory arbitration, which apparently was not accepted. Do you have a comment on the Chamber's opposition?"

Stoneback: "The... my understanding, and I did consult with a university professor who's an expert on the subject, that this is not in conflict with anything being done in the

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federal level. And that exactly... that is what we're trying to do. We do not want to chill competition. We do not want to silence victims. So, this was... there are different ways to approach it, and this is certainly one that favors lifting victims' voices."

Batinick: "Okay. With the Amendment, it shows that the Illinois Attorney General's Office and the AFL-CIO are proponents. And opposition to the Amendment, we have NFIB, Illinois Chamber, and Illinois Retail Merchants Association. Looks like IMA has concerns with the Bill but still reviewing. Do I have that all correct? In terms of who's a proponent and who's an opponent."

Stoneback: "I believe that a... NFIB was also slipped in no position. So, I do not know... I'm not clear on their position."

Batinick: "Okay."

Stoneback: "Proponents. Yes. I do see Illinois Attorney General's Office and the Illinois AFL-CIO. I do also believe that the Trial Lawyers Association is fine with the language in the Bill."

Batinick: "The Trial Lawyers is? Okay. Do you expect this to be worked on more in the Senate at all?"

Stoneback: "I... I'll pull the Bill out of the record while we have further discussion. Thank you."

Batinick: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Mr. Clerk, please take the Bill out of the record. Returning on page 21 of the Calendar, House Bills-Third Reading, we have House Bill 5069, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please take this Bill to the Order of Second Reading. Please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5069, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Evans: "Leader Hoffman on the Amendment."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen of the... Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Body. This simply changes the effective date to July 1 of 2023."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Hoffman moves the adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Evans: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill on Third Reading."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5069, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Leader Hoffman is recognized."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentleman of the House. This simply would require that all subcontractors and subcontract bidders working on Illinois lottery machines and equipment to at least pay the prevailing wage, and it would first go into effect on July 1, 2023."

Speaker Evans: "Is there any discussion? Representative Batinick is recognized."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Evans: "He indicates that he will."

Batinick: "Representative, probably not giving anything away here. I often look at the proponents and opponents. Who is

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the Bomb Squad Cheer and Stunt Group that's a proponent of this Bill and why?"

Hoffman: "Well... I don't know, but I'm happy they're for it."

Batinick: "They're for it? Okay. Young America Realty too. Young America Realty any... I've never seen them before slip in favor."

Hoffman: "No."

Batinick: "Okay. All right. No more questions."

Speaker Evans: "Seeing no further discussion, the question... Leader Hoffman to close."

Hoffman: "Yes, I ask for an 'aye' vote because as groundswell support."

Speaker Evans: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5069 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Evans: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 102 voting in 'favor', 4 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Going back to page 19 of the Calendar, House Bills-Third Reading. We have House Bill 2991, Representative Lilly. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2991, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Lilly is recognized."

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Lilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I was eating my cracker, sorry. I'm ready. House Bill 2991 is a collaboration with the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs, where we're going to do a research project to ensure that the field... that we have field services in all of the districts... Senatorial Districts here in the State of Illinois to ensure that our veterans and their families receive the services they need to have quality of life here in Illinois. I ask for your 'aye' vote if there's no..."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Swanson for discussion."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr... thank you, Mr. Chair. And to follow the guidelines of my colleague, I will hold the mic close to my mouth so we can all hear. Thank you. To the Bill. Actually, will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Evans: "Indicates she will."

Swanson: "In this legislation, there is a fiscal impact. Is this subject to appropriations? Is that..."

Lilly: "It would be."

Swanson: "Okay. So, this is subject to appropriation. Looks like a estimated cost of \$2.3 million. Is that correct?"

Lilly: "I do not have that estimate in my notes."

Swanson: "Okay. I'm all in favor of getting our VSOs, the Veteran Service Officers, in the field. That's what we need to be doing. We need to get them out where our veterans are, and I encourage a project to look at where we do have veterans deserts. And I do appreciate that we need to work also with our veterans assistance commissions to provide the best and greatest service to our veterans throughout the State of



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Illinois. Because as I said, we do have some veterans deserts.  
What's the effective date on this?"

Lilly: "The effective date is not immediate. It's December 31,  
2023."

Swanson: "Who... who's to be on this... is it a committee?"

Lilly: "It's within 18 months, upon subject appropriations, the  
Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs will submit a plan of  
inclusive and estimated cost, as well as the future delivery  
of services list, for the department's field and division  
offices. Eighteen months."

Swanson: "Okay. So, we're going to hire... we're going to hire a  
marketing research team to review and to help us position our  
VSO... or our VSOs then?"

Lilly: "With an estimated cost, yes."

Swanson: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Lilly to close. Representative  
Hoffman in the Chair. Representative Lilly to close."

Lilly: "I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative... the question is, 'Shall House  
Bill 2991 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye';  
opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who  
wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the  
record. On this question, there are 82 voting 'yes', 20 voting  
'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Let the record reflect that Representative Brad... Brad Halbrook is excused for the rest of the day. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "The record will so reflect. Members, we will return to the Order of Second Reading. And it is the intent of the Chair to move through the Second Readings. And if the Sponsor indicates that he would like... he or she would like to have it called on Third, we will move to Third and call it today. So, page 2 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 378, Representative Jones. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 378, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Jones."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Jones on Floor Amendment #2."

Jones: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 2 makes changes to this Bill. This Bill is a Bill that's sponsored by the Illinois black press, black media, the Illinois Press Association. To create fairness, we have media opportunities in the State of Illinois. The Bill makes several changes. The Amendment makes changes. It allows for goals to be set at 10 percent as opposed to 20 percent. It also allows for departments, when they have media, to make sure that black-owned media receives support from the State of Illinois. There's no known opposition to this Bill, and I ask for the adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Jones moves for the adoption of... for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 378. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the

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opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 378, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Jones."

Jones: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just stated the purpose of this Bill. The Amendment made changes to this Bill. It also allows and creates fairness for black media-owned companies. It requires black-owned media companies to be MBE certified, allows CMS... allows the department to not only help in that certification process. It excludes IDOT for one reason. IDOT receives federal pass-through money, which doesn't allow them to participate in a program like this. But this is a great program not only for black media around the State of Illinois, but also for media in general to not only deliver messages to African Americans, but also to constituencies all around the State of Illinois. Again, there is no known opposition to the Bill. I'm available for any questions, and I ask for its passage."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 378 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 71 voting 'yes', 29 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 2 of the Calendar appears House Bill 209, Representative Mussman. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 209, a Bill for an Act concerning health. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Mussman."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mussman on Floor Amendment #1."

Mussman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the chamber. House Floor Amendment #1 states that first responders shall not wear latex gloves. In medical settings, latex gloves should not be used on unconscious individuals or individuals for whom the health history, which would identify a pre-existing latex allergy, is unavailable. And it adds language advising what to do in times of supply chain disruption when various settings may have difficulty sourcing nonlatex gloves."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick, may we move this to Third Reading and then discuss? Representative Mussman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 209. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 209, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mussman on House Bill 209."

Mussman: "Thank you. I am here to present House Bill 209 to address the use of natural rubber latex and nonpowdered latex gloves in various settings. Unrestricted use of latex is a serious concern because it can lead to allergic reactions, including mild rash, impaired breathing, and even deadly

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anaphylaxis. Exposure to the allergen latex proteins could occur in a variety of settings and this Bill targets three main areas where sufferers may be the most vulnerable. Emergency response incidents, health care settings, and food preparation. In emergency response settings, an EMT may approach a victim with protective gloves already on while a victim may be unconscious and unable to self-identify that they are allergic to latex. And a medical alert bracelet could be damaged or have fallen off in the accident. If a hypersensitive person has been touched with latex, their medical emergency could get significantly worse. Many first responders have indicated that they have already voluntarily moved away from using nonlatex gloves in practice out of concerns over allergies and because there is limited evidence it can provide better protection against the unexpected contact with illicit drugs like fentanyl. For the same reasons, in health care settings, workers would be prohibited from using latex gloves for patient care when the patient is unconscious or otherwise physically unable to communicate and their medical history documents indicating a potential for an allergy are unavailable. In deference to the current pandemic and recent experiences of supply chain shortages for PPE, the Bill indicates that emergency medical services and health care facilities shall prioritize reserving and using nonlatex gloves for treatment of those with known allergies and those unable to affirm their allergies to the best extent possible. This Bill would also ban the use of latex gloves in food preparation since latex particles can cling to food and become a significant hazard when ingested. In deference to the

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potential supply chain interruptions, if a business is having difficulties sourcing nonlatex gloves, they are simply asked to post a sign at the point of purchase warning customers that latex gloves are being used in food prep. A cost comparison demonstrates little to no difference in pricing between latex gloves and nonlatex alternatives, like nitrile of vinyl. Just like airlines now serve pretzels instead of peanuts in consideration of those in our population with nut allergies, this is a reasonable accommodation to protect those with latex allergies. I appreciate your consideration, and I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, I believe... and I want to make sure I'm correct on this. With the Amendment, you were able to remove all opposition except for the Malaysian Rubber Council. Is that correct?"

Mussman: "That is my understanding."

Batinick: "Okay. Do we know where the cheer group is on this Bill? Did they weigh in on this Bill?"

Mussman: "The cheer group?"

Batinick: "The bomb squad. It's okay, we'll talk about it offline. Thank you for answering my questions. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mussman to close."

Mussman: "I... I appreciate the bipartisan support that I've received, and I hope for an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 209 pass?' All in favor signify by voting 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there were 100 voting 'yes', 5 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Willis on House Bill 693. Out of the record. Going to page 3 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 861, Representative Jones. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 861, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 861, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Jones."

Jones: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members. House Bill 861 is an Act concerning domestic violence. This Bill is a result of work not only between myself and also the.. the Illinois State Bar Association, Members of the Judiciary Committee. The underlying Bill sought to make changes to the Illinois Dissolution of Marriage Act to create the task force and look at ways that domestic violence.. and also answer two key questions. Whether there's a rebuttable presumption, and also

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whether a factor should be added to the maintenance determining whether one party who was convicted of domestic violence or aggravated domestic violence should be factored into the maintenance law. And it also creates a task force that will produce two reports. The first report is due 15 months after the passage. And it also looks at ways that we can actually have evidence-base when we're talking about domestic violence in our state. I know of no opposition, and I'm prepared to answer questions, but I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 861 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; all opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 107 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving... continuing on page 3 of the Calendar, moves to House Bill 2382, Representative Harper. Out of the record. Page 4 of the Calendar, House Bill 2767, Representative Mah. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2767, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 2 and 3



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have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Mah."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah."

Mah: "I'd like the adoption of Floor Amendments 2 and 3."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 2767. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative Mah."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 2767. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2767, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah."

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Chair, Members of the Body. HB4727 (sic-HB2767) provides ways to mitigate and address the devastating impact when power plant stacks are demolished. During such events, dust clouds containing fugitive dust and particle pollution exposure can cause or exacerbate all manner of respiratory health conditions and even premature death. In 2020, there was such an explosion... implosion event near my community and the dust cloud affected many of my constituents. In Illinois, these demolitions are subject only to asbestos

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regulations. There is very little... there is no state oversight. And these events are potentially going to be increasing as plants... coal plants are closing and could be subject to demolition. This legislation provides more transparency and air protection by expanding notice and participation requirements for power plant implosions, requiring state oversight by requiring Illinois EPA-approved air quality planning and a dust mitigation plan, and establishes new fees for power plant demolitions in violation of these rules. This is a solution that's not burdensome or particularly expensive or restrictive. It sets up a process for responsible planning, public notice, and important, much-needed air quality protections. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "On House Bill 2767, Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "I'm sorry. I was talking to my staff here real quick. Did you say on the Amendment or we're on Third?"

Speaker Hoffman: "The Amendments have been adopted. We're on Third."

Batinick: "We're on Third. Great. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she will."

Batinick: "Representative, this is a little bit of a... obviously moving the ones from Second to Third, I'm not as prepared for and we're missing some people over here. So, I want to... want to go through a couple things here. It's my understand that the situation you referred to happened in Chicago, and Chicago put a process in place for this already. Is that correct?"

Mah: "Yes, but I think there is a need for additional oversight and regulations that apply to the rest of the state."

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Batinick: "Okay. I'm looking at the fact sheet here and some of... there's quite a bit of... quite a bit of opposition on this. Did the Amendment remove... you know, you've got the Illinois Environmental Regulatory Group, Chemical Industry Council of Illinois, Chamber of Commerce, Manufacturing Association, National Waste and Recycling Association, Illinois Energy Association. Those are listed as opponents. With the Amendment coming through, I think you said yesterday, did any of the opposition get removed?"

Mah: "No. I think they're still ongoing discussions, and I think there could be some changes in the Senate. But what we have now is what we'd like to see passed in the House."

Batinick: "Okay. Would you say that... our staff is saying that this... this would make Illinois an outlier in how we... in how we deal with this. I'm sorry. I see you over there."

Mah: "I'm sorry?"

Batinick: "I'm being that this would make Illinois an outlier versus other states in how we deal with... with these situations."

Mah: "Well, I think that it is necessary to put in place some of these processes because currently communities do not get adequate notification when such events are about to happen. And as we saw in April 2020, when an event took place near my community, it had a devastating impact and it could've been... it could've been prevented."

Batinick: "Okay. I'm going to go straight to the Bill. And thank you for answering my questions, Representative."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

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Batinick: "Our understanding is, is that this affects all plants, including co-generation plants, which this might be a little bit of a hammer for a fly approach. We're worried about how this affects downstate Illinois. You have a lot of... a lot of groups on both sides of this, a lot of opponents to this. You'll probably see some red and green over here. I'll listen to the rest of the debate. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ugaste."

Ugaste: "Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Ugaste: "Apologize. Representative Mah, each local place that has one of these facilities has their own ordinance, correct?"

Mah: "I'm sorry. Can you repeat your question? I can't quite hear you."

Ugaste: "The (unintelligible) where these facilities are located have ordinances regulating this, correct?"

Mah: "I think what we're trying to achieve here is having more uniform processes and things like notifications that may not be in the local legislation. And so, this is something that would apply statewide and provide some uniformity statewide to address this really important issue where communities deserve clean air and better air quality. And so, this is something that we feel should apply beyond just the City of Chicago, for example."

Ugaste: "So, you know for a fact that these ordinances don't exist already? You can tell me that."

Mah: "They may... they may in some communities but..."

Ugaste: "So, now we're adding on an extra level of regulation whether we need it or not?"

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Mah: "These... we're setting up some processes that make it more transparent and give communities more notice when something like this is about to happen in their communities."

Ugaste: "But we already have a State Law providing when notice has to be provided, correct?"

Mah: "Can you repeat your question?"

Ugaste: "There is already State Law requiring when notice must be provided. We passed it last year, right?"

Mah: "The... the legislation here goes into a little bit greater detail and provides a little more oversight than what is currently in State Law."

Ugaste: "Okay. To the Bill. This is just added regulation on our business community already. I don't think it's needed when local governments already look out for their people and have ordinances in place. Vote 'no'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she'll yield."

Caulkins: "Representative, how do you respond to the concern that this Bill will discourage companies from tearing down these abandoned or unused smoke stacks by putting on this onerous or additional layer of regulations, that people are just going to walk away from them rather than go through this process?"

Mah: "The... the Bill simply calls for better notification and community engagement when events like this are being planned. And it is requiring an air quality plan for these companies. It doesn't seem all that onerous. I think it's a courtesy for people who live in the surrounding areas who deserve to know

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and deserve to be protected from a cataclysmic dust cloud in their communities."

Caulkins: "Well, will the... to the previous speaker's point, Representative Ugaste, most of the communities have some type of regulations or are other regulations. Mr. Speaker, order?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Proceed."

Caulkins: "But by putting this additional regulations and going further than where we are and perhaps... I feel that the regulations that are in place are adequate. But I feel that this... that this Bill is going to discourage... discourage companies from actually taking down these smoke stacks. And then they're going to be even a greater risk and more of an environmental hazard in the future."

Mah: "One of the things we're asking for is for an air quality plan to be submitted to the Illinois EPA. That's not something that's covered in local ordinances. And it... so, this tries to address the fact that there's no state oversight for events such as these."

Caulkins: "To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Caulkins: "This is another mandate, another attempt to override local control. I believe that this Bill will in fact result, maybe not intended, but will result in companies who would wish to take down old smoke stacks to leave them. And eventually, they'll deteriorate and fall down on their own. I would urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Butler."

Butler: "Thank you, Speaker Jay C. Hoffman. I appreciate that. To the Bill."

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Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Butler: "We've had a robust debate on this legislation in the Energy & Environment Committee. You know, I think, to some of the previous speakers, I think this is going to have some unintended consequences. I've talked to folks who manage these facilities. If the idea is eventually to take down these facilities and so on, they're just going to leave them vacant. We have property all over this state where we have issues that, because of regulations, folks aren't doing what they need to do to clean up places. And I think you're going to see this happen here. Additionally, we've... we've already taken action on this. We had legislation passed last year about notification. Municipalities are taking action on this. Obviously, what the Sponsor of this Bill has in mind is a very serious situation in the City of Chicago that happened, and the City of Chicago passed ordinances to address that situation. I think, yet again, this is an example where we're having overreach where we shouldn't be having overreach. And I think it's actually going to have unintended consequences, different than what the Sponsor thinks on this. So, with that, Mr. Speaker, if this legislation would get the requisite number of votes, I would ask for a verification."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah to close."

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So, in April 2020, at the height of the pandemic when we were all concerned about this respiratory illness, we experienced a devastating event just a few miles from my community. The Crawford Power Plant was imploded, and the nearby community received no notification. And I saw the images of this enormous dust cloud hovering over my

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neighborhoods. And just really thinking and feeling a lot of fear and concern about my... my constituents, especially those who suffer respiratory illnesses and have very real... can experience very real impacts from these particles and these dust clouds that contain particulate matter and toxic substances that can exacerbate all these respiratory health conditions and, in some cases, cause premature death. So, I don't think that anyone would want to have an event like this just a few miles from them without any notice. So, it just makes sense to have this transparency to require that companies that are making these plans notify community members and give them an opportunity to respond and be subject to state oversight that requires a simple air quality plan. This is not too much to ask. I don't think it's burdensome. I think it just makes sense. And I don't think that anybody would want to go through what my community had to go through during the Crawford Power Plant implosion in 2020. So, thank you for your indulgence. I urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Members, Representative Butler has requested a verification. All Members will be in their chairs and vote their own switches. The question is, 'Shall House Bill 2767 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. Representative Mah."



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Mah: "Postponed Consideration, please."

Speaker Hoffman: "This Bill shall be placed on Postponed Consideration. On page 4 of the Calendar appears House Bill 3089, Representative Harper. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3089, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Harper."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Harper on Floor Amendment #1."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 removes opposition from the Bill and was worked on by the Department of Agriculture and CMS and removes all opposition."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Harper moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3089, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Harper."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 3089 simply makes it a goal of the state that it... at least 20 percent of all food and food products purchased by state agencies are to be produced by socially disadvantaged farmers. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Harper... the question is, 'Shall House Bill 3089 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting

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'aye'; all opposed voting 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 107 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Gabel, on page 4 of the Calendar, House Bill 3125. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3125, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1, 2, and 3 have been approved. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Gabel."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gabel on Floor Amendment #1."

Gabel: "Thank you. Floor Amendment 1 is a gut and replace. This is one of the issues that we were not able to get onto CEJA last year and... which changes the Act to the Electric Vehicle Charging Act. And that's... so, it really addresses a lot of just the electric vehicle charging issues."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Zalewski, could we adopt the Amendments and then discuss on Third? Representative Gabel moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3125. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

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Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Gabel."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gabel on Floor Amendment #2."

Gabel: "Thank you. Floor Amendment 2 makes some small changes for the Affordable Housing Coalition."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gabel moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 3125. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative Gabel."

Speaker Hoffman: "Floor Amendment #3, Representative Gabel."

Gabel: "Thank you. This is the last one. Floor Amendment 3 includes motor... electric motorcycles in the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gabel moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 3125. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3125, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Gabel."

Gabel: "Well, thank you. We can all see that electric vehicles are the future of driving. Not only are EVs cheaper to operate, they are an important part of addressing the climate crisis. But EV adoption will lag unless we plan for it now."

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House Bill 3125 is an important part of that plan. This Bill sets Illinois on a path toward assuring that residents in Illinois can have access to an electric vehicle charging station, whether they live in a single-family home, a multi-family apartment complex, a condo, or affordable housing. I want to emphasize that this is a gradual, thoughtful path. This Bill does not require every residence to have an EV charging station as soon as the Bill becomes law. Instead, it requires new construction of homes and apartments or those that going a significant rehab to construct the bones of a system that can be built out later and a full complement of EV stations. For example, depending on the size of the parking lot, a newly constructed single-family home or a multi-unit building with less than five parking spaces need only make the spaces EV capable, meaning only the conduit is necessary. For larger, multi-unit dwellings with over five units, the Bill requires a mix of EV ready, which is the conduit and wiring, and EV capable conduit only, depending upon how large the parking lots are. There are ramp-ups in place for affordable housing due to the complex nature of financing, but affordable housing is included in this Bill. Multi-unit dwellings that undergo substantial electrical renovation are required to upgrade or install electrical panel capacity to ensure that the building can become EV capable to the extent possible. So, electric vehicle adoption is increasing exponentially around the U.S. Major automobile manufacturers, including Honda, Ford, and GM, will no longer manufacture internal combustion engine vehicles beginning in 2040, less than 20 years away. And GM has said it will only sell EVs

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after 2035. With EV incentives, more options on the market, and greater market saturation, purchase price of EV will continue to fall but infrastructure needs active investment. So, we need to future-proof new homes to accommodate this accelerating EV trend. It can be significantly more expensive to renovate and add EV charging capability later versus making our homes and parking lots EV capable at the outset. Let's get in front of this trend and give homebuyers and renters the tools they need for the future of driving. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Thank you, Leader. On House Bill 3125, is there any discussion? The Chair recognizes Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill. I want to commend the..."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Zalewski: "...I want to commend the Sponsor on an excellent piece of legislation. EVs are the wave of the future. This state, last fall, passed a revolutionary tax credit with respect to electric vehicles and manufacture them here. We should be doing everything we can to cultivate a electric vehicle economy in this state, and this is one more way in which we can do that. So, I commend the Sponsor on an excellent piece of legislation, and I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Butler."

Butler: "Thank you, Speaker Jay C. Hoffman. A question of the Sponsor, please."

Speaker Hoffman: "Sponsor yields."

Butler: "Representative Gabel, thank you for bringing this Bill forward. I know... I don't think any of us deny the fact that

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the future is in electric vehicles. We've talked about that in committee. I don't think any of us... we voted overwhelmingly for the REV Act and things like that. We appreciate where we're going on it. I think the concern is the cost of this and how this might impact housing. So, the previous Representative talked about tax credits that we passed earlier. Why aren't we doing this as an incentive to people who build these homes instead of making a mandate on the fact that they have to do this?"

Gabel: "Well, the cost to put this in for a new home is pretty minimal. But I have talked to the Home Builders and the Realtors, and we are going to look at the possibility of doing some tax incentives when it gets to the Senate. So, I'd like one of those buttons, please."

Butler: "We've talked about the cost in committee multiple times. There's been a lot of figures thrown out. We had a pretty good discussion on it yesterday. But do... I mean, you've said it's a few hundred dollars in committee. I think some of us don't believe that. I mean, we don't have a true cost, really, on what this... on what this would be going into... going into residential buildings, do we?"

Gabel: "From my understanding, it's minimal. I mean, I've talked to people who do building. I talked to one of our Members here today who said the cost would be minimal. The estimate that's I've gotten is 500 to possibly a thousand."

Butler: "Okay. I think at a time when we're looking to... you know, we have a tremendous lack of housing in the State of Illinois, people are trying to get new housing, we're trying to get people... we're giving people incentives to buy electric

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vehicles, yet we're making it more expensive for them. They're getting incentives to buy electric vehicles, but we're going to make it more expensive for their housing. I think that's one of the big concerns. Can you... you talked about a major renovation. Can you... what exactly is a major renovation in the legislation?"

Gabel: "In the legislation, it talks about a major renovation would be one that actually was redoing the electric and it was going to be changing the electric box."

Butler: "So, would that be... so, if... in a unit with 10 apartments in it or something, if one apartment had to do that, would all of them have to do that?"

Gabel: "No."

Butler: "Okay. All right. Look, I... again, I appreciate where you're going with this. You know, I think it's... I think we're on the right track with this. I think, once again, we take a wrong approach on it. I think we should be working with the industry to try to find incentives like we've done in other ways, like we did with the REV Act, to find incentives for the people that manufacture these and build these. That's what we should be looking at. And I look at my analysis, the Illinois Realtors, Illinois Home Builders Association, Associated Builders and Contractors are opposed to this. Those are the people that build this stuff and know it, and they're opposed to it."

Gabel: "Well..."

Butler: "And I... go ahead."

Gabel: "You know, we met with them a few months ago, and they gave me a redlined version of the Bill, and I included all

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the redlined areas in the Bill. And then five months later, they came back and said, no, we... no. So, I don't... we kind of ran out of time by the time they came back and told me no after we had put everything they wanted in the Bill."

Butler: "Okay."

Gabel: "So, hopefully, we can... well, not hopefully, but we will continue to work on this in the Senate with them."

Butler: "To the Bill, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Butler: "The Illinois Home Builders, ABC, Realtors, people who know this industry, they're going to pass these costs along to the residents or the people that buy these. That's just the fact of the matter. I think there's another way we can do this, as I've said. Unfortunately, that's just... we did it... again, we did it with REV Act. I don't know why we can't think about it in this context to do it. So, with that, Mr. Speaker, this is another one, if it gets the requisite number of votes, that I request a verification."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Caulkins."

Caulkins: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she'll yield."

Caulkins: "Representative, do you... do you think that by doing this you're going to... I mean, what is the goal? You're going to make every new home built in Illinois accessible... have access... has a drop box for future use if they choose to? Is that what we're going to do? Even... even if they have no intentions of ever buying an electric vehicle?"

Gabel: "So, they will have to buy an electric vehicle after 2040. There will be no more combustion cars built. But the point of



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what we're doing is that we are preparing for the future. We are preparing these buildings to be ready, to be able to be... to put in... and when I say that there... that there's going to be an EV charging station, that actually is just a plug. A place to plug in your car. It's not like a big, big thing that you put on the wall and take off. It's just a plug. And most people... most people charge their cars at their home, in a single-family home. And what this Bill requires is that the wiring, when you're building a brand-new home, that you just make sure that the conduit is there so that if you want to pull wires through, you can do that easily. So, it's not a very big lift. And it also just ensures that we don't have to go back and retrofit, which can be very expensive. That can cost in the tens of thousands of dollars. You would have to, like, get a... what are those called? Those... anyway, you'd have to break through the concrete sometimes. You may have to break through walls. That can be very expensive. So, it just is common sense, and it makes a lot of sense, to be able to do this initially so we don't have to go back and retrofit."

Caulkins: "If... if someone's building a new home and they think that maybe they want to have an electric vehicle or they have an electric vehicle, they can choose... they can choose to do that. If someone's buying a home and they own an electric vehicle and there's no setup, there's no facility for a charging station, can't those folks say that I want to deduct the thousand or 500 or, maybe your point, the tens of thousands of dollars from the purchase price of the home? I mean, why are you wanting to interfere with that?"

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Gabel: "I... you know, I think that it's important that we look at. I mean, there are lots of building codes now. There are volumes of them on what... how to build a house and what you have to put into it. And I don't think that this is a overly burdensome requirement to make the single-family home simply... simply electric vehicle capable. So..."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader. Leader. Representative Caulkins..."

Caulkins: "To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "...to the Bill and then..."

Caulkins: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "Thank you."

Caulkins: "To the Bill. This... this is another perfect example of the nanny state. This is the difference, Ladies and Gentlemen. You want to tell people how to live their lives. You want to tell people how to build their homes, how to remodel their homes when the free market will dictate what's needed and necessary. This is an... this is an example of why Illinois is not a friendly place to come and live. This is not a place where landlords want to spend money to upgrade their facilities because they're faced with all of these burdensome regulations telling them what to do and how to do it and when to do it. This is not going to help us. If people want to have an electric vehicle, they're more than capable of..."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Caulkins, you're..."

Caulkins: "...installing a charging station. I urge an 'no' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Thank you. Representative Morgan."

Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

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Morgan: "Leader Gabel, thank you for bringing this Bill. I had a few questions. Can you tell us... I think a lot about... we spent a lot of time last year talking about CEJA and the evolution of bringing electric vehicles to the State of Illinois. Could you tell us where, again, where this fits in to all of that and that's going to help with the implementation?"

Gabel: "Sure. The transportation sector, at this point in time in this state, is the largest contributor to carbon in our atmosphere. And in order to reduce the carbon through transportation, it's critically important to electrify our transportation sector. So, of that sector, cars are one, buses are another, which we're working on through CEJA, and trucks are another. And we know that we're working... we need to work on all three of those in order to help decarbonize our transportation sector."

Morgan: "In my... one of my cities, at least one, slipped in support of this Bill. It's City of Highland Park. And I know, particularly in my community, there are more and more... many of our communities, more and more electric vehicles. Tell us about how this is going to help our municipalities that are constantly looking for this chamber to help them expand clean energy and new... renewable energies."

Gabel: "So, many of the communities are doing their best to be carbon free and to reduce their carbon impact. And this will help them in that every house that's built in that area in the future will at least have a charging... the ability to put in a charging station there."

Morgan: "Well, and I know we talked a little bit about just how onerous this was going to be for our building owners and

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developers. Right now, as we sit here today, in my back yard an energy company is... an electrical company is digging a very, very large hole to replace electric lines in my back yard. Has nothing to do with electric vehicles. Is this Bill going to lead to more digging of people's back yards and a whole bunch of new electrical lines? Is this going to demand a whole bunch more electricity on our community?"

Gabel: "No. This... this Bill actually looks... is forward looking in that it will... it will require the buildings to have these conduits initially, so we won't have to dig up, build... dig up the ground and put in more electric and... we do it initially, which is the most efficient and most practical way. You know, let me just remind you again, in case you didn't hear me the first time, that major automobile manufacturers, including Honda, Ford, and GM, will no longer manufacture internal combustion engine vehicles beginning in 2040. And GM has said that it will sell only EVs after 2035. So, this is not like we're looking at a hundred years in the future. We're looking at in the next 15 years, so..."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan, your time has expired. Could you please bring your remarks to close? Can... can we just move on? Representative Willis yields her time."

Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I won't spend too much more time on this. I think this is an important issue for my community as, again, we have a tremendous amount of electrical vehicles that are growing by the day. And I'm very concerned that individuals that are looking to buy electric vehicles are going to be inhibited by the lack of electrical charging stations in their home. And yet, the question that this is

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going to demand so much, be such a burden on homeowners. You know, you mentioned about what was discussed earlier. Tell us again, what is the cost going to be for individual developers? Is this going to bankrupt construction companies?"

Gabel: "No."

Morgan: "Is it going to make us taxed out of our homes?"

Gabel: "No. No. My understanding is it's about 500 or less. So, no, it will not bankrupt anybody. Homebuilders will still build. We have a market here. This is... this is Chicago area and other big cities around the state. People are building. People are buying."

Morgan: "Well, and you talk about... this is for an individual home. In this chamber, we spent quite a bit of time debating a Bill that provided a substantial amount of subsidies to recruit companies to come to our state to build electrical vehicle batteries. Is that right?"

Gabel: "Yes."

Morgan: "And does this... obviously... to me this is so obvious. This is going to further establish Illinois as an electrical vehicle-friendly state. Is that correct?"

Gabel: "Absolutely. So, we're now a leader in clean energy and this will help enhance our reputation and our ability to be a very clean-energy state. And it will... you know, it's the whole chicken and the egg. Which comes first? The charging station or the electric cars? So, this is going to be... we're going to be doing both at the same time."

Morgan: "Thank you, Leader Gabel."

Gabel: "Thank you."

Morgan: "To the Bill."

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Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Morgan: "Thank you for this extra time, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill.

I just want to remind the Body that we spent a lot of time, particularly Energy & Environment Committee, talking about ways we can make Illinois a more welcoming state for clean energy, development for electric vehicle companies for those that are developing electrical vehicle batteries and in fact are investing billions of dollars over the future to make sure Illinois is the hub for the Midwest for electric vehicles. And this is obviously such an obvious step forward to make sure that individuals, as we reach the Governor's goals of having a million electric vehicles on the road and making sure that we are supporting the car companies internationally who are developing more and more only electric vehicles. The idea that somehow this is so onerous is just insane to me, that we wouldn't want to create a more welcoming state, a more developed state for those businesses looking to establish a presence here in the State of Illinois. So, I thank you for bringing this Bill, and I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative McCombie."

McCombie: "It's McCombie. Thank you, Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "What I think I said. Sorry."

McCombie: "It's okay. That's all right. Just to the Bill. And great job, to the previous speaker, on spending some time to get your Members to the floor. Very good job. We spend a lot of time here talking about affordable housing. Affordable housing. This is another Bill that makes housing have restrictions that make it... not necessarily affordable.

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However, as the Sponsor stated, if this is only going to cost \$500... I'm assuming everybody has \$500 in their pockets when they're rebuild... the new build. But if this is only going to cost \$500, why in the world do we have to legislate it? Vote 'no'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Reick."

Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Reick: "You know, one thing this Bill ignores is technological progress. How long ago was it before we... that we didn't have LEDs that are so efficient now? By making builders put all this conduit and all this other stuff in now, who's to say that by 2035 we don't have batteries that are so efficient they can be charged by plugging into a 110 outlet in the wall? By the virtue of the fact that you're locking in all of this technology, you're becoming basically a luddite. You're saying that technology is not going to improve between now and 2035. And frankly speaking, I'm going to vote the over on the issue... the manufacturer of electric vehicles only. But the fact is, is that we don't know what the technology is going to be 5 years from now, let alone 10, 12, 13 years from now. So, to lock in a technology to charge an electric vehicle that may not even use that kind of technology 12, 13 years from now is absolutely shortsighted. Vote 'no'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Members, Representative Butler has requested a verification. All Members will be in their chairs and vote their own switches. Leader... Leader Gabel to close."

Gabel: "Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So, we have few responsibilities more serious than stewardship of the

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environment for our grandchildren's grandchildren. The latest report from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change reminds us of the dire threat our planet faces. Our job is to pass laws that balance individual liberty against the public good. It's why we don't let children work in factories or let businesses engage in deceptive marketing practices or open liquor stores right next door to schools. This Bill maintains that balance. It ensures that people who build homes have time to prepare for the changes decarbonizing will require, but it also means that we'll take the steps necessary to fulfill the constitutional oath we all swore to preserve the planet for those who come after us. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Members, Representative Butler has requested a verification. All Members will be in their chairs and vote their own switches. The question is, 'Shall House Bill 3125 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 68 voting in 'favor', 35 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. Mr. Clerk, please read the names of those voting in the affirmative."

Clerk Hollman: "A poll of those voting in the affirmative. Representative Ammons..."



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Speaker Hoffman: "Mr. Clerk, the verification has been withdrawn. On this question, there are 68 voting 'yes', 35 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Davidsmeyer."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I request to be recorded as a 'no' vote on House Bill 3125. My cue was turned off. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "The record will so reflect. Members, we will be instituting the rules of Short Debate. There will be one proponent and one opponent. And the Sponsor is considered the one proponent. Going to page 5 of the Calendar is House Bill 3150, Representative Vella. Out of the record. Representative Ford on House Bill 3254. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3254, a Bill for an Act concerning education. The Bill was read for a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3254, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I move for the adoption of House Bill 3254. It's a Bill that was brought to me by some young students that want to reform some of the options in our schools for reading. I've made an agreement with the advocates to continue to work on this in the Senate. There still needs to be a little tweaking going on with the language. I think that we should move this Bill

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so that we can continue to work on the underlying intent. I move for the passage of House Bill 3254."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Bourne, are you an opponent? Please proceed."

Bourne: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Bourne: "We heard that this still needs work. I'm not inclined to fix this Bill in the Senate. We've had concerns about this Bill for over a year. If you are an advocate of local control and having parents have a say in your education, please vote 'no' on this Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ford to close."

Ford: "I think that it's unfair and unfortunate, I've had this Bill and I've made calls to Members to try to make sure that we get input. No one really wanted input, but I still put on the record that I will make sure that we do everything that we can to bring this Bill to a agreeable Bill in the Senate. Please pass House Bill 3254. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 3254 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed by voting 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 69 voting 'yes', 35 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed.

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Representative Ness on House Bill 3296. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3296, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2 and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Ness."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness on Floor Amendment #2."

Ness: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 2 is a gut and replace to create career pathways and more career technology in high schools so that students coming out of high schools have more access and awareness to vocational training opportunities and different vocational careers."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Bourne, would you be willing to discuss on Third Reading or would you want to do the Amendments? Third Reading? Okay. Representative Ness moves for adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 3296. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Ness."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness on Floor Amendment #3."

Ness: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 3 includes technical changes to Floor Amendment 2 that was approved in the House Elementary Education: School Curriculum & Policy Committee last week. The Amendment has little opposition. Almost every opposition has been removed from the language and continues... discussions continue. This Bill builds upon unanimously approved Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness

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Act of 2016. It requires districts to implement the PaCE Framework starting in sixth grade that leads students through college and career exploration and prepare... preparation aligned with their career goals."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness. Representative Ness."

Ness: "Sorry."

Speaker Hoffman: "Is this on Floor Amendment #3?"

Ness: "Huh?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Is this on Floor Amendment #3?"

Ness: "Oh, yep. Sorry."

Speaker Hoffman: "Let's adopt the Amendment and then we'll move to Third Reading. Is that okay?"

Ness: "Okay, gotcha."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 3296. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3296, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness."

Ness: "All right. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So, as I started to say, that this language of this Bill builds from unanimously approved Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness Act of 2016. It requires districts to implement the PaCE Framework, which stands for Postsecondary and Career Expectations, starting in sixth grade that leads students through college and career

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exploration and preparation aligned with their career goals. The Bill also requires districts serving grades 9 through 12 to implement college and career pathway endorsements. This Bill really came out of an initiative with the IMA in a discussion that I had in my district last year with employers looking for ways to create more skills among the workforce as employers are struggling to find employees that have these skills. Tapping into the... to the youth and folks that may not go on to college but who certainly want to go on to a career, this Bill helps build that throughout the State of Illinois. I'm open to questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Bourne."

Bourne: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Bourne: "I certainly understand the intention of the Sponsor. As a daughter of a junior high industrial arts teacher, I understand how important it is that students have an opportunity to be exposed to other career pathways. However, this Bill could be a huge unfunded mandate on school districts. You'll hear that there's an opt-out, but the opt-out is only if you're already doing this at your schools. I certainly appreciate that we need to give students the training that they need for the jobs that we have, but a huge unfunded mandate is not the way to do it."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness to close."

Ness: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to address the issue of opt-out. There are actually five... five criteria that would allow for district to opt-out, including, one, is that they're already offering this. And the definition of that is broad.

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For example, I just read last week that one of my high schools in my district is offering nurses assistant training. That would be a career pathway and would exclude a district from this... this Bill. Also, the school's district cost of implantation balanced against the benefits is onerous, and therefore, they could opt-out. The willingness and capacity of local businesses to partner with a district for successful implementation and the availability of a statewide database of participating local businesses. So, there are really some good things building in this Bill, and I urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 3296 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 72 voting 'yes', 35 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Continuing on page 5 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 3303, Representative Stuart. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3303, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Any... Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3303, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "Thank you. House Bill 3303 is something I've been working on for quite a few years. It was brought to me by Taryn Durst, who used to be my LA but has now moved on to do other things. Came from a story that she had heard about on a podcast. But what it does is it makes sexual assault by deception a Class 3 felony offense under the Criminal Code. So, it closes a loophole in our laws that protect victims of sexual assault."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Can the record reflect that Representative Keith Sommer is gone for the day? And I cannot speak on this Bill because I'm a proponent."

Speaker Hoffman: "Thank you, Leader, for not speaking. Representative Stuart to close."

Stuart: "I just want to thank everybody who has signed on to be proponents in the last few days. And I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 3303 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 101 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3386, Representative Weber. Representative Weber. Out of the record. Representative Bennett on House Bill 3637. Thank you, Leader. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3637, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 3 and 4 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Bennett."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Bennett on Floor Amendment #3."

Bennett: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Also, thank you, Mr. Leader. The Floor Leader that is, if I may. Amendment 3, that's first, if we could. That makes two improvements in Amendment 4. It makes one improvement to the original language. Do you want to include those first? What would you like to do?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Yes. Let's... let's approve the Amendment, Floor Amendment #3. Please explain the Amendment briefly."

Bennett: "Okay. So, Amendment 3, please. It has two things. The first change is inclusion of language that was inadvertently left out of the original Bill, even though it was one of the task force recommendations. And it clarifies that a school district shall have two years from the date the school district is issued a conditional grant (unintelligible) from the Capital Development Board to obtain the school districts required local match and receive a final grant award from the CDB. So, that was left out. So, we put that back in. The second thing on Amendment 3 was the second change here is added after several good discussions this summer and fall with Representative Hernandez and several other Members as well with the State Board of Education. They loaned us schools



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in the 2005 and 2000 school lists, had a reasonable expectation that they would receive funding as those in the 2004 list once... and that is (unintelligible) and definitely specific, once money would be appropriated. So, they'll be added as well. So, those are the two things on Amendment 3."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Bennett moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 3637. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #4, offered by Representative Bennett."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Bennett of Floor Amendment #4."

Bennett: "Amendment 4, Sir?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Yes, Sir."

Bennett: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Amendment 4, after discussing the matter with Chairman Davis and the State Board, we wanted to clarify that the local mass credits include those school districts in 2004, 2005, and 2006 school construction list if they completed or partially completed a project at that time. And that's with the change for Amendment 4, please."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Bennett moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #4 to House Bill 3637. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3637, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Bennett on House Bill 3637."

Bennett: "House Bill 3637 set forth criteria for the new school construction grant program. The Bill incorporated ideas gathered from the task force focused on improving the program. And this Bill set forth criteria to meet our 21st century school district needs. I appreciate the important efforts of ISBE, committee chair Dave Willis... Will Davis, excuse me, Members of the committee, and Leaders on both sides of the aisle that helped to make this a better Bill and a good Bill. I would ask for your support and an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Scherer, you're... do you rise in opposition?"

Scherer: "No. I rise as a proponent."

Speaker Hoffman: "Okay. We are on Short Debate and..."

Scherer: "I... I just need like one sentence. Am I allowed?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Well, the Sponsor... Sponsor is a proponent under Short Debate. I apologize."

Scherer: "Okay. Never mind."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 3637 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed voting 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting

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'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 6 of the Calendar appears House Bill 3717, Representative Davidsmeyer. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3717, a Bill for an Act concerning fish. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Davidsmeyer."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davidsmeyer, Floor Amendment #1."

Davidsmeyer: "This... this Amendment just takes off any opposition from Department of Natural Resources."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davidsmeyer moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3717. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3717, a Bill for an Act concerning fish. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davidsmeyer on House Bill 3717."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is a very simple Bill. It just allows commercial fishermen to use a net that's a smaller size because specifically, more specifically, Asian Carp... they're looking for a smaller sized fish in the industry. So, that's what this does. I want to thank Representative Chairman Harper for her help getting this through the Ag & Conservation Committee and all the Members of that committee."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Zalewski, do you rise in opposition? Please proceed."

Zalewski: "Sponsor yield? Our BA says there's one opponent, C.D. Do... is that accurate?"

Davidsmeyer: "I haven't... the only people that were originally opposed were DNR and they're..."

Zalewski: "Now neutral with the Amendment."

Davidsmeyer: "This was their Amendment that fixed it."

Zalewski: "Okay. Sounds good. Thank you."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davidsmeyer to close."

Davidsmeyer: "I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 3717 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all..."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 102 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3738, Representative Ness. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3738, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1, 2,

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3, and 4 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 if offered by Representative Ness."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness on Floor Amendment #1."

Ness: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 1... oh, gosh, it's... there were so many Amendments to it now. I believe that that one changed... took out DOC and this only makes... makes that it only applies to juvenile detention centers."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3738. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Ness."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness on Floor Amendment #2."

Ness: "Floor Amendment 2 further clarified and defined different kinds of confinement. And the AG is the reporting agency and sends it to the ombudsman."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 3738. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Ness."

Speaker Hoffman: "Floor Amendment #3."

Ness: "Floor Amendment 3 defines administrative holds and other kinds of holds and removes opposition related to the transfer

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and temporary holding of juveniles in nonjuvenile facilities."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 3738. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #4 is offered by Representative Ness."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness on Floor Amendment #4."

Ness: "Floor Amendment #4 changes the language from under 21 to under 18."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #4 to House Bill 3738. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3738, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness on House Bill 3738."

Ness: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 3738 creates the End Youth Solitary Confinement Act and codifies ending the use of solitary confinement as punishment for detainees in juvenile facilities under the age of 18. I worked with stakeholders this past year to create a Bill that almost all detention agencies support, including IDJJ, the AG's Office, DOC, and the Sheriffs' Association. This Act applies to the five DJJ

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facilities and the 16 juvenile centers across the state. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Windhorst, do you stand in opposition?"

Windhorst: "Yes, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please proceed."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she'll yield."

Windhorst: "Representative Ness, I note that Probation and Court Services are opposed to the Bill. Would you identify the nature of their opposition?"

Ness: "Yeah. So, about an hour before committee, I was alerted to that. And their concern is that there are times when youth are placed in confinement because of behavioral issues. And while that is recognized, this Bill is designed to curb that and to look for other ways to... to manage and deal with behavioral issues. So, confinement can still be used. In fact, it is defined in the Bill that, when a juvenile is in danger to themselves or others, they can be placed in hold. This Bill just defines for how long and sets some parameters around that hold so that... so that they don't spend... end up spending hours and hours in juvenile confinement as a form of punishment, which has been proven to cause severe mental health issues, especially to young people."

Windhorst: "Didn't they also express a concern that some of the procedures used by DJJ aren't necessarily applicable to the local facilities for juvenile detention?"

Ness: "They didn't so much express that concern as much as... it's more that they're not sure how they will implement that. But

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there is training and other kinds of support to help centers to evolve to this. In fact, DJJ was recently selected as a promising practice site through the Council of Juvenile Justice Administrators because of their work in reducing confinement across facilities. So, this is allowing them to go into some of these facilities where there's a concern and provide that support to help them get to the same reduction."

Windhorst: "Well, one of the things they mentioned was the use of Tier II or Tier III offenses, which is not something used by local detention facilities but is used by DJJ. That was concern they had. Also, by the plain language of the Act, it was stated that a juvenile could not be allowed to sleep separately in a... in a room separate from others."

Ness: "Yeah."

Windhorst: "And I agree with that reading. How would you address that?"

Ness: "I mean, if that's... if that's a technical change, I'm not a lawyer. If that's something that we have to change, I think that's something that can be easily changed. But it's... it clearly defines confinement... not to use confinement for use of punishment, which is what this Bill is trying to address. So, a youth going to sleep in the room does not count as punishment and does not fall under this Bill."

Windhorst: "To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Windhorst: "This Bill is not... may be necessary or useful for DJJ but goes too far in its regulations of local juvenile detention facilities. And I believe the Probation and Court



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Services is correct in expressing their concerns, and I would ask for a 'no' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ness to close."

Ness: "Thank you. So, I will say that there is definitely a willingness to work with anyone who opposes this Bill because it's a good Bill. Currently, 24 states still allow the use of confinement, we're being one of those. And this just puts it into statute that we're saying we will no longer use confinement as a form of punishment in juvenile detention centers. The focus should be on rehabilitation and restoration so that young people that are detained, when they get out, can go on to lead productive lives. That should be our goal and that's what this Bill does. I urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 3738 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 65 voting 'yes', 39 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 6 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4093, Representative Harper. Representative Harper. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4093, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Harper."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Harper on Floor Amendment #1."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members. House Amendment 1 was worked on by the EPA and members of the Environmental Justice Community to offer the following changes in streamlining the EJ definition, narrowing the compliance history and cleaning up other air modeling requirements. This is just one of probably a couple of more Amendments that we're going to be doing to this Bill as we look to shore up some more support. I encourage the adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Harper moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4093. All those in favor indicate it by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4093, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Harper on House Bill 4093."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members. House Bill 4093 requires the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to take environmental justice communities into account during the environmental permitting process. It defines EJ communities and requires applicants for large air pollution facilities to hold public hearings. And it also requires them to conduct accumulative impact review of air pollution among other

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things. As said, we still have more work to do on this Bill in the Senate, as we just got a hold of some more language suggestions from industry that we are still working through. This is a very important Bill that really gets to the root of a lot of the environmental justice concerns that we have in our communities, especially as it relates to respiratory illnesses. I do encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, I'm looking at the list of opponents, and I want to ask for leave to read the witness list 'cause there's so many opponents to this Bill. I mean, everybody from the Farm Bureau to IMA to... to the Illinois Recycling Association. My understanding is, is the Amendment did not remove the opponents. Is that correct?"

Harper: "Yes. This Amendment was not necessarily going to move the opponents' opposition. As I stated, we did get some language from them earlier this week and just didn't have enough time to include it in a robust Amendment. We are continuing... as said in committee, we are continuing to work together on this Bill. I am optimistic that we're going to be coming to a resolution. And so, I ask that we please pass this out of the House today because I have an entire coalition that actually is comprised of some of those opponents who are continuing to work on this Bill."

Batinick: "Okay. So, to the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

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Batinick: "This is a 'we're going to fix it in the Senate Bill'.

I urge a 'no' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Harper to close."

Harper: "I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4093 pass?'

All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'.

The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 64 voting 'yes', 38 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Tarver on House Bill 4104. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4104, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Tarver."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Tarver on Floor Amendment #1."

Tarver: "Floor Amendment #1 just removes a couple of lines in an attempt to have made this Bill a little more palatable for law enforcement. We didn't end up there, but I still move... move for the adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Tarver moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4104. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of

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the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4104, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Thank you again, Mr. Speaker. You may remember, last year we passed a Bill, I believe on a bipartisan basis, well at least semi-bipartisan, to not allow deception as related to interrogating juveniles under the age of 18. And so, at that time, I asked Chairman Slaughter if it was intent to leave off persons with disabilities. My understanding, from him, is that was an oversight, not intentional. And so, we agreed to bring a Bill back that would take care of that. And so, this Bill is aimed at when someone is over the age of 18 but has a severe or profound intellectual... I want to make sure I get these words right... intellectual disability or developmental disability, then we would not be able... they would be a protected person and you would not be able to use deception against them. This is, I guess to use Sue's words, I can't believe we're having a conversation about this. And I guess there'll probably be a little bit of debate about it as well. And also, I'll just say, in an attempt... my good friend, Mr. Windhorst, here... in an attempt to try to lay some of the concerns of folks on the other side of aisle as well as law enforcement, I did amend the Bill. I asked for language from the Sheriffs' Association and others. They did not provide any language, instead they interviewed me about why

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I brought the Bill. So, here we are today. I urge an 'aye' vote. Happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates he'll yield."

Windhorst: "Representative Tarver, part of the opposition of the sheriffs was the difficulty in perhaps defining those terms and they preferred the bright line of the 18-year-old that is in the... that is currently in law versus the potential uncertainty of the terms that we're using in this Bill. Is that an accurate statement?"

Tarver: "I think that is what their opposition was, yes. And what was relayed in committee, yes."

Windhorst: "Yes. Thank you. To the Bill. I'm opposed to the Bill, mainly because these factors that are outlined in the Bill can be already used by the court to rule that statements are involuntary and therefore inadmissible in court. And I would ask for a 'no' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Luft, this Bill is on Short Debate. There's already been one opponent who has spoken. So, Representative Tarver to close."

Tarver: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to make note that we're amending the Juvenile Court Act and it does provide definitions already. So, there's a... there's a bright line there for intellectual disability and developmental disability. And then I want to say on top of that, the language that precedes it is 'severe or profound'. And I got to say, if we have law enforcement that are saying they can't

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tell if someone has a severe or profound intellectual disability or developmental disability, they're probably in the wrong profession. That is 100 percent concerning. I give a very commonsense example and then that will be my close. If I were at a bar sitting next to a young lady who looked 40 years old, like myself, and an officer overheard the conversation... not even just an officer. If you, yourself, heard the conversation or someone else did, and she sounded like a seven-year-old, they wouldn't let me leave with her. I guarantee they wouldn't. They would stop that because there's a bright line called common sense. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4104 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'present'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'present'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. Representative Tarver."

Tarver: "Postponed Consideration, please."

Speaker Hoffman: "The Bill will be placed on Postponed Consideration. On page 6 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4116, Representative Morgan. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4116, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Amendment #2 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Morgan."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan on Floor Amendment #3."

Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 3 makes some modifications to the definition of 'safety sensitive', which bring several organizations to neutral and removes opposition."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 4116. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4116, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan."

Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4116 is the Justice in the Workplace Act. This Bill corrects a flaw in the Illinois Right to Privacy in the Workplace Act. In short, our labor laws have not kept up with our changes in Illinois law. In particular to medical cannabis, which began in 2014, nor our cannabis legalization, which began in 2020. We legalized the substance for the State of Illinois to use in their own personal lives, in the privacy of their own homes, but still allowed employers to fire or refuse to hire employees for trace or very, very small amounts of THC in their system. The problem, as many of you already know, is that THC stays in



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your system for up to 30 days, compared to alcohol that can stay in your system for only about a day, up to 24 hours. I personally have heard from medical cannabis patients for the last 10 years who have been struggling with this. People who struggle with cancer, with PTSD, who already struggle to keep their jobs. And they go into the workplace and are losing their jobs because they're using an otherwise legal substance days or weeks before. This Bill establishes a different standard for THC. It creates protections for employees in Illinois. I've worked closely with business organizations to define exempted safety sensitive positions, which would not be protected by this Bill. I've also adopted our current driving under the influence of cannabis per se limits in this Bill as another exemption. And lastly, we exempt employers who are at risk of losing federal contracts unless they maintain a zero-tolerance policy. At this point, my Amendments have brought the Retail Merchants, the Manufacturers' Association, the Sheriffs' Association, and the Illinois Chamber of Commerce all to neutral. This is a fair and negotiated Bill that protects employers of safety sensitive positions on one hand while ensuring employees aren't risking their jobs for the private choices in the privacy of their own home. I'm happy to answer any questions. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates he'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, a couple quick questions, a little trip down history lane. My understanding is that we kind of negotiated in 2019, but there was zero tolerance for

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businesses, whether it be medical or recreational. And this changes that agreement from 2019, correct?"

Morgan: "This changes it for some employees. Correct."

Batinick: "Okay. And there's still... I think you said the Amendment removed opponents. Our... our analysis says they were neutral on the Amendment but still opposed the Bill as completely constructed. And there's a whole bunch of opponents."

Morgan: "That's not my understanding. My conversations with the Illinois Retail Merchants, the Illinois Manufacturers' Association, the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, and the Chicago Chamber of Commerce have all moved to a neutral position with this Amendment."

Batinick: "Where are the... where's NFIB, Sheriffs, CPA Society, and Association for Behavioral Health?"

Morgan: "Haven't heard from the CPA Society. I'm not sure why accountants would be concerned about this. NFIB, as I..."

Batinick: "I had that question myself, Representative."

Morgan: "You know, to each their own. Each profession might have concerns. But NFIB, as I understand, is still concerned, though I've never received language from them about changes they would like to receive. The Illinois Sheriffs' Association is also neutral, as is Illinois State Police."

Batinick: "Okay. To the Bill. This was kind of agreed to in 2019. This goes back on an agreement. Still some opponents. Urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan to close."

Morgan: "Thank you. I urge an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 4116 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 61 voting 'yes', 41 voting 'no', 0.. 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 6 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4179, Representative Gong-Gershowitz. Out of the record. House Bill 4180, Representative Gong-Gershowitz. Out of the record. Representative West on House Bill 4201. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4201, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 if offered by Representative West."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative West on Floor Amendment #2."

West: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #2 is a simple tweak for the Illinois Community College Board to ensure that community colleges can go directly to them for resources. I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative West moves for adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4201. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4201, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative West on House Bill 4201."

West: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4201 requires each community college and public university to designate a benefit... benefits navigator at each of their institutions. I want to thank all of our public universities and our community college... colleges who worked with me on this Bill. They all are proponents of this legislation. It's not a new position. It's a designated... someone who is designated to be the one-stop shop to ensure that our students know all of the resources, both federal, state, and local, to ensure their success. I will appreciate an 'aye' vote and will entertain any questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4201 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4203, Representative West. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4203, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative West."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative West on Floor Amendment #2."

West: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #2 helps the Bill to be more specific on these... and to ensure that the language of this legislation matches the spirit of the legislation. I will talk more about it on Third Reading. I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative West moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4203. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4203, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative West."

West: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4203 is the Elimination of Racially Derogatory Language Act. Essentially this legislation is to... it prohibits the use of racially derogatory language in public spaces. Public bodies include legislative, executive, administrative, or advisory boards of this state. It came to me from someone throughout our state who lives in an area of our state where, when you enter it, it says, 'r word country'. A derogatory word for some certain members of the community. This will prohibit that. House Floor Amendment #2 made sure that it did not include the libraries in schools

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to allow the use of educational upliftment for our students to be there without having to worry about this particular legislation. I ask for an 'aye' vote. Entertain any questions you may have."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking... no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4203 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving to House Bill 4247, Representative Gonzalez on behalf of Representative Hernandez. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4247, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 2 and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment 2 is offered by Representative Barbara Hernandez."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gonzalez on Floor Amendment #2."

Gonzalez: "Floor Amendment #2 is a technical change that excludes community colleges from the Bill. Urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gonzalez moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4247. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the

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Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Barbara Hernandez."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gonzalez on Floor Amendment #3."

Gonzalez: "Does the same thing as #2, just a little bit more extensive."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gonzalez moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 4247. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4247, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gonzalez on House Bill 4247."

Gonzalez: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is the first of two Bills I'll be presenting on behalf of Representative Barbara Hernandez, who I hear is doing well. HB4247 calls for public universities, excluding community colleges, to provide emergency contraception made available through at least one vending machine that is available on campus, after class hours and on weekends, and caps the price of generic Plan B at \$40."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative McCombie."

McCombie: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he will."

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McCombie: "And if I could just ask, Representative, it is kind of hard to hear you. So, if you could, when you speak, just get a little bit closer. I'm sorry about that."

Gonzalez: "You're good."

McCombie: "Thank you. Can you... why are they excluding the community colleges?"

Gonzalez: "Well, I think it's more effective to have them at public universities. Community colleges are usually commuter schools. So, if you have them at a... at a public university, it makes them more accessible to the students who are meant to have this resource."

McCombie: "So, a lot of community colleges are in rural areas, and community colleges usually have dorms. So... I guess, can you just speak a little bit further? I mean... it's still a college. They still have kids."

Gonzalez: "I think it's more so for the capacity of the... of public universities. I think they're just... they just have that capacity and then (unintelligible). That's about it."

McCombie: "Okay. And who's... who's paying for this?"

Gonzalez: "The consumer. I mean, the consumer's going to pay the 40 bucks for the..."

McCombie: "I... I'm sorry, I can't... I seriously can't hear you. I'm so sorry."

Gonzalez: "No, you're good. I mean, the consumer's the one who is paying for the Plan B, the generic emergency contraception. They're the ones who are paying for it, which is why we're trying to cap it at 40 bucks."

McCombie: "Okay. So, the... the students will be paying the \$40, is the max. What happens if it's \$100? Who's paying the \$60?"



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Gonzalez: "Well, as far as I understand, that would be an agreement between the university... the public university and whoever they contracted, whoever's the one who is in charge of the... of the vending machine."

McCombie: "Okay. So, the vending machine sells it for a hundred. The student..."

Gonzalez: "No, they will... they can only sell it for 40 bucks."

McCombie: "Let's say the cost is 100, but they're only going to put it in the vending machine for 40. There's a \$60 difference. So, it's between the university and the vendor to figure out who's paying this \$60. Who's going to pay the \$60?"

Gonzalez: "Well, first of all, \$60 will probably... \$60 more would probably be price gouging. I mean, at this point, the generic... the market value for generic Plan B is \$40. So, I mean, it's basically around there. There shouldn't be that sort of markup."

McCombie: "And can you explain what Plan B is?"

Gonzalez: "Plan B is what many consider the morning-after pill."

McCombie: "Morning after what?"

Gonzalez: "Morning-after pill, I mean, after..."

McCombie: "No... morning-after pill, what?"

Gonzalez: "It's emergency contraception."

McCombie: "Contraception?"

Gonzalez: "Yeah, it's a..."

McCombie: "Like, it's like a condom?"

Gonzalez: "Plan B is a contraceptive."

McCombie: "Okay. How do we know that the student's going to be using it?"

Gonzalez: "What's that?"

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McCombie: "How do we know that the students at the campuses are going to be using them and not the general public?"

Gonzalez: "Well, I mean the people... the general public can already access it over the counter at pharmacies inside of the CVS, Walgreens, a few others. So, this is just making it more accessible for the students."

McCombie: "But it... but it's a public university, so the public could go there at that discounted \$40."

Gonzalez: "Well, that's not necessarily..."

McCombie: "So, I don't have to be... I don't have to be a student, right? I mean, it's open to the public. I could go and get it there, right?"

Gonzalez: "Even then, it's not even discounted because \$40 is the market value of generic Plan B at, like, any pharmacy. So, at that point... it's not like they're really getting a discount if they're going to a public university. They might even be just wasting money driving, for gas, to go over to the public university. This is meant more so for the students."

McCombie: "So, you said it's a... it's a negotiated price, however. So, it's a negotiated price at the university. So, the general public can still go there. Are you saying the general public can't go there or they can go there?"

Gonzalez: "I'm... all I'm saying is that this is not for the... this is meant for the students of the public universities. I mean, if it's... if it's open to a public then I guess somebody can come in, but this is meant for the students."

McCombie: "It's only meant for students?"

Gonzalez: "That's the intention."

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McCombie: "Okay. Is... is there any intent to have any other pharmaceuticals in these vending machines now?"

Gonzalez: "In... like which ones?"

McCombie: "For example, I mean, is it going to be, like, a catchall? I mean, is there going to be condoms and Viagra and what... is there other things going to be in this Bill?"

Gonzalez: "Well, one, Viagra isn't a contraceptive. Two, I mean, there..."

McCombie: "Oh, I don't think Plan B is a contraceptive either. That's after. You just said it's the after pill. I'm guessing it's after a baby is made."

Gonzalez: "That's... going back to your initial inquiry, the... what can be provided at this point right now is just Plan B. We're not looking to..."

McCombie: "Okay."

Gonzalez: "...for anything else at this point."

McCombie: "So, only Plan B?"

Gonzalez: "That's generic emergency contraception. That's... that's what..."

McCombie: "Emergency contraceptive? Okay. Okay. This is one of the Bills that we do here in Illinois that we just go on and on and push and push and push. It's a bad Bill. It's bad Bill. Vote 'no'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gonzalez to close."

Gonzalez: "Barbara would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4247 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

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Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes absolutely 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 62 voting 'yes', 38 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Returning to House Bill 4246, Representative Scherer. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4246, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Scherer."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Scherer on Floor Amendment #1."

Scherer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. ISBE came to me and asked me to add this Amendment, which provides that retired teachers have five years to get their CPDUs and to pay the fees to get those CPDUs. That's what the Amendment is."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Scherer moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4246. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4246, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Scherer."

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Scherer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Today I'm presenting House Bill 4246 with Amendment 1. And what this Bill does is lower the fee for retired teachers from \$500 to \$50 if their licenses lapsed. In the light of severe teacher shortage and the absent teachers due to COVID, I feel we need to change the amount. And ISBE is okay with this. I'd be happy to answer any questions and appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4246 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; all opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 7 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4248... out of the record. House Bill 4256, Representative McCombie. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4256, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4256, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative McCombie."

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McCombie: "Thank you, Speaker. Unfortunately, this is one of the Bills that are going to have to be fixed in the Senate. Luckily, I had my button right here handy. This was a Bill that was passed in consent, and I've been working with Representative Yednock. You'll see 4256 and 4257, as well as his 4688, concerning pandemic... emergency rules and teacher evaluations. And it will be fixed in the Senate. It is agreed by all of the partners. So, please vote 'yes' so we can fix the darn thing."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi, do you stand in opposition?"

Guzzardi: "I think so."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi."

Guzzardi: "All right. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Question of the Sponsor."

Speaker Hoffman: "Sponsor yields."

Guzzardi: "Representative McCombie, can you just describe to us what's wrong with this Bill as it is and how you think it'll change in the Senate?"

McCombie: "Well, I didn't think there was anything wrong initially, Representative. However, some of the players did."

Guzzardi: "Gotcha."

McCombie: "So, this here is going to amend... they wanted to make it clear that the changes would be tied to the emergency, if there was indeed an emergency order, which we all hope there isn't, the next school year. So, they wanted to make sure that that was in there for clarification for performance of teachers as well as principals, if they were excellent or

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proficient. So, they wanted to make sure that that was very clear in the Bill."

Guzzardi: "So, your Bill, as it is right now, is about principal evaluations and teacher evaluations for the current school year or for next school year?"

McCombie: "It would be for the next school year. This year, the schools, unfortunately, got their notice for... on October 21 and most of them had already done theirs. So, it... that was the other piece of clarification because it was confusing because it has the dates for this year as well, but it really was the intent for the next school year."

Guzzardi: "Okay. So, the... the Bill, as you're hoping it will be in the Senate, is around principal and teacher evaluations for next school year if there happens to be an emergency declaration in effect next school year?"

McCombie: "That is correct, Sir."

Guzzardi: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative McCombie to close."

McCombie: "Please vote 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 4256 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open.  
Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 85 voting 'yes', 7 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed.  
Representative McCombie on House Bill 4257. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4257, a Bill for an Act concerning  
education. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No  
Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4257, a Bill for an Act concerning  
education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative McCombie."

McCombie: "Thank you. This is the other piece of that. This... we  
need this to go over to the Senate. Representative Yednock's  
Bill will pick up the professional education license for the  
hundred hours of professional development. That will be  
completely removed from this Bill. However, the piece for the  
administrative endorsement, that will be the only part of  
this Bill. So, we need to take it over to the Senate 'cause  
we missed the deadline. So, it'll be cleaned up over there.  
I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question  
is, 'Shall House Bill 4257 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye';  
all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. (Unintelligible), Mr.  
Clerk. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who  
wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the  
record. On this question, there are 89 voting 'yes', 8 voting  
'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a



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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Gonzalez, on behalf of Representative Hernandez, on House Bill 4265. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4265, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2 has been adopted. No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4265, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gonzalez."

Gonzalez: "The second Bill I'm presenting on behalf of Representative Barbara Hernandez is HB4265, which will require public institutions of higher education in Illinois to provide a non-binary option on all documents and forms that require the sex or gender of the students. The second Floor Amendment will move the implementation date for the academic year 2023 to 2024."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morrison."

Morrison: "Thank you. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."

Morrison: "Thank you, Representative. Why is this Bill necessary?"

Gonzalez: "Because we respect people's dignity and identities."

Morrison: "Okay. Is... is there a limit to identities?"

Gonzalez: "This offers a single non-binary option."

Morrison: "I'm sorry. I'm having trouble hearing the Representative."

Gonzalez: "This offers a single non-binary option."

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Morrison: "Okay, but there are... there are many, many, many millions of identities out there. And shouldn't we recognize those as well?"

Gonzalez: "I mean, which ones?"

Morrison: "I... I don't have time to read millions of identities, but they're out there."

Gonzalez: "Right. We're only talking about one right here."

Morrison: "Okay. To the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

Morrison: "All... all we're doing is continuing to promote confusion and absurd situations. You know, think about Title IX. Title IX was passed to protect women's sports, scholarships, opportunities for women. And this Bill is just another example of confusion, absurdities, and actually hurting women when you're talking about private spaces, teams, things that are set aside for women. I urge a 'no' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Gonzalez to close."

Gonzalez: "Barbara urges a 'no' (sic 'yes') vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4265 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar is a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 64 voting 'yes', 33 voting 'no', 3 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed."

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Representative Marron, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Marron: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Could the record reflect that on House Bill 4257 it had been my intention to vote 'yes'?"

Speaker Hoffman: "The record will so reflect. Moving to page 8 of the Calendar. On the top of page 8 appears House Bill 4267, Representative Vella. Out of the record. House Bill 4270, Representative Reick. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4270, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 has been adopted. No further Amendments, but a land conveyance note has been requested and has not been filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Reick."

Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the note, where do we go with that? I'd like to have it ruled inapplicable."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Reick moves that the land conveyance note be ruled inapplicable. This must be a roll call vote. The question is, 'Shall the land conveyance note be ruled inapplicable?' Those who wish to rule it inapplicable, vote 'yes'; those who don't, vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "It is my understanding that this needs more yeses than noes. So, there are 53 voting 'yes', 21 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. Mr. Clerk, take the record. I apologize. There are 53 voting 'yes', 21 voting 'no', 1 voting

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'present'. And is ruled inapplicable. Any Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "Nothing further, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4270, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Reick."

Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is an initiative of the Illinois State Bar Association. It is to create what is called a special warranty deed. It's a type of land conveyance that is used primarily in commercial real estate transactions, which provides that warranties that are transferred from a buyer to a seller are... only those warranties which arise through the grantor and are... and the only warranties that will be defended are those that are... arise through the grantor, unlike if I sell a house... my house to you. I offer up a general warranty deed, which provide warranties against all encumbrances on the property. I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4270 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 93 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 7 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Stava-Murray on House Bill 4281. Out of the record. Representative Collins on House Bill 4304. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4304, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Collins."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Collins."

Collins: "Can I... can I request to move this Amendment to Third Reading and then explain it? Adopt it and then explain it on Third?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Collins moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4304. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4304, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Collins."

Collins: "Yeah, so House Floor Amendment 2 just removes all the language within House Bill 4304 that pertains to the Foster Care Investigation Reports Commission. And then it keeps the interview for the youth in care for their exit interview."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick. Nope. The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4304 pass?' All those in favor indicate by voting 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

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Guerrero-Cuellar: "Aye."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'aye'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 102 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Going back to Representative Stava-Murray on House Bill 4281. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4281, a Bill for an Act concerning business. No Committee Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4281, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stava-Murray."

Stava-Murray: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a consumer protection Bill that disallows utility companies.. or utility-related companies from using a utility's name if they're not the utility company themselves. There is some final language being worked on by the AG.. between the AG and Nicor just to finalize the language that'll happen in the Senate. That Amendment didn't make it in time. So, it'll be finished there."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, that was actually going to be my question about the.. about the Floor Amendment, but definitely

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going to pass along the reciprocal courtesy that you offered to one of our Members. So, thank you. We'll move this along."

Stava-Murray: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stava-Murray to close."

Stava-Murray: "I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4281 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4274, Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Thank you, Speaker. This is for House Amendment Floor 1. This is to tighten up the language. It's cleanup language on recommendation from the Residential Insulation Soundproof Program."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar..."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "I ask for adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "...moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4274. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4274, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar on House Bill 4274."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Thank you, Speaker. House Bill 4274 has two functions. One, it will appoint a Representative from the Republican side for both the House and the Senate. And the second component is that it will clean up language recommended by the Residential Sound Insulation Program. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4274 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Morgan on House Bill 4324. Representative Morgan. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4324, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Morgan."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan."



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Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Amendment 1... or Floor Amendment 1, rather, addresses some technical concerns from the Department of Insurance and alleviates any opposition from the department."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4324. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4324, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan."

Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4324 addresses continuing education credits for those who are insurance producers. We require continuing education for insurance producers in Illinois. This is an initiative of the Illinois Insurance Producers Association. I know of no opposition, and I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4324 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the

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record. On this question, there are 103 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Hurley on House Bill 4342. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4342, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4342, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Hurley."

Hurley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is an initiative from the Illinois Association of Park Districts, and it just is increasing the competitive bid margin from 25 thousand to 30 thousand. I'm here for any questions and would appreciate an 'aye' vote. And thank you for being so quiet."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4342 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 81 voting 'yes', 20 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed.

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Representative Kifowit on House Bill 4306. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4306, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Kifowit."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Kifowit on Floor Amendment #1."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment 1 becomes the Bill. And I'd like to present after its adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Kifowit moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4306. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any... any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments, but a state mandates note has been requested on the Bill, as amended by House Amendment #1. That note has not been filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 43..."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Kifowit, there is a state mandates note. Would you like to have that..."

Kifowit: "I'm sorry."

Speaker Hoffman: "...would you make a Motion..."

Kifowit: "My system shows that it was withdrawn."

Speaker Hoffman: "Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "The request for the fiscal note was withdrawn. The state mandates note request is still outstanding."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My apologies. I knew that one of those was withdrawn. I move that the note is inapplicable."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Kifowit has moved that the state mandates note be declared inapplicable. All... all in favor of it being inapplicable vote 'yes'; all opposed vote 'no'. This is a roll call vote. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 68 voting 'yes', 33 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And the note is ruled inapplicable. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "Nothing further, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4306, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I... I apologize. I didn't believe there'd be a note filed on a task force. We've... we've passed task forces before in the past. This is an initiative that would address and would look at a holistic style of mental health care for our youth in care. It is an initiative that not only personally has affected me and individuals I know in my life, but also the advocates understand that it is a big issue as well. So, rather than rolling out a program, we decided to work with HFS, DCFS, the Governor's Office, and Members of the General Assembly to create a task force to look at the inner workings of our youth in care to include working and evaluate the process, the billing process, the

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providers, the provider network, the diversity in the provider network, and also look at providing the preventative mental health care for the youth in care. This is a bipartisan initiative, which is why I apologized. The second legislation... legislative note took me off guard. And I ask for your support."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, some of our initial confusion on this side is, is this was switched to a task force with an Amendment heard in committee this morning."

Kifowit: "That is correct."

Batinick: "Okay. We do not have that... our notes aren't updated for that yet. So, the underlying Bill is essentially gone, forget it, the 11-5 vote, and you have a task force on this issue?"

Kifowit: "Correct."

Batinick: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Kifowit to close."

Kifowit: "I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 4306 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting's open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the

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record. On this question, there are 106 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 8 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4326, Representative Stuart. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4326, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4326, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "Thank you. I think I'm... try to be very brief. It's important to first say that this has no fiscal impact on school districts or taxpayers. This is simply allowing our county regional office of education to be able to split the portion of a tax that's collected with the Department of Revenue since there are a lot of onerous requirements that they have to complete, so they should get some of the administrative costs from the tax."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Reick, do you stand in opposition?"

Reick: "I have a question that came up in committee today, and I think it deserves an answer on the floor, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "Okay, Representative. Please proceed."

Reick: "The question I have, Representative, is the administration of this particular two percent. Is it going to be left at the... how's it administered? Does it go up to the Department

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of Revenue and then come back? Or how does that... how does that work?"

Stuart: "Yeah, it... I think that's how it works. I think it goes to the Department of Revenue and then that... this portion would come back to the ROE."

Reick: "And the Department of Revenue's objection is strictly because of... it's going to cut into their... it's going to cut into their budget?"

Stuart: "It's going to cut into a fund that's actually quite healthy and has grown over the last years."

Reick: "Very good. Thank you."

Stuart: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking further recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4326 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Harris on House Bill 4343. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4343, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Harris."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Harris on Floor Amendment #3."

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Harris: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment #3 represents some changes that were made to the Bill to address concerns of Department of Healthcare and Family Services. I'd appreciate its adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Harris moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 4343. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4343, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Harris on House Bill 4343."

Harris: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is an initiative to make it easier for seniors, blind, disabled people to obtain and maintain their Medicaid eligibility and receive services. It passed out of Human Services Committee unanimously. I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Flowers, do you stand in opposition? Leader Flowers."

Flowers: "Thank you. I'm sorry, Leader Harris, can you please repeat what you said the purpose of this Bill?"

Harris: "It's to make it easier for seniors, blind, disabled, members of the AABD population to maintain their Medicaid eligibility and to obtain long-term care services."

Flowers: "What's the difficulties in people with disabilities maintaining their eligibility? They have permanent



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difficulties. They're part of the Aged, Blind, and the Disabled."

Harris: "And right now the system is they have to continue to apply and reapply and submit forms every year to verify their status and their income. And this will allow the department to automatically verify them to reduce the work they have to do and make it as automatic as possible."

Flowers: "But you could do that now."

Harris: "Not under the... not the methods of ex parte redeterminations."

Flowers: "You could... under the CARES Act, you are supposed to be assuming that everyone is eligible until such time that it's proven differently."

Harris: "And in Illinois..."

Flowers: "And right now... right now, the aged, blind, and the disabled is a protected class. And those services are renewed automatically by the Federal Government, and they're protected by the Federal Government."

Harris: "And in Illinois..."

Flowers: "And the Federal Government is saying... excuse me... that there's things that we can do to make it easier for our citizenry now, but we're not doing that. And as a result, there's over 600 thousand people, and they may be aged, blind, and disabled, but they're not getting the services that they are entitled to."

Harris: "And what this Bill will do is be sure that in Illinois, even after the federal protections expire, that Illinois citizen will still have those benefits."

Flowers: "So, tell me about this \$25 thousand."

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Harris: "That refers to... for folks who have... applying for long-term care. Right now, the state has very draconian rules about recovering cost of care from people's estates. So, we are not going to go after the first \$25 thousand of a person's assets so that those can be passed on to their family. We're going to have additional hardship waivers so that people can transfer homes and businesses on and build intergenerational wealth. So, it's really making it much easier for families than the way Illinois currently does it now."

Flowers: "I really can't understand you. Mr. Speaker, can you lower the noise in the House, please, please, please? Thank you, Leader Harris. But they have the hardship waiver. That's already in the law. We don't have to go after these people. And you're setting a level of 25 thousand and that level is not set in law now. So, you're really making it more difficult for these people..."

Harris: "Actually, we're..."

Flowers: "...that's already... that's suffering, and it doesn't have to be. The state don't have to go after them at all."

Harris: "Right now the state has much more strict rules. This loosens the rules, Representative. It does..."

Flowers: "I don't think... my personal opinion, Representative, this is not making it easy... this is making it easier for more people to be captured unnecessarily because we know that the families are probably poor. We know that there's things in place already that would allow this to happen without this legislation. What's concerning to me, Representative, about this legislation is that the things that you are talking about doing is already being done. But it appears to me that you're

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just making it more complicated. So, with all due respect, I'll be voting 'no'. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking further recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 43'... I apologize. Representative Harris... Leader Harris to close."

Harris: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I just want to assure folks that the purpose of this Bill is to make things easier on our seniors, to make it easier on people who are blind or disabled to get and maintain their Medicaid benefits and their long-term care benefits. This is a big step forward for the State of Illinois and guarantees us protections, even after the federal protections expire. I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4343 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; all opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 102 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On to page 9 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 4356, Leader Gabel. Thank you. Thank you. Out of the record. On page 9 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4358, Representative Mayfield. Representative Mayfield. Out of the record. House Bill 4365, Representative Didech. Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4365, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Didech. Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4365, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Didech."

Didech: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4365 creates a process for the emergency placement of out-of-state residential services. This is an important Bill. We have a small number of students in our state who have severe special needs who we do not have any facilities in our state and we do not have any ISBE-approved facilities in the entire country that are appropriate for them. So, they have had to seek out non-ISBE-approved facilities to make sure that they can have the services that they need. And this Bill creates an emergency placement process. It has the support of ISBE. Has the support of the Illinois School Attorneys Association. I'm happy to answer any questions, and I appreciate your support."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the record reflect that Chris Miller's excused for the rest of the day? And that is all my remarks as opposition."

Speaker Hoffman: "The record shall so reflect. Seeing no one seeking opposition, the question... seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4365 pass?' All those in favor indicate by voting 'yes'; opposed voting 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 9 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4384, Representative Delgado. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4384, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Delgado."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Delgado on Floor Amendment #1."

Delgado: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Floor Amendment #1 gets us closer to an agreement with the agencies on this issue of change orders. I would like to adopt the Amendment and then explain where we are on Third Reading."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Delgado moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4384. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; all opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4384, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Delgado on House Bill 4384."

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Delgado: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So, this Bill is trying to address an issue with change orders. The problem that we're trying to address is that there is a situation where an agency or a contractor submits a change order, and they may not come to agreement on payment, and sometimes that causes some significant issues for the contractor. And so, when this Bill was originally introduced, IDOT and CDB both had concerns with what we were doing. And we have now, as of today, come to an agreement on language. What we're going to do is have them publish long-standing change orders that haven't been agreed to that have taken longer than, I believe, 45 days is what we talked about. And these reports will be posted on their Web site and delivered to the General Assembly. And so, we... we have come to agreement. The Amendment is not here, but it will be put together, passed in the Senate. It'll come back on Concurrence obviously, but we have resolved the issues. And I ask for an 'aye' vote, and I am happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, thank you for the work on the Bill. Looks like you took off a chunk of the opponents and you have some agreement. We're probably going to wait for that. With the opposition, we'll probably wait for it to come back. We'll have a second bite at the apple when it comes back on get-away day, April 7 or 8. So, we look forward to the further progress on the Bill, but we'll probably be a 'no' at this time. Thank you."

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Delgado: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Delgado to close."

Delgado: "I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 4384 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 73 voting 'yes', 30 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 9 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4392, Representative Ammons. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4392, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Ammons."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ammons on Floor Amendment #1."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 that brings the Sheriffs' Association to neutral with the change in language."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ammons moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4392. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4392, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is a correction from the cannabis legalization in the State of Illinois that simply strikes the word 'cannabis' and 'the use of cannabis testing' for people who are eligible for expungement and sealing."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, I have one quick question. How did you get the sheriffs to neutral on this? That's what the Amendment did, correct?"

Ammons: "That's what the Amendment did. It was just the way it was written that the sheriffs wanted us to correct that, which we did, and they are neutral on the Bill."

Batinick: "So, the... the main crux of what this Bill does is that, if you tested positive for cannabis, that can't be the reason for stopping application for expungement. Am I reading that right?"

Ammons: "That's correct. That's all it does."

Batinick: "Okay. My side will do what they do. Thank you."

Ammons: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking further recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4392 pass?' All those in favor indicate by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."



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Guerrero-Cuellar: "No."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'no'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 66 voting 'yes', 35 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 9 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4430, Representative Cassidy. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4430, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Cassidy."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Cassidy on Floor Amendment #1."

Cassidy: "Floor Amendment 1 represents the work of the stakeholders to remove opposition. And I would like to adopt the Amendment and debate it on Third."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Cassidy moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4430. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4430, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Cassidy."

Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 4430 would create better access to HIV prevention drugs, better known and PEP and PrEP. PEP stands for post-exposure

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prophylaxis. And PREP is pre-exposure prophylaxis. This drug can prevent transmission of HIV and is an important factor in getting us to zero, our state's stated goal of eliminating HIV infections. PrEP coverage, however, is not equal. Nationally on average, for every 25 PrEP prescriptions written, 16 are for white individuals, 3 and a half are for Latino individuals, and 2 are for black individuals. Given the incredible disparity in spread in those communities as well, it is critical that we do everything in our power to make these drugs more accessible to marginalized communities. So, this would allow pharmacists to dispense PEP and PrEP and provide patient care with regard to those drugs. And I ask for your support."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Frese."

Frese: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "She indicates she'll yield."

Frese: "Representative, just a couple things for clarification. Let's start with the fact of minors. Minors were not singled out or written out of this Bill, so it... it would be permissible for a 13 or 14-year-old to go in without a parent or family member to a pharmacist to seek this treatment. Is that correct?"

Cassidy: "The issue of minors access to this medication was already addressed in legislation that we passed a couple years ago. So..."

Frese: "Right. It's like deja vu all over again. We're having a little bit of the same argument. I understand. Also, in committee there was a discussion about reimbursement language

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that was needed that would fix. Is that part of this Bill or...  
or part of this Amendment?"

Cassidy: "That's going to get cleaned up in the Senate."

Frese: "Okay. So, there's more stuff, yet, coming in the Senate?  
Well..."

Cassidy: "This... just to elaborate on that."

Frese: "Okay."

Cassidy: "We... we, frankly, just used the wrong reimbursement  
language. The same reimbursement language that was agreed to  
in the birth control Bill is what's going to go into this  
one."

Frese: "Okay."

Cassidy: "So, it's already been worked out."

Frese: "Okay. Well, going back to the part of the minors, I think  
there's... I know... I've talked to several pro-family groups,  
including the Illinois Right to Life Action, who still have  
a problem because of that. Certainly wish that there would be  
some kind of an inclusion of an adult going in with them. So,  
for that reason, I'm a 'no' and I'd encourage a 'no' vote.  
Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking further recognition, the  
question is, 'Shall House Bill 4430'..."

Cassidy: "Can I close?"

Speaker Hoffman: "I apologize. Been here awhile. Representative  
Cassidy to close."

Cassidy: "I understand. Quite frankly, we have to do everything  
in our power to ensure that we are protecting everyone we can  
and saving lives by providing access to this medication. I  
urge an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4430 pass?'  
All those in favor indicate by voting 'yes'; opposed vote  
'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who  
wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the  
record. On this question, there are 71 voting 'yes', 24 voting  
'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a  
Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving to  
page 10 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 4501,  
Representative Stuart. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4501, a Bill for an Act concerning  
regulation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and  
2 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is  
offered by Representative Stuart."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "It should be Amendment 2."

Speaker Hoffman: "So, you would like to withdraw Amendment #1?"

Stuart: "Yes."

Speaker Hoffman: "Amendment #1 is withdrawn. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative  
Stuart."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stuart on Floor Amendment #2."

Stuart: "Amendment 2 is a gut and replace. Can we adopt the  
Amendment and then I can talk about the Bill?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stuart moves for the adoption of  
Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4501. All those in favor

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signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4501, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stuart on House Bill 4501."

Stuart: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. 4501 is an attempt to address a shortage in the workforce in terms of dental care. There... we've had a growing shortage of dental hygienists, which has accelerated after the COVID-19 crisis. So, what this will do is, we currently allow dental assistants to provide limited scaling of teeth above the gum line on children 12 and below if they're uninsured or on Medicaid. We will expand that and take off the requirement to be uninsured and raise the age. We are also allowing and adding the scope of practice for dental hygienists so that they can get into long-term care settings or school settings and then be followed up with teledentistry with a dentist that checks the work that they do."

Speaker Hoffman: "On this question, Representative Frese."

Frese: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Frese: "Representative, regarding your Bill, dentists are all for this, correct?"

Stuart: "Yes. Yeah, the dentists... this was their initiative."

Frese: "Yeah. And then dental assistants certainly would be as well."

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Stuart: "Certainly, yes. Dental assistants are."

Frese: "And so, then we come to dental hygienists who are the ones who don't really like all the aspects of your Bill, correct?"

Stuart: "Right. And we did expand the scope of practice for dental hygienists, like I said, allowing them to get into those long-term care facilities, who also like this Bill by the way. But I think they feel that we're letting dental assistants encroach on some of their practice, but dental hygienists still have many more things that they can do to patients that dental assistants cannot. And we are not changing that."

Frese: "Yes, okay. Certainly. I understand that... the point. This is an expansion of service. And as you mentioned, there's maybe a shortage. I don't know if that's the case. I'll take your word for that. I'm told by the dental hygienists there are over 9 thousand dental hygienists in Illinois and there'll be three or four hundred graduating this May. I don't know if that's a shortage or not, but I'll take your word for that. I also just have to point out that there's just an incredible number of opponents, and I'm sure that's all the dental hygienists in this case, but there's probably about 900 and some listed opponents on the Bill. So, I just... I told them I'd get the word out for them. Is there anything else you'd like to say in regard to the service of dental hygienists?"

Stuart: "Well, I'm... like I said, we are... you know, we expanded and things that dental hygienists want, they are getting in this Bill."

Frese: "Okay. And I understand Kansas, the State of Kansas, already does this? Do you... you know that to be true?"

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Stuart: "I... yeah, I understand that as well too. Yes."

Frese: "And I'm not sure any other states, but... okay. Thank you.  
That's all I've got. Thank you."

Stuart: "Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stuart to close."

Stuart: "I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 4501 pass?' All  
those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is  
open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who  
wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the  
record. On this question, there are 92 voting 'yes', 7 voting  
'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the  
Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Leader  
Butler, for what reason do you rise?"

Butler: "Thank you, Speaker Hoffman. I would like the record to  
reflect that on Representative Hurley's House Bill 4342 my  
switch malfunctioned and I meant to vote 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "The record shall so reflect. Representative  
West."

West: "Real quick, Mr. Speaker, I have a constituent here from  
Rockford, who is also a staffer for the Governor's Office,  
and it's his birthday. Steve Booth, if you could just raise  
your hand, let us wish you a happy birthday. I ask that you  
help me wish Steve Booth from the Governor's Office a happy  
birthday. Thank you."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Representative DeLuca."

DeLuca: "Mr. Speaker, if you would let the record reflect, I intended to vote 'yes' on House Bill 3125."

Speaker Hoffman: "The record shall so reflect. Representative Caulkins, why do you seek recognition?"

Caulkins: "Mr. Speaker, point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "You are not recognized for that purpose. On page 10... 10 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4526, Representative Ness. Out of the record. House Bill 4556, Representative Guzzardi. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4556, a Bill for an Act concerning health. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Guzzardi."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi on Floor Amendment #1."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Amendment removes all opposition. I'll discuss it in detail as I present the Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4556. All those in favor indicate by saying 'yes'; opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4556, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4556 pertains to expanding access to fentanyl test strips. Fentanyl test strips prevent overdose deaths by detecting fentanyl in



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counterfeit pills and drugs. These test strips are an easy to use and inexpensive way to check if pharmaceuticals have been cut with fentanyl. Right now, the test strips are currently, in Illinois, considered drug paraphernalia. Under our law, they can only be distributed at needle exchange sites. So, this Bill expands access to these test strips so that a very limited number of them can be dispensed by medical professionals at hospitals, pharmacies, and clinics. The Amendment before us was negotiated with the Sheriffs' Association. It removes their opposition. They're on board with the Bill now. There's no opposition to the Bill. It passed unanimously in committee as Amendment.. as amended, excuse me. And I urge an 'aye' vote. Happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, I had a hard time hearing you through the mask."

Guzzardi: "I apologize."

Batinick: "No, that's..."

Guzzardi: "Is this any better?"

Batinick: "It is, but I just want to clarify something that you said. So, there was opposition in committee because the sheriffs were opposed."

Guzzardi: "Correct."

Batinick: "You work with Jim Kaitschuk?"

Guzzardi: "Exactly. He was a... he was a champ on this Bill."

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Batinick: "And... and he is at neutral now, proponent? Where is he now?"

Guzzardi: "I believe the Sheriffs' Association are neutral on the Bill, as it's written."

Batinick: "They're neutral on the Bill. And you have... you've got the pharmacists, the AIDS Foundation, the National Association of Social Workers. Illinois Municipal League is actually in support of this as well. Public Health Administration. Okay. So, went from bad Bill to good Bill?"

Guzzardi: "I think it went from good Bill to great Bill, but however you prefer to describe it, Representative."

Batinick: "All right. Thank you for clarifying that."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Guzzardi to close."

Guzzardi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If you'll indulge me just for a moment. We're in the midst of a silent crisis in our state. In 2020, we lost twice as many people in Illinois to opioid overdoses as we did to car crashes. Last year, 93 thousand people died from overdoses across the country. Ninety-three thousand people. And tragically, many of these deaths are people who did not know they were taking opioids at all, who were trying other substances that was cut with fentanyl, a synthetic, cheap, and extremely deadly opioid. This Bill won't end the fentanyl crisis, but it will provide young people, who we know are going to experiment, it will provide them a measure of protection from this silent killer. I want to just take a moment to thank Dr. Beth Weinstock who testified in committee. Her son, Eli, was a 20-year-old sophomore at American University. He tried an herbal supplement called kratom. That supplement was cut with

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fentanyl unbeknownst to him, and he tragically lost his life. Dr. Weinstock turned this tragedy into action. She started a national organization call BirdieLight. Its mission is to get a test strip into the hands of every high school and college student in the country. This Bill will help us get one step closer to that here in Illinois. It will save lives. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 4556 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Harris on House Bill 4595. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4595, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Harris."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Harris on Floor Amendment #1."

Harris: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill has to do with the 340B Drug Program. And when it was first introduced, there were a number of opponents who came forward. This Amendment answers the concerns those opponents had. It has removed all

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opposition, and I would appreciate adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Harris moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4595. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4595, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Harris on House Bill 4595."

Harris: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is designed to protect the continuing access of FQHCs, Federally Qualified Community Health Centers, community health centers, Ryan White Centers, the safety net hospitals, and hemophilia centers to access to the federal 340B Drug Program, which provides drugs at steep discounted prices to persons with low income. I'd be happy to answer any questions, and I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4595 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Leader Evans on House Bill 4607. Leader Evans. Out of the record. Moving to page 19 on the Calendar, appears House Bill 3465, Representative Lilly. On the Order of Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3465, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen. HB3465 amends the Unified Code of Corrections to require that the Illinois Department of Corrections to hire reentry specialists for the jails and the correctional systems throughout Illinois. They will establish the duties and the responsibilities of the specialists as they are working with the inmates upon exit on things such as health care, ID, and resources in the community. This Bill is an agreed Bill. There's no opposition. I worked with the Department of Corrections and all parties to make sure that there need not be any Amendment. This is an agreed Bill at this time. Thank you. I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking opposition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 3465 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish?"

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "I apologize, Mr. Clerk. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk,

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please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Back to Second Reading. On page 11 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4627, Representative Halpin. Out of the record. Representative Burke on House Bill 4629. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4629, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Burke."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Burke on Floor Amendment #1."

Burke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Floor Amendment #1 is a gut and replace. It is an initiative of the Illinois Athletic Trainers Association. It provides some expansion of the trainers' responsibility.. or their ability to provide services to individuals who are not part of a sports team. It represents an agreement between many interested parties, including the athletic trainers, the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the State Med Society, and the Illinois Therapists Association. With this Amendment, they are all in agreement. And I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Burke moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4629. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4629, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Burke on House Bill 4629."

Burke: "Thank you. This Bill represents an agreement between the athletic trainers, the Department of Financial and Professional Regulations, the Illinois State Med Society, and the Illinois physical therapists on the scope of practice with the athletic trainers. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 4629 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 102 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Mah on House Bill 4665. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4665, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Mah."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah."

Mah: "I move for the adoption of House Floor Amendment #1."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah moves for the adoption of House Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4665. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the

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opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4665, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah."

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. HB4665 is a simple regulatory sunset extension for dietician nutritionists. The Amendment reverts to the simple language of nothing else but the sunset extension. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4665 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion... the voting is open. I apologize. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Ann Williams on House Bill 4676. Out of the record. Representative Mussman on House Bill 4690. Representative Mussman on 4690. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4690, a Bill for an Act concerning education. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."



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Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4690, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mussman."

Mussman: "Thank you, Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 4690 addresses a provision in Public Act 101-643, which was the COVID-19 education omnibus package which was signed in June of 2020. In that Bill was a provision to allow tenured teachers to pause dismissal hearings for the duration of the Governor's declared emergency. But now, in March of 2022, criminal courts and other units of government have found ways to safely conduct business in person and virtually. This Bill would allow dismissal hearings to move forward for the most egregious dismissal cases, teachers accused of sexual abuse, grooming, physical abuse, and corporal punishment of students. Concerns have been raised by school districts that if we allow for these dismissal hearings to remain paused, school districts will lose access to credible witnesses who candidly may not want to revisit what may have been a traumatic experience years after the incident occurred. If the passage of time continues, there is a likelihood that individuals accused of heinous and unprofessional action towards students in this state will be allowed to return to classrooms and potentially reoffend. This Bill would return the dismissal process back to the standard practice, pre-pandemic. It only makes sense that if the state is having all other teachers reporting in person to work five days a week, the teachers in line for these types of dismissals move forward with their cases. If those teachers have a legitimate

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concern about their COVID-19 safety, the law does have a provision built in that would require a school district to allow the teacher to appear remotely for the proceedings. I am unaware of any opposition, and I request an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4690 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Hammond is recognized for House Bill 4647 on behalf of Representative Robinson. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4647, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Robinson."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Hammond on Floor Amendment #1."

Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #1 is at the request of some of the opposition and provides some information regarding race, gender, and ethnicity of the frontline and nonexecutive employees in our Department of.. with the Department of Public Health."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Hammond moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4647. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Are there any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4647, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Hammond on House Bill 4647."

Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4647 addresses our direct service personnel, our frontline workers who serve individuals with intellectual disabilities living in our community residential settings. The Bill enhances the transparency and accountability by requiring the state-funded providers to provide additional information when they are filing their annual reports to the state. The state has a vested interest in collecting this information to establish a clearer picture of what's happening in this workforce. And the Bill received a unanimous vote coming out of committee. And I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote on behalf of myself and Representative Robinson."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking opposition... recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4647 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving to page 12 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 4696, Representative Ozinga. Out of the record. House Bill 4703, Representative Morgan. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4703, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Morgan, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan."

Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Floor Amendment #1 addresses some technical issues that clarifies some of the language in relation to Federal Law and alleviates some technical concerns that were raised to the Department of Insurance."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4703. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; all opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4703, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Morgan on House Bill 4703."

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Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, this adopts the No Surprise Billing Act in the State of Illinois. You may have heard about the No Surprises Act at the federal level, which was intended to address... oftentimes when an individual is brought via ambulance to a hospital or provider that they don't have control over and they're billed at out-of-network cost and they end up with tens of thousands of dollars of medical debt inappropriately. The No Surprises Act is helping millions of people around the country, and this is our implementation to make sure Illinois is their... Illinois residents who are insured are not going to be really stuck with the excessive burden of medical debt. We're making sure they're being billed an in-network and it's going toward their deductible. And I ask for an 'aye' vote. I know of no opposition at this point."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4703 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Returning to House Bill 4696, Leader Batinick on behalf of Representative Ozinga. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4696, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. This Bill was read a second time previously. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Ozinga, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick on Floor Amendment #2."

Batinick: "Floor Amendment 2 becomes the Bill. It amends the Department of Natural Resources Act, provides that DNR shall offer to each successful purchaser of a hunting license the opportunity to be redirected to the First Person Consent organ and tissue donor registry Web site maintained already by the Secretary of State. I urge its adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Batinick moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4696. All those in favor signify by saying 'yes'; opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4696, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "My explanation for the Amendment is my explanation for the Bill. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4696 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

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Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 4706, Representative Stoneback. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4706, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Stoneback, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stoneback on Floor Amendment #1."

Stoneback: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Amendment 1 for HB4706 addresses concerns of stakeholders, adds a sunset date, changes the reporting from the timeline to IDPH from six months to one year, and removes part of the Bill that includes an annual award for hospitals that achieve a certain rate. I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stoneback moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4706. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4706, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stoneback on House Bill 4706."

Stoneback: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Nearly one-third of births were delivered by cesarean delivery, or commonly known as C-sections, in the United States. Elective C-sections are not recommended, as this type of birth has been found to have higher rates of neonatal mortality compared with nonelective C-sections and vaginal births. They carry risks including breathing problems among babies, as well as delayed immune development, increased likelihood of allergies and asthma, and for the mother, surgical injuries and postpartum hemorrhage. Not only is a higher risk or mortality, it's also a costly procedure with commercial health insurance charges of over 51 thousand and out-of-pocket expenses also increased. The World Health Organization has said that the ideal rate for C-section births is between 10 and 15 percent. However, in the U.S., Illinois ranks 26th at 24.7 percent of low-risk cesarean delivery. Most doctors perform operations sparingly according to best practices. But unfortunately, in some cases, OB-GYN doctors may not make this recommendation based on the mother and baby's best interest but on their own best interest or competing priorities, such as convenience relating to scheduling. So, this is a transparency Bill. And what 4706 will do is share... ask OB-GYN doctors in their hospitals to share data to encourage outliers to not nudge patients towards a C-section if it's not necessary. We've worked with a goal with many stakeholders and included their input. I am urging an 'aye' vote."



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Speaker Hoffman: "On this question, the Chair recognizes Leader Wheeler."

Wheeler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Wheeler: "Representative, I appreciate the concept you're trying to aim at here, and I'm very concerned about this issue. But also from the other side, being that a C-section's what actually saved my wife and daughter. So, I... I wouldn't think this is an objective approach we're going to take. This Amendment has removed all of the opposition. Is that correct?"

Stoneback: "Well, it... we did include input from all stakeholders in this, but it has not completely removed their opposition and we're open to having conversations in the Senate."

Wheeler: "So, yeah... so, just want to confirm that there's still work to be done."

Stoneback: "So, we will continue the conversation."

Wheeler: "You intend to that in the Senate. I know we say that a lot here, but I want to make sure that I understand your perspective before we move forward with the Bill."

Stoneback: "Yes."

Wheeler: "So, the Senate's where the next steps will be taken to try and alleviate all the opposition?"

Stoneback: "I... I'm not committing to any specific piece because we have substantially changed this Bill from when it was the first seed of a Bill. It has been whittled down considerably and undergone a lot of transformation in the... in negotiations. And so, we will... I'm absolutely open to talking... continuing to talk to people, but I'm not making commitment as to the specific changes."

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Wheeler: "But you're definitely open to... to make it a final point, you're going to work on it more in the Senate and aim for an agreed final product?"

Stoneback: "That is the hope. I thought it was already agreed, but evidently, they keep wanting more. So, we'll continue the conversation."

Wheeler: "All right. Thank you for that."

Stoneback: "Thank you."

Wheeler: "I appreciate your efforts, and I appreciate your hard work in the Senate then. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Stoneback to close."

Stoneback: "I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4706 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar. Representative, could you say that again?"

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 93 voting 'yes', 6 voting 'no', 5 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving to House Bill 4715, Representative Croke. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4715, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1, 2, and 3 have been

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approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Croke."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Croke on Floor Amendment #1."

Croke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment 1 removes opposition from the American Institute of Architects, and I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Croke moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 4715. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Croke."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Croke on Floor Amendment #2."

Croke: "I ask for Amendment 2 to be withdrawn."

Speaker Hoffman: "Mr. Clerk, please withdraw Amendment #2. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Hollman: "Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Croke."

Speaker Hoffman: "Floor Amendment #3, Representative Croke."

Croke: "Amendment 3 removes opposition from the land surveyors and the American Council of Engineers, and I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Croke moves for the adoption of House Bill... of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 4715. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment's adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4715, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Croke."

Croke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. HB4715 is an initiative from the American Society of Interior Designers and will allow for registered interior designers to stamp their own design plans for nonstructural and nonload-bearing construction. The plan would still need to be approved by the local building department and the building would still need to have an inspection before anyone could occupy the space. I've worked with all the stakeholders concerning this legislation that creates efficiency and helps small businesses, majority of which are woman-owned in this industry. I'm glad to say that this is an agreed Bill between the interior designers, American architects, land surveyors, and American Council of Engineers. I am aware of no opposition, and I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4715 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 100 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 3 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Halpin on House Bill 4716. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4716, a Bill for an Act concerning education. This Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Halpin, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Halpin on Floor Amendment #2."

Halpin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Floor Amendment #2 becomes the Bill. And I'd ask to adopt it and debate the Bill on Third."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Halpin moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4716. All those in favor indicate by... all in favor indicate by saying 'yes'; opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4716, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Halpin."

Halpin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4716 is an initiative to require the Secretary of State to adopt the national Novice Teen Driver Education and Training Administrative Standards when putting together the driver education program. It is an agreed Bill, with the Secretary of State being neutral conditioned on a clarifying Amendment that's agreed upon in the Senate. I would ask for a 'yes' vote. Happy to answer a question."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4716 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Lewis, for what reason do you arise?"

Lewis: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. On House Bill 4706, I wish to be recorded as a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "The record shall so reflect. Representative Halpin on House Bill 4717. Out of the record. Representative Burke on House Bill 4724. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4724, a Bill for an Act concerning education. This Bill was read for a second time previously. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Burke, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Burke on Floor Amendment #2."

Burke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Floor Amendment #2 is a gut and replace. And it addresses a situation that some of our public institutions of higher learning have come into regarding... it's a technical change to the Credit and Retail Sales Act. And it would allow the universities to extend credit to students for purposes of purchasing course

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materials, either through the institution or their retail stores operated by the institution. I know of no opposition, and I ask for the Amendment to be adopted."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Burke moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2 to House Bill 4724. All in favor signify by saying 'yes'; all opposed 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4724, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Burke on House Bill 4724."

Burke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I believe I explained it during the Motion to adopt. And I welcome any questions and ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall the House pass 4724?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 103 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Davis on House Bill 4728. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4728, a Bill for an Act concerning education. This Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davis... Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4728, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davis."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4728, while it's an initiative of the State Board of Education, but I'm proud to say that it has come through the Professional Review Panel process in which that group of experts takes an issue presented to it, they put a committee together, they examine it, they review it, they dissect it, and then they ultimately come forward with a recommendation as to what should happen. So, with this particular Bill, 4728, it makes a change to the local capacity target calculation, which is one component of the evidence-based funding model for a current year equalized assessed valuation to be compared to a two-year average rather than the previous three years. This is a shorter window so that, in the case where you have a significant drop in EAV and the formula does eventually correct itself, this allows for a quicker correction so that the district can receive additional resources from the formula in a more-timelier fashion to try to help with the revenue loss that it experienced. Be more than happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Hoffman: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4728 pass?' All those in favor signify



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by voting 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 102 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no', and 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving to page 17 of the Calendar, appears House Bill 5412, Leader Evans. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5412, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. This Bill was read a second time previously. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendments 2 and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Evans."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Evans."

Evans: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and the great Members of this Assembly. I'd like to withdraw House Amendment 2 and adopt House Amendment 3 and debate the Bill on Third."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Evans withdraws Floor Amendment #2. Mr. Clerk, Floor Amendment #3."

Clerk Hollman: "Floor Amendment #3 is offered by Representative Evans."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Evans moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #3 to House Bill 5412. All those in favor say 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the

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'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5412, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Evans."

Evans: "Again, thank you, Mr. Speaker and the great Members of this Assembly. House Bill 5412 is an initiative of the Mid-America Carpenters Regional Council. This Bill amends the Illinois Wage Payment and Collection Act to make primary contractors liable when subcontractors fail to pay their workers. This Bill is about preventing wage theft in the construction industry. For years the carpenters have fought to bring attention to wage theft and to have supportive policies to combat this problem. Wage theft not only cheats hard working men and women out of wages they've earned, it cheats responsible employers and taxpayers. It gets cheating contractors a leg up against law-abiding, responsible contractors when bidding on projects. Not only do taxpayers bear the cost of public assistance programs to support workers, wage theft means less income tax, unemployment insurance, Medicare, and so much more. House Bill 5412 intends to make sure primary contractors will be part of a solution to preventing wage theft by making them ultimately responsible if the subcontractors don't pay their workers. This Bill will also incentivize primary contracts be better business partners with the subcontractors, mentoring both in the field operations and the business side of the companies.

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The proponents of this Bill have been working with the opposition. They have made several changes to this Bill. Nearly daily conversations. The proponents have committed to continuing those discussions. We understand we have a shortened Session, so moving this legislation along clearly is important to get to the ultimate goal. Throughout the country, we ask, where do we have legislation like this? Is this just some one-off in Illinois? No, it's not. States like New York, California, Maryland, District of Columbia, New Jersey, and Virginia have similar legislation. And there's more to come. What work has been done by the Sponsor to move individuals from opposition to neutral? The Realtors Association, from opposed to neutral. The Road Builders, from opposed to neutral. The Associated General Contractors, from opposed to neutral. The Illinois Mechanical and Specialty Contractors, from opposed to neutral. Efforts have been done. More to come. I request your 'aye' to move this good piece of legislation forward."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Wheeler has requested that this Bill be moved from Short Debate to Standard Debate. Standard Debate means that there will be three proponents and three opponents. Representative Wheeler is recognized."

Wheeler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just one second. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."

Wheeler: "Leader Evans, you and I have talked over this Bill in committee a couple of times. And I have tried to ask you in pretty clear terms if there's any opportunity for a safe-

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harbor situation for the general contractor. To my knowledge, the answer's been no every time."

Evans: "And the answer continues to be no. We discussed this in committee, the answer's no."

Wheeler: "Yeah, but now we're talking for the whole floor. This is a pretty important Bill. You're talking about the definition of wage theft..."

Evans: "Yeah, I'm going be... I'm going to answer your questions. The... that particular answer is..."

Wheeler: "Right."

Evans: "...no, and I'm prepared for the next question."

Wheeler: "The wage theft definition that you're considering also includes disputes over benefits, overtime. Not just not paying somebody all together, it could be a difference of opinion about what those things are. So, those things are normal disputes that happen in everyday work. Now, we're taking, with this Bill, and moving it from a situation where the person who is obligated to pay the worker, now that goes up the chain. Because in this Bill, not only is it the subcontractor who has a direct contract with the prime, any subcontractor within that subcontractor framework also is now the liability of the prime. Don't you believe that there's a better alternative than this approach that actually protects workers, that protects subcontractors, and protects primes all at the same time? 'Cause this is just a liability shift that actually takes the people who are the problem, the subcontractors who don't pay their workers properly, and gives them no additional penalty and instead it lets them get

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off completely scot-free. Somebody else is going to pay the Bill. Isn't that what this Bill does?"

Evans: "Yeah, let's start it off with your first issue. We're not redefining wages and compensation. You know, all wages and compensation would be included. So... and when you talk about who's responsible, we all should be responsible. Ensuring that the workers are properly compensated. Individual that goes to work at 5:00 in the morning and works for a month, works for two months on a project, we all should be responsible. And there should be laws in place so those individuals get properly compensated."

Wheeler: "But there are two other ways that have been presented to you and to the advocates of doing this. One is a safe-harbor provision that allows some kind of a certified payroll process, which already exists in public works projects, already exempt from this Bill, to protect the worker. Another one with a fund that was presented to you with language to you by the opponents of this Bill that would be the most aggressive wage theft prevention plan in the construction industry in the country. That was rejected out of hand instead for a Bill that puts all the liability on the prime contractor with no liability for the subcontractor who doesn't pay their workers. It's a completely misplaced approach. Why can't we have looked at those other options, Representative Evans?"

Evans: "Again... again, I have to push back because we discussed this in committee and I've discussed it with you privately. This is not the most aggressive. There are states across the country that only go off the private but public, did the full scale. This is nowhere near. This is somewhere middle of the

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road. And there's a provision in for a 10-day notice because we're encouraging prime contractors to take an aggressive approach to make sure that their subs are paying the workers. So, this is nowhere near the most aggressive and you know that's not true."

Wheeler: "I didn't say it was the most aggressive. I just think you're taking a pass on the most-aggressive solution to wage theft. That's what this Bill does. It ignores a real solution and this misplaces the liability so that our friends in the trial lawyer business have a chance to go after some people. At the same time, we don't necessarily directly pay the workers we should the way we could. There's a faster, better way to do this. I urge an aggressively 'no' vote. There's a better way, Marcus. I wish we could work on that together. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Davidsmeyer, are you an opponent?"

Davidsmeyer: "Opponent."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please proceed."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you. Representative Evans, Leader Evans, so it's my understanding that California has been used as an example of where this... they have this type of policy. Is that correct?"

Evans: "I guess an example. There's states that have similar legislation. Some go a little bit further. We're somewhere in the middle of the road. We put in a provision to encourage our prime contractors, without any penalties, without any

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liability, to have a 10-day period. So, it's a similar area, but I wouldn't exactly say we're mirroring California."

Daidsmeyer: "Okay. So... so, California... I would say the decent thing about California's law is it actually says that the subcontractor has to disclose what they believe the cost is going to be. And that way the contractor themselves actually knows what their liability's going to be. So, they can require the subcontractor to bond that or whatever to make sure that the overall cost is covered. My... my concern is if an individual... let's say you're trying to encourage new minority businesses or new small businesses to be created. Why would a prime contractor give a new guy a chance, a new guy who's trying to get started and start his own business, if he doesn't know that that guy has the ability to pay his employees?"

Evans: "Yeah, I would say they don't know that today. They can get a subcontractor who's less than stellar, creates a bad reputation. I know you as a business owner... I have to answer the question."

Daidsmeyer: "And I don't have very much time. So, I'm going to..."

Evans: "If you're going to ask me a question, you got to let me answer the question."

Daidsmeyer: "But I only have three minutes. The reality is..."

Evans: "Again, what... I have to answer the question. You have... businesses care about this..."

Daidsmeyer: "Okay. To the Bill, Mr. Speaker."

Evans: "Yeah..."

Speaker Hoffman: "To the Bill."

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Davidsmeyer: "I'm not trying... I'm not trying to create this negative back and forth, but we only have three minutes to talk. The reality is new businesses are not going to have the ability to come up because they're going to continue to work with the subcontractors that they've always worked with. They're never going to give a new guy a chance. So, a new guy trying to make his way and make a new business is going to have trouble. Now, the idea behind this is the same idea as if I want my bathroom redone, and I hired a contractor, and he doesn't pay his employees. So, I paid my contractor, and now I have to pay his employees. So, as a homeowner, it's the same idea. It's like making the contractor pay twice. It'd be like the... me as the homeowner, if the business I hired didn't pay their employees, they would be required to pay twice. I am not standing up for wage theft. Wage theft should never happen. But the burden should be on the business that hired the individuals. That's where the problem lies. So, I'd be happy to work with you on this. Wage theft should never happen and we need to figure out a way to get around this, but this is not the way. I assure you this is not the way. Please vote 'no'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Willis, do you stand in support or opposition?"

Willis: "Opposition."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please proceed."

Willis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield, please?"

Speaker Hoffman: "He indicates he'll yield."



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Willis: "Leader Evans, does this Bill still have the opposition of the Women Contractors and the Hispanic Contractors Association?"

Evans: "I believe... yeah, there's a variety of opposition. You may see them listed, but I believe those groups are there."

Willis: "So, they are still opposed, that your Amendment did not take off the opposition of the Women Construction Owners and Executives, the Heating and Cooling Contractors Association, the Roofing Contractors Association, the Hispanic American Construction Industrial Association, and Illinois Landscaper Contractor Association, Associated Builders and Contractors, Illinois Construction Industry..."

Evans: "You're going to run out of time. That's about 114. Do you have a question?"

Willis: "Yeah. I'm asking, what did your... you said your Amendment took off opposition."

Evans: "Yeah."

Willis: "But it didn't really take off opposition, is that not correct?"

Evans: "Yeah. Again, it didn't take off every single opposition. I think Bills like this can potentially be contentious, but we attacked the opposition, we worked with the opposition. And I want to continue to do that as we move this Bill along through the process. I'm listening to the opposition. But the opposition has to be aligned with protecting the workers with regards to wage theft. If it's is not about protecting wage theft, then it's a problem. I'm here for the working class and the workers."

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Willis: "Sir, I am too. I am totally with you on that. I am appalled at the thought of wage theft. I am appalled at people not paying prevailing wage. That... you and I totally agree on that. But..."

Evans: "Well, you're in opposition. So, we got an issue."

Willis: "Well, we have an issue on this."

Evans: "'Cause I'm here for wage theft and you're standing in opposition."

Willis: "I do."

Evans: "And you've heard this in committee, you know what I'm going after. We have prime contractors who we want to join in the fight to protect the workers. If you want to stand in support and protection of prime contractors, then have at it. But that's not what we're doing here. It's crystal clear. I've talked to everybody. You know where we stand. But you've got to ask some questions because your time is going out. If you want to stand in support of rich contractors, go right ahead."

Willis: "Well, I... do you or do you not feel that this would affect those small startup contractors that are out there?"

Evans: "And again, the joy of this, is being a black man, I know a lot of black contractors. And my phone is right here and it's not ringing. All of the... I know a whole bunch of them. And you know why they ain't calling? 'Cause it's nonsense. Okay? I know black contractors. I got friends of them, and they're not calling because this Bill does not affect those subcontractors."

Willis: "It is affecting women contractors. They're calling me."

Evans: "Again, I know women contractors. Why aren't they calling?"

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Willis: "It is affecting Latino contractors. They're calling me."

Evans: "Again, the question is, primary contractors in Chicago, in Cook County, across the state will work with minority contractors. Giving an additional responsibility to prime contractors would not make them all stop. There's Latino contractors in California. There's thousands of them. In New York City, in Maryland. You know why I know they're there? Because I know them. So, it's nonsense, and I didn't want to address that, but all of y'all standing up for minority contractors, we got to remember this later on in Session. This is not about minority contractors. This is about you protecting primary contractors. And if that's your choice, that's your choice. I got to stand for the workers."

Willis: "Leader Evans, was there not..."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please... please bring your remarks to a close."

Willis: "...was there not a solution presented to you..."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please bring your remarks to a close."

Willis: "Yeah, this will be the final question too. There was a solution presented to you and you chose not to take that solution."

Evans: "What we do in this Assembly is... is produce ideas. I respect each and every person's idea. But your idea must produce 60 votes. I have an idea on the board, and it's my hope that you all will give me the trust and put 60 on the board. Those ideas did not have the support of the committee so they didn't move forward."

Willis: "All right. I'm disappointed that we weren't able to come to a solution on this. I would urge people to think before they place their vote. Thank you."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Evans to close."

Evans: "I thank you all for your time. Again, I want to protect minority contractors because I'm a black man in America. I want to protect the workers because I'm a working-class brother. I'm going back to the South Side of Chicago. And I also want to ensure that primary contractors have some skin in the game when it come to protecting workers. Somebody's going to wake up at five in the morning and go to work. They going to leave at seven, and they're going to go home with their children. And they should get paid. And under no circumstance should they not be properly compensated. Please join me in standing up for the working class. We can talk about it. Let's be about it. Please vote 'aye'. I thank you for your time."

Speaker Hoffman: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5412 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. Representative Evans. Leader Evans."

Evans: "I request Postponed Consideration."

Speaker Hoffman: "The Bill will be place on Postponed Consideration. Leader Butler."

Butler: "Speaker Hoffman, I have a great deal of respect for you. I really do. But the rules are the rules. The rules are the rules. We've heard that all week. Take the record gets said

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three times, the record gets taken. Not four times, not five times. Three times, correct?"

Speaker Hoffman: "I only said it three times."

Butler: "Okay."

Speaker Hoffman: "There were pregnant pauses, but I only said it three times. Representative Caulkins, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Caulkins: "Mr. Speaker, point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Hoffman: "Not recognized for that point. On page 17 of the Calendar appears House Bill 5326, Representative Lilly. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5326, a Bill for an Act concerning business. This Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Lilly, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Lilly on Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5326."

Lilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. HB5326 requires corporations with contracts with the state to include, as part of their annual report submitted to the Secretary of State under the Business Corporation Act of 1983, a list of suppliers and the descriptions of the corporation's process for identifying, evaluating the suppliers. The report shall describe whether and how and the demographics of the diversity in considering... is considered in identifying its... and its suppliers and as well as evaluating them. If there's no questions, I ask for an 'aye' vote. This is an initiative of Ariel Investments."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Lilly moves for the adoption of Amendment #1 to House Bill 5326. All those in favor signify

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by saying 'yes'; opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Hoffman: "Third Reading. Representative... read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5326, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "As described, I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Hoffman: "Indicates she'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, let me read you a couple... couple lines from our analysis here. It says, 'It's opposed by the Illinois Construction Industry Committee and the Secretary of State, the great Jesse White, because this would be impractical.' And then it says, 'Floor Amendment #1 is not likely to remove opposition.' Can you speak to the impractability that the Secretary of State's Office has with this Bill?"

Lilly: "I spoke with the Secretary of State. They have... they do not have any oppositions with the Bill."

Batinick: "Okay. You really didn't explain the Bill on Third. Can you explain, with the Amendment, what exactly the Bill does, what you're trying to get at here?"

Lilly: "The Amendment... working with AT&T and a couple other, we didn't want to create duplication of information, so we actually reduced the information that was required and

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created a format that it would be one page of a reporting process."

Batinick: "Okay. What is... hold on a quick second. Who brought the Bill, Representative?"

Lilly: "Ariel Investments."

Batinick: "Who... who are they and why... why is an investment company bringing this sort of Bill? And our analysis still says that the Secretary of State is opposed."

Lilly: "I have an email that says otherwise, but I'll be happy to speak with whomever you're speaking with. With that, Ariel wants to make sure that we have diversity in... in our contracting with the State of Illinois."

Batinick: "Let me rephrase. Who is... I don't know if I've ever seen, in this sort of situation, an investment company, an investment group be supportive of a Bill that may be specific to them. Who... what sort of organization is Ariel Investments?"

Lilly: "It is an investment firm. And are you saying they cannot diversify their thoughts and opinions for inclusion?"

Batinick: "No. I guess... no, they absolutely can do it. I think this is unique. Our analysis shows, looking at it from our perspective, the Secretary of State's Office opposed. And we have an investment company that supports the Bill, and they brought the Bill, and they're the only one that supports the Bill. That's... that's the only group that shows... shows support. So, it'd be great maybe... maybe after the vote you can show us the email or something like that, but our analysis shows the Secretary of State. Certainly giving us pause on this side of the aisle. And then the fact that the only proponent of the Bill is the person who... who brought the Bill."

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Lilly: "Yeah, we have often have sponsors of initiatives, and they may be the only one. But this is a good idea. We did speak with a number of the entities from the procurement office, CMS, AT&T, Secretary of State. One of the things that they kept pointing out, it may be a duplication, but it is not. It expands what it is that they are doing on a part of their reporting to ensure that we have diversity and inclusion."

Batinick: "Okay. One last question."

Lilly: "Sure."

Batinick: "I would just like to know the nature of Ariel Investments and why they want this Bill and what their business does. Is this somehow going to benefit that specific organization directly?"

Lilly: "Ariel Investment, Mr. Rogers, he's part of the business... the business network within the City of Chicago, and it's made up of a number of business owners who all support this Bill. They were... and Ariel Investment brought the initiative forward."

Batinick: "What association? You said they're part of an association."

Lilly: "Yeah. It's an association of business owners in the City of Chicago."

Batinick: "What are they called?"

Lilly: "Ariel Investment... the Chicago business... let me get back to you with the true name. But it is an association of business, minority businesses..."

Batinick: "Okay."

Lilly: "...in the City of Chicago."



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Batinick: "Okay. I got... I think... appreciate what you're trying to do here. I'm being told by staff reading the Bill there's some opposition. There's some reporting that already has to be done. There's some red flags with who brought the Bill and who's going to benefit from the Bill. So, at this time, we're going to urge a 'no' vote. Thank you."

Lilly: "You're welcome."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Lilly to close."

Lilly: "I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Hoffman: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 5326 pass?' All those in favor signify by voting 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Hoffman: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there's 66 voting 'yes', 35 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Leader Harris in the Chair."

Speaker Harris: "On page 13 of the Calendar is House Bill 4769, Representative Conroy. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4769, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. This Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Conroy, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Conroy on Floor Amendment 2 or 3, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "Floor Amendment #2."

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Speaker Harris: "Representative Conroy on Floor Amendment #2."

Conroy: "Mr. Speaker, I move to adopt Floor Amendment #2."

Speaker Harris: "The Lady moves to adopt Floor Amendment #2. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #2 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments have been approved for consideration. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4769, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Conroy."

Conroy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill is the behavioral analysis license... creates the Behavioral Analysis Licensing Act. The reason why this Bill is so incredibly important is because we have hundreds of families in Illinois on Medicaid whose children are not able to access ABA therapy for autism. With this licensure, they will be able to do that. Two full years ago, forty-two million dollars was put into the Medicaid budget to pay for this and it... no child has been able to access this treatment. So, two years in the life of a child with autism is a lifetime. So, I ask for an 'aye' vote. We do still have a... another Amendment that is going to be adopted in the Senate, and this will be coming back for concurrence. So, I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Frese."

Frese: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield? Quick question."

Speaker Harris: "Indicates she'll yield."

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Frese: "What's the nature of that Amendment in the Senate? Could you just give us..."

Conroy: "They're... the Med Society has a technical Amendment. And then there is still more conversation on... in terms of nuancing some of the licensure specifics."

Frese: "Okay. Yeah. Thank you very much. I just wanted to point out that we passed this through on leave 8-0. We kind of liked it. We support it. But I do know there were some stakeholders that had some issues. Glad to hear you're working on it, and good luck. Thank you."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Conroy to close."

Conroy: "Thank you very much, and I request an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4769 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4769, having achieved a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 13 of the Calendar appears House Bill 4785, Representative Burke. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4785, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. This Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Burke, has been approved for consideration."

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Speaker Harris: "Representative Burke on Floor Amendment 2."

Burke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Amendment #2 to Senate (sic House) Bill 4785 aligns the Cook County Forest Preserve District, their timing for when they need to pass a levy ordinance, with... on the same timeline as other downstate forest preserve district. It extends it to... after the first Monday in October and by the first Monday of December. So, that would be the same as other forest preserve districts. And this is initiative of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, and they feel that the timing should be the same for all the districts. So, I know of no opposition, and I would appreciate a 'yes' vote to adopt the Amendment."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Burke moves to adopt Floor Amendment #2. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4785, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Burke."

Burke: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Same... same comments as on the adoption of the Amendment. I would be happy to answer any questions, and I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "Seeing no debate, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4785 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes. Yes."

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Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With a vote 99 voting 'yes', 5 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4785, having achieved a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 13 of the Calendar is House Bill 4813, Representative Gordon-Booth. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4813, a Bill for an Act concerning education. This Bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 4813, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Gordon-Booth."

Gordon-Booth: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4813 eliminates the requirement that school districts participating in the National School Lunch Program award food service contracts to the lowest bidder. It does not preclude districts from using cost as a factor in their contracting decisions. It merely prevents it from being the overriding factor. The most important result of this change is that it will enable the National School Lunch Program districts to offer healthier and tastier food choices to their students. Something that wealthier districts, school districts that do not participate in the National School Lunch Program, therefore not requiring them to follow the low bid that other schools currently do. This Bill, House Bill 4813, benefits urban, suburban, and

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rural districts across Illinois and is also a... is also a way to help the Illinois farm economy, especially small producers by opening new opportunities for them to sell their vegetable, herbs, nuts, and fruits to school districts. The National School Lunch Program districts serves a very high percentages of students of color and lower-income white students. Our country and state rejected the idea of separate but equal long ago. Yet in Illinois, the law today, when it comes to school nutrition and the quality of the food that some students receive, there is not even the false pretense. It is just separate and unequal. I am open for any questions. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4813 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed 'no'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4813, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Also on page 13 of the Calendar is House Bill 4818, Representative Greenwood. Out of the record. On page 13 of the Calendar is House Bill 4848, Representative Williams. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4848, a Bill for an Act concerning liquor. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 2

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have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Jawaharial Williams."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Williams on Floor Amendment 1."

Williams, J.: "Can we adopt Floor Amendment 1 and 2, Speaker?"

Speaker Harris: "Well, we need to do 1, then we'll do 2. So, if you could tell us briefly what it is."

Williams, J.: "Okay. All right. I move the House adopt Floor Amendment #1, please."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Williams moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Motion is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Jawaharial Williams."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Williams on Floor Amendment #2."

Williams, J.: "Thank you... thank you, Chair. I move the floor adopt House Amendment Floor #2."

Speaker Harris: "The Motion is to adopt Floor Amendment #2. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #2 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4848, a Bill for an Act concerning liquor. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Williams on House Bill 4848."

Williams, J.: "Thank you, Chairman... Chairman and people of the Body. House Bill 4848 amends Liquor Control Act to ensure that indoor music... indoor and outdoor music venues with the

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capacity of 800 people or more have staff on hand and trained to handle opioid antagonists. This Bill defines music venue as an indoor/outdoor location with capacity of more than 800 people as it's based to hold a live concert or music performance. Basically, this is a... it's a harm-reduction Bill and an administer of Narcan... or Narcan in the event of an overdose or someone having a problem."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to go directly to the Bill. This Bill came out on partisan leave. We have a lot of issues with this Bill. I'm very concerned about the opioid crisis, fentanyl, one of the reasons why I jumped on the Bill with Representative Guzzardi about the test strip. But this shifts the responsibility to way away from the person and a... and a business owner and hiring people that are going to be responsible for using this product. And maybe they use it on the wrong person if they're at a concert and something happens for the wrong reason. We still have the Illinois Insurance Association that's opposed. I understand with my heart the intent of this Bill, but I can't get my head wrapped around the way this Bill is crafted, and I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Williams to close."

Williams, J.: "Well, I... I simply urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you, Chairman."

Speaker Harris: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 4848 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'present'."



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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'present'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With a vote of 64 in 'favor', 33 'opposed', 2 voting 'present', House Bill 4848, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 14 of the Calendar is House Bill 4915, Representative Mah. Mah. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4915, a Bill for an Act concerning children. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4915, a Bill for an Act concerning children. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Mah on House Bill 4915."

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. HB4915 is an initiative of the Physical Therapists Association. The Bill amends the definition of mandated reporter to add physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, occupational therapists, occupational therapist assistants, and athletic trainers. These are medical professionals that are currently required, under their practice Acts, to report an instance of suspected child abuse or neglect. It's actually like a technical change that brings consistency between these practice Acts and the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. It doesn't add to the list. It simply updates it and makes it consistent with what... what already is mandated in the practice Acts of these professions. I urge an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Harris: "There being no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4915 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 140... 104 in 'favor', 0 'opposed', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4915, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 14 of the Calendar is House Bill 4922, Representative Moeller. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4922, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4922, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Moeller on House Bill 4922."

Moeller: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 4922 amends the Nurse Practice Act. It amends the date that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may issue a certified registered nurse anesthetist license to an advance registered professional nurse who does not have a graduate degree. It extends the grandfathering of those individuals from July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2028. I know of no opposition and would be happy to take any questions."

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Speaker Harris: "Being no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 4922 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 102 in 'favor', 0 'opposed', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4922, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 14 of the Calendar is House Bill 4964, Representative Vella. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4964, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Vella."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Vella on Floor Amendment 2."

Vella: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, can we argue that on Third, please? I make a Motion to accept it and argue on Third."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Vella moves to adopt Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 4964. All those in favor say 'yes'; opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #2 is adopted. Anything further?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 4964, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Vella on House Bill 4964."

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Vella: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. What this Bill does, it... first of all, it's an agreed Bill. It came from the domestic violence advocates in my community. It restricts courts and DCFS from removing a minor from the home of a domestic violence victim if the reason for the removal is solely based on domestic violence grounds, and the victim is involved in domestic violence counseling, and the victim doesn't live with the perpetrator who victimized them. This is not meant to restrict jurisdiction of the courts in any way. It's only meant to give a special consideration to domestic violence, which is a special crime. I'm open to any questions."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Harris: "He indicates he'll yield."

Batinick: "Hey, Rep. I'm reading, still opposed by the Cook County Public Guardian because, one, without probable cause a court cannot issue an order of protection; and two, seeking services is too vague and does not ensure that the child is safe; and three, by the time these reach the court, there've already been... there's already been several attempts to address the domestic violence situation."

Vella: "So, would you like me to address all three? So, what... what the Cook County... I have gone back and forth with the Cook County GL numerous times. But what happens in Cook County is different than what happens in most of the other counties. They have..."

Batinick: "That is... you know what, I applaud you for that, everybody. What happens in Cook County's different than what happens in other counties. Thank you."

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Vella: "But what this... what has happened is, in a lot of the counties that I'm in, is that domestic violence victims are scared to call the police, scared to go into counseling because their worried that their kids are going to be taken away by DCFS, which they are. So, what this does is, is this addresses that issue. Now, what I did to... after speaking with the GAL and speaking with the head of the committee, was to add on the fact that these... the perpetrator and the victim cannot be living together. This makes the situation safer for the kids, and I don't think there's..."

Batinick: "Let me... let me cut you off here real quick. Representative Haas likes the Bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Costa Howard, are you in support or opposition?"

Costa Howard: "I have a question, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Harris: "Are you in support or opposition? We've had a supporter. So, are you in opposition?"

Costa Howard: "Opposition."

Speaker Harris: "Okay. You're on Order of Short Debate. All those... so, Representative Vella to close."

Vella: "I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 4964 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

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Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 100 in 'favor', 1 'opposed', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 4964, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 14 of the Calendar is House Bill 5004, Representative Ortiz. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5004, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Ortiz."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Ortiz on Floor Amendment 1."

Ortiz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the Body. House Floor Amendment 1 is a page and line Amendment that makes various changes to the underlying Bill as a result of discussions with CMS, ISP, and the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights. I ask for the adoption of House Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 5004."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Ortiz has moved to adopt Floor Amendment 1. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Amendment 1 is adopt... Floor Amendment 1 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5004, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Ortiz."

Ortiz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the Body. House Bill 5004 updates Illinois statutes to change references to

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the term 'aliens' to the terms 'individual' or 'noncitizens' and strikes certain unnecessary references to aliens. I'm presenting this Bill because the word aliens has grown to become an insensitive and derogatory term for immigrants regardless of their citizenship status. By changing the wording in our laws from alien to individuals, we ensure that on our... that an archaic term that has become a weapon against so many hard-working individuals throughout Illinois and the country to have the respect they deserve when it comes to writing our laws. House Floor Amendment 1 is a page and line Amendment that makes various changes, like I said before. And what it does is to clarify the legislative intent relative to the Service Members Reemployment Act. The language in the original Bill would've been in conflict with Federal Immigration and Reform Control Act. If that language became law, it would've rendered State Law in conflict with Federal Law and could cause issues for individuals seeking employment and employers. This is a change... this change is a request from CMS. It also adds a definition of noncitizen to the FOID Act to mean a person who is not a citizen of the U.S. but rather who is a foreign-born person who lives in the U.S., has not naturalized, and is still a citizen of a foreign country. While the term alien has a commonly-understood definition in both State and Federal Law, the term noncitizen is not similarly defined. As such, ISP requested the inclusion of a definition of noncitizen to be added to the FOID Act. Eligibility for a FOID card is tied to a person's ability to possess firearms under Federal Law. Since the term alien is used in Federal Law, a definition should be included in the

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FOID Act to ensure consistency. This Amendment would remove any opposition from CMS and ISP. I am free to answer any questions. I respectfully request an 'aye' vote. Thank you for your consideration."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Batinick."

Batinick: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Harris: "Indicates he'll yield."

Batinick: "Representative, as you know, this Bill came to our committee. And I actually thought that the Bill was cleaner before you put the Amendment on it. The original intent was something that I... confused me since I was a child actually, the term alien. And changing the term alien with noncitizen just made commonsense to me. But the Amendment went much further and took a lot of the situations where alien became noncitizen and changed it to just individual. So, I want to read some... I want to read some intent that was in our analysis and see if you agree with us. Can I do this, Aaron? Okay. Is it the intent of the General Assembly in enacting this Amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly to make only nonsubstantive changes that remove the term alien from the Illinois statutory provisions and no change made by this Amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly shall be interpreted so as to make any substantive change to existing law, including, but not limited to, eligibility for foreign... for federal programs or benefits that are available to a person who meets the definition of alien under State and Federal Law?"

Ortiz: "Yes."



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Batinick: "Okay. So, as I... and as I went through the Bill, I mean, it seemed like that's what it did. And there were places where the term noncitizen versus individual didn't make a difference, but I just wanted to make sure that we're keeping the original intent of the original law. We're just changing the language that is used in the law, correct?"

Ortiz: "Yes, that is correct."

Batinick: "Okay. Thank you. No further questions."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Ortiz to close."

Ortiz: "I request an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Harris: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5004 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'nay'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar is 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 83 in 'favor', 20 in 'opposition', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5004, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 18 of the Calendar is House Bill 5525, Representative Ramirez. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5525, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Ramirez."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Ramirez on Floor Amendment 1."

Ramirez: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Floor Amendment is pretty simple. It's just two technical changes. It replaces the

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legislative Members of the commission with experts or impacted individuals, and it makes a technical correction so that appointees from official entities don't have to be reappointed every four years. I'd like to adopt the Amendment."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Ramirez has moved to adopt Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5525, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Ramirez."

Ramirez: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5525 continues on the work that this Body started three years ago to better support over 100 thousand children who have been impacted by parental incarceration. House Bill 5525 creates the Commission on Children of Incarcerated Parents. Under the guidance of the Department of Human Services, this commission will be tasked with convening relevant stakeholders from law enforcement to child welfare experts and impact the community members to determine the best approaches to implement the recommendations of the task force. Recognizing that the implementation will be critical, one of the recommendations was to establish this commission. I have spoken with Department of Human Services and working collaboratively with them to ensure that we can continue and carry this work. I'm happy to take your questions, and I urge an 'aye' vote."

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Speaker Harris: "Representative McCombie."

McCombie: "Thank you, Speaker. McCombie."

Speaker Harris: "Representative McCombie."

McCombie: "Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Harris: "You're welcome."

McCombie: "Y'all will get it. I just want to say thank you to the Sponsor for the work that you've done on this commission and actually following through with it all the way to the end and going forward. So, I just appreciate you and appreciate what you're doing here."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Ramirez to close."

Ramirez: "I just want to thank all of the advocates who have worked on this Bill and on this work, impacting children who've been... who have parents who are incarcerated for all of these years. We understand that this commission will be able to implement the resources necessary to reduce the trauma and to make sure that our children are put at the center. Thank you, everyone, and I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 5525 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar is a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5525, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 19 of the Calendar is House

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Bill 5581, also Representative Ramirez. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5581, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5581, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Ramirez."

Ramirez: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5581 designates the portion of Milwaukee Avenue, which has a long history of connection to the Polish American community, from Sangamon Street in Chicago to Mt. Greenwood Road in the Village of Niles as the Milwaukee Avenue Polish Heritage Corridor. Milwaukee Avenue connects many of the city Polish communities anchored by the Roman Catholic parishes. And this Bill will allow to continue to develop and provide supports to the Polish community. House Bill 5581 is the continuation of work that I've been doing over the past three years to help local communities honor and promote the unique and distinctive cultural heritage. Designating the Milwaukee Avenue Polish Heritage Corridor at the core of the state route will ensure that we celebrate the important legacy and the Polish American community for years to come. I want to specifically thank Bogdan Puksza of the Polish American Chamber of Commerce and Richard Owsiany of the Polish Museum of America, located in my district. They have been partners on this initiative along with a number of community leaders, and I want to make sure

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we acknowledge them today. I welcome any questions, and I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "There being no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5581 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Manley. Walker. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5581, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 14 of the Calendar is House Bill 5042, Representative Severin. Severin. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5042, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5042, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Severin on House Bill 5042."

Severin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And if you want to put me on for just one minute, that'll be great too, but I'll try to make this quick. So, what this Bill does right now, if you're in... if you own 40 acres or more of land that you hunt in the State of Illinois, you only have to prove every 5 years that you own the property and you've paid taxes on it. If you own 40 acres or more of Illinois land and you hunt on it and you

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live outside of the State of Illinois, you have to prove that you own that property and have paid taxes on it every time you get a permit. So, you could possibly hunt deer two or three different ways, some other things on that property. So, you're literally spending more time proving that you own the property and have paid taxes on it than you actually participate in coming to the State of Illinois and hunting on the property that you own. And some people that own this property, they may have owned it in their family, first, second, third, fourth generations. So, what this Bill does is it enables people that own property in the State of Illinois, but they live outside of the State of Illinois, to provide that information every five years that they own the property and have paid tax on it like owners from the State of Illinois. It passed out of committee 100 percent, and I would appreciate an 'aye' vote. And I'm not as nervous as I was earlier, Representative Ford."

Speaker Harris: "There being no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5042 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Bos and Collins. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 102 voting 'yes', 1 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5042, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared

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passed. On page 15 of the Calendar is House Bill 5049, Representative Crespo. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5049, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Crespo."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Crespo on Floor Amendment 1."

Crespo: "Thank you, Speaker. House Floor Amendment #1 is a gut and replace Amendment, which becomes the Bill. And what it adds, it's... it makes a number of conforming and technical changes related to the transfer of duties and powers from the State Police to the Attorney General's Office. And I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Crespo has moved for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5049, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Crespo."

Crespo: "Thank you, Speaker. Currently, both the Illinois State Police and the Attorney General's Offices have a Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. House Bill 5049 transfers the Illinois State Police's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to the Attorney General's Office. Currently, there are only three Medicaid Fraud Units that don't reside in the Attorney General's Office. This would allow the State Police to concentrate its

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efforts in investigating crime and providing safety, and it would also result in an increased ability for the Attorney General's Office to investigate and prosecute Medicaid fraud. Happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Harris: "There being no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5049 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5049, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 15 of the Calendar is House Bill 5078, Representative Kifowit. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5078, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Kifowit."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Kifowit on Floor Amendment 2."

Kifowit: "Mr. Speaker, I request we adopt Floor Amendment 2."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Kifowit has moved for the adoption of Floor Amendment 2. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Motion is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."



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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5078, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This brings the state in line with the Department of Defense guidelines with regards to Gold Star Families, and I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "Seeing no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5078 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "All voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Moylan. DeLuca. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 105 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5078, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 15 of the Calendar is House Bill 5102... oh, I'm sorry. I... on page 15 of the Calendar is House Bill 5171, Representative Reick. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5171, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5171, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Reick on the Bill."

Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Back a couple years ago when we created the Firefighters Pension Investment Fund and the

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Downstate Police Investment Funds to consolidate the investment of those funds, we created a trustee's board for the firefighters that consisted of executive members from municipalities that had fire departments and other... and other organizations for the... to constitute the investment board. One... one group that was missing that was excluded from that were fire protection districts. Now, fire protection districts, there are 123 of them in the... in the state. They control about... they comprise about 25 percent of the members of firefighters in the state and about 25 percent of the investible funds in the pension fund, but they don't have a seat at the table at the board. And what we're doing is we're filing a Bill here which is... in order to put representation on the board for fire protection districts. It provides that if there is a fire protection district member who wins a vote but does not get enough votes to overcome the... the numbers of all the other... of all of the other stakeholders, the municipalities and all that, what we end up with is the fire protection board winner will automatically get a seat at that table. I'm happy to answer any questions, and I'm asking for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "There being no one seeking... I'm sorry.  
Representative Stava-Murray."

Stava-Murray: "Hi. Yes, I'm just wondering if you spoke with the fire protection districts across the state about this Bill?"

Reick: "Yes, I did. They were the ones who brought this Bill to me in order to bring it out."

Stava-Murray: "I... I just had a local Lisle-Woodridge fire protection district that was concerned about this... that came

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to me with some concerns about this Bill. So, I would just urge those who have fire protection districts to... to know what their... what their stance on it... on it."

Reick: "It empowers fire protection districts and gives them a seat at the table as far as the investment of their pension funds is concerned."

Stava-Murray: "Okay."

Reick: "It is an actual strengthening of their... of their position."

Stava-Murray: "That's helpful. Thank you for that."

Reick: "You bet."

Speaker Harris: "We're on the short... Order of Short Debate. There's been one speaker in opposition, one speaker in favor. Representative Reick to close."

Reick: "I ask for an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Harris: "Question is, 'Shall House Bill 5171 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 101 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5171, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Page 16 of the Calendar is House Bill 5185, Representative Davis. Davis. Out of the record. On... please put House Bill 5181 (sic 5185) back into the

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record, Mr. Clerk. And what is the status? 5185, Mr. Clerk.  
What's the status?"

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5185 is on the Order of House Bills-  
Second Reading. No... Amendment #1 is adopted in committee.  
Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Davis."

Speaker Harris: "Thank you. Representative Davis on Floor  
Amendment 2."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 5185, the  
Amendment strikes out provisions relative to a program that  
deals with formally incarcerated women. The reason it was put  
in is because there was some challenges or... I'll say  
challenges with getting a report. But apparently there was  
some confusion between the Senate... Senate Sponsor and the  
House Sponsor. So, to appease the House Sponsor, we left... we  
took that provision out. So, we are not trying to take that  
out of the statutes of... or the... yeah, the statutes of DCEO.  
So, Floor Amendment #2 eliminates this from the entire Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Davis moves for the adoption of  
Floor Amendment #2. All those in favor say 'yes'; opposed say  
'no'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And  
Floor Amendment #2 is adopted. Anything further?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5185, a Bill for an Act concerning State  
government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Davis on House Bill 5185."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I spoke earlier on a  
previous Bill about the Budgeting for Results Commission.  
This is yet another Bill from the Budgeting for Results

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Commission to... a mandates subcommittee that requires information from various state agencies, where we try to eliminate those items that have outlived their usefulness, fulfilled their obligation, and are creating audit findings for the different agencies because that... the language for them to produce something is still there, even though the report may have already have been produced. And it touches various agencies. We just had the Amendment, which I believe became the Bill, which then took out one of the reports so that it can still move forward and possibly be filed based on the wishes of that particular Bill's Sponsor. Be more than happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Harris: "Being no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5185 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5185, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 16 of the Calendar is House Bill 5186, Representative Davis. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5186, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Davis."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Davis on Floor Amendment 1."

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Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5186 is very similar to the previous Bill, where we were attempting to strike something that the agency thought was completed, but it turns out that the House Sponsor of that Bill seems to feel that there is still work yet to be done. So, this Floor Amendment takes that provision completely out so that that work can continue. I'll be more than happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Harris: "There being no one seeking... oh, I'm sorry. Representative Davis has moved for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5186, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Davis."

Davis: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Again, House Bill 5186 is an initiative of the Budgeting for Results Commission. It impacts several agencies to remove various lines out of their statutes, again, that are obsolete, completed, used, where there's no longer a report needed for that particular item or also so that they will not have any additional audit findings. I'll be more than happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Harris: "Being no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5186 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

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Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With a vote of 105 in 'favor', 0 'opposed', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5186, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 16 of the Calendar is House Bill 5204, Representative Stoneback. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5204, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Stoneback."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Stoneback on Floor Amendment 1."

Stoneback: "House Floor Amendment 1 for HB5204 addresses concerns raised by stakeholders. It greatly reduces the applicable area for a part of the Bill that provides for turning off the lights not required for safety or maintenance during migratory seasons. I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Stoneback has moved for the adoption of... Representative Swanson, do you want to... Representative Stoneback has moved for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Floor Amendment #1 is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5204, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Stoneback."

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Stoneback: "HB5204 is a Bill to protect our avian population. Building collisions are the second greatest cause of bird fatalities in North America. Every year, 600 million birds die due to colliding into buildings. Moreover, 7 million birds die in nighttime collisions with communication towers and structures. Illinois is a primary thoroughfare for bird migration. According to research from Cornell Lab of Ornithology, Chicago is the most dangerous city in the nation for migrating birds due to a combination of light pollution and geography. The FAA, FCC, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service already encourage owners of existing registered communication towers to eliminate the use of nonflashing side lights as soon as possible. This Bill encourages owners of existing registered structures who have not yet come into compliance to eliminate nonflashing, steady burning L-810 lights by January 1, 2024. This will be a win-win for both bird conservation and the tower owners since they will greatly reduce their energy costs as well. Additionally, this Bill will direct that new structures in ecologically sensitive areas turn off the lights not needed for safety or maintenance between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. during migratory season. This provision applies only to new structures over 50 feet in height above ground level and.. and within half a mile of a sensitive area. The Bill will also create the Bird Conservation Commission, tasked with promoting bird conservation by providing education and awareness. The avian population is vital to our ecological system. Birds matter to Illinoisans in the context of our midwestern ecology. They spread seeds that grown our trees, pollinate our wild flowers,



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eat insects and rodents that destroy our crops. Beyond that, they're constant reminders of the beauty of the natural world we've been tasked to steward. Conservation environmental groups from across the state are supporting this Bill. I'm happy to answer questions and urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Swanson."

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Harris: "She indicates she'll yield."

Swanson: "Thank you. We've had some discussions in our committees, and I still am not comfortable with some of the answers I've received. And understand that... let's start with the, as I talked about, the Ag. Many of our structures on the farm are well over 50 feet and have lights. And I'm going to have... and those lights will have to be turned off then between the hours... between the hours of 11 and 7 a.m. Is that..."

Stoneback: "Only on new structures. So, everything that's already in... and only in ecologically sensitive areas within half a mile. So, we greatly reduce that area of... before we were saying anything in a migratory flyway. Well, virtually the entire state is in a migratory flyway. So, we eliminated that language. We reduced it from the distance being a mile to half a mile. And so... and also, only new structures moving forward from March of this year. So, if you're... if a new farm is going up in construction, it can certainly locate what... outside that area and would be exempt from the Bill."

Swanson: "But, I mean, that... I would hope that we start seeing a lot of new structures in the State of Illinois. Fifty feet is what, a four-story building is all? And as we look at growth

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and we look at expansion and we hope to build, 50 feet is not very tall. I mean..."

Stoneback: "So..."

Swanson: "...if we look at the Stratton Building, it's an older structure. But look at... that right now would be out of compliance here in 54 minutes, correct? Because of all the lights on inside the building. Do those lights count?"

Stoneback: "So, since it's an existing structure, it would be exempt from the Bill. So..."

Swanson: "I said if that was a structure built tomorrow, that structure would be out of compliance today?"

Stoneback: "If it is..."

Swanson: "Or I mean..."

Stoneback: "...if it is over 50 feet above ground level and if it is within half a mile of an ecologically sensitive area or a forest preserve. So, I think what we need to do, as a population in Illinois and certainly as Leaders and Legislators in this Body, is to pay attention to where we can strategically locate certain structures to try to avoid reducing... further reducing the avian population. So, some of the statistics that I gave earlier are absolutely astounding. Billions of birds have... have disappeared from the landscape in the past 40, 50 years. Actually, 1 in 4 North American birds in the past 50 years. And they're an important part of our ecological system. So, all we need to do is pay attention moving forward to where we locate tall buildings and try to turn off the lights. It's not a lot to ask in my opinion."

Swanson: "Well, I understand that. We all want to save birds, but we all... strategically locate our buildings, strategically

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locate things. I mean, if I own a farm and it's in that path and I want to build a grain bin and I want to put a leg on it, I can't do it just because it's in a path of migrating birds. And I can't have my lights on when I'm trying to harvest my crops or when I'm trying to plant in the spring because you said that's when their primary migratory routes are. I think this has a lot of... I think this has a lot anti-business connotations to it. And I'll stop at that, Mr. Speaker. And I will ask for a verify... verify the vote, please. Thank you."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Swanson has asked for a verification. Representative Stoneback."

Stoneback: "I'd like to remind everyone in this Body that we share our earth with creatures, including birds. And this is a very mild ask, and I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5204 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. Do you wish Postponed Consideration? Representative Stoneback."

Stoneback: "Yes, may I Postpone Consideration?"

Speaker Harris: "This Bill shall be held on the Order of Postponed Consideration. On page 16 of the Calendar is House Bill 5220, Representative Walker. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5220, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Walker."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Walker on Floor Amendment 1."

Walker: "Amendment 1 becomes the Bill. Let's move it."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Walker has moved for the adoption of Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5220. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Anything further?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No... no Motions filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5220, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Walker."

Walker: "House Bill 5220 moves the regulation of collection agencies into the financial side of IDFPR from the professional licensing side. That's where they belong. It's where they have the expertise and the resources to protect the consumers and protect the industry of collection agencies. Please vote 'aye'."

Speaker Harris: "Seeing no on seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5220 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Tarver. Mr. Clerk,

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please take the record. With a vote of 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5220, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 16 of the Calendar is House Bill 5256, Representative Ozinga. Representative Reick on behalf of Representative Ozinga on House Bill 5256."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5256, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Ozinga."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Reick on the Amendment."

Reick: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker. On behalf of Representative Ozinga, this Bill amends the Department of Professional Regulation law and provides that an individual who's been disciplined by IDFPR, pursuant to the Licensing Act, may have a first disciplinary offense classified as confidential, not for public release, and considered expunged for reporting purposes after two years instead of what now is three years. I'd entertain questions. I don't know how I'd answer them. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Reick has moved to adopt Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 5256. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Amendment is adopted. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further Amendments. No Motions are filed."

Speaker Harris: "Third Reading. Please read the Bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5256, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this House Bill."

Speaker Harris: "Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

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Reick: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker. It was pretty much explained on the Amendment. So, I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "There being no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 5256 pass?' All those in favor vote 'yes'; opposed vote 'no'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With 97 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present', House Bill 5256, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 16 of the Calendar is House Bill 5274, Representative Smith. Smith. Out of the record. Returning to the Order of Postponed Consideration, on page 17 of the Calendar is House Bill 5142 (sic 5412), Representative Evans. Mr. Clerk, please read the Bill. Did I read the number wrong? I meant House Bill 5412, Representative Evans. Please read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5412, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. The Bill was read for a third time previously today."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Evans."

Evans: "Yeah, thank you, Mr. Speaker. I've talked to a few of my colleagues to attempt to straighten out some misunderstandings, and they were open to listening. Thank you to them. I believe I have the requisite votes, and I would like another opportunity to advance this great Bill. And again, Session doesn't end tomorrow. I'm committed to

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continuing to talk to folks as this moves through the Senate and hopefully comes back. But I believe this is a good enough package to... to move out of the House. Thank you to my colleagues for their open-mindedness. And I would like another opportunity to pass."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Wheeler."

Wheeler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First, will you move this off of this short Short Debate into, like, a more reasonable debate format?"

Speaker Harris: "We can move it into the next level of debate. Yes."

Wheeler: "So, three and three?"

Speaker Harris: "Three and three."

Wheeler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Harris: "He indicates he'll yield."

Wheeler: "Leader Evans, going back to our discussion from earlier a little bit, we didn't get a chance because of the short time to talk about the impact that this is going to have on the subcontractor community as a whole. You got to be aware that general contractors are going to want to reduce their own liability, correct? They're not going to add liability. They're going to want to reduce liability. This Bill adds that liability by putting wages that someone else may not pay or may not agree to pay correctly onto their bottom line. You see that's a liability problem, don't you?"

Evans: "Yeah, well, indemnification included. And again, the 10-day period in which they can attempt to work it out. So, you're talking about the worst case scenario, but there's many situations where that will be resolved. So, a

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possibility. But again, well worth it to protect the wages because now everybody's all in and we know that our... again, our workers will be protected."

Wheeler: "No, and recognize I respect your efforts of what you're trying to do. We want people to get paid. There's no dispute that we don't have an agreement about what the goal is. The problem is this approach is going to drive subcontractors, effectively, out of the opportunities that they normally have because it's going to be an incentive for prime contractors to bring their work in-house rather than it being... so that they hire out to other companies 'cause then there's no liability problem that they have. None at all."

Evans: "Yeah, well that's not true."

Wheeler: "It has to be."

Evans: "Again, your scenario is your opinion, but it's not based in fact. Again, it sounds like something, but it's not based in fact."

Wheeler: "No, Marcus... it's completely based on fact."

Evans: "There's plenty of subcontractors in my..."

Wheeler: "Why would you add liability when you don't need to?"

Evans: "Again, there's plenty of subcontractors in California, in D.C., and New Jersey, and all of the various states that continue to have this in place."

Wheeler: "Well, I'll bet there's less of them than there was before because it's the only sensible thing to do."

Evans: "But you can't... but you're saying that, but it's not based in fact. And what I'm saying is it will not change anything. What it will do is..."



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Wheeler: "You are raising the price of doing business for the general contractor. Period. There's no way around that."

Evans: "We've debated this prior..."

Wheeler: "Their bonding authority's going to be more expensive. Their insurance is going to be more expensive."

Evans: "I can only... I can only repeat the things that I've said before."

Wheeler: "I know, but I'm saying for the entire Body. This is a..."

Evans: "We see what the hour is. It's 10:00. I've explained this to you. We've talked about this. I don't know what answer that you're looking for. There's a philosophical difference."

Wheeler: "But, Marcus, I come from this world so I have a different perspective maybe than you. I don't know if you've ever been in general contracting before, if you've been a prime contractor on a project of the scale that I have experience with."

Evans: "Again, I know... as I expressed to you, I know hundreds of very, very successful ones who I've spoken to."

Wheeler: "What, and they're all in favor of this? I can't believe that's true."

Evans: "Who do business in each and every state, who's very successful, and they do business in all of these states and they don't have an issue with it."

Wheeler: "Representative Evans, I'm going to go to the Bill because I only have 30 seconds left. I want to respect everyone's time. To the Bill, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Harris: "To the Bill."

Wheeler: "Ladies and Gentlemen, this Bill ultimately will have a negative impact on the subcontractor community. Period."

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There's no way around that. Mr. Speaker, I'd like to request a verification should this vote received the requisite number of votes."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Wheeler has requested a verification. Representative Lewis is recognized."

Lewis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Harris: "He indicates he'll yield."

Lewis: "Marcus, during committee we had conversation in which I gave you my 'yes' vote, trusting that you would do the right thing from our perspective. Trusting you that you would bring all stakeholders together and try and get an agreed upon Bill. I've seen you work our magic before. Why are you being so stubborn on this Bill? What is... what is driving the intent to not take into account all stakeholders and try and deliver excellent legislation as you have in the past?"

Evans: "Yeah, we have an Amendment, correct? I mean, we had Amendment 2. We have Amendment 3. I've adopted Amendment 3. Again, we removed from opposition the Road Association, the Road Builders, the Associated General Contractors, the Illinois Mechanical and Specialty Contractors Association. Again, removed the opposition. I've talked to many, many contractors, minority contractors, women contractors. So, we've done the due diligence. If you're looking for more, again, I've mentioned to you that I'll continue to talk if the Bill, hopefully, goes to the Senate. If there's no changes, and that's great, it'll stay there. If it comes over, we work with our partner chamber. I'm open to do whatever it takes. I think we've got a good package now. I believe I have

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the support. I want your support because the work has been put in."

Lewis: "To the Bill."

Speaker Harris: "To the Bill."

Lewis: "I believe that there are definite things that can be done to help the general contractors. I believe there are things that can be done to help minority contractors. Those ideas were heard. Those ideas were evaluated. And those ideas were rejected. And I have seen the Sponsor, as mentioned, do great things with legislation in this chamber, and I believe he is not working up to his potential. Thank you."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Reick."

Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'll go straight to the Bill. The Sponsor mentioned the fact that this was based upon a California Bill, but there are a couple of things about the California Bill. Oh, I do have a question. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Evans: "Yeah, I thought I could get away."

Reick: "No, not yet. Marcus, is this... does this Bill exempt businesses that are subject to collective bargaining agreements?"

Evans: "With the Amendment, yes."

Reick: "It does? Okay, thank you. All right, now to the Bill."

Evans: "Can we..."

Reick: "I'm sorry. Okay."

Evans: "I also want to (unintelligible) it up, but I respect my good friend from Jacksonville, C.D. Davidsmeyer. Homeowners, homeowners are exempt. So, I want to be clear on that."

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Reick: "Okay. To the Bill. The California Bill was passed and gave subcontractor... or prime contractors the ability to audit their subcontractors, basically to find out if they were paying benefits and all those kinds of things. What we're going to end up with here is, is we're going to have general contractors who are going to turn into auditors of their own subcontractors, except for the fact that they've exempted themselves as collective bargaining agents from this auditing responsibility. I used to own a title company. And one of the things that I used to do was handle lien waivers from subcontractors and prime contractors who would come to me and give me their lien waiver and then demand pay... you know, and demand payment. I'd cut them a check. It's a system that works. Because if you're building... if you're doing any kind of construction work, you're not going to give that money directly to a subcontractor unless you've got something in your hand that says that this person has... has fulfilled all of his obligations. That's what a lien waiver does. Those lien waivers are not going away just because we have this Bill. If I'm a prime contractor and he comes to me and he says, I want to lien waivers, I have to show them to him. And I show him all lien waivers that the subs have given me that indicate on the waiver that all the debts that they owe, including wages, are paid. So, I have a hard time understanding why it is we have to go to this extent to guarantee payments to subcontractor employees by prime contractors who have already... I have the waivers in my hand. I know that those folks have been paid. And now the prime contractor is stepping in and taking on that responsibility

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as well. What we're doing is we're asking people to pay for something they didn't do. This is not the way this should be handled. This is... you're keeping... it's a barrier to entry to a guy with... guy with a couple of employees and a truck and backhoe and he wants to get out and do some work. This keeps those people out the industry. This is not a good Bill as written..."

Speaker Harris: "Representative, could you bring your remarks to a close?"

Reick: "...because what it does, it exempts the people who are the most likely to abuse it. Vote 'no'."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Davidsmeyer, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Davidsmeyer: "My name was used in debate."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Davidsmeyer."

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you. Leader, I... I wanted to just clarify something. I believe that you said homeowners are exempt. Is that what you said a little bit earlier? Leader Evans. Did you... did you say leaders?"

Evans: "Yes."

Davidsmeyer: "Okay. So, I... I was using that as an example. Right? I wasn't saying that homeowners would have to pay employees of their contractors. I was using that as an example 'cause that's the same idea of what we're trying to do here. Now you're saying that only nonunion subcontractors will be protected from wage theft, correct? So, the union contractors won't be."

Evans: "Yeah, the way you're asking the question, I mean, come on now. Protected from wage theft..."

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Davidsmeyer: "You exempted the union contractors..."

Evans: "Come on..."

Davidsmeyer: "...so they no longer have to be... you're not protecting them from wage theft. You're just protecting nonunion employees from wage theft now."

Evans: "No. Looking at the data, many of those projects are done publicly. So, we're trying to find out where the issues are and we're trying to narrow this down. Again, doing exactly what I was asked from with Representative Lewis, work with the Road Builders, work with the Associated General Contractors. I put in the work to attempt to come to a resolution. I came to this resolution, and now you're criticizing the resolution. Well, not this... I mean, what do you want me to do? I had a broad spectrum of individuals, you didn't like that. You know, to get to the point of wage theft protection, you have to have somebody that could potentially not pay the workers. So, that's... that's the direction we that we took."

Davidsmeyer: "Yeah. And I understand that, and I'm... I'm trying to be..."

Evans: "Again, there was a million ways to do this so I..."

Davidsmeyer: "...I'm trying to be reasonable."

Evans: "...I've done what you'd ask me to do."

Davidsmeyer: "I'm not trying to be adversarial here at all. I'm trying to say, how do we protect those people who may not get paid, while not putting on the burden... putting the burden on somebody who didn't do the bad deed. That's like..."

Evans: "Yeah, and then you asked me the question... you know business."

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Davidsmeyer: "I do. Yeah, definitely."

Evans: "So you know that the individuals in the union have various avenues and representation to go after their wages. So, you're asking me a question that you're clear on the answer to."

Davidsmeyer: "As do nonunion."

Evans: "And we've been through this in committee and the floor. And if you're going to ask be a question, I want it to be legitimate and honest."

Davidsmeyer: "Yeah."

Evans: "You know that those workers have an avenue. Let's protect the workers that don't have an avenue and engage the prime contractor for surety. That's really what this Bill is about."

Davidsmeyer: "But the idea here, it's like if my... if my kid goes and steals something, then you put me in jail."

Evans: "No, it's nothing like that."

Davidsmeyer: "I mean, it's not... it's the same idea."

Evans: "Again, we don't have to go to children. You're a business man."

Davidsmeyer: "You're punishing somebody who did not..."

Evans: "No, it's not."

Davidsmeyer: "...do anything wrong."

Evans: "Again, I'm..."

Davidsmeyer: "I don't understand."

Evans: "...again, I work with developers, I'm an appraiser, and you know what's going on. If I'm going to have a general contractor to redo a building, we want to ensure that the person that I hire to do the plumbing, the person I hire to do the work are down the chain paying all of those guys. I don't want that the people doing the carpentry work, the

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people doing the carpet work, the people doing the finishing work to be left hanging. And this is about ensuring that the prime contractor follows it all the way through. And you know... come on now. You know better."

Dauidsmeyer: "And I'm going to close right now. Do not punish the person who didn't do the bad deed. Please think about this. This isn't just about passing a Bill or a policy. This is about passing the right policy to protect the individual. Please don't punish the person who did everything right. Vote 'no'."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Gong-Gershowitz."

Gong-Gershowitz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Harris: "Indicates he'll yield."

Gong-Gershowitz: "Representative, I know that you've worked..."

Evans: "Yeah."

Gong-Gershowitz: "...extremely hard to make sure that all voices have been heard in this process. And I just want to thank you for the time that you have put in to listen to every stakeholder and to reach a point where we have a Bill that's about workers. I'm hearing a whole lot about contractors, who have had the opportunity to make money, and hearing a whole lot about who is left being hurt. The status quo means that the person being hurt is the person that has put sweat equity into a job and is leaving the worker, the worker holding the bag. So, the question that we have to ask is, who are we here for? This Bill is about protecting workers. Vote 'yes'. Thank you."

Speaker Harris: "Representative Hoffman."



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Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Harris: "He indicates he'll yield."

Hoffman: "Leader Evans, I... there's been some talk here from the other side of the aisle, specifically about the Amendment which you adopted that basically exempted contractors who have collective bargaining agreements. Now, if you were a worker and you are a member of organized labor, you have someone fighting for you, looking out for you, as opposed to others who don't have that organization. So, could you just go through your rationale for adopting that Amendment? I assume that's it. If there's more to it, please let me know. But I think that's it..."

Evans: "Yeah. Yeah."

Hoffman: "...and that's why it makes sense."

Evans: "Yeah, it's all about giving the worker a fair shake all the way to the bottom. We want every level of worker to know that when they go to work and then they come back home that at the end of the day it'll be a paycheck. Or at the very least, it'll be somebody that can adequately fight for them. Fighting for your money when you deserve it is wrong. And we should outlaw that in Illinois and do all we can to engage our business community to ensure that the guy at the bottom, the person that's doing the grunt work is getting compensated."

Hoffman: "And it's my understanding that, in many instances, the... the union in those instances will provide some type of bonding, where the contractor has to provide some type of a bond to ensure payment of salary or wages and ensure payment

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of fringe benefits. So, that union, using its power, will make sure that the people are getting paid, that their fringe benefits are getting paid, that their sick leave is getting paid, and that their Taft-Hartley funds are being paid for their pensions. Is that another reason why you decided to exempt those individuals?"

Evans: "Without question. And again, all the way down the chain, all the way until the project is completed."

Hoffman: "To the Bill. I would just say to the individuals who have been critical of the... of the chairman and the Leader Evans, he has worked very, very hard, along with Representative Gong-Gershowitz, on this issue. And they worked hard because they want to protect workers. Period. Protect workers who aren't getting paid for the hard work that they did. That's it. That's what this Bill would do. So, to be critical and say that the Bill may not go far enough 'cause everybody doesn't agree, well, if you are a subcontractor and you don't pay the wages, and now we're going to make someone liable, well, let me tell you, you aren't going to agree with this Bill if you're a contractor. And a general contractor has to have some type of incentive to hire good quality subcontractors who are going to pay their wages. That's what this Bill would do. I vote 'aye'."

Speaker Harris: "We've had three speakers in favor, three speakers against, plus a bonus. Representative Evans to close."

Evans: "You know, I've heard a lot today about this Bill. Two rounds of debates. And I want to continue to work with my colleagues to protect the working class. That's the focus. And what we do here in Illinois is what we're going to do

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across the country, is engage with our business community to ensure that wealth is shared. The rich will make their money, and we're going to make sure of that. We're going to create the opportunities to our Build Illinois plan. We're going to... we have a great President, and Joe Biden is going to ensure that we improve our infrastructure. The opportunities will be abundant in this country. We're going to build back the country because we have the leadership to build back the country. Opportunities are going to be there. Opportunities for minorities, opportunities for women-owned businesses. We want the next Walsh's Construction. We want all of those great, great business people to exist, but we cannot forget about those at the bottom. We're going to spend a lot of money on Medicaid this year. Why? Because we've still got people struggling. We're going to spend a lot of money in TANF, and we still got people struggling. We've got working people in y'all districts. I'm all through Southern Illinois. I'm all through Chicago. We've got folks in my community and this community in Springfield who are working every day, doing the best they can, but they're still struggling. So, we've got to ensure that we're all in. This is one community. I respect and love everybody in this chamber 'cause it's not personal. It's the business of the people, and we want to make sure that business is all in on protecting all people. The moms and everybody. So, I request your 'aye' vote. Let's move this legislation along and send a message. Let's move this legislation along and send a message that we're going to protect the working class, my mother and father, working class, housing projects, South Side of Chicago, the Rosen

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Community, all the way to upward mobility. That's what this country should be about for every race and every person. You know, I reject any inclination, any inclination that there's an attack on black businesses. 'Cause since I've gotten in Springfield, the only focus has been how do we create more opportunities for all businesses. Not just black businesses, Latino businesses, Southern Illinois, white women businesses, Northern Illinois, white women businesses... white men businesses, growing this entire equal system in the community. We've got folks on the other side who are business owners. You all understand business. And I work in private sector as well, in addition to be a State Rep. I understand business, but I understand this business particularly. And there's some shortcomings in this business that we can make it better. I don't think we can make it better, I know we can make it better, and I'm asking for your support. I'm praying and I'm pushing for your support because that's what's needed and that's what we want to do in this State of Illinois, push for opportunities and openness. You know, when I think about Chicago and I think about Illinois, it is a place for everybody. It's in the middle of the country. But I want it to be a destination for minorities. I want people to flock and flood to Illinois, and we've turned that around. We've got a Governor who's paid the bills. And he didn't pay some of them, he's paid all the bills. And we've got to get Illinois on the right track. It's going to be a destination for black people. It's going to be a destination. We're the beginning of that destination. And we're going to do it with Republicans. We're not going to do it by ourself. I'm... I'm

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about bipartisanship. I want to do it with all of you all. And we're going to do it now and we're going to it together, and this is just one piece of legislation. Marcus Evans is not to be patted on the back for this legislation. This is a we business. For a variety of things, we passed the pass of touting one person. This is about us. I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Harris: "Members, Representative Wheeler has requested a verification. All Members will be in the chairs and vote their own switches. The question is, 'Shall House Bill 5412 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. With a vote of 62 voting 'yes', 36 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present'... yeah, Mr. Clerk, please take the record. Question... I said that part. Mr. Clerk, please read the names of those voting in the affirmative."

Clerk Hollman: "A poll of those voting in the affirmative. Representative Ammons; Representative Andrade; Representative Avelar; Representative Burke; Representative Carroll; Representative Cassidy; Representative Collins; Representative Costa Howard; Representative Crespo; Representative Croke; Representative Delgado; Representative DeLuca..."

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Speaker Harris: "Representative Wheeler withdraws his verification. On this question, there are 62 voting in 'favor', 36 voting 'against', 0 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 28 of the Calendar appears Bills on Consent Calendar - Third Reading - Second Day. As a reminder, we are preparing to vote on Bills appearing on the Consent Calendar. After the Clerk reads the Bills, we will take one vote on those Bills. If Members wish to be recorded as anything other than 'yes' on any of the Bills, Members can have those votes recorded separately by filing a signed letter with the Clerk today. And, Ladies and Gentlemen, that has to be done today. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "There have been no Bills removed from the Consent Calendar - Third Reading - Second Day. Third Reading of the Bills on the Consent Calendar - Third Reading - Second Day. House Bill 260, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 568, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 4070, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 4105, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 4114, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 4163, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 4164, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 4170, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 4200, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 4245, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4251, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 4261, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 4271, a Bill for an Act

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concerning regulation. House Bill 4272, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4313, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4320, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 4321, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 4335, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4338, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4348, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 4349, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4364, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 4366, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 4367, a Bill for an Act concerning health. House Bill 4382, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4383, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4408, a Bill for an Act concerning health insurance co-pays. House Bill 4412, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4422, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 4433, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4435, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 4442, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 4450, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. House Bill 4451, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 4459, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 4461, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 4481, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 4489, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 4528, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 4542, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 4568, a Bill for an Act

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concerning regulation. House Bill 4572, a Bill for an Act concerning aging. House Bill 4589, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 4608, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 4644, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 4666, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4672, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 4680, a Bill for an Act concerning fish. House Bill 4766, a Bill for an Act concerning sweet corn. House Bill 4937, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 4990, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 4998, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5026, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5170, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5263, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5283, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5316, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5328, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5334, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5400, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5416, a Bill for an Act concerning business. House Bill 5501, a Bill for an Act to revise the law by combining multiple enactments and making technical corrections. House Bill 5542, a Bill for an Act concerning veterans. And House Bill 5585, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of these House Bills."

Speaker Harris: "There being no one seeking recognition, the question is, 'Shall the House Bills on Consent Calendar - Third Reading - Second Day pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. Voting is open. Mr. Clerk."



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Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar."

Guerrero-Cuellar: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Guerrero-Cuellar votes 'yes'."

Speaker Harris: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?  
Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record.  
With 104 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', 0 voting 'present',  
these Bills, having received the Constitutional Majority, are  
hereby declared passed. Representative Stuart."

Stuart: "Thank you. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Harris: "Please state your point."

Stuart: "Thank you. I have today's Women's History Month moment.  
Today, what is on her 60th birthday for another hour and 15  
minutes, I would like to honor... I would appreciate a little  
respect. I would like to honor former Olympic athlete Jackie  
Joyner-Kersey for her accomplishments on and off the field.  
Regarded by many as the greatest female athlete of all time,  
she's the first woman to win back-to-back gold medals in the  
heptathlon, the first woman to score 7 thousand points in the  
heptathlon, and the first African American woman to win an  
Olympic medal in the long jump. Born and raised in East St.  
Louis, her athletic career began in high school, where she  
qualified for the finals in the long jump at the 1980 Olympic  
trials and received a scholarship to go to UCLA. At UCLA, she  
competed on the track and field and women's basketball teams.  
There she won the Honda Broderick Cup as the nation's best  
female collegiate athlete and the Broderick Award twice as  
the nation's best female collegiate track and field  
competitor. While attending UCLA, she competed in the 1984  
Summer Olympics and won silver in the heptathlon. In the 1988

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Summer Olympics, she became the first American woman to earn to a gold medal in the long jump and the first American woman to earn a gold medal in the heptathlon. Throughout her career, she competed in four Olympic games and won six Olympic medals. She holds a multitude of track and field records, setting the heptathlon world record three times. Joyner-Kersey returned to East St. Louis and established the Jackie Joyner-Kersey Foundation, which provides academic support, after-school programs, food, and transportation for local youth. The Jackie Joyner-Kersey Foundation is a safe space and a learning-rich environment where young people are empowered to succeed no matter what their circumstances are. Between her tremendous athletic accomplishments and her service and dedication to the youth of East St. Louis, Joyner-Kersey is an inspiration to young women across Illinois and beyond. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Harris: "Committee announcements."

Clerk Hollman: "The following committees will be meeting immediately. State Government Administration will meet in Virtual Room 3. And Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies will meet in Virtual Room 4."

Speaker Harris: "Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 702, offered by Representative Buckner. And House Resolution 703, offered by Representative Kifowit."

Speaker Harris: "Leader Greenwood moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor say 'aye'; opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. And now, allowing

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perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Greenwood moves that the House stand adjourned until Friday, March 4, at the hour of 9 a.m. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House is adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 5716, offered by Representative Hirschauer, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5717, offered by Representative Meyers-Martin, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5718, offered by Representative Chesney, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. First Reading of these House Bills. Second Reading of House Bills. House Bill 4414, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5013, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. House Bill 5463, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of these House Bills. They'll be held on the Order of Second Reading. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."