Doorkeeper: "Persons not entitled to the House floor, please retire to the gallery."

Doorkeeper: "All persons not entitled to the House floor, please retire to the gallery."

Speaker Redmond: "The House will come to order and Members please be in their seats. Led in prayer by the Reverend Krueger, the House Chaplain."

Reverend Krueger: "In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, Amen. O Lord, bless this House to Thy service this day. Amen. Rabbi Hillel said: If I am not for myself, who will be for me? But if I am only for myself, what am I? And if not now, when? Let us pray. Heavenly Father, help us to see ourselves as we really are; help us to see ourselves as others see us; and help us to be ourselves as we truly should be. Then, O Lord, grant that in the role as Legislators for the State of Illinois, we may be what Thou wouldst have us be. We ask this in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen."

Speaker Redmond: "Roll Call for attendance. Messages from the Senate."

Clerk O'Brien: "A message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary. Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted the following: Senate Joint Resolution, adoption of which I'm instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives to wit; Senate Joint Resolution #6, is adopted by the Senate, February 24, 1977. Kenneth Wright, Secretary."

Speaker Redmond: "Committee Reports."

Clerk O'Brien: "Representative Mann, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary I, to which the following Bills were referred action taken February 23, 1977. Reported the same back with the following recommendations, do pass House Bills 229, 317 and 321, do pass consent Calendar, House Bill 163. Representative Yourell, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary I."
on Counties and Townships to which the following Bills were referred, action taken February 23, 1977. Reported the same back with the following recommendations, do pass House Bill 199, do pass as amended House Bills 31 and 269. Representative Jacobs, Chairman of the Committee on Labor and Commerce to which the following Bill was referred, action taken February 23, 1977. Reported the same back with the following recommendations, do pass as amended House Bills 65 and 236. Representative McLendon, Chairman of the Committee on Personnel and Pension to which the following Bills was referred, action taken February 23, 1977. Reported the same back with the following recommendations, do not pass House Bill 9. Representative Chapman, Chairman of the Committee on Human Resources to which the following Bills were referred, action taken February 24, 1977. Reported the same back with the following recommendation, do pass as amended House Bill 13 and 235."

Speaker Redmond: "Introduction and First Reading. Representative Madigan, do you seek recognition?"

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, would the records show that Representative Davis, Mann and Flinn are excused because of attendance at a meeting of the Legislative Advisory Committee on Public Aid. Also, would the records show that Representative Hugalian, is excused because of illness and also, would the records show that Representative Chapman is excused."

Speaker Redmond: "Any objections, hearing none the record will so show. Representative Ryan, are there any excused absences on the Republican side?"

Ryan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The record would show that Representative Jack Davis, Representative Sevcik, Representative McAvoys and Representative Deavers, due to illness, Representative Campbell, Catania and Kemperin are on Legislative business."
Speaker Redmond: "The record will so indicate if there aren't any objections... hearing none. Introductions and First Reading."


Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lucco.... a very important announcement, Representative Lucco."

Lucco: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. It is my honor today to introduce a guest who's on the floor at the present time, back there talking to, I think to his honor, Representative Madigan, at the moment. Morgan Findley, Clerk of the Circuit Court in Cook County, former State Senator and a distinguished resident of the 11th Ward of Chicago. Mr. Findley."

Speaker Redmond: "I'm always glad to have the former Senator Findley. here because he is the only Member of the General Assembly that was shorter than I was. Objection has been raised. House Bill, Second Reading. House Bill, Second Reading appears House Bill 18, Representative Kelly, do you want that one called? House Bill 18."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 18, a Bill for an Act to require legible price markings of food products. Second Reading of the Bill, 1 Committee Amendment. Amendment 1 amends House Bill 18, on page 2, by adding after line 8, the following; Section V, and so forth."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Kelly.... who's the Sponsor of the Amendment?"

Kelly: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, Committee Amendment #1, I would like to move that we table Committee Amendment
§1. Committee Amendment §1, gave the Department of Agriculture the enforced responsibility of these provisions and it also said that the Act would become effective upon becoming law, well it felt in fact, I've discussed this with the Department of Agriculture and they don't have the staff and personnel to carry out this responsibility. The States Attorney and the enforcement officials in the State of Illinois have the enforcement ability to carry out the legislation, the enforcement of this Act and really we don't need the Department to handle that and of course it would become law anyway upon the signature the passage and signature of the Governor, so I move for tabling Committee Amendment §1."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? The question is on the Gentleman's motion to table Committee Amendment §1, those in favor will say 'aye', opposed 'no', the 'ayes' have it. Table Amendment §1, is tabled. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment §2, Keats. Amends House Bill 18 on page 1, by deleting Section 2, and inserting in lieu thereof, the following; Section 2, and so forth."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Keats."

Keats: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'm rising to amend House Bill 18, is something I consider to be a consumer protection Amendment. This is strictly a common sense Amendment to try to improve the Bill to actually serve the consumer. After all, saving consumers is the most...... saving consumers money is the most important consumer protection we can come up with, is probably consumer protection at its best. My Amendment will save the consumers a small sum of money, we're not talking about a huge saving but every nickel counts. This is particularly helpful to poor people because more of their income is put into consumption for necessities and for that reason we are saving for poor people perhaps..."
more money than others but, that isn't the real issue. The issue is consumers in general and benefiting them as best as we can. What my Amendment does, is say, instead of marking every item in the store with very minor exceptions instead of marking every item in the store which will increase the overall cost. What we will need to do instead, is conspicuously place the prices in the store. The wording of my Amendment in the first portion says, conspicuously visible and that I think is the key, instead of pricing every item and putting, you know, seventeen cents on every can of Campbell Soup, we would say the price must be listed. What this does is allow for some innovations in the field of food marking and trying to keep prices down. Some examples, you have all heard of the Aldi Stores and what the Aldi Stores have done, is instead of pricing every item they hand you a price list when you enter, no items are marked, if you want to comparison shop, you have the price in your hand and you can take it home with you. In other stores it's done through putting signs on the items and this can be done on sale items particular where prices will go up and down on sale items. So, what it does is allow some latitude for the store as long as the price is conspicuously visible, that is the wording for the Amendment. It allows for that kind of technological improvement and I think it is easier for the consumer to buy on a sale item because that price can be changed so, what my Amendment does, Amendment #2, to House Bill 18, is save the consumer money and if saving money isn't what consumer protection is all about then I don't know what the term means. With that, I finish, thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Kelly."

Kelly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I rise in opposition to Amendment #2, offered by Representative Keats. The Amendment not only answers some of the questions
that Representative Keats, had raised but it certainly goes much further, it would completely disembodied the entire Bill which I'm trying to propose. We know right now that grocery stores in the State of Illinois list the prices of the items on the shelf and in various other fashions. This Amendment would make it law, with this Amendment we would not even need this Bill so it completely guts the proposal and as far as the situation with Aldi grocery stores which was brought up and I know that many of my colleagues have been contacted by our constituency who have been participating as consumers at the Aldi Stores throughout the State of Illinois, there is an Amendment coming up next which is Amendment #3, which would solve your problem. This Amendment does not solve it and when you're talking about saving money as Representative Keats, talked about...."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Huff, for what purpose do you rise?"

Huff: "A point of information, Mr. Speaker. I hear reference to Amendment #3, with reference to House Bill 18 and I can't find Amendment #1, on my desk..."

Speaker Redmond: "Amendment #1, was tabled we are now considering Amendment #2...."

Huff: "Well, I don't have Amendment #2 and I missed it in the Bill and I would like..... they are being distributed."

Speaker Redmond: "Has Amendment #2, been distributed? Have been advised that it has. Representative Keats."

Keats: "Amendment #2 and #3, were distributed yesterday when we originally thought the Bill would be up, now in some cases it may not be on your desk today, it was distributed yesterday. If you don't have a copy perhaps we could take the Bill out of the record for a short time and have some more copies made and distributed again due to the importance of this Amendment."

Huff: "No, I don't think I would insist. I'll get an Amendment
from someone else's desk and let the business of the House proceed. Thank you."

Kelly: "As I indicated, I'm opposed to Amendment §3, I had met with a representative from the Aldi's Grocery Store and with Representative Reilly, just two days ago to discuss the problem that they had with the Aldi Stores and at that time I was presented with a proposed Amendment which happens to be the following Amendment and this is the Amendment which I think should be adopted Amendment §2, which Representative Keats talked about, about saving money. Now, this is what this is all about and I know when you're talking about saving money you have to be talking about the entire pricing process. The retail food industry have announced some two years ago their plans to install these automated computer equipment into their grocery stores and at that time they announced their plans that they would eliminate the prices on items while this Amendment would bring us right back to where we started, where a grocery industry could remove prices on items. It is a very anti-consumer Bill, it is not only against the consumer, it would place thousands of people who are clerks in stores throughout the State of Illinois on the unemployment role, the public aid roles would rise in the State of Illinois and this Bill would cause... will cost the people of Illinois much more than it will save, therefore, I appeal for your strong opposition to Amendment §2."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Polk."

Polk: "Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask Mr. Kelly, a question if I may."

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Polk: "Mr. Kelly, I just want to make something absolutely clear, I'm like everyone else I've had two hundred and fifty-seven phone calls in the last two days in relation to this Bill. Did you just say, that you were in opposition
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to Amendment $2, but you would support Amendment $3?"

Kelly: "Yes."

Polk: "All right, thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative D.L. Houlihan."

Houlihan: "Thank you. Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise to speak in opposition to Amendment $2. I would point out to the Members that Amendment $2, as drafted, has a glaring defect in it,... while it calls for conspicuous display of price information, it nowhere defines what is the nature of the price information that will be mandated by this legislation. The words that are used in the Amendment are and I'm quoting, "with all such applicable price information", but nowhere is it defined as to what it includes. Now, by this Amendment you are deleting present Section II, of this Bill which is the definition section as far as what will be required as far as price information. Additionally I would point out that this Amendment provides not as well as the Bill does for what the penalty provision will be for failure to comply. The Amendment provides a penalty of one hundred dollars for each day in which the price of the product is not disclosed. I submit that the penalty provision in the Bill as drafted is better which provides a hundred dollar penalty for each day on which the products are not marked for sale and that is the intention of this Bill. I submit that Amendment $2, would seriously gut this Bill, it is ill-advised although well intentioned I would ask the Membership to defeat the Amendment."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Porter."

Porter: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Amendment $2, is a very reasonable approach to this problem. House Bill 18 has been sailed out here on the floor as a consumer measure but I don't think any Members of the House should be fooled that that's what
it is, it is certainly not a consumer measure. It is a labor measure and nothing else, we want to protect consumers in this State, what we want to do is to provide to them service in the most efficient manner possible and at the least cost as possible and that is what Amendment #2, will do for them. It is no question that price information means of course, the price, I don't think that is a problem at all with this Amendment. It seems to me that if you adopt this Amendment you will be going along way to protecting the consumer by bringing the goods to them at the cheapest possible price and in the most efficient manner and I urge its adoption by all the Members."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Friedrich."
Friedrich: "Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the Sponsor three questions...." 
Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."
Friedrich: "Representative Kelly.... Representative Kelly, three quick questions, I will ask them all at once because I think you can answer them all at once. Number one, who is to police this Bill if it is passed, number two, if it is the state what will it cost the state and have you filed a fiscal note?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Kelly."
Kelly: "Yes, when you asked the question...."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madison, for what purpose do you rise?"
Madison: "Mr. Speaker, I'm trying to determine whether or not we are at a point where we're discussing the merits of the Bill or whether we're discussing the merits of the Amendment?"
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Friedrich, has requested leave to interrogate, Mr. Kelly and Mr. Kelly, indicated he would respond... proceed, Mr. Kelly."
Kelly: "I can give a short explanation...."
Speaker Redmond: "Of the Amendment?"

Kelly: "Of the Representatives question. The... with the Department of Agriculture not being responsible for the enforcement there would not have to be a fiscal note on the Bill. If the Amendment would have been adopted, which we tabled, then in fact it would have had to have a fiscal note. Who would be policing... the States Attorney in the various counties throughout the State of Illinois would have the authority along with the other enforcement officials to do the enforcement and at the request of individuals do the policing of this particular area so, there is enough of policing activity without involving the State of Illinois. Citizens or organizations who bring this forward to the State's attorneys office and there is certainly retail clerks and whoever else who might want to take action if someone is abusing these privileges would have that right so, there is a large policing organization that would be available. Thank you."

Freidrich: "I would like to speak for this Amendment..."

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Freidrich: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, without this Amendment this Legislation is absolutely intolerable. For two long years around here we been passing Bills to harass business, add their cost and those costs eventually end up with the consumer. You talk about protecting the consumer, you better start eliminating some of these costs that you are piling on business because there is no one who can pay for those costs except the consumer. The other thing is, I don't know why we continually take for granted that the consumer has no brains whatsoever, we're spending billions on education and yet we don't think the average consumer has enough sense to buy a can of beans. Now let's get down to realistic things and eliminate some of these costs that
we're adding on people that do business and eventually go to the consumer. I think this is a good Amendment and should be adopted."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Hudson."

Hudson: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor of the Amendment yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will. Representative Keats. Somebody has kidnapped Representative Keats... Representative Keats, you've been back in Representative Geo-Karis' territory?"

Keats: "Okay, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I appreciate your serious consideration as to Amendment 92...."

Hudson: "Well, thank you very much again, Mr. Speaker. Are you yielding, Roger?"

Keats: "You've got it, I yield."

Hudson: "Okay...."

Keats: "You can have the whole floor."

Hudson: "I note in your Amendment the following wording; every price of each unit of sale of a food product offered for sale at retail, etc. I interpret that to define what it is you're talking about when you talk later about stamping or affixing price information, have you not in your opinion, already defined what you're talking about by price information when you talk about every price of each unit of sale of a food."

Keats: "Yes, I believe so."

Hudson: "Wouldn't you say that you have done that?"

Keats: "Yes, I would say so."

Hudson: "Well, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would like to speak to the measure. I rise in support of this Amendment, I think most of the cogent arguments have been made already by, John Porter, Dwight Friedrich and others but it would seem to me that one of the arguments raised in opposition was that the definition
was not here. It was unclear as to what we were talking about or what the Amendment is talking about relevant to price information. I do not believe this to be so. I think that a red herring perhaps has been dragged across this Amendment. The Amendment is salutary, it's certainly going to be sold for the consumer for the reasons already mentioned and I too, would suggest that this is a reasonable approach to a very difficult problem, one is emotionally charged. I think Representative Keats is to be commended for his rather modest approach in effecting certain changes in the Bill and without these changes, I assure you it is a... In my opinion, a Bill that is going to have a tremendous amount of difficulty in passing so I would urge you, my colleagues, to consider seriously, Representative Keats' Amendment. It's a good one and I would urge that you adopt it."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Geo-Karis.... Representative Kent. Representative Kent, do you seek recognition?"

Kent: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to speak in favor of this Amendment. It is high time that we recognize that the Housewife and the one who purchases groceries only wants to know what she is going to have to pay and comparison prices with another product. They are going to find the price and all it has to be is on the bin, they are not going to look at each individual can. Also, what are you going to do about that small market where strawberries or what have you, are all fifty cents a quart? It is absolutely stupid to mark each quart and change fifty-two cents, it is high time that we recognize that the price of groceries is going up pure and simply because of the requirements that this grocery has to do. I think that in the name of the consumer I speak, this is a guide for the consumer when it really isn't. The consumer does not want the cost of groceries to go up... so if ever we do help for our
constituents for our consumers, it is now. I urge you
to vote for this Amendment."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madison."

Madison: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor
of the Amendment yield for question?"

Speaker Redmond: "He indicates that he will, Representative
Keats."

Madison: "Representative Keats, I have seen situations in
grocery stores and supermarkets where the same products
for whatever reason, was marked with a different price.
Would your Amendment address itself to that kind of
problem?"

Keats: "The answer, in true political form, is yes and no. The
answer is not always... because on a sale item... on a sale item
when you every single can of soup listed on a sale item
you will have two different prices... on that because of
the different prices listed before so, if you have it
individually marked, you will have two prices. Mine
would say, since that item is not necessary marked...
it can be marked... it can be marked and if each item
is marked individually marked as is acceptable, yes
you might end up with more than one price on a can. If
they went to a more automated system where you have
such as Aldi's does it, on your little sheet here, no
you would have one price or if they did it just using
a sign like this one, again it would be no, just one
price. So, I hate to give you a yes and no answer but
I think you can see what I mean, if it is individually
marked yes you can have more than one price, if it is
not, no you'll have one price listed and that's all."

Madison: "Thank you, Representative Keats."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Anderson."

Anderson: "Mr. Speaker, I would like to speak in favor of this
Amendment. You know, let the consumer decide in the
market place whether they want this system of marking each
individual item or whether they will take the shelf marking. In the end they will be the one who decides anyway whether this system will go up or down if they would rather have each can marked, each item marked, they will seek out a supermarket that is that way if they don't want it and they can get their price cheaper under another system they will go there. So, I rise in support of this Amendment."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ebbesen."

Ebbesen: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I move the previous price... I mean question."

Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman has moved the previous question, the question is shall the main question be put. Those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. Representative Keats, to close on the Amendment."

Keats: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.

I appreciate your very serious consideration of Amendment #2, because in summary there is really one issue to consider and that is, what does the consumer protection really mean, are we protecting a consumer by taking more money from him. If you consider raising the price of items... consumer protection then vote against my Amendment, if you believe that part of consumer protection is helping to hold down prices without any change whatsoever in quality then I believe you should be supporting my Amendment because I feel that to allow lower cost groceries into the various areas not just Chicago, but the entire state, is a benefit to the consumer so I ask you if you really believe that holding down the price without changing quality is consumer protection, vote 'yes'. Thank you for your consideration."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is on the Gentleman's notion for the adoption of Amendment #2, to House Bill 18. Those in favor will vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wished? Representative Macdonald. Representative
Leinenweber. Representative Macdonald indicates that she would like to have you vote her, 'yes'. Have 'all' voted who wished? Representative Kelly."

Kelly: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I certainly hope that everyone understands this Amendment because there has been some confusing statements about the consumer and saving the consumer's money. This Legislation was introduced as I indicated, to save the consumer money in the long run. First of all, let's face it, any business in the State of Illinois or anywhere else, is in business for number one, primary reason and that is corporation profit... that's what it is all about. Secondly, the companies may have an interest in the consumer but their first and primary interest is making corporation profit. Now, what will and what will not... this particular Amendment would completely gut House Bill 18 and would leave us with no change in the law. There have been approximately fifteen municipalities in the State of Illinois who have adopted mandatory pricing laws not only in Illinois but throughout the United States of America. In Chicago, they had also adopted a mandatory pricing law and the reason is very simple, if you walked into a grocery store with a cart and you started proceeding around that grocery store and filling that cart and if you didn't know how much your product was when you are placing it into a cart, by the time that you walked to the front of the store, to the very end of the store, you wouldn't know if you used up twenty, thirty, or forty dollars. You also wouldn't know if you left the store, just how to compare prices. This system with the new computer scanning equipment gives the store the ability, the manager of the store who is an unscrupulous manager, the ability to control prices on a daily basis, if they want to change that scanning equipment they can change it in one minute and I'll tell
something else, I mentioned it earlier, that the Aldi Corporation has been contacting the Legislators and the consumers going to all of these stores. I'm going to support Amendment §3, which solves that. . . . please don't vote for this Amendment because of the approach that has been made on you by the Aldi's Store because this Amendment is just diabolical."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wished? Representative Darrow."

Darrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. When Representative Kelly first introduced this Bill, I had a number of senior citizens call me and advocate its passage, a short time later the Aldi Stores began organizing some support and the senior citizens again contacted me and asked that I vote against this legislation. In working out an agreement with the various parties they agreed that they were against putting Aldi out of business but they still did not want the price scanning system. What Representative Kelly has done is, agreed to an Amendment to limit the number of items to nine hundred thus protecting the Aldi Stores. If we pass this Amendment we will gut the entire Bill and I would suggest that Representative Kelly, might as well table it because it will be worthless. Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Skinner, for what purpose do you arise?"

Skinner: "Well, I absolutely... positively disagree with the previous speaker. I went to two A & P Stores in Chicago this past honeymoon weekend to try and find diet cola. and they neither had the price on the shelf or on the cola nor was the list handed out. Now what is needed for the consumers is the ability to comparison shop and this Amendment gives the consumer... guarantees the consumer that ability."
Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wished? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 86 'ayes' and 69 'no' and the Gentleman's motion prevails. Representative Kelly."

Kelly: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, with the adoption of this Amendment... yeah, it's funny all right... with the adoption of this Amendment this Bill is not worth even sponsoring and I'm going to table the Amendment, table the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman has moved to table the Bill. House Bill 18, is tabled. Representative Skinner, we know what Johnny Bench did on his honeymoon and now we've discovered what you did."

Skinner: "I certainly object to that motion, Mr. Speaker and if the Gentleman wishes to remove himself as sponsorship and let someone who really has the consumers wishes in his heart pick it up, that would be fine but to table it, really hurts the consumer."

Speaker Redmond: "House Bill 18, is tabled. House Bills Third Reading. House Bill 20, Representative Flinn.... still away, out of the record. Representative Mudd."

Mudd: "Mr. Speaker, I would like leave of the House to table a Bill which I'm chief Sponsor of, House Bill 291, I would ask leave to have that Bill tabled."

Speaker Redmond: "Are there any objection? Hearing none 291 will be tabled. Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I have House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment §9, Representative Bowman has introduced a like Resolution and anytime someone else can do my work, they are welcome to it so I would like to have leave of the House to table House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment §9."

Speaker Redmond: "Does the Gentleman have... unanimous consent. Hearing no objections it will be tabled. House Bill 27, Representative Ebbesen. House Bill, Second Reading. We're
on House Bills Third Reading. House Bill 27,"

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 27, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Vehicle Code..."

Speaker Redmond: "27 out of the record at the request of the Sponsor. 54, Representative Yourell. Can't see Representative Yourell."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 54...."

Speaker Redmond: "Somebody standing between the Chair and Representative Yourell."

Clerk O'Brien: "A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Workmens' Compensation or Occupational Disease Insurance for Rejected Employers Act, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Yourell."

Yourell: "There's no way that Gentleman could get out of my way no matter where he stood in this House. I would ask leave to move House Bill 54 back to Second Reading for the purpose of an Amendment."

Speaker Redmond: "Does the Gentleman have leave to return it to the Order of Second for an Amendment? Hearing no objections it will return to the Order of Second Reading."

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment 51, Schuneman, amends House Bill 54, on page 3, line 5, by deleting line 5 through 34 and on page 3, line 35, by deleting 'g' and inserting in lieu thereof; 'd'."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Yourell."

Yourell: "I'm sorry to take the time of the House in this way but I...."

Speaker Redmond: "I can't see Representative Yourell."

Yourell: "I have just been informed by staff that the Amendment that I wanted to adopt to House Bill 54, is not in proper order, Cal and I'm sorry about that but they tell me that we're taking the existing language out of the Act and transferring it to another Section and I've been told that that is improper so, with leave of the
House I would like to now leave the Bill on Second Reading so that I can get together with the Sponsor of the Amendment to iron out any difficulties that have arisen."

Speaker Redmond: "Move to table Amendment #1..."

Yourell: "No, I want to leave this Bill on Second Reading...."

Speaker Redmond: "Yeah, leave it on Second but what do you want done with Amendment #1."

Yourell: "I want to hold that Amendment if I can."

Speaker Redmond: "Okay. Leave it on the Order of Second Reading. 76, Representative Deuster. I would like to introduce the new doorkeeper to the Members down here in the side aisle. Representative Deuster."

Deuster: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 76, would allow the County Boards of our one hundred and one downstate counties to determine for themselves what travel expenses should be provided or paid to jurors, those who serve on jury. Under the existing law Cook County is able to determine how much travel to provide to there jurors, under existing law all one hundred and one other counties have to pay their jurors exactly ten cents a mile, no more or no less. This Bill as amended by the Amendment which was presented by Representative Steczo, provides that our counties now, the one hundred and one downstate counties may provide whatever they may want to for travel expenses but it shall at least be ten cent a mile. I think all of us, particularly Legislators who are reimbursed at a higher rate for mileage understand that the old ten cent rate is out of date and we want to make sure that all over the State of Illinois, all of our counties have the authority to set what they feel is a proper, fair and reasonable reimbursement for the mileage for their jurors for those who serve on our juries. I would be happy to answer any questions, I think it is a simple Bill and I think it is a good Bill, it is supported by
the Lake County Board and by the Urban County Council
and I urge your favorable support of House Bill 76."

Speaker Redmond: "Mr. Clerk, will you read the Bill a third
time."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 76, a Bill for an Act to amend the
Fees and Salaries Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is, shall this
Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'.
Have all voted who wished? In the mean time will Re-
presentative Skinner, read Rule 65 (b). Have all voted
who wished? Have all voted who wished? The Clerk will
take the record. On this question there are 146 'ayes'
and 90 'nays' and the Bill having received the Constitutional
Majority is hereby declared passed. 86."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 86, Friedland, a Bill for an Act
to amend Sections of an Act in relation to fire protection
districts. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Friedland."

Friedland: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen
of the House. The synopsis is absolutely correct concerning
House Bill 86, which would amend the Fire Protection
District Act to permit a territory to disconnect from
one fire district without standing bond, following a
favorable referendum and go into another district. Now
this measure for example would enable municipalities to
have fire protection boundary that coincide with their
Corporate limits and in many cases this would enhance
and strengthen fire protection by providing a much quicker
response time on emergency calls. It passed the House
City and Villages Committee sixteen to nothing and I
urge your favorable support."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? Representative D.L. Houlihan."

Houlihan: "I have a question of the Sponsor, Mr. Speaker, if
he will yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."
Houlihan: "Representative Friedland, is the present law to the
affect that a fire protection district cannot disconnect
if it has an outstanding bond indebtedness."

Friedland: "I believe, Representative Houlihan, the present
law states that a portion could not disconnect unless
one hundred percent of the residents of property owners
in that area would sign a petition to petition. This
would just provide another avenue for a portion of a
district to disconnect following a favorable referendum
in that affected territory."

Houlihan: "Does this, John, provide for on a disconnection that
there has to be a referendum?"

Friedland: "Yes."

Houlihan: "If there is a disconnection with this outstanding
indebtedness, how is that resolved as far as the people
of the fire territory that was covered by the fire
protection district. How is that liability handled?"

Friedland: "I believe that would be determined following
input from the trustees of the respective districts
involved and counselors of the respected district and
perhaps through the petition to the court."

Houlihan: "I have no further questions."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Schlickman."

Schlickman: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Schlickman: "Under your Bill, it is true isn't it, those people
in the area that are disconnected, subsequent to the
disconnection would still be responsible for their
proportionate share of the bonded indebtedness in the
district from which they have parted."

Friedland: "Yes."

Schlickman: "And in addition they will be responsible for their
proportionate share of the bonded indebtedness to the
district to which they will annex."

Friedland: "Absolutely."
Schlickman: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Any further discussion? Representative Stanley."

Stanley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would just like to speak in favor of this Bill as one of the Cosponsors and there is no opposition to it from what Representative Friedland has indicated and from what I have seen and that the sum one hundred and thirty-one different fire protection district throughout the state are for this as is of course the Illinois Fire District Association. Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in.... Representative Conti:"

Conti: "I would like to ask the Sponsor a question."

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Conti: "Does this... when they disconnect from the district that the boundary lines are now confined to this district when they disconnect does the.... annex into a municipality does the whole municipality pay its proportionate share of the bond indebtedness or just that continued line that was annex to a municipality. In other words if they annex to a municipality does the municipality as a whole become indebted to the outstanding bonds or just the part that portion of the real estate that go into a community. Are you saying yes?"

Friedland: "Just a portion, Representative Conti that's been de-annexed."

Conti: "All right."

Speaker Redmond: "Are you ready for the question? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have voted who wished? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 139 'aye' and no 'nay' and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 101, Representative Kosinski. Out of the record. 122, Representat-
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 122, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Kosinski.... Cunningham."

Cunningham: "Well, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The inherent merit of this Bill is suggested by the fact that the vote in Committee was fifteen to one to put it on the Consent Calendar but the one was the vote of the incomparable Chairman, Dan Pierce and I'm authorized to say to you, that even he enthusiastically endorses the Bill, it is also endorsed by Lee Swartz and by Glenn 'Fider' and by Cal Skinner, my... who is Co-sponsor of it. The effect... joint Sponsor, the effect is very simple it extends three months from the last Tuesday in September, to the last Tuesday in December, the time for filing the certificate of levy for school districts. A distinguished educator in my district, James Taylor, Newton, pointed out to me that it didn't make a bit of sense to have the present arrangement wherein the schools were suppose to guess what the multiplier would be, so vital in the determination of the tax to which the district was entitled. As you are all aware the multiplier comes out usually in December and the presently the law requires the school to guess what that figure is going to be in September. Accordingly I urge that this is the one Bill that you could vote for with a great deal of pride and confidence."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Schneider."

Schneider: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. Roscoe Cunningham, gave me a speech to make on behalf of the Bill and it goes roughly as follows; that the blind sow has been rummaging around in the mud, and has stumbled on an acorn and I think that is about as good as anything that Roscoe said in six years.... apart from that I would suggest to you that the Legislation is
also very fine, any opportunity that school districts
have along with courts to get a better picture of the
educational needs. I think that it is good legislation
and therefore, I would recommend an 'aye' vote.

Speaker Redmond: "Representative D.L. Houlihan."

Houlihan: "I have a question of the Sponsor, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Houlihan: "Representative Cunningham, why should there be a
different rate for school districts as distinct from
other levying bodies."

Cunningham: "Probably shouldn't but it is the schools that
are concerned at this point with the multiplier. What
other specific bodies were you making reference to,
Representative Houlihan, that perhaps additional Bills are
required."

Houlihan: "I wasn't making reference specifically to any other
levying bodies, I'm trying to determine why we should
a different rate for the school district from any other
levying body here."

Cunningham: "Well, I would agree with....."

Houlihan: "Is there some reason other than the multiplier?"

Cunningham: "The multiplier is the first reason to suggest
himself to me but I would think... agree with you that
there should be uniformity in that but I hope that you
noted in the Committee hearing that all of the groups
that did come in support of this, the tax federation,
the school people and you will note the exclusion there
of Cook County from the terms of the Bill. The Cook
County levy is governed by a separate Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lechowicz."

Lechowicz: "Will the Sponsor yield to a question, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Lechowicz: "And this is in reference to what Representative
Houlihan brough up as far as the tax levy. Really if
you want to correct any situation you would have a
uniform date on all tax levy coming out at the same
time and I guess.... Roscoe, could answer me one question.
The question is, how many overlapping school districts
are there in this state and you mentioned that Cook
County is excluded in this piece of legislation by an
Amendment but in turn my recollection serves me correctly,
there are certain school districts that go over county
lines and this is really more to the suburban legislators
because as I see it, certain school districts in the
suburban areas are going to be receiving two different
dates and I don't know how you correct that situation."

Cunningham: "I discussed that with our mutual friend, Lee
Swartz and he agreed that the problem was not insurmount-
able, that it was reasonable to assume that it would
be based on the later date, the certification set forth
in this Bill."

Lechowicz: "Well, that doesn't answer my provision. How do
you correct that?"

Cunningham: "Well, ideally the correction would be by making
the same rule applicable to Cook County schools as to
the rest of the schools and perhaps...."

Lechowicz: "Or vice versa."

Cunningham: "Yes, either way but we can address that problem
when we have some suggestions on the Cook County schools
to make its conformity."

Lechowicz: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Any further discussion, any other questions?
Representative Cunningham, to close."

Cunningham: "Well, Mr. Speaker, I'm not unmindful that I'm
one Legislator who had a Bill once here to congratulate
someone. tabled and at this instance I want to point out
anew that there was absolutely no opposition in
Committee, there is no opposition yet that I'm aware
of. I urge that this Bill should have a unanimous vote."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those
in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted
who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted
who wished? The Clerk will take the record. On this
question there is 120 'aye' and 18 'no', the Bill having
received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared
passed. At this time I would like to turn the Chair
over to a former Representative Choate for the purpose
of an introduction and a presentation."

Choate: "Well, thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I guess
everybody knows it's kind of a pleasure for me to be
back here and be with you all but, we have the distinct
pleasure and a Gentleman that I brought up to meet with
you today an outstanding man in the State of Illinois
an outstanding man that is going to do great things
for Southern Illinois University incidentally, but before
we get into the introduction of this outstanding young
man I would like to present to you your colleague,
Representative Emil Jones, for the purpose of a few
remarks on the reading of a Resolution. Representative
Jones."

Jones: "Yes, thank you, Professor Choate. Would the Clerk
read the Resolution, House Resolution 46?"

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolutions 46, Emil Jones and all Members
of the House. Whereas, it is our great satisfaction to
this body to learn that Gale Sayers was recently elected
to the Professional Football Hall of Fame; and whereas, it
was both a great pleasure and a privilege for those of
us who were able to witness first hand the magnificent
gridiron achievements of Gale Sayers at the University of
Kansas and later with the Chicago Bears; and whereas,
Gale Sayers was born on May 30, 1943, at Wichita, Kansas, and
grew up in Omaha, Nebraska, where at Omaha Central he
became one of the all-time great high school football
players from an outstanding football state; and whereas,
as a Kansas Jayhawk he became three times All-America
and established many records in the rugged Big Eight Conference, where against formidable foes like the Nebraska Cornhuskers, Oklahoma Sooners, and Missouri Tigers he further developed and honed the great running skills with which he electrified NFL fans and set aglow the hearts of Bear fans everywhere; and whereas, his NFL achievements are a part of our cherished memories, including the six touchdown game against San Francisco, the 22 touchdown rookie season and the 56 touchdown career which was so unfortunately shortened by that occupational hazard of football players, the knee injury; and whereas, Gale Sayers has made the transition from football hero to successful citizen with a grace, humility and the same dedication to excellence that has marked his entire career, serving as Assistant Athletic Director of his alma mater and in 1976 returning to Illinois as Athletic Director of Southern Illinois University, writing two books, and making numerous appearances on behalf of charitable organizations; therefore, be it Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that we extend our heartiest congratulations to Mr. Gale Sayers on the occasion of his well-deserved election to the Professional Football Hall of Fame, that we express our appreciation for his many efforts over the years on behalf of his fellow citizens of Illinois and the Nation, and that we wish him continued success and good fortune as Athletic Director of Southern Illinois University and in all his future endeavors; and be it further Resolved, that a suitable copy of this preamble and Resolution be presented to Mr. Gale Sayers as a token of our highest esteem."

Jones: "I move for the immediate consideration and suspension of the Rules for immediate consideration of House Resolution 46."

Speaker Redmond: "Leave."

Jones: "The Resolution speaks for itself and we are honored.
today to have this great individual with us, so I give to you, Gayle Sayers."

Gayle Sayers: "Thank you very much, it is a pleasure to be here this afternoon and to accept this Resolution from the House of Representatives and this award, Hall of Fame, is more than a Gayle Sayers award. Just like this great nation, it wasn't built by one man, my victories on the football field wasn't by one man and I want to thank my teammates on the sand lots of Omaha, Nebraska and my grade school, high school, college and pro and the people that I played against, so again I want to thank you very much for this Resolution and hopefully I'm deserving of it and I can, in the Hall of Fame, in August, I can thank the many many other people who helped me with this award. Right now, I'm at Southern Illinois University, there is a lot of good things happening there and I hope one day you can come out and see a high play program performed because we have a real fine athletic program there, so again thank you very much for having me here and I appreciate this very much."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Jones says that it feels pretty good up there. 161."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 161, a Bill for an Act to authorize the Department of Transportation convey by quick claim deeds certain land in Randolph County. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Birchler."

Birchler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of this General Assembly. House Bill 161, does exactly what was read to you and stated in the synopsis. These two persons own the original tract of land adjacent to this tract that was purchased by the state in 1973, with an option to build a maintenance center for the highway department. They had purchased another site, a little distance from
here and used the other site now, the land is surplus. At the time that the state purchased this they gave
the people eighty-five hundred dollars for the land, we had appraisals made, checked prices of adjoining
property and find that the appraised value for returning it to the two original owners is ten thousand dollars.
I ask that you give support so that these two land owners can have this piece of land joined back to their original farm."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'.
Representative Leinenweber, I can't see you. Oh, Representative Leinenweber."

Leinenweber: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I had a couple of questions for the Gentleman."

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed, he will respond."

Leinenweber: "Representative Birchler, if I understood you correctly, this property was originally purchased in
1973, for eighty-seven hundred dollars. Is that correct?"

Birchler: "That is true."

Leinenweber: "And, there has been appraisal made of the land and the current value is found by that appraisal to be
ten thousand dollars."

Birchler: "That is true."

Leinenweber: "Were these appraisals obtained by the Department of Transportation?"

Birchler: "They were made by the Department of Transportation and the Department of Transportation prepared a Bill so that we could have the deeds and all handled through this process."

Leinenweber: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Don't get shut out. Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On this question there are 148 'aye' and no 'nays' and the
Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 182, Representative Lechowicz... out of the record. 200."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 200, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Northshore Sanitary District Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Pierce."

Pierce: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.

House Bill 200, amends the Northshore Sanitary District Act and applies only to that sanitary district in Lake County. What it does for the first time since 1911, we increase the maximum compensation that can be paid to the trustees, from a thousand dollars per annum to five thousand dollars per annum and seventy-five hundred dollars for the Chairman. We're not paying the salary this is only a maximum, the Board itself by ordinance would have to increase their own salaries prior to the next term of office. Now, the reason for the Bill is that last year the General Assembly decreed that these members should be elected and not appointed officials and last November, all five trustees were elected, they campaigned hard in a bipartisan primary in general election in Lake County and it came out three Republicans and two Democrats, so it is not a partisan matter but there is five wards, three Republicans and two Democrats and all this Bill does is to authorize the outgoing Board to raise the salary to the maximum of five thousand for members, seventy-five hundred for the Chairman, it has been stuck at one thousand dollars since 1911, but they will have to do it themselves by ordinance. This is only a cap that we're increasing here. I urge your support for House Bill 200, which passed unanimously in the County and Township Committee, a very vengeance and hard working Committee of this House."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those
in favor will vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'.'"

Speaker Bradley: "Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 136 'ayes', 4 'nays', 2 voting 'present' and this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. On the Order of Third Reading appears House Bill 201."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 201, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of Illinois Aeronautics Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Bradley: "The Gentleman from Will, Mr. Leinenweber."

Leinenweber: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 201, is probably one of the best Bills that we'll be considering because it repeals an existing law. The law that it repeals is one that has been on the books for quite a period of time, it is called the Aircraft Guest Act. House Bill 201, therefore, removes the restriction against claims by nonpaying passengers in aircrafts against the pilot for injury or deaths due to the pilot's negligence. Currently under the present law, if you are a passenger in an aircraft..."

Speaker Bradley: "God bless, Mayor Bilandic."

Leinenweber: "...that comes down, your next of kin must prove that the death was due to the willful and wanton misconduct of the pilot. This is very difficult thing to do, according to Legislative Council, thirty-seven states permit said suits, only thirteen including Illinois, have Guests Acts. It will have no appreciable effect, it will have no effect in insurance premiums because of the fact that liability insurance for pilots is based upon national experience, which includes thirty-seven states, including the largest such as New York, including their experience. To Illinois pilots their liability insurance is based upon nationwide experience, not on Illinois experience. So, by refuting this Act it will be
no appreciable effect on the liability insurance of a pilot. It's a... several years ago the Guest Act for automobiles was repealed, this one ought to be repealed also."

Speaker Bradley: "Discussion? The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Schlickman."

Schlickman: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Bradley: "He indicates that he will."

Schlickman: "Could you advise us as to what the vote was in Committee?"

Leinenweber: "It was nineteen to nothing, including one that I understood qualified 'aye' which has been removed."

Schlickman: "I have removed my qualifications, thank you."

Speaker Bradley: "Further discussion? The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Giglio."

Giglio: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Gentleman is correct when he says, it is one of the best Bills that is going to do more before the Illinois General Assembly. We had it last year, if I recall, I ask the Gentleman some questions. And, what it is going to do is make a lot of work for the lawyers and it is going to put the burden on the guys that fly the plane."

Speaker Bradley: "Further discussion? The Gentleman from Will, Mr. Leinenweber, wish to close? The question is, shall House Bill 201, pass? All those in favor will signify by voting 'aye', opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? The Clerk will take the record. The record has been taken, on this question there 137 'aye's', 5 'nays', 3 voting 'present' and this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. On Third Reading appears House Bill 206."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 206, McMáster, a Bill for an Act to amend the Surface-Mined Land Conservation Reclamation Act. Third Reading of the Bill."
Speaker Bradley: "The Gentleman from Knox, Mr. McMaster."

McMaster: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.

House Bill 206, merely amends the Surface-Mined Land Reclamation Act that we passed several years ago. It changes the degree of slope on the back filled site of the final cut and on the slopes on sides of the hard road, the intent of it will be to leave about some sixty-five acres more land available for farming purposes after the three hundred and twenty acre tract for instance has been reclaimed. It will add that much more land that will be available for farming. I urge your support."

Speaker Bradley: "Further discussion? Further discussion, none. The question is, shall House Bill 206, pass? All those in favor will signify by voting 'aye', opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Mr. Beatty, would you push my green button? Have all voted who wished? We would have but it was too late. The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 147 'ayes', no 'nays' and none voting 'present' and this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. For what purpose does the Gentleman, Mr. Lucco, raise?"

Lucco: "Mr. Speaker, I rise to make an announcement. We have in our gallery on the Democratic side, to my left, five County Chairman, Democratic County Chairman from the district which are represented by, O'Daniel and Representative Brummer. We have Ray Harrell from Wayne County, Jack Hollensbe from Cumberland County, Sam Veterhot from Jasper County, Howard Snidle from Edwards County, and James Worstell, from Lawrence County. Democratic County Chairman from the districts of O'Daniel and Brummer."

Speaker Bradley: "Mr. Collins, do you wish to respond."

Collins: "Not respond, Mr. Speaker, just comment. This must be the only district of the State with only two Members."

Speaker Bradley: "Mr. Cunningham, arise."
Cunningham: "Mr. Speaker, I rise to make an announcement that five Chairmen's from the 54th District are going to have lunch with their Representatives and myself, immediately after adjournment, downstairs."

Speaker Bradley: "Maybe they will enlighten you. Who's picking up the tab there? On the Calendar in the Order of Third Reading appears House Bill 220."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 220, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Bradley: "Representative Birchler."

Birchler: "Mr. Speaker and Members of this House floor, House Bill 220, has gone through Committee, 119 to nothing. The Bill amends the School Code striting in affect, that School Board Members.... I mean 19 to nothing, I'm sorry. School Board Members vacate offices at times, under the present law the remaining Board Members have thirty days to appoint another person qualified to fill the vacancy. In the event they do not make that appointment within thirty days, the regional superintendent must call an election at the expense of the county to pay for selection of a person to fill this vacancy. At times there would be only one more month left in the school term before the next general election. This Bill says, in the event the Board does not fill the vacancy within thirty days, the regional superintendent shall make the appointment within fifteen days. It's a money saver for the county, it's a pressure deal to see that the Board does fill the vacancy. I ask your support in giving enough votes that this Bill pass this House floor."

Speaker Bradley: "Discussion? Discussion? The Lady from Lake, Geo-Karis."

Geo-Karis: "Mr. Speaker, I raise and speak in support of this Bill because too often vacancies are not filled and the School Board does not have a full time complement and it
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does effect some very important decision making."

Speaker Bradley: "The Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Skinner."

Skinner: "Yes, would the Gentleman yield to a question?"

Speaker Bradley: "He indicates that he will."

Skinner: "Representative Birchler, would the appointment merely be to the end of the individuals term?"

Birchler: "To the end of this term or until next election."

Skinner: "I see, would not be until the end of the guys term then it would be until the next election."

Birchler: "Until the next election."

Skinner: "Well...."

Birchler: "In other words, if it happened in January, the election is in April, it is until the next general election."

Skinner: "Thank you, very much."

Speaker Bradley: "Mr. Sumner."

Sumner: "Mrs. Sumner."

Speaker Bradley: "I'm sorry, Mrs. Sumner."

Sumner: "Mr. Speaker, I rise to speak in opposition to this Bill, I feel that we do not need to lose local control and I feel that going with the Bill we lose the possibility of the local control and that's the people's voice and I don't wish to lose it. Thank you."

Speaker Bradley: "Mr. Hudson."

Hudson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Bradley: "He indicates that he will."

Hudson: "Representative Birchler, there is a movement afoot now as I understand it, to... instead of having our regional superintendents elected they would be appointed. Now, I don't know whether that is going to go through to completion or not but, would your Bill here put us then in a position if the regional superintendent were an appointed official having compounding that by having an appointed official in turn have the power to make
further appointments? Would you consider this a possible
danger or an extension of power, strictly appointed
official... bypass... therefore, bypassing the elector?"
Birchler: "I don't think... you have a problem of what you're
saying. The Bill is for the purpose of avoiding calling
an election costing twenty-five thousand, thirty thousand
dollars to a county to hold an election for maybe one
or three or four different school districts within a
county to fill a vacancy because a board would not make
an appointment within thirty days. I see this Bill
pushing the school board to fill the vacancy within the
thirty day, which they have a right to do. It isn't
taking anything away."
Speaker Bradley: "Mr. Hudson, are you finished, Sir?"
Hudson: "Yes."
Speaker Bradley: "The Gentleman from Vermillion; Mr. Stuffle."
Stuffle: "Mr. Speaker and Members... first of all, I think
seating chart should show that I'm from Coles, not
Vermilion. I sometimes wish that I were from Vermilion
due to its size. I rise in support of Representative
Birchler's Bill because this Bill received a thorough
airing in our Committee and because it would be a cost
saving device and particularly because as Representative
Birchler, has pointed out, it would not erode local
control. It is instead an incentive to local school
boards to make appointments. If they don't want the
educational service region involved they have the opportunity
to make those appointments and to save money for the
taxpayers and that is exactly what Representative
Birchler's Bill would do and I would urge your support
of it."
Speaker Redmond: "Any further questions? Representative
Simms."
Simms: "A couple of questions of the Sponsor, Representative
Birchler, in the regional superintendent district, how
many counties... what is the maximum amount at the present time that a superintendent would have as far as the number of counties?"

Birchler: "The average regional superintendent now has one, two, three or four counties particularly in Southern Illinois with small population areas, there may be up to four counties in a region. In other areas it's just a county wide area."

Simms: "I see. So then it is possible that a superintendent would have a four county area. Mr. Speaker, if I may address myself to the Bill. First of all I personally believe the office of superintendent of the region is something a Legislature might consider abolishing to begin with, but I think secondly, that we're giving a political partisan office appointments to local school districts which are not partisan in nature which can become very partisan if a partisan superintendent chooses to use that option. Secondly, in a county... in a region that may have four counties, I question whether or not that superintendent would be that well aware of the qualifications of the school board members at hand or the applicants. And I think this Bill is giving more power to a position that probably should be abolished by the Legislature to begin with so, I would urge that each Member look at this Bill very carefully and for these reasons, I'm going to vote 'no'."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Porter."

Porter: "Would the Gentleman yeild for a question, please?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Porter: "Vince, does this apply in Cook?"

Birchler: "No, it only applies in district with less than five thousand population."

Porter: "So, that the suburban districts in Cook County..."

Birchler: "If they have less than five thousand population."

Porter: "They might be effected then."

Birchler: "They might be in the suburban area but not Chicago."
Porter: "All right, I think the suburban Legislators ought to be aware that this Bill would take authority away from their local school boards and pass it to the district regional superintendent who in Cook County is usually elected from the City of Chicago and I would hope that the suburban Members would be wary of this Bill and vote 'no'."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lucco."

Lucco: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would like to correct the impression that Representative Porter, has left. This particular Bill would not in any way take away any responsibility or duties of the board of education. The board of education still has thirty days in which to fill this vacancy, in many small communities where sometimes the Board of Education is comprised of rural representatives as well as urban representatives, they are very reluctant to make an appointment when the vote is for example, is three and three or four and two, so this will merely enhance the fact that the Board of Education must make an appointment within thirty days or else they will have the privilege of making recommendations to the regional superintendent of the schools."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mulcahey."

Mulcahey: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I would just like to speak in response to the Gentleman from Rockford, over there in Winnebago County who said, that indeed this is a bad piece of legislation, I don't think he understands it entirely. It simply says, as it is right now when a vacancy occurs on a school board the remaining members of that board have thirty days after the vacancy has occurred, to appoint a qualified person to fill that vacancy until the next annual election. In the event they fail to do this the superintendent of the county or region within which the school district lies shall
call an election within thirty days to fill such vacancy. In the City of Rockford alone, if this special election were called it would cost the taxpayers approximately forty thousand dollars. Now, God knows what it's going to cost throughout other municipalities throughout the state. This is an excellent piece of legislation, it does keep the home rule provision and I support it."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Waddell."

Waddell: "Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question."

Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman has moved the previous question, the question is shall the main question be put? All in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. Representative Birchler, to close."

Birchler: "All I ask is enough votes to make this become a passed Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Shall this Bill pass? All in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 109 'aye', 34 'no', the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 244, Representative Ewing."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 244, a Bill for an Act to amend the Revenue Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ewing. Out of the record. 247, Representative Ewing."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 247, a Bill for an Act to amend the Probate Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ewing."

Ewing: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is the Bill we debated or the Amendment that we debated for some time yesterday, which simply raises the limit in the Probate Act from five thousand to fifteen thousand under which you can use the small estate procedure. This Bill is designed to allow people with estates under
fifteen thousand to have them passed on without the unnecessary delay of probate and the expenses that are incurred therein and I would ask for a favorable vote on this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? .... Representative Ewing. The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 143 'ayes' and 2 'no' and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. On the Order of House Bills, Second Reading appears House Bill 276, Representative Holewinski... that was being held on the Order of Second Reading for the purpose of furnishing a fiscal note. The Clerk advises me that the fiscal note has been filed, move it to Third Reading. Lechowicz."

Lechowicz: "That is still with the insurance that it will be called back Second Reading next week?"

Speaker Redmond: "Yes."

Lechowicz: "All right, thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "House Resolution on the question on the matter of motions appears House Resolution 42, Representative Ewell. Higher Education Committee. Ewell, Ray Ewell."

Ewell: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, I would like permission to table House... the motion on House Resolution 42, I understand that the Chairman is going to post it for next week anyway so......"

Speaker Redmond: "What did you want to do with it?"

Ewell: "Table it, he's going to post it for next week anyway."

Speaker Redmond: "Does the Gentleman have leave to table House Resolution 42....."

Ewell: "No, no, not the motion but just a motion to suspend the posting rule."

Speaker Redmond: "Oh, does he have leave to withdraw the motion? Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Representative
Ebbesen: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would like leave of the House to suspend the forty-five day rule as it applies to House Bill 26, I am the Sponsor of that legislation and I've got a problem as far as that forty-five day rule is concerned and I have the consent of the Committee and the Chairman of the Committee on Pensions and I would like it to be in effect until no later than the 30th of April, to allow legislation to dovetail with the Subcommittee report to the Pension Laws Commission and also an opportunity to meet with the Bureau of the Budget and the Governor's Staff on the proposal."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lechowicz."

Lechowicz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I would just ask the Sponsor of the motion that if he could inform the House when that Bill was assigned to Committee because that is when the forty-five days takes effect. I discussed it with the Parliamentarian earlier today and some other Bills, in fact each Bill up to House Bill 130... or 135... 130, those motion will have to be forthcoming but the interpretation of the Parliamentarian was that the rule does not take effect until after the Bill has been assigned and we've got until approximately, March 11, to make these motions."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ebbesen."

Ebbesen: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I think that in my case the expiration date would be, March 12, however, that particular Committee meets on Wednesday and I'm going to be unable to be down on the next Wednesday until late in the evening and the following Wednesday, I shall be out of state which would put the Bill where I couldn't be heard to justify."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Jacobs."

Jacobs: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to introduce to the Members of the House..."
Speaker Redmond: "I wonder if you will hold that, Representative Jacobs, until we dispose of this motion. Representative Lechowicz."

Lechowicz: "Well, Mr. Speaker, is the individuals motion then to suspend 24 (d)? The provisions of 24 (d)? On House Bill 26."

Ebbesen: "Yes, whatever that forty-five day rule is… yes… that is the one that I want to suspend until at least the 30th of April, to give me time to meet with these other people and then we'll hear it sometime between now and then."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Schlickman."

Schlickman: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Schlickman: "Is that specification or specificity with respect to April 3, in your motion?"

Ebbesen: "I didn't hear you, Representative Schlickman."

Schlickman: "Well, I'm just concerned that the motion would be open-ended so that there would be no termination."

Ebbesen: "Yes, there is a termination date no later than the 30th of April. That is to give me enough time to get together… we have to have the Governor's Staff and the Bureau of the Budget meet with the Pension Laws Commission and this hinges on when the Pension Laws Commission can receive a Subcommittee report on funding for the entire pension system."

Schlickman: "So the forty-five day rule will run on April 30th?"

Ebbesen: "Yes, to April 30th, as it applies to House Bill 26."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madigan, for what purpose do you rise?"

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, I suggest to Representative Ebbesen, that he may withdraw his motion now because the Leadership on this side of the aisle will routinely move to suspend that rule when necessary. We are following the due date on the forty-five day rule and when necessary we
will make the motion to suspend the rules... on all Bills. Not just your Bill but all Bills."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ebbesen."

Ebbesen: "Yes, now then I have the assurance of you, Representative Madigan, that my Bill... House Bill 26, will not die in Committee."

Madigan: "No, it will not die."

Ebbesen: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Jacobs."

Jacobs: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to introduce to the Members of the House, the County Clerk of Rock Island County, Bill Foley, the County Board Chairman, Dick 'Gobbr', and Board Member, Gate Barber and they are from the District of 36, with Darrell, Polk and myself. They are over on the Republican side and they are all Democrats and I can't figure what they are doing over there."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lucco."

Lucco: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. It is my privilege to introduce to you now, the new Director of the Department of Agriculture, up near the Speaker's stand... on the Speaker's stand with Representatives Neff, Rigney and Schlisler, the new Director of Agriculture, Jack Luft."

Jack Luft: "Thank you very much, I look forward to working with each of you as time goes on. It is my privilege to be here."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lucco, for the purpose of a motion."

Lucco: "Mr. Speaker, I move that we suspend House Resolution 143 and upon the suspension of that Resolution, I think we have a request from Representative Ebbesen."

Speaker Redmond: "Does the Gentleman have leave to suspend... the motion to suspend Resolution 143, those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it..."
Lucco... Representative Lucco."

Lucco: "I would like to call on Representative Ebbesen, at this time, I think maybe he wants to render some sort of a birthday celebration or song."

Speaker Redmond: "I believe House Resolution 143, is sponsored by Representative Ebbesen, was the one for bad... singing Happy Birthday but because this is Representative George Ryan's birthday, I understand that Representative Ebbesen wanted the privilege of leading us in Happy Birthday. Representative Ebbesen. Representative Ryan's Happy Birthday. Representative Ebbesen."

Ebbesen: "Mr. Speaker, House Resolution #143..."

Speaker Redmond: "That's the 79th Session."

Ebbesen: "That's the 79th Session."

Speaker Redmond: "Yeah, well we're just as friendly now."

(Speaker Redmond and Ebbesen are talking at the same time. Unintelligible)

Ebbesen: "House Resolution #6 or 7, or something like that is the one. I won't lead anybody in singing because I can't but I would join in if somebody wants to lead it."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Tipsword, we're going to suspend all those rules for today. Do you care to lead Happy Birthday, Representative Buz Yourell? Yourell."

Yourell: "Mr. Speaker, I've had this light on for a long long time because I wanted to address the Chair relative to House Bill 26 and also the forty-five day rule. Now, I know that you interrupted Representative Jacobs, to continue the business of the House and then we got lost somewhere and I know that the time has passed to consider any objections or any comments relative to the forty-five day rule and I want to know if that could be taken up the next time this Body meets because I'm real concerned about the forty-five day rule."

Speaker Redmond: "The Rules Committee is recommending that we repeal Representative Yourell, and the answer is"
specifically is, that it will be taken up. Representative Tipsword... to proceed to sing Happy Birthday to the Minority Leader."

Tipsword: "I think that would be in order."

Speaker Redmond: "I understand that Representative Geo-Karis's, nose is out of joint because I recognized you..." 

Geo-Karis: "No it isn't. No it isn't, not at all."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Deuster, for what purpose do you rise?"

Deuster: "My Lake County colleague, Representative Geo-Karis, wanted to be turned on and I don't think any Member would want to volunteer to do that so I thought someone up there in charge of the microphones could accommodate us."

Speaker Redmond: "We've had a substitute."

Tipsword: "Mr. Speaker, we're a little far away so why don't you start with Geo-Karis."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Geo-Karis. Representative Ryan."

Geo-Karis: "I can assure you that Don Deuster would not turn me on."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ryan, doesn't look like anybody wants to sing to you. Representative Geo-Karis."

Geo-Karis: "How about turning on, Rollie Tipsword? He and I are both single and we both sing... everybody sing."

Tipsword: "I just suggested, since we're so far apart let her start."

Speaker Redmond: "If you're not careful we will threaten you with Ebbesen, again."

Geo-Karis: "Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday Dear George, Happy Birthday to you. And many more."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ryan."

Ryan: "Thank you very much, Ladies and Gentlemen and Mr. Speaker and I would have opposed the suspension of Resolution 143, had I been called upon but I wish to
thank all the Members of the House. I don't know whether my wife is here some place I think or she was. I'm 43 years old today and I feel like I'm 83, after the last three weeks in this position and I think you can appreciate that, Mr. Chairman or Mr. Speaker. Thank you all very much. I appreciate your kind thoughts and certainly your melodious endeavor to sing, Happy Birthday. Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "They tell me that there is going to be a reception in his honor, in the Minority Leaders Office immediately after adjournment. Where are we, Mr. Clerk? Representative Jaffe. The Order of Motions."

Jaffe: "Mr. Speaker, with agreement with Leadership on both sides of the aisle, I move to waive the provisions of Rule 41 (c) for the immediate consideration of House Resolution 81. Let me just say that all the House Resolution does is extends the life of the House Ways Study Committee and it is essential that we do it now because we're preparing legislation and we have to move ahead."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Katz, do you have... you want to address yourself to the motion?"

Katz: "Yes, I wonder why it doesn't go to Committee in the normal course, I just think that we ought to... early in this Session stop circumventing Committee. And accordingly I can't give unanimous consent unless there is a reason why it doesn't go to Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Jaffe."

Jaffe: "Mr. Speaker, I did not ask for unanimous consent, I just checked with Leadership on both sides of the aisle and I'm going to move to waive the provisions of 41 (c)."

Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman has moved to waive the provisions of Rule 41. Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? The Parliamentarian tells me 107. Have all voted who wished? Representative Jaffe."
Jaffe: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, I would like to reiterate the only thing that House Resolution 81, does extend the life of the Ways Study Committee as I indicated to you before and we are in the process at the present time of preparing legislation, we're also doing some other Committee work and we're going to be handicapped if we really have to wait for another month or so before we get to Committee and out of Committee into all of those things. I know of no one who has any objections to this, I checked with leadership on the Republican side also on the Democratic side and I would appreciate getting those 107 votes up there so we could move ahead with this Committee and move ahead very quickly."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Geo-Karis."

Geo-Karis: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is a very serious Committee we've had many many meetings and through our Committee, believe it or not the State of Oregon and other states have done something about the same subject to make it less victimizing on the victims and less de-entive on the part of defendants. It is high time we have mind of our responsibilities for that very serious subject."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Dyer."

Dyer: "Mr. Speaker, I don't know whether those downstate are aware of ratifications of the work that this Commission is doing. We all had our attention called recently to the depravity of using children as victims and in pornography based on sexual abuse of children and so on, it is terribly important that this Commission can continue its work and I see the votes are there, thank you very much."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wished? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 112 'aye'
and 5 'no' and the Gentleman's motion prevails. Representative Jaffe."

Jaffe: "Mr. Speaker, I think everyone knows the what House Resolution 81, contains and I would just move for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Redmond: "On the Gentleman's motion to adopt the Resolution, those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Representative Pullen. Representative Pullen."

Pullen: "I have a question for the Sponsor, will he yield please?"

Speaker Redmond: "Aaron, Representative Pullen desires to interrogate."

Jaffe: "It is always a pleasure."

Pullen: "Does the Commission have or Committee have sufficient appropriations to continue under this or will a new appropriation be required?"

Jaffe: "Well, what happens with this particular thing is that the Speaker gives us some money, I think we've spent something like four thousand dollars or probably under five thousand dollars in the year in which we've had it."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wished? ....5, 1 'no', the Gentleman's motion prevails. The Resolution is adopted. House Joint Resolution 9, Representative Madigan."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Joint Resolution #9, be it resolved that the House of Representatives that the 80th General Assembly of the State of Illinois the Senate concurring herein; that the two Houses shall convene in Joint Session on March 2, 1977, at the hour of 11:45 A.M. for the purpose of hearing his Excellency Governor Thomas... James R. Thompson, present to the General Assembly his report on the condition of state as required by Article V, Section 13, of the Constitution combined with his Budget Message for fiscal 1978."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madigan. Joint Resolution #9
those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is adopted. Madison."

Madison: "Mr. Speaker, while we're getting to the general Resolutions, I would like to make a point if I may, Mr. Speaker. It seems to me that this House, on a number of occasions, has raised some serious questions about the cost of paper and the cost of printing and it just seems to me, Mr. Speaker, that there are some ways that we can at least attempt to save some money. One of those ways, it appears to me, is to cut out the printing of this card that goes in the envelope with our checks, Mr. Speaker, this card that has to do with our per diem and mileage. It is a waste of time and a waste of money it serves no purpose at all and I would hope that someone would get to the Comptroller office and tell him that the State of Illinois can at least save a few dollars by the Comptroller ceasing and desisting from printing these cards."

Speaker Redmond: "We will advise the Comptroller. General Resolutions."


Speaker Redmond: "Committee on Assignments. Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 79, J. David Jones. House Resolution #82,... who is this? House Resolution #83, I don't have any Sponsors on this.... John Brandt. House Resolution #84, John Brandt. House Resolution #86, Schoeberlein. Oh, excuse me, that is #87, Schoeberlein."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, House Resolution #79, by J.D. Jones, honors Mr. Murray Samuel Hane and Sally Hane on their 50th wedding anniversary. House Resolution #82, by
Mahar, notes the 50th year of the Incorporation of Midlothian. House Resolution #83 by Brandt, honors Dennis DiMarco an Eagle Scout at Philomena. House Resolution #84 by Brandt, honors Joseph Roszak on his Eagle Scout. House Resolution #87 by Schoeberlein, honors the Illinois Educational Association on there 123rd meeting for choosing the humanitarian of the year award and I move for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions."

Speaker Redmond: "Giorgi moves the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. Those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, the Resolutions are adopted. Skinner on a point of personal privilege."

Skinner: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Every Gentleman and Lady of this House has received this incredibly colored pamphlet which says, property taxes in Illinois. If you will flip to the inside front panel you will see that I'm the only healthy member who served in this Subcommittee that was either reelection or.... well any rate, sits in this House at the present time. Now, above the word report, I hope everyone will write in, not (A) because this is not a report of a Joint Subcommittee to study the property tax pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 7, in fact this so much not a report that I tried to block the printing of it and I think the Legislative counsel has illegally printed it. The Joint Subcommittee went out of existence when the 80th General Assembly took office and at the very hour that we were being sworn in, in fact right after we were sworn in, I went down to the Legislative service unit downstairs in the basement and asked if this report had been turned in for printing. It had not.... there is no authority under law that I can find that allows the Legislative Counsel to print this report. Now, I take gross exception for the contents of it because there was no approval motion made. Because there was no Joint Committee meeting..."
made after the report was submitted by the staff. I could discuss at length the inadequacies of the report itself at the refusal of the staff member, the chief staff member of the Committee, George Warnicky, to return phone calls over a six month period, to return letters over a six month period, to point out that Art Sternberg, one of my interns from two years ago did more towards property tax reform than he did and Art Sternberg, didn't get paid the seventeen to twenty thousand dollars that Mr. Warnicky got paid. At any rate, the Members of the General Assembly who are reading this report should know that it does not represent any legislators point of view whatsoever as far as I know. "At least it certainly, at minimum, does not represent the Joint Subcommittee because as a Joint Subcommittee never approved it. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "Joint Resolution #6, resolved by the Senate of the 80th General Assembly the State of Illinois, the House of Representatives concurring herein; that when both Houses adjourn on Thursday, February 24, 1977, they stand adjourned until Tuesday, March 1, 1977 at 1:00 P.M."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Bradley."

Bradley: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I will move for the adoption of the Adjournment Resolution."

Speaker Redmond: "As to Tuesday at 1:00. The question is on the adoption of the Adjournment Resolution. Those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is adopted. Representative Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, when you went to the Order of Resolutions and you had a number of them to the Speaker's Table there was one, Agreed Resolution we overlooked and that was Agreed Resolution #88, by Representative Pullen, that honours the Estonian independence and we would like to...."

Speaker Redmond: "Is that on the Agreed Resolution?"
Giorgi: "Yes, Sir."
Speaker Redmond: "Is that your desire."
Giorgi: "I move that that be placed on the Agreed Resolution."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Pullen, is it up here? You've got it, you have got to give it to the Clerk. Representative on the adoption of the Resolution."
Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I move for the adoption of the Agreed Resolution."
Speaker Redmond: "Those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no', the Agreed Resolution is adopted. Representative Telcsr."
Telcsr: "Mr. Speaker, I just want to remind the Members that we're having a reception for Representative Ryan's 83rd birthday after we adjourn so please stop by..."
Speaker Redmond: "83rd, is that all he is, looks older. Anything further? Anything on the Calendar that you want to bring to the attention of the chamber? Any announcements? Any congratulatory Resolutions for the Members of the Chairman of the Committee. Representative Van Duyne.... I don't know what you're meaning. Representative Lucco, will you please introduce Representative Van Duyne's wife."
Lucco: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, seated up in the Democratic side is Representative Van Duyne's wife, how about a hand for lovely, Mrs. Van Duyne."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madigan moves that we stand in perfunctary Session until 4:30 P.M. at which time we will adjourn until 1:00 on Tuesday. Those in favor Representative Madigan's motion indicate by saying 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, perfunctary Session until 1:30.... Representative Bradley."
Bradley: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Mr. Speaker, I address this question to you, Sir. I haven't heard scores from Marquette lately are they still playing?"
Speaker Redmond: "Yeah, Representative Mahar, discovered that they beat Wisconsin by thirteen or fourteen points the
Bradley: "Well, we're glad to hear that."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Collins, wants to say that Notre Dame is out of its slump and won last night. Mt. Pulski won, Rochester won... who beat Notre Dame, I don't know somebody beat them. Representative Bradley. Illinois Wesleyan has done quite well. Representative Bradley's son is one of the outstanding players."

Bradley: "They won again last night, Sir."

Speaker Redmond: "Illinois Wesleyan won last night. They have got a center that is going the first round in the draft."

Bradley: "We're hopeful."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Hart's son is playing basketball in Benton High School."

Clark O'Brian: "Reports, Representative Ewell, Chairman from Committee on Higher Education which the following Bills were referred, action taken February 24, 1977. Reported the same back with the following recommendation, do pass House Bill 106 and 107. Introduction and First Reading. 41, Yourell, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of Motor Fuel Tax Law. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 442, Yourell, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to revise the law in relation to counties. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 443, Ewell, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Criminal Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 444, McLendon, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to promote the welfare of wage earners by regulating the assignment of wages. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 445, Ewell, relating to treatment of coal and amending certain Sections of a certain Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 446, Ewell, to amend the Criminal Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 447, Ewell, a Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Criminal procedure. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 448, Ewell, a Bill for an
Illinois Commission on administrator procedure. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 484, Pullen, of an Act to define the nature of all transactions relating to the procedure of human blood. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 485, Porter, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Corporation Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 486, Porter, to amend the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 487, Schisler, a Bill for an Act making appropriations to the Capital Development Board. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 488, Schisler, Sections of the Capital Development Bond Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 489, Dyer, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act in relation to the rate of interest and other charges in connection to sales on credit and lending of money. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 490, Skinner, Rigney, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 491, Winchester, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. First Reading of the Bill. First Reading the Constitutional Amendment. House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #19, Sandquist, resolved by the House of Representatives that the 80th General Assembly of the State of Illinois the Senate concurring herein; that there should be submitted to the electors of this state for adoption or rejection, the general election next occurring at least six months after the adoption of this Resolution, a proposition to amend Section 5, Article 9, of the Constitution to read as follows; Article 9, Section V, personal property taxation, a. The General Assembly by law may classify personal property for purposes of taxation by valuation, abolish such taxes on any or all classes and authorize the levy of taxes in lieu of taxation personal property by valuation. b. Any ad valorem personal property tax abolished on or before the effective date of this Constitution shall not be reinstated. First
Reading of the Constitution Amendment."

Clerk O'Brien: "The House stands at ease in Perfunctory Session."

Clerk O'Brien: "The House will be in Perfunctory Session.

House Bill 492... Introduction and First Reading of Bills.

House Bill 492, Luft, a Bill for an Act in relation to
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