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

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

Reverend Krueger: "In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Amen. O Lord, bless this House to Thy service this day. Amen.

It was William Arthur Ward who said: 'We can throw stones, complain about them, stumble on them, climb over them, or build with them.' Let us pray. Almighty God, we give to Thee our heartfelt thanks for this life that we have been given, for all the gifts which on us have been bestowed, the pleasures we have enjoyed and the other many blessings that have been ours to receive. Help us to cast aside all temporal worries and cares that would prevent us from that perfection of service which should be ours to give as the elected Representatives of the State of Illinois. May we in all things see and seize the opportunity to bring to pass that which is for the best of Thy people of this state and to the glory of Thy Holy Name. Through Christ our Lord. Amen."

Speaker Redmond: "Roll Call for attendance. Reading of the Journal."

Clerk O'Brien: "Journal for the 120th Legislative Day. The House met pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker in the Chair. Prayer by Father William Krueger, Chaplain. By direction of the Speaker, a Roll Call was taken to ascertain attendance Members, as follows:..."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, I move that we dispense with the reading of the Journal; and that Journals number 120 and 121, of April 28th and May 2nd, 1978, be approved as read."

Speaker Redmond: "You've heard the Gentleman's motion. Is there any discussion? The question is on the motion. Those in favor indicate by saying 'aye', 'aye'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The motion carries. The Journal is approved. The reading is dispensed with. Senate Bills, First Reading."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1653, a Bill for an Act in relation to an easement in Coles County, First Reading of the Bill."
Senate Bill 1654, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Coles County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1655, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Coles County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1656, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Coles County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1657, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Coles County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1658, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Coles County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1659, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Coles County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1660, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Coles County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1661, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Coles County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1662, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Coles County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1663, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement for highway purposes, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1664, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Coles County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1692, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Clark County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1693, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Clark County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1694, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Clark County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1695, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Clark County, First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1697, a Bill for an Act relating to an easement in Clark County, First Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ryan, are there any Republicans whose absence should be excused?"

Ryan: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. We have two that are sick. Representative
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Bluthardt and Representative Hudson; and Representative Dyer has a death in the family and she won't be here today. Representative Cunningham reported that he'd be late today, Mr. Speaker, he'd be in about 2:30."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any objection to showing the excused absence of the Republicans enumerated? Representative Madigan, any Democrats excused? Representative... The Speaker's Table, House Resolution 154, Representative James Taylor. Mr. James Taylor."

Taylor: "Out of the record."


Kent: "You had... Mr. Speaker, you had SJR 16 and I'm..."

Speaker Redmond: "Yeah. That takes 89 votes. (unintelligible)."

Kent: "It isn't a controversial Bill so I think I'm ready to move it."

Speaker Redmond: "You want to try it and see?"

Kent: "I'm ready."

Speaker Redmond: "Okay. Senate Joint Resolution 16. The reason we took... we'd like to get these off the Calendar as neatly as... it costs $35 a day to keep printing them."

Kent: "I want to save that money."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Kent."

Kent: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. SJR 16 has been in the works for over a year so I'm real glad to at last bring it up. Now this forms a Joint House and Senate Child Care Study Commission to consider
different roles, structure and policies and what the legislative involvement should be. We know that there should be rules and regulations for foster homes, ...we know that there are certain institutions and requirements that we should have. I urge you to vote 'aye' on SJR 16. The Child Care Study Commission.'

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Joint Resolution 16 be adopted. Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Representative Lucco. Representative Lucco, 'aye'. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 107 'aye' and 4 'no'; and the House does adopt Senate Joint Resolution 16. Anything on motions? Representative Peters, do you want 2979 called? You seek recognition, Representative Barnes? Representative Barnes, 'aye'. Representative Bowman, do you want your Resolution called?

Where are we? 72, House Joint Resolution 72. House Joint Resolution 72, Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Joint Resolution 72 provides that we establish a joint House Senate Committee to be made up of Members of the Appropriations and Revenue Committees.....and a few Members at large for the purpose of....reviewing the Auditor General's Report on long-term debt.

The long-term debt in the state has really skyrocketed in the last several years and I think that it's....I agree with the conclusion of the Auditor General's Report, it's high time we take a look at this as the Legislative Body and decide ...how we should set....

establish our procedures for reviewing additional requests for long-term indebtedness. And I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madigan."

Madigan: "A question of the Sponsor."

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Madigan: "Mr. Bowman, which governmental units would be examined by this division?"

Bowman: "Well, the units...the units would not be examined, the Auditor General's Report would be examined."

Madigan: "Which units of government are treated by the Auditor General's
Report?
Bowman: "As I ... as I recall is the comprehensive report touching on all aspects of state government."

Madigan: "Does it include local governmental bodies?"

Bowman: "Oh, no, I'm sorry. State only."

Madigan: "State?"

Bowman: "Yes."

Speaker Redmond: "Any further discussion? The question is, shall the House adopt House Joint Resolution 72? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 103 'aye' and 9 'no'; and the House does adopt Joint Resolution 72. House Joint Resolution 77, Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Joint Resolution 77 proposes a Joint Senate House Committee to study the legislative budget procedure and report back to the...in January, to the 81st General Assembly, with recommendations. Hopefully, for an agreed package of reforms that can be made in the process. I'd ask for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall the House adopt House Joint Resolution 77? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 107 'aye', 4 'no'. The House does adopt House Joint Resolution 77. Representative Peggy Smith Martin, do you want to call House Resolution 86? Representative Ryan, do you want to call the motion with respect to Senate Bill 1332? House Bills, Third Reading. House Bills, Third Reading, appears House Bill 400. Representative Skinner. Out of the record, request of the Sponsor. 634, Representative Laurino. Out of the record. 1238, Representative E. M. Barnes. Out of the record. 1969, Representative Giglio. 2447, Representative Mahar. Out of the record...request of the Sponsor. 2490, Representative Griesheimer. 2490, Representative Griesheimer."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2490, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Game Code, Third Reading of the Bill."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Griesheimer."

Griesheimer: "Mr. Speaker, House Bill 2490 is essentially the same Bill that was processed through this House last year - passed the House, went over to the Senate - to modify the licensing of hunting licenses in the State of Illinois. To bring them more in line with the cost necessary to maintain and improve hunting in the State of Illinois. This Bill and the companion Bill for fishing licenses has been endorsed by every major wildlife hunting and fishing organization in the State of Illinois...has also been endorsed by the Department of Conservation. I believe it's long overdue. It'd be the first time there's been any increase in this license in 20 years. It's very restricted. All it does is increase the hunting license from 3 to 7 dollars. I would urge its passage."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? Representative Byers."

Byers: "Mr. Speaker....This is a fairly controversial issue and we are raising the hunting and licensing fees. There's a number of people from my district that have written to me that are concerned about this that are hunters and fishermen that are opposed to it. I think possibly that maybe some things in life should be of very little cost and maybe a hunting and fishing license should be one of those things that the people of the State of Illinois could enjoy at a...at a very little cost. And perhaps the state could subside it in some other manner. So I would reluctantly arise to oppose this fee increase for hunting and fishing."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Schlickman."

Schlickman: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Schlickman: "This increase would go into the Game and Fish Fund?"

Griesheimer: "That is correct. Every penny raised is earmarked strictly for the improvement of hunting and fishing in the State of Illinois. All the money goes into the Fish and Game Fund, earmarked only for that purpose."

Schlickman: "Can you tell me what the balance was in the Game and Fish Fund for fiscal year 1977? June 30, 1977."
Griesheimer: "I cannot give you that figure off the top of my head, no."

Schlickman: "Well...don't you think before increasing a fee...we should know what the balance is like in that account, to determine whether or not an increase is necessary?"

Griesheimer: "I can give you that information, if I knew when this Bill was going to be called. The problem is, you don't know when the Bills are called and thus you don't have that information as it's coming up in each individual instance. I would point this out - the State of Illinois, over the last ten or fifteen years, by any person that does any hunting or fishing - and I don't know if you are either a hunter or a fisherman - is well known as one of the..."

Schlickman: "Neither."

Griesheimer: "All right. Well then you can appreciate the fact, from me telling you, that we're one of the poorest states in the development of increased and improved hunting and fishing; and, thus, we are driving a good deal of tourism away from our state. All of...all this particular Bill provides is that we will have additional money in the Fish and Game Fund and I assure you there is no excess money in the Fish and Game Fund. It's true that all of it isn't depleted at any one time but you have to remember that it comes in sporadically as licenses are sold. It does not come in in one lump sum as you might get from income tax. Thus, they have to accumulate so much money and then invest it either in pheasants or in deeryarding or in fish or in...for instance, right now, the thing that they are pressing for is the development of a fish hatchery on a pay as you go basis through this licensing means of developing revenue. So it's entirely legitimate. ...I'm...I'm sorry that I cannot give you the figures for the exact balance of the Fish and Game Fund; but I assure you that there is no wealth or reservoir of money lying around that has not been properly used as needed for the purpose of developing fish and game in the State of Illinois."

Schlickman: "May I proceed, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Schlickman: "Well, all I can say is...that a few years ago I was concerned
about the effective utilization of the Game and Fish Fund. And for a number of years, consecutive years, there was at the end of each fiscal year a substantial, unexpended, unappropriated balance in the Fish and Game Fund. And I don't think, I know I can't and I don't think others can vote intelligently on this raising of a fee, which in effect is increasing taxes, without first knowing what the status of that account is; and also being advised as to what the appropriation from that account will be for the next fiscal year. Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Stuffle."

Stuffle: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield to a question?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Stuffle: "Representative Griesheimer, I thought I heard you say that there was only one fee increase in the Bill; but as I read the Synopsis there appears to be several increases by way of House Amendment #1. Is that still the case?"

Griesheimer: "There are not several, there are two fees which are connected and are interlocking. One has to do with the general hunting license and the other one has to do with using state facilities for hunting. They're both interlocking for hunting and have to do with the sole subject of hunting. So that in effect you would pay two fees if you use state facilities, if you do not use state facilities, there would only be one increase."

Stuffle: "This particular Bill is a companion to the next Bill, I understand. What increases ... do the increases in the second Bill work hand in hand with the first, or are they all fishing fees... in the second?"

Griesheimer: "All... All of the fees in the other Bill are strictly fishing fees. There is but one fee increase in the fishing fee. There is... there is one small you might want to draw, we do have a combined sportsman license whereby you could buy a hunting and a fishing license for a combined fee... at a figure lower than what each one of them would cost if purchased individually, if that's what you're talking about."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Wolf."

Wolf: "Would the Sponsor yield for a question?"
Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Wolf: "Representative Griesheimer, are we on 2490 and 2491 both?"

Griesheimer: "No, I don't believe so. The Speaker just called 2490."

Speaker Redmond: "No. You didn't ask leave to have them considered together. So we're only on 2490."

Wolf: "Oh. I would hold my question for the next Bill, then."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Kosinski."

Kosinski: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I've been a hunter and a fisherman for a great number of years. I also enjoy the relationship...the friendly relationship with a great number of hunters in Cook County. Contrary to the expression of my seatmate, Harold Byers, I have found my hunting friends in accordance with this increase. They feel, after twenty years with a spiral of inflation like we've not enjoyed, that it's about time facilities be open to them, that costs be absorbed and without touching the General Revenue Fund. They are with this increase in the main, those to whom I have spoken. They understand the facts of life and they think...after twenty years...it's about time. I concur with Mr. Griesheimer's effort."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ewing. .....Ewing."

Ewing: "Mr. Speaker, I wonder if the Sponsor would yield...to a question?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Ewing: "Representative Griesheimer, what effect does this have on senior citizens? Maybe you answered that. If you did I missed it."

Griesheimer: "No I haven't answered that question, I did last year. This has absolutely no effect upon senior citizens or on children who are presently exempt from licenses. It does not impose any new licensing requiring...requirement on them. They can still hunt and fish in the same manner as they can today."

Ewing: "Mr. Speaker, I would like to speak to this Bill. ..... I'm a Co-sponsor of the Bill and I asked the question so that we could bring out the fact that this Bill does not disadvantage those people in our society who can least afford to pay for the privilege of hunting and fishing. But those who do hunt and fish know that we need more money to have the proper facilities in this state. I
come from one of the former best hunting counties in the State of Illinois, as far as pheasants. But because of certain problems with the climate, and because of lack of funds to stock our area, we no longer have good pheasant hunting in Livingston County. I think this Bill is good for the State of Illinois. It's fiscally responsible. It is good for the hunters. I would hope that it would be passed overwhelmingly."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Brummer."

Brummer: "Yes. I'd like to speak briefly in favor of this Bill and the following Bill. I'm from one of the most rural districts in the State of Illinois...we have numerous hunters and fishermen. I both hunt and fish. You know it has been said at times that the only fair tax is the tax that taxes someone else. Well, my experience in talking to the hunters and the fishermen in my district is that they are in unanimous agreement in support of increasing the fees for both hunting and fishing licenses. They realize the need and the necessity of this. They realize what inflation has done to the existing fee schedule and they, in my experience, unanimously support this. I would urge everyone to vote 'aye' with regard to both of these Bills."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Neff."

Neff: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am in full support of this legislation. I too have talked to many hunters and have had many letters in respect to this legislation. And most all of the hunters and the people...er...the sportsmen and so forth are strongly in favor of raising the fees so that we can restock some of our game we have in Illinois as they know this will make better hunting. And the fees...it's been years, I believe someone said twenty years, since the fees on hunting have been increased. And therefore, I personally would solicit.....the support of all of the Members."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lucco."

Lucco: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. We have some visitors with us today; seventh graders from the Wacker School, in the 28th District. They are ably represented by Emil Jones, Meyer and Dan Houlihan. They are in the rear balcony.
Glad to have you here."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Yourell."

Yourell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise in support of House Bill 2490 and 2491. The State of Illinois and Lake Michigan in particular, enjoy the greatest sport fishing industry...that's ever been developed inland outside of any ocean area in the United States. There will be stocked in Lake Michigan, this year, 50 million fish, salmon and trout. The State of Illinois has been running far behind the other states in the stocking program and I understand that a part of this increased fee will go to the warm and the cold water hatchery that is presently being talked about in the State of Illinois. When we first talked about the hatchery, some five or six years ago, the total cost of that project was 3 million dollars. Today that has risen because of inflation and the failure of the Department to act, to 18 million dollars. The money has to come from somewhere and when you vote for this increase in the fishing and hunting license fees you're putting part of that money into the development of those hatcheries in central Illinois. Now you may think that this Bill is only good for those who enjoy fishing and hunting. Well that simply is not the case. This Bill is good for the entire fishing and hunting industry. Those who sell the equipment, those who sell the boats, those who sell all of those items that are related to these two sports. And when you vote for this Bill you will be helping industry in Illinois as well as the sport fisherman and the hunters who enjoy that very great sport. I urge a 'yes' vote on House Bill 2490 and 2491."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mulcahey."

Mulcahey: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Mulcahey: "Representative Griesheimer, has the Department of Conservation set, as of yet, any sort of a plan or a format as to where these additional funds will be distributed - that is geographically?"

Griesheimer: "The geographies of the matter has not been precisely set out by the Department of Conservation. Because why - they could have done it that way and why they didn't I don't know. They did
present it from the standpoint of utilization. And they have come out very precisely where the additional funds will be utilized and I'd like to just run through those with you so you know what we're talking about. In the area of just general improved hunting there will be 255 thousand dollars of this put into the general improvement of hunting; which means stocking and feeding and that sort of thing. In the renovation of existing game facilities there'll be 125 thousand dollars used there. For the equipment of two additional roadside seeding crews, this is for planting pheasants. As you can see this applies throughout the State of Illinois, 125 thousand dollars. They're going to have six new wildlife managers, which will be throughout the State of Illinois, as I understand it, for the sum total of 200 thousand. There'll be other management programs established for wildlife and watershed management areas. And then they get into the fisheries area, the conservation officer program, et cetera. Each one of these have been earmarked. Now, insofar as asking the question, I believe Representative Polk contacted me earlier because of a constituent inquiry. Where is this going to be utilized? I am advised that it will be utilized on a state-wide basis...and that no particular area of the state will benefit any more significantly than any other area of the State. But please keep in mind that you cannot promise for instance, to have coho fishing in Cairo any more than you could promise to have goose hunting in Lake County. There would be no point in doing that sort of thing so we cannot lock them in on a basis that everyone must have equal opportunity to a particular program. They may only develop a program where the habitat will allow it. If you have had pheasant hunting and need it improved, this money can be used to improve your pheasant hunting. But if you have a habitat where you cannot perpetuate pheasants there's no way that you can get an equal amount of money for the establishment of pheasants."

Mulcahey: "And this is all going to be determined by the Department of Conservation; the expenditure of these additional funds, for these projects?"
Griesheimer: "Yes, the Department of Conservation is the statutory body that handles all of these funds."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mautino."

Mautino: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Mautino: "Representative, is it the intention of the Department of Conservation to increase the available sites for hunting, in the State of Illinois, with this Bill? There's a concern of those in central Illinois that they do not have the available facilities for hunting throughout central Illinois. Is it the intention that additional areas will be opened up, where state areas will be used for hunting purposes?"

Griesheimer: "In my discussions with the Department they have assured me that part of this money will be used to expand existing facilities."

Mautino: "Expand existing facilities?"

Griesheimer: "Well, all right, and also develop some new areas as well."

Mautino: "With the amount of land that they have purchased over the last five or six years, the State of Illinois I'm talking about, is there any program or plan for turning those areas into areas for the outdoor sportsman in the State of Illinois?"

Griesheimer: "I could merely say 'yes'. These programs have been developed over a long period of time and its specifics are available from the Department of Conservation. I...I can't tell you specifically where, at the present time, but nonetheless they have spoken to that, Sir. You see, until they have the money, they are not even in a position to delve into any of these new areas."

Mautino: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ebbesen."

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

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall the main question be put? Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, the motion carries, Representative Griesheimer to close."

Griesheimer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the present Bill that you are considering, House Bill 2490, will increase the hunting license, in the State of Illinois, from three
dollars to seven dollars. Please...please understand that in the last 20 years, since this license was last affected, that does not even represent the increase that was (tape trouble) the cost for a box of shotgun shells in the State of Illinois. We need this very badly. It'll go into an earmarked fund. It'll be a user fund. It is not a general tax. It will not be imposed upon every person, but only those people that wish to hunt. For your information, the Illinois Wildlife Federation, the Illinois Deer Hunter's Association, the Illinois Trapper's Association, Salmon Unlimited, Illinois Park District, Illinois Association of Goose and Duck Hunters, the Migratory Water Fowl Hunter's Association, the Citizen's Fishery Task Force Group and the Deer Task Force Association representing several hundreds of thousands of hunters and fishermen in the State of Illinois, have all unequivocally endorsed this Bill and the following Bill. I would urge your favorable consideration of this matter."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Representative ....Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 122 'aye' and 25 'no'; and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2491."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2491, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Fish Code, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Griesheimer."

Griesheimer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is in fact a companion Bill to the prior Bill. It applies only to the fishing license; Illinois having the lowest priced fishing license in the United States, at $2.25. It's obvious, in this day and age, when a lure costs at least $3. for...for a decent fishing lure; then it's ridiculous to give your state only $2.25 to attempt to manage and improve its wildlife. Illinois, at the present time, is in dire need for improved fishing facilities. The state of Michigan and other surrounding states that produce fish for us; we buy fish from them to plant in our streams, have now cut us off. Their own demand is too high to sell
to the State of Illinois. Thus one of the hopes that this additional money will produce enough for us to develop our own new fish hatchery which has been on the books for about five years now, but which there's been no money to proceed with at the present time. This money will give us the seed money to get that project started and will retire the bonds necessary to build it. Any delay would be a tragedy to the fishing enthusiasts for the State of Illinois. Adding to the comments made in the prior Bill, I would further point out that at least in the northeastern part of the state we have found that the increase in fishing has been a tremendous ...attraction to tourists throughout the midwest. That brings in tax dollars, not just to the sportsman, not just to the sports clubs, but to all those industries that support tourism. Those tax dollars help us run our entire state. I believe it is an appropriate increase. It only raises it to five dollars. It's still below the average in the United States; significantly below those states that are around us, except for Indiana which also has a five dollar license. I would urge the passage of this Act."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Byers."

Byers: "Mr. Speaker, we're always talking about how high everything is in Illinois. Here we have something that's the lowest in the whole United States and they want to raise it and make it as high as another state. Now, I think we're having a little bit of ... the arguments we're using here against this is wrong...and I think that Illinois should have something that is low and cheap and it might as well be a fishing license that everybody can enjoy. I would urge a 'no' vote on this."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Waddell."

Waddell: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the previous speaker was wrong again because this is endorsed by the Izak Walton League of America and the State of Illinois. They don't mind paying for their fishing license as long as they get something in return. They can't get something in return if we can't stock. This whole situation rests on the stocking. We have bought fish and fingerlings from Michigan and from the other states, we've got to self-
sustain ourselves. We can only do it with this. The people that
like fishing are the ones that are for this measure. I urge an
'aye' vote."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Dunn."

Dunn: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I
would just like to add my support to those of the others for this
Bill. This is one of the things that the government does best. This
is an increase in fees to provide additional facilities for those
who would benefit directly from the increase. The fishermen are
going to pay for the increase necessary to provide the cold water
hatchery to provide the kind of fishing that we want and deserve
in this state, so that we won't have to go to Missouri and Michigan
and Wisconsin to do our fishing; we can stay right here at home
and do it. It'll be good for our economy all across the state. It'll
be good for the enjoyment of the people of the State of Illinois.
It is not a tax, it is a cost, a license fee for those who want to
fish. Those who don't want to fish, of course, don't have to. I
support this Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ebbesen."

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

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall the main question be put? Those
in favor say 'aye', 'aye'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it; the
motion carries. Representative Griesheimer to close."

Griesheimer: "Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the opportunity of closing on this
matter. I do believe that Representative Wolf had previously risen
and requested an opportunity to speak on this issue. ...I know he
has got a keen interest in this matter. Maybe he can do it..."

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

Ebbesen: "I'll withdraw my motion."

Speaker Redmond: "The motion is withdrawn. Well, it's already been carried,
Representative Ebbesen. We'll call on him to explain his vote.
He doesn't want to talk."

Griesheimer: "All right. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The same group that
I itemized before are supporting this. I did not know the Izaak
Walton League was supporting these Bills, as Representative Waddell
has indicated. But these are extremely important to the fishing
industry. One of the previous speakers made the comment that in Illinois fishing is low and cheap, and unfortunately that's correct, it's low and cheap. We've got terrible fishing in this state and it's cheap and it's not taken good care of. The reason is that we don't have the money to do it. It does not stand to reason that the State of Illinois, who is attempting to attract more and more people here from a tourism standpoint, should have low and cheap anything. We should have reasonably priced services and good results for the people that are using them. Raising our fishing license from two to five dollars will not break any fisherman and understand this is not a tax, this is a user fee. I was advised by the Department of Conservation that at the present time we are only able to supply and grow six percent of our fish demands in this state; the rest have to be bought outside of the state. So the comments of Representative Yourell are certainly correct, this money will go to help us build a fish hatchery in the State of Illinois and we can get on with the business of developing our wildlife as we should. I would urge a 'yes' vote on this particular Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Representative Wolf, to explain his vote."

Wolf: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker...Members of the House. I really rise in support of this measure because I think it's long overdue and much needed. I do have a couple of short questions...possibly. The Sponsor could just nod. I know, last year, they said they need at least seven dollars to construct the hatchery. Are we going to be guaranteed that they will begin work on the new cold water hatchery? Mr. Griesheimer, could you kind of just nod? Because I know there is not enough money in this Bill to do that and I hope that they will definitely start on it and get that thing under construction. But I would urge everybody to support this measure. I know I took a poll in my own district; it was overwhelmingly in favor of, by the people. I talked to many fishermen and other sportsmen throughout the state and they are all for it, providing the money will be
used to improve the fishing conditions in the State of Illinois."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record.
On this question there's 127 'aye', 23 'no'; and the Bill having
received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed.
2540, Representative Griesheimer."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2540, a Bill for an Act making an appropriation
to the Department of Transportation, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Griesheimer."

Griesheimer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House,
I apologize to the Membership...I don't mean to be monopolizing the
microphone at the present time. The Bills just happen to fall in
this particular order. The present Bill is a matter of near and
dear business to the hearts of all of us in Lake County and hope-
fully in northeastern Illinois. As you know, I've been working for
the last four and a half years to develop the money necessary for
the increase of the Waukegan Harbor. Waukegan Harbor is no longer
a matter of local interest or even county interest in northeastern
Illinois. It's probably best known as the salmon capital of the
United States; with more salmon being taken out of that port than
any other port presently known by any of the salmon fishermen. The
port has been highly overtaxed in the last few years because of
the fact of the great number of fishermen coming in its meager
facilities. The State of Illinois has never put more than about
60 thousand dollars into this harbor; which was used for launching
ramps, and that was only done periodically about three to five years.
The present appropriation is in the Governor's Budget. It calls for
4 million dollars to triple the size of Waukegan Harbor. I don't
want to make any promises by this but I have been assured by a number
of people that if Waukegan finally gets its long overdue harbor, that
I would certainly....I would certainly think that we would enjoy
seeing you up there again to utilize these facilities. They are
for all of the people of the State of Illinois and they are a
tremendous recreational opportunity for the entire midwest. I
would urge your 'yes' vote on this."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Matijevich. Representative Ewell. You're all..."
Caldwell. Carmisa. Proceed, Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think many of you who are here remember the debate that we had on this last year. And I think it is right and proper that Representative Griesheimer be the Chief Sponsor of this Bill to provide the expansion of the Waukegan Harbor - it's needed. Right now the Mayor of Waukegan has got a contest going on with the city, in Washington, wherein he believes that Waukegan is the coho capital of the world. But I want to say that if there is anything that Representative Griesheimer did wrong, it is in following the instruction and the advice of his Governor, because Representative Griesheimer really should have been the Chief Sponsor of this Bill last year. That's when we really should have had the funds for the Waukegan Harbor and we would have been on our way. I want to add also that last year when this Bill was passed and Senator Morris and myself carried it through the General Assembly, that the Governor vetoed it. One of the things he said is that we shouldn't pay for this out of bonds. Yet, I have noticed that the original Bill was amended and is again going to be paid out of CDB monies. I think that what we're saying is that we were right last year. The Governor put this, I understand, in the budget under General Revenue Funds. He too, now, is changing his mind and is putting it in the bond money. I hope that doesn't mean that the people in Waukegan are going to have to wait longer or the people in the State of Illinois are going to wait longer. We often know what happens to the programs that are out of CDB monies, but I want to say here, now...this is much needed. We've waited too long...that the fishing industry in and around Lake Michigan, by Waukegan, that serve so many people in the State of Illinois, needs this expansion. We need it badly. I wish that Griesheimer....Representative Griesheimer didn't follow the lead of his Governor, we'd have been on our way; but we've waited long enough. Let's vote for this Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Geo-Karis."

Geo-Karis: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, although I voted for the Bill the last year....because I know they need the
Waukegan Harbor...we realized after that ... we didn't have enough funds...and the Governor was absolutely right. Now, this year he has made every effort to make the funds available. And even if it is in the Capital Development Bonds, they are necessary funds because even the Business and Economic Development Commission which came into Waukegan and reviewed the Harbor and its needs for expansion and improvements - unanimously voted, Tuesday, to support the expenditure of these funds for the improvement and expansion of Waukegan Harbor.

It certainly is necessary. It will provide jobs. It will help the industries there and help people who want to use the Harbor. And I certainly heartily concur in supporting this Bill, but I hate to see Governor Thompson blamed for something he shouldn't be blamed for simply for political expediency."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Tipsword."

Tipsword: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen, I don't live in the district, as all of those who have spoken before, but I would like to rise in support of this Bill. In spite of the fact that I've just been hearing on the last Bill and was convinced that fishing was poor in Illinois, and I hear that this is the best fishing port and brings in more salmon than any other port on the Great Lakes. And in spite of the fact that I also would like to urge everybody to try to have a good clean record with the conservative union, and not have a lot....extensive appropriation this year. But, nevertheless, this is an excellent Bill and should have been passed last year and should have been signed by the Governor - last year - and it was not. Representative Matijevich is absolutely correct. The Commission for Economic Development in the State of Illinois has examined ...into this question, at the request of the Legislators in that...in the district in which this Harbor is located. That Commission has come out in its report strongly in favor of passing this appropriation and in providing the help that is sorely needed to this Harbor; not only for the good of the Harbor and that area but for the State of Illinois, in general. And I would certainly urge everyone to support this appropriation."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Griesheimer to close."
Griesheimer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.

This Bill is...true, truly in fact...important for the entire State of Illinois. I think the best evidence of this is to sit down and talk to Roscoe Cunningham. A man who said to me when I first told him I was from Waukegan 'What part of Wisconsin is that - from?' He's also the same man - when I said why don't you come up and fish, he wanted to know what size our bluegills were. Well Roscoe and his wife came up to Waukegan, utilized our Harbor, and if I recall correctly, Mrs. Cunningham caught the biggest coho that was caught that day, up there. A fish that was almost ten pounds. We have a tremendous ability to develop an attraction for tourism and also an attraction for our own state residents. This 4 million dollars will vastly increase this natural facility. Something that we should have done many years ago. I would appreciate your support. Thank you in advance for it."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye' and opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Representative Madison."

Madison: "Mr. Speaker, in explaining my 'aye' vote, I'd just like to remind Representative Griesheimer that Mrs. Cunningham caught the biggest coho several years ago, when she married Roscoe."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Yourrell says that was a schnook (sic)."

Yourrell: "No, that was a 'cowillskey' (sic), that's a cross between a coho, a walleye and...what is it? ...Muskie!"

Speaker Redmond: "The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 136 'aye' and 12 'no'; and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2568. Representative Hanahan."

Hanahan: "Mr. Speaker, point of order. I noticed on my desk as I came in today, a letter from the Majority Whip, Gerald Bradley - and I think it would behoove the Gentleman to respect Rule 55(1), and not distribute literature on the floor of the House. ...And I refrain from doing it and I wish that all other Members would refrain from putting out literature on the desks...through the floor of the House. If he wants to mail me a letter, it's fine, but...you know..."
concerning any issue in his district that's one thing...but not to put it on my desk."

Speaker Redmond: "Please don't put any mail on Representative Hanahan's desk after this. Representative Lucco."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2568, a Bill for an Act...."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Hanahan, does Representative Collins have permission to get one of those? He said he hasn't got one. Go ahead, Representative Lucco."

Clerk O'Brien: "...a Bill for an Act authorizing the Capital Development Board to grant a sewer easement, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lucco."

Lucco: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker ...and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, before I get to the Bill, which is of great importance to me, I would like to introduce some students from the Dalzell Grade Schools, with their Principal, George Robinson. They are from the 37th District; which is represented by Mautino, Ebbesen and Schuneman. Glad to have you here."

Speaker Redmond: "2568, Representative Lucco."

Lucco: "Yes, Sir. House Bill 2568 is a Bill which authorizes the Capital Development Board to grant a sewer easement through a school property in Collinsville, District #10. The Mound Public Water District has received a federal local funds for the installation of a sewer system and part of this sewer system runs through the property of the school. This sewer system will affect 600 homes and of course it is very important that they be granted this easement. So I ask your support for this."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 135 'aye' and no 'nay', and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2582, Representative James Taylor. Representative Flinn, will you please be seated?"

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2582, a Bill for an Act to make an appropriation to the Court of Claims, Third Reading of the Bill."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Taylor."

Taylor: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 2582 is a Court of Claims Bill, appropriating 15 thousand dollars to the Court of Claims for reporters...that...court reporters required by the Crime Victim's Compensation Act. There is an Amendment on there asking for 62 thousand dollars and, Mr. Speaker, I move for the adoption of House Bill 2582."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Telcsar."

Telcsar: "Mr. Speaker, I wonder if the Gentleman would explain to the Members what the two thousand dollars...what the Amendment is that was adopted...the 68 thousand dollars?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative James Taylor."

Taylor: "He's not correct in the figures. It's 62 thousand dollars and that's for the Medley Movers for awards that was made by the Public Aid Department that he has not been paid for...it. And I am trying to seek his pay...his aims, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. Representative Taylor."

Taylor: "One moment, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative James Taylor."

Taylor: "Mr. Speaker, I request a poll of the absentees."

Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman has requested a poll of the absentees, Mr. Clerk. Representative McMaster."

McMaster: "Mr. Speaker, I hit the wrong button. Will you change my green vote to a 'present' vote or else open the switches so we can revote?"

Speaker Redmond: "Change Representative McMaster from green to red... 'Present', is that what you wanted? From 'aye' to 'present'. Poll the absentees."

Clerk O'Brien: "Bartulis, Beatty, ...

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Beatty votes 'aye'."

Clerk O'Brien: "Bluthardt, Campbell, Conti, Jack Davis, John Dunn, Dyer, Ewell, Friedland, Friedrich, ..."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ewell, 'aye'."


Speaker Redmond: "Representative Kane, 'no'."

Clerk O'Brien: "Kucharski, Laurino, Levin, Madison, Meyer, Molloy, Mudd, O'Brien, Peters, Satterthwaite, Schneider, Stearney, Steczo, ..."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madison, 'aye'."

Clerk O'Brien: "No further absentees."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Steczo, 'aye'. What's the count, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk O'Brien: "91 'aye'."

Speaker Redmond: "91 'aye', 53 'no'. Representative Schlickman has requested a verification of the Affirmative Roll Call. Mr. Clerk, call the Affirmative Roll...Call. Representative Schlickman.

Schlickman: "Would you please have the Membership in their seats and ask them to raise their hands when their names are called, please?"

Speaker Redmond: "According to the rules, the Members must be in their seats. When your name is called, will you please raise your hand? Proceed with the verification of the Affirmative Roll Call."


Speaker Redmond: "Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "How am I recorded, Sir?"

Speaker Redmond: "How is the Gentleman recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "The Gentleman is recorded as voting 'no'."

Bowman: "For my good friend, Jim Taylor, vote me 'aye'."

Speaker Redmond: "Record the Gentleman as 'aye'. What is the count now?
   Representative McAuliffe. McAuliffe, 'aye'. Representative Geo-Karis. Representative Geo-Karis desires to be recorded as 'aye'.
   Representative Laurino."

Laurino: "Record me as 'aye', please."

Speaker Redmond: "Record him as 'aye'. Any questions of the Affirmative Roll Call? Representative Murphy."

Murphy: "Change my 'no', to 'aye'."

Speaker Redmond: "Change Representative Murphy from 'no', to 'aye'. Any questions of the Affirmative Roll Call? Representative Schlickman."

Schlickman: "What is the count now, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Redmond: "What's the count, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk O'Brien: "95 'aye'."

Speaker Redmond: "95 'aye', and 51 'no'."

Schlickman: "Representative Eugene Barnes?"

Speaker Redmond: "Barnes? He's here. Both Barnes are here."

Schlickman: "Representative Catania?"

Speaker Redmond: "She's over there talking to Mr. Katz, at Mr. Katz's seat."

Schlickman: "Representative Farley?"

Speaker Redmond: "Farley is back there in the shadows."

Schlickman: "Representative Giglio?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Giglio here? Giglio here? How is he recorded?"

Clerk O'Brien: "The Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."

Speaker Redmond: "Remove him."

Schlickman: "Representative Huff?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Huff? Is Huff here? How is he recorded?"

Clerk O'Brien: "The Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."

Speaker Redmond: "Remove him."

Schlickman: "Representative Emil Jones?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Emil Jones? How is he recorded?"

Clerk O'Brien: "The Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Redmond: "Remove him."
Schlickman: "Representative Luft?"
Speaker Redmond: "He's here."
Schlickman: "Representative Matijevich?"
Speaker Redmond: "He's here, down in front.
Schlickman: "Representative Mautino?"
Speaker Redmond: "He's here."
Schlickman: "Representative McBroom?"
Speaker Redmond: "McBroom? Is Representative McBroom here? How is he recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "The Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Redmond: "Remove him."
Schlickman: "Representative Richmond?"
Speaker Redmond: "Is Representative Richmond ... he's in his seat."
Schlickman: "Representative Shumpert? Shumpert? I see him."
Speaker Redmond: "He's here."
Schlickman: "Representative Von Boeckman?"
Speaker Redmond: "He's here."
Schlickman: "Representative Vinson?"
Speaker Redmond: "Who?"
Schlickman: "Vinson."
Speaker Redmond: "Is Representative Vinson here? How is he recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "The Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Redmond: "Remove him."
Schlickman: "I have no further questions, Mr. Speaker.....or Mr. Clerk."
Speaker Redmond: "Thank you. 90 'ayes', 51 'no'; this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed.
2597, Representative Williams. Representative Lucco."
Lucco: "Yes, Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We have, from way down in Little Egypt, a group of students from Sacred Heart School, seventh and eighth graders with their Sister Eunice, from DuQuoin. Represented of course by Representatives Richmond, Birchler and Dunn. Glad to have you here."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lucco. Lucco."
Lucco: "We have another group, the Kohn School, the eighth graders, up in
the right balcony. Their teachers are Mrs. Sanders...Mr. Sanders, Miss Smith and Miss Shannon."

Speaker Redmond: "2597, Representative Williams."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2597, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code, Third Reading of the Bill."
Speaker Redmond: "Williams."

Williams: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.

House Bill 2597 is actually intended to allow operation of separate regular bus routes when they are safer, more economical and more and...actually more efficient when serving the nonpublic students. The Amendment was added, actually, as a means of giving really statutory authority to continue a practice which has already...you know, existed. It was ruled emergency on April 21st, it passed Elementary and Secondary Education by a unanimous vote of 22 to nothing. It is identical to House Bill 2671, where all of the questions were answered. It passed the House here just about ten days ago, by a vote of 157 to 4. It has support from schools throughout DuPage County, northwest Cook, as well as all of the schools in the 5th District and the southwest...the Cook... It is supported now by the Illinois Office of Education and the Governor's Office. I would ask, respectfully, for your support on this Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 142 'aye' and 3 'no', and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2628, Representative Kelly."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2628, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Abortion Law, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Kelly."

Kelly: "Thank you....thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 2628 is a Bill which corrects a deficiency in the Illinois Abortion Law of 1975; which incidentally, for the most part....many portions of the 1975 law were upheld by the Federal Court recently, including fetal experimentation, informed consent
and the conscience clause. This legislation pertains to the fetal experimentation portion, which prohibits the use of a live aborted fetus for experimental purposes. It also adds a provision which says, 'To use or sell this fetus for experimental purposes, shall also be a Class I felony.' The initial law did not provide a penalty and this Bill makes that correction. I ask for your favorable support... and so does Representative Griesheimer."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Willer."

Willer: "Yes, will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Willer: "Does this only deal with live ... you are talking about live, I don't see it in the Synopsis, it just says fetus. Are you talking about....."

Kelly: "Yes. It is a live, aborted fetus, which is used for scientific research reasons."

Willer: "No. I'm going... what I'm trying to get at is ... would this cover all spontaneous abortions too?"

Kelly: "It would include all types of aborted fetuses that are aborted alive, to be used for scientific research, laboratory, any kind of experimental purposes, other than to preserve the life and protect the life of the premature infant aborted alive."

Willer: "Well, what I'm trying to get at, Representative Kelly, is... say a woman has a spontaneous abortion, the fetus happens to live for... whatever, an hour or so; but then dies. Would your Bill cover that situation?"

Kelly: "If that aborted fetus was used when it was alive, it would be under the penalty. If it was used after it was dead, it would not be used under this law."

Willer: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Would the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Bowman: "Representative Kelly, would surgical procedures designed to save the life of premature... prematurely born infants be considered scientific experimentation... under the language of this Bill?"
Kelly: "Yes, if an aborted fetus is ...is used for experimental purposes, and it is alive, even if it for research or scientific reasons, it still would be against the law in the State of Illinois. ...It is currently and it was upheld by the Supreme Court, that a state could make that determination."

Bowman: "Mr. Speaker, if I may address myself to the Bill...then."

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Bowman: "I am going to oppose this Bill on ...on...really on one ground. I'm not for...you know...indiscriminate experimentation, but it seems to me that surgical procedures for saving the life of prematurely born infants are not that highly developed that we really need...that we really know everything that we really need to know about them. I can easily imagine a situation in which the ...a spontaneous abortion would occur and that in order to save the life of this particular fetus that they would have to undertake a new or novel kind of surgery, which by its nature could be...considered to be ...experimentation, but the intent, in that case would be to save the life of the fetus. I think if the Bill had an intent clause in it that it would be more acceptable. I....In its present form though I must reluctantly oppose this."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Getty."

Getty: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Getty: "Dick, I don't think that you answered Representative Bowman's question accurately. At least I hope you didn't. You mean that if my wife were to have a spontaneous abortion, that a doctor couldn't try to save the life of the fetus?"

Kelly: "Representative Getty, I'd like to answer you and Representative Bowman and Representative Willer...that I am not addressing the question of whether or not a doctor or an aborted fetus or a mother...this legislation does not address that issue. That issue was addressed in 1975, when the law was adopted. My Bill calls for a penalty, which was missing from a '75 abortion law and that is all. It adds one other term, 'to use or sell'. I am not addressing that issue, that was addressed and passed favorably upon by the '75
General Assembly. And that does not pertain to this legislation in one iota."

Getty: "Well, I thought I understood you to say that if the doctor tried to save the life of the prematurely born fetus that under this Act he would be guilty of a Class I felony. Is that right?"

Kelly: "Well, if you want to... if you or any other Representative want to discuss what the 1975 law does, I would be very happy to go into detail on it; but that doesn't pertain to this legislation. In my... if... I don't think... I don't know if I have leave of the House to go into detail on an explanation of that issue, I'd be glad to. Briefly, I'll just mention, in my opinion you can not use an aborted fetus whether it was an accidental abortion or whatever you want to call it, for any type of research, scientific — just as it reads in the law — reason; only to preserve the life and health of the infant which is aborted alive. I think that is very self-explanatory. And I would say you can't use an aborted fetus regardless of what the circumstances are."

Getty: "Well, what you just appeared to read — said, that you could if the purpose was to save the life."

Kelly: "Only... only if it was to save the life. Yes. Sure."

Getty: "Well, that's fine, then. What you answered Representative Bowman was that you couldn't try to save the life. And I didn't think you wanted to say that."

Kelly: "I appreciate your... you're certainly right, Representative Getty."

Getty: "So in closing you would say that very clearly that a doctor still would be able to save a life?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Would the Gentleman yield to one question?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Matijevich: "Representative Kelly, I'm sure you feel like I do, and your Bill is limited to, as I read it, to scientific research, laboratory, or other kind of experimentation. I wanted to add one more thing, it was in the 79th General Assembly, I was walking by one of the Representatives offices and he called me in and he showed me a
catalogue wherein they advertised 'for sale', fetuses. I couldn't find anything that can turn somebody's stomach more than that. It really isn't...wasn't for the sale for research, laboratory or experimentation, just for decorative purposes. I remember that Representative and myself felt we ought to do something legislatively and then we thought that maybe just by a...putting a Bill or something we would just add more impetus to more sales so we did nothing. But as long as there is such legislation that you have here and I know you feel like I do about the subject matter, could you add language for example, I know Representative Geo-Karis has a Bill - 2431 - which would prohibit the display of such fetus. We had a situation in Lake County where we had a carnival that was showing off, for display purposes, such fetuses in a sideshow. I wonder if you couldn't expand your Bill, maybe in the Senate, not only for the purposes that you have here - prohibiting - but just for decorative purposes or for display?"

Kelly: "Yes, John, I would say that that, in this particular case, what I'm doing is putting on a penalty ...onto an existing law. I really think that should be addressed under a separate piece of legislation. I am sure that in the next Session of the General Assembly, that issue or, if a Bill comes...up...that you might want to attach an Amendment onto or some other Member of the House, that can be done to correct that problem which you have pointed out. But, in this Bill it...it strictly all it does is add on a penalty. And I, at this point, don't think I should have an Amendment to change that any more than it is right now."

Matijevich: "All right."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Leinenweber. Representative Pierce.

Pierce: "Would the Gentleman yield to a question?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Pierce: "...You in any way interfere with medical school's use of cadavers for teaching medicine or for medical knowledge...teaching medical knowledge?"

Kelly: "Representative Pierce, I'll repeat again."
Pierce: "No, I want you to answer this question."
Kelly: "This Bill which is before you has got nothing to do with interfering with anything. What is doing it is adding a penalty to an existing law."

Pierce: "Does it...does it...
Kelly: "Your question..."

Pierce: "Does it penalize using cadavers for medical research?"
Kelly: "My Bill doesn't...does not do any of that."

Pierce: "All right then. If a baby is born and dies the next day, does your Bill penalize the use of that cadaver for medical research?"
Kelly: "No. This Bill does not."

Pierce: "All right. If the baby is born premature, at eight months, and dies the next day, does your Bill prohibit its use for scientific learning?"
Kelly: "Representative, I think you're going out a little bit too far on a tangent."

Pierce: "No. No. You say premature, don't you, in your Bill. What does your Bill say about premature?"
Kelly: "My Bill adds a penalty onto an existing law. And it adds the word 'or sell', so it doesn't do any...anything further than that and if you are referring to this other area, it hasn't got any...any attachment to this legislation at all. Your argument should have come up in 1975."

Pierce: "I'm not making an argument, I'm asking a question. Do you effect premature...does your Bill apply to premature babies who die a day or two or three or a week after birth?"
Kelly: "This does not apply to any...any babies that die after birth; it's a live fetus, or what you would call baby for that matter, that's used for experimental purposes. That's what the legislation reads under the 1975 law."

Pierce: "All right, then. I was just trying...I wasn't trying to make an argument, I was just trying to understand here... When you.... When you talk about premature baby, you are talking about... you are talking about one that has never been born alive, but was aborted. Is that correct?"
Kelly: "Dan, ...I...what I was doing, I was quoting the 1975 law when I used the words 'premature infant aborted alive'. This is not contained in this Bill as new language. This is existing law. So I'm not... when you heard those words, it was strictly a reference to 1975 law."

Pierce: "All right then, a child born ...an infant born alive, not aborted, who dies a day or two later is not covered by the Bill and there's no penalty and I think that is all right. That's what we're trying to get at."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Representative Kelly to close. Skinner"

Kelly: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I would just ask for your support of House Bill 2628. All it does is add a penalty to an existing law which says that you cannot use a live fetus for experimental purposes. That is the existing law. This makes it a Class I felony; to use or sell the fetus for that purpose. I ask for your favorable support."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Laurino 'aye'. The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 130 'aye' and 14 'no'; the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. Former House Member on the floor of the House, Senator Donnewald. Former House Member. 2648. Anybody remember Donnewald? 2648. Representative Byers remembers Donnewald. 2648."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2648, a Bill for an Act granting the Department of Administrative Services to sell and convey certain state-owned real property, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 2648 simply directs the Director of the Department of Administrative Services to sell, at public auction a house in the City of Jacksonville, which has previously been used by the Department of Children and Family Services and which no longer is, and which they...for which they have no longer any use. The property is deteriorating and we want to get the property sold and put it back..."
on the tax roll."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 156 'aye' and no 'nay', and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. We have an emergency Bill here, 3230, Representative Abramson. Representative Yourell. Representative Madigan, for what purpose do you arise?"

Madigan: "Where is the Bill on the Calendar, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading, page 17, 3230. Somebody isn't being paid."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3230, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act making appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Industrial Commission, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Abramson."

Abramson: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 3230 makes a supplemental appropriation to the Industrial Commission to cover the amount of increase in salary that we voted on last year. We overrode the Governor's Veto on House Bill 651, but we failed to override the Reduction Veto, in the Appropriation Bill. The actual new money in the Bill . . . .provides for that salary increase. There's also a transfer from the EDP, line item, to the personnel line item, to cover some personnel on the payroll there."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 140 'aye' and 8 'no'; and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2653, Representative Polk.... (see special following pages.)
Speaker Redmond: "...2653, Representative Folk."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2653, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Farm Labor Contractor Certification Act, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ben Folk."

Polk: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, about four years ago, as a member of the Spanish Speaking Problems Commission, we introduced a series of Bills. One of them was this particular Bill which indicated that all contractors who come in from out of state should have a license or a bond which costs fifty dollars which would cover five thousand dollars in case they ran out on their employees. We found out, in the last three years, through the Department, that it has been impossible for these people to get the bonds. Earlier in the game the AFL-CIO came in and said they were going to oppose this. When they came to Committee they indicated they would not oppose it because they found out that it was true that bonds were simply not available here in the State of Illinois. As far as I know there is no opposition to it and I'd be glad to answer any questions."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? Representative Dan Houlihan."

Houlihan, D.: "I have a question for the Sponsor, if he will yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Houlihan, D.: "Why is the...the bond...unavailable? The bond is in the amount of $5,000. Is that correct?"

Polk: "That's correct."

Houlihan, D.: "What is...results in the unavailability of a surety company writing this type of a bond?"

Polk: "Most of these...most of these contractors who come in, come in from out of state. In fact, all of the contractors come in from out of state...and they are not residents of the State of Illinois. When they go to a local bonding agency and they indicate that they live in a...another state, they have no residency necessarily...the local...insurance agencies just refuse to bond them."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Greiman."

Houlihan, D.: "Just...just...just a moment, Mr. Speaker, I wasn't finished.
Couldn't we though...address this in a different format other than just removing the protection which this provision of the statute was intended for...as a protection for the migrant worker? Because that is the net effect of this, is to remove a protection built into the law some two years ago - for migrant workers - by requiring a bonding of the farm labor contractors."

Polk: "Well..."

Houlihan, D.: "Couldn't....couldn't you approach this on a different... avenue? If your problem here is that because these contractors are nonresidents of Illinois...that there should be a different provision perhaps, as far as bonding for them ...

Polk: "...We looked at..."

Houlihan, D.: ".And to eliminate the protection for the migrant worker?"

Polk: "Fine. We looked this over heartily and discussed it with the Department of Labor. In fact this is their recommendation. I'll be glad to go into it. They indicate, through their information to me, that there are enough safeguards presently existing on the Farm Labor Contract Certification Act ....to adequately deal with the employment problems that might arise between the farm workers and the crew leaders. The Illinois Minimum Wage Law and the Federal Fair Labor Standard Act already guarantee each farm worker in the state the minimum wage. And the Illinois...the Illinois Wage Payment and Collection Act provides a means for the individual farm worker to contest any wages that were illegally withheld from him. So they've indicated that it's covering it then and this was not...

Houlihan, D.: "Yeah. But weren't all of those Acts in existence two years ago when this Legislature passed this provision, that in addition to all of those protections, we were going to require a minimum five thousand dollar surety bond to be posted by the farm labor contractor? That this was going to be another protection for the migrant worker?"

Polk: "All right. The problem that exists here - that we think exists here - that they are presently covered, with the exception of having this one bond. Now, they have indicated to us that all - if there
is any reason that anyone would contest it, that they...that it's already covered. What we have a problem...and the reason this got out of Rules Committee was that we have the workers coming in this year and we have no place that the people in this state, especially in the community that I come from - where the tomatoes are grown - where they can buy...where they can get that fifty dollar bond. Realizing it only costs fifty dollars, and the farmers are willing to pay for it, if they would only get some insurance company to... ...to issue the bonds. The...the people from ...from the Department of Labor have contacted all of the agencies and believe me, the AFL-CIO, who was opposed to it originally, they made the phone calls. They could find nowhere...would anybody issue a bond. So they said they were withdrawing their...their objection because if they did not then they could not bond the contractors this year and ...and the tomatoes would rot in the field.

Houlihan, D.: "One of the Members here has asked this question. If that is the problem, as far as getting a bond, why you couldn't...the farm labor-contractor couldn't fully collateralize the bond by just posting a five thousand dollar escrow?"

Polk: "Well, I think that's the reason. You see these people are migrants themselves, who are coming in basically from Texas."

Houlihan, D.: "You are talking about the contractors?"

Polk: "That's correct. These are migrants themselves."

Houlihan, D.: "Ben, are we losing migrant workers here because of this provision? Is that what the Department of Labor is saying, why they support this Bill?"

Polk: "The reason the Department of Labor is supporting this is that we are now getting strict. We have not in the past gotten strict on some of the laws. They are now saying, 'We want to really get strict and we want to be able to enforce the laws that we have.' This is one that is unenforceable and we will not have anybody in to pick tomatoes...they will rot in the fields if we don't."

Houlihan, D.: "Well, my only comment then, Mr. Speaker, would be that I think what the Department of Labor should have done in this case was talk to the Department of Insurance as far as the availability
of these bonds, in order to fulfill what was the legislative program adopted here two years ago....for a protection for migrant workers."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Friedrich."

Friedrich: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I urge support of this Bill. What has happened, we have given the migrants so much protection that we don't have any jobs for them anymore. And you just keep getting stricter and stricter and both the Department of Labor and the Department of Agriculture said they knew of no case where this had protected a migrant from....for getting paid. And there's been no cases where migrants weren't paid. And as far as the guy putting up a five thousand dollar cash bond, how many crew leaders do you know that's got five thousand dollars cash to put up? And particularly if they have to put up five in Illinois and five in Indiana and so on. These migrant workers go through several states on their way north and if they had to put up five thousand dollars in each one they wouldn't need a job."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "Will the Gentleman yield for a question? ...Ben, isn't it possible for them to get ...a bond at the place of their residence? Can't they get a bond out of state?"

Polk: "Yes, they can."

Greiman: "Okay. So that the issue of them being unknown for bonding purposes maybe illusory. For example, if you live in Corpus Christi, Texas, ...and you bring people up here; you could get a bond in Corpus Christi, Texas. Most sureties that I know, corporate sureties have certainly national ...sales ...national sales scopes. So that the fact is that the premium which is about fifty bucks on this, could be gotten if they took the time to get it back home. Isn't that true?"

Polk: "That's absolutely correct."

Greiman: "Well, why can't we train them then to get this bond at home? I mean, apparently they have enough know-how to come to the Legislature, but not enough know-how to go to a local insurance agency. Now...I'm a little...really...nonplussed at that, frankly."

Polk: "Well, Mr. Greiman, I...I would agree with you that they have the
right and have the ability to buy it in Texas before they depart. Unfortunately they haven't done that. When they get here they get here in time to go to work and it's impossible for them to drive back to Texas and get them. What we're attempting to do is.... obviously the law says they should be able to buy them here. They're not being issued here so what we're simply going to do is have people unemployed and then they are going to be on welfare here if they are not employed."

Greiman: "Well, that's right..."

Polk: "These are people that have come in here to this community who want to work. They are not looking for welfare. These are hard working migrant workers who are looking for a job. And what we're doing in this instance is telling them that they can't work."

Greiman: "I understand that. My only point is ... My only point is that what you say is sure unquestionably true. Except that this Act became effective apparently in 1975, in September, so it missed the growing season in '75, it was present in '76, I guess it was around in '77; so it's really had a very short time for people to get knowledgeable about it, for them to get familiar with it. So we're really talking about two seasons. My guess is... if that's what your business is you'll find out what you have to do before you leave Texas, you'll get your bond and as the years go on, we'll have that extra little bit of protection for migrant workers. I would certainly vote 'no'."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Katz."

Katz: "Will the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Katz: "Do I understand that the Department of Labor is in support of your Bill? Is that correct, Mr. Polk? The Illinois Department of Labor?"

Polk: "The Illinois Department of Labor came to me and asked me if I'd introduce this Bill, that's correct."

Katz: "I'm sorry. The answer is 'yes' to my question, they are supporting the Bill?"

Polk: "That's correct."

Katz: "Thank you."
Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Representative Polk, to close."

Polk: "I think the issue has been pretty well discussed here, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen. This is a Bill that is necessary that we get it on and over to the Senate and on the Governor's desk, before the migrants arrive this year to start picking tomatoes in the area that I come from. It's extremely important. It's not one that I take lightly because I was instrumental in getting the Bill passed four years ago when I served in that Committee. I am not opposed to standing up and telling you when I made a mistake. I was the Sponsor of that legislation four years ago, I made a mistake, I'd like to have it removed from the books. I would appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Representative Byers to explain his vote."

Byers: "Well, Mr. Speaker, we heard this Bill in Agriculture Committee. It's a very simple Bill. Representative Polk has explained it very carefully and I...it should receive enough 'aye' votes to pass very easily."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wish? Representative Neff, to explain his vote."

Neff: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a good Bill. We want to understand that these growers that we're talking about here are not able to buy the bonds. I've checked with insurance companies and bonding companies and it came out in Committee that they cannot buy the bonds. They're not objecting to buying the bonds, but that just the bonds aren't available. The fact is, the only place that I can find where they can get these bonds is the Lloyd's of London of England. So, ...we've got something here, and that's the reason the Department of Labor have been favorable to this legislation because they themselves have said - the best they can find out - these growers cannot buy these bonds."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative McClain, to explain his vote."

McClain: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, I'm voting 'no'. I think it's interesting how the State of Illinois ....the State of Illinois, with this piece of legislation, is going
to remove bonding for farm contractors, wherein, the same time the Federal Government is doing things that will even tighten up the law on farm contractors. Farm contractors are not just people that walk in with white suits and white belts and black ties, you know. They do come in the communities, they get kids to work in the fields, and detassel corn and do a lot of other things and then sometimes they do split. It's not a question of always that the farm contractor is the guy that goes to church every Sunday. The protection in the law has been that in case there has been a fraud or an inequity, there is some money, there is something available to protect those kids. Those farm contractors aren't always Spanish speaking, Mexican Americans. You know they can be your next door neighbor, your best friends' kids. Those are the kids that we are trying to protect....and I'd ask you to either vote 'present' or vote 'no' until some of the points that Dan Houlihan or Mr. Greiman brought up are further clarified."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further?  Representative Marovitz."

Marovitz: "I think we ought to just make one point clear. ...One of the Representatives said previously about the fact that the farmers couldn't get the bonding authority. The fact is that the contractors who transport the migrant workers up here to do the work, to do the picking for the tomato crop, they can get the bonds. They're not making the effort. The bonds are readily available where they bring the migrant workers from. It's the obligation of these contractors. I think that's an important point to make and not just to say that the farmers can't get them, it isn't their obligation. They can be gotten by the contractors who are transporting the migrant workers up here. This is a step backward for the State of Illinois and I think it ought to be defeated."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wish?  Representative Polk."

Polk: "Well, I'd just like to clarify a few things that have been said here. I'm glad that the Representative from Quincy brought in the idea of children. It has nothing to do with children whatsoever. Also we have...we can't do anything about...and the contractor who lives here in Illinois cannot go down to Texas and buy the bonds."
These people that are coming in are coming in from Texas, they do not...if they do not purchase the bond...and they get here and they get here in time to pick the fields and if they don't have the bond...the Department of Labor...now, this year is going to say to them, 'You cannot bring your people on the grounds and start to pick the tomatoes.' Now, they presently have rooms for them, they have buildings for them, I have fought for the rights of migrants ever since I've been here. I spent four years on the Spanish Speaking Problems Commission. There have been many of us who have really been concerned about their plight. I'm so concerned about their plight that I was willing to take this up and say - here is one thing that we've got to remove that I was instrumental in putting on. It is wrong. If we do not remove this, if we do not get this in the Senate and on the Governor's desk and signed, we are going to have people coming to this community who are not going to be able to work in Illinois. We're all concerned about people who want to work. We talk about Unemployment Compensation and Workmen's Comp, we all want to see the people who don't want to work to be kicked off. Well here are people coming to our community who are willing to do stoop labor, who are willing to go out into those fields and work and what you are doing by voting 'present' or voting 'no', is not giving them an opportunity to work and your Unemployment Compensation is going to rise. I simply ask you to give a 'yes' vote and let's get this out of here."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 97 'aye' and 25 'no'. The Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2662."
Speaker Redmond: "...2662."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2662..."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lucco. Pardon me. Representative Lucco."
Lucco: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, we have a distinguished visitor seated over next to Representative Molloy, Father Joseph Hickey, Pastor of the St. Daniels Church of the 23rd District, of Chicago. Glad to have you here, Father."
Speaker Redmond: 
How about 63? Out of the record. 2685, Representative Pullen."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2685, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief Act, Third Reading of the Bill."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Pullen. Representative Kane. Representative Pullen is on the floor."
Pullen: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 2685 comes to us because we cut off the circuit breaker program last year for all previous years; and that cutoff included the year 1976. The deadline for '76 was set in law last year as December 31, 1977. Unfortunately the Department of Revenue had forms printed which stated the deadline as December 31, 1978. Many senior citizens have those forms and believe that they may still file them because of the deadline printed clearly on the forms. When they file the forms they are told they are too late. The state has made a promise that it cannot keep. This Bill will extend the deadline for the 1976 circuit breakers for that one year only, to December 31, 1978, so that we will be matching the deadline on the form; and those seniors who think they can get relief will indeed be able to get it. I urge your favorable consideration."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Willer. ...Representative Willer."
Willer: "Will the Sponsor yield?"
Speaker Redmond: "She will."
Willer: "Representative Pullen, if we extend this deadline instead of keeping the original one, how much will this cost the state?"
Pullen: "I don't have a fiscal note per se. Representative, but it is
because we are spending it for only the one year of claims, it is of relatively minor fiscal impact. This does not open the entire circuit breaker, it just does it for 1976, for one year only."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Skinner."

Skinner: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, as the one who sponsored the Bill that unfortunately cut off the application time, I would like to state unequivocally that this Bill is morally right. The Bill we passed last year was the result of a political compromise. In order to find the money available to give the benefits we had to cutoff the benefits early. Now the Governor has announced, and you'll hear me say this several times undoubtedly this year, that he found an extra 10 million dollars and he wants 7 million of it to go to education and the other 3 million is up for grabs. It doesn't have to be; we get to make the decision whether...where the money goes, not the Governor. And if you think this is more important, that is fulfilling the promise that is written in black and white in all of these applications that went out than increasing some other program, I certainly....I certainly think you should vote 'yes'.

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Levin."

Levin: "I think that Representative Pullen has an excellent Bill here. I had a situation in my district where a senior citizen - subsequent to the passage of the new law...signature in September of last year - got hold of the '76 form that said you've got an extra year to file; talked to the Chicago staff of the Department of Revenue and was told, 'don't worry', you've got until December 31st of '78. And as a result of both the written and oral representation, did not file I think this corrects a great inequity and I urge the passage of this Bill and I also intend to vote for. - I think. - the other two Bills that also deal with this situation when they come up."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 149 'aye' and one 'no'; and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. It's been called to my attention that there's another former House Member who left here and has never been
heard from since, David Shapiro. Former House Member, never been heard from since. 2695."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2695, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Income Tax Act, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Tipsword."

Tipsword: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, this Bill is to correct an inequity in the Illinois Income Tax that has been brought about by some changes in the Federal Income Tax. The inequity is this: The Federal Income Tax now allows a job...tax credit for new jobs, that an employer may create, however, in figuring his income tax the employer must add the total of his new job's credit into his federal taxable income, and then he takes it off again on the tax - as a credit against the tax - that he figures upon that total income. Consequently, here in the State of Illinois, we figure our tax upon the total taxable federal income. That, therefore, in Illinois, denies to a ...an employer, any employer, the right to deduct his total salary outlay for employees that he has, and therefore results in that taxpayer paying taxes upon salaries that he has paid to employees, in the State of Illinois, for which he gets no deduction against his total taxable income. That therefore results - by virtue of the federal law - it results in Illinois getting a windfall tax that they would not otherwise be entitled to, because always before we had this federal new-job tax credit - this total deduction of salaries paid by an employer of Illinois - came off of his federal taxes and then consequently was not taxed in the State of Illinois. This merely keeps us on exactly the same level that we have had for taxpayers in the State of Illinois heretofore, and it places Illinois employers on a par with employers in all other states. In Illinois, as a consequence of the way it has been applied, Illinois employers pay a penalty for living in the State of Illinois, and do not get the benefit of this full new-job tax credit. This Bill would simply rectify that and would give no windfall to Illinois taxpayers. It would just keep us on the same level and would still entitle Illinois to the same taxes we would have received under prior years. I urge the passage of
House Bill 2695 to remove this inequity that our tax structure places upon Illinois employers simply because of a change that has occurred in federal taxes and the manner in which certain salaries are reported upon the Federal Income Tax returns.

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Kent. Representative Ryan, will you please take your seat? Representative Kent."

Kent: "I had a fiscal note... Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would encourage you to vote 'yes' on this Bill because you see we in Illinois have many laws that keep people who are trying to increase the job market we have so much unemployment - this will help people and encourage them to have more job opportunity. When they don't get the job credit where every other state gets it, the State of Illinois has never had this money so we're not taking it away from them. This is brand-new, we are helping those people who are able to give new jobs to the people that are unemployed. I urge you to vote 'yes'."

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

Ryan: "Mr. Speaker, I see there's been a fiscal note filed. Could you tell me what the fiscal note says?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Tipsword?"

Tipsword: "Yes, I can."

Ryan: "How much?"

Tipsword: "The fiscal note indicates that... U.S. Treasury says that the job tax credit over the nation as a whole will have an annual net cost - at the federal level - of 2.5 billion dollars, after adjustments, for unclaimed credit and for wages and salaries that cannot be claimed as deductions. It says that this means that the annual gross cost of the credits and the amounts that would not be allowed as wage and salary deductions would be about 5 billion annually - nationally. Illinois employment is approximately five and a half percent of the national employment. We estimate that the effective tax rate in Illinois, on employers, to be about 3.75 percent. Thus, the estimated change in revenue, which would result from this proposal, would be about 8.3 million to 10.3 million annually. This amount would be gained if the law is not changed and foregone if the
law is changed. Making this change effective retroactively will
cost roughly twice this amount. What they are actually saying is,
we have never got this before. And if we do not change this, Illinois
would get a windfall of from 8.3 million to 10.3 million annually in
our taxes. It would also cost that much to Illinois employers who
have to compete against other employers who do get the federal tax
deductions."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ewing."

Ewing: "Mr. Speaker, in explaining my 'no' vote on this, I see that there
are many 'yes' votes up here. But I hope that we all realize
as we chip away at what we're expected to get, call it a windfall or
not to the treasury, or what we're already getting, we're coming that
much closer to increasing the income tax. All of these companies
who are going to get such a big windfall from having this exemption,
can pay the added tax along with all of the voters. Because we're
continually ....to spend more in this state all of the time and if
we don't protect our revenue we're going to have to increase taxes.
So let's all vote green now and when we increase our taxes."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record.
On this question there's 123 'aye' and 23 'no', and the Bill having
received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed.
2723, Representative Daniels."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2723, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of
the Illinois Municipal Code, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 2723
permits a Water Commission composed of two or more municipalities to
adopt a corporate name that is indicative of the area involved,
without including the name of each municipality. Those of us in the
DuPage County area find the creation of the Tree Town's Water
Commission, and if this Bill were not passed then we would have to
have the ten member municipalities listed in the title of the name.
I would ask your favorable consideration."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor
vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Representative Madigan."
Madigan: "A question of the Sponsor."

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Madigan: "Mr. Daniels, does this Bill in any way relate to the bonding authority of this Commission?"

Daniels: "It would relate to the bonding authority as it relates to the name. If the Commission did not adopt the name under current law, of the ten members, that would be: Elmhurst, Villa Park, Lombard, Bensenville, Wood Dale, Itasca, (sic) then they would not be able to issue their bonds. What we're doing here is just by limiting it to the name indicative of the area, like the Tree Town Water Commission, then they can still issue their bonds. It doesn't change anything in the current law. It just allows this Commission to adopt a name indicative of the area."

Madigan: "Does the Commission currently have bonding authority?"

Daniels: "I believe they do, but this does not address that issue."

Madigan: "Thank you."

Daniels: "It doesn't touch that at all."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 120 'aye' and no 'nay', and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. Representative Collins 'aye'. 2745."


Speaker Redmond: "Representative Brummer."

Brummer: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. This Bill amends the Illinois Municipal Code. It gives authority to any municipality with a population under 500,000 to construct or to acquire a water supply system or to improve or extend that system for purposes of serving a particular locality. Financing the project with revenue bonds payable solely from the revenue derived from the operation of the new system or improvement or extension. Currently the Illinois law provides that that can be done with sewer revenue bonds. There is no similar provision with regard to... to water revenue bonds. It passed out of Cities and Villages Committee unanimously."
Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 145 'aye', and no 'nay', and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2790."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2790, a Bill for an Act making an appropriation to the Department of Transportation, Division of Water Resources, for use at Flat Branch Drainage District, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Tipsword."

Tipsword: "Would you take that one out of the record, please, there's..."

Speaker Redmond: "How about 2792?"

Tipsword: "I'm pleased to proceed on that."

Speaker Redmond: "2792."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2792, a Bill for an Act to make an appropriation to the Fourth Judicial Circuit Public Defender Project, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Tipsword."

Tipsword: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, House Bill 2792 is enacted now, since it has been amended down by half, would provide an appropriation of 30 thousand dollars to the Public Defender project in the Fourth Judicial Circuit of the State of Illinois. The Fourth Judicial Circuit is an area of ten counties that lies just to the south and southeast of the Sangamon County area here. It extends down all into Jasper County and Marion County and...the counties down in that general area...Fayette and Effingham. What has happened in that area is that there has been an ongoing project in which the Federal Government has contributed funds for about 3 years to find out a better means of providing public defender services for criminal defendants who are indigent. What they have been doing...they have set up a circuit wide public defender project with hired public defenders spotted throughout the circuit to provide these services to the court. The court has found - and the Chief Justice of the Circuit came here to testify - that indigent defendants have been better represented and they have not
had to impose upon the rest of the bar at a rather expensive and extensive cost to the counties providing on an hourly basis to each... to those of the members of the bar who are appointed and who are ... do not perhaps really want to proceed as a public defender to provide the defender services that otherwise would be available. The counties of this circuit have provided half or more of the costs of this public defender project during all of this time. There will continue during the next fiscal year to be federal funds, but they run out at the end of March, next year. This 30 thousand dollars would replace those federal funds only for that period of three months at the end of the fiscal year. The counties would continue to contribute their share. This is to let this project finish out its fiscal year. What will happen to it from that point on is going to have to be a matter of decision not only for that circuit but maybe perhaps for the General Assembly. But I would urge that this matter might be able to be continued to complete its total fiscal year at an appropriation of 30 thousand dollars and would solicit the help of the General Assembly in that regard."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? Representative Totten."

Totten: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Tipsword: "Yes, Sir."

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Totten: "Why has, Representative Tipsword, why has this particular circuit run out of the funds?"

Tipsword: "The circuit has run out of the funds because of the federal funds...will, as of the end of March of 1979. ...they have not run out of the local funds. The local funds will still be ongoing and available up to the amount of 30 thousand dollars... during that period."

Totten: "Okay. Am I correct saying that the statutes now provide for the counties to pay for this? And that you're asking because the federal funds have run out - for whatever reason - that the state now pick up the cost... to continue this program?"

Tipsword: "Yes, Sir, that's true."

Totten: "Why has this particular circuit run out of funds and the other
circuits haven't?"

Tipsword: "This is not the same thing that has been happening in every other circuit. This has been a project that has been fostered by the...by ILEC...has been fostered by that circuit and also by...under the watchful eye of the circuits throughout the State of Illinois, to find a different means of providing public defender services and for criminal and indigent defendants in the State of Illinois...better than that which we have had. To find...to have attorneys who are interested in representing them and who do not represent them merely because they are forced by the courts to do so."

Totten: "Okay. If I could speak to the Bill, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Totten: "The practice that we're creating by...approving this appropriation I think is a dangerous one for the General Assembly to proceed on. Because the Bill does something that's unique and it would provide, for the first time, state contributions for this public defender program. If other circuits came in this could eventually cost us some 20 million dollars and we're again faced with the pro...with the case of federal funds running out and the state picking up the costs. I think this is a dangerous precedent for us to start. It could...it could cost us millions in state money in the future and if this program is going to run out of money in this district for the three months then we ought to let them run out and address the question in new Appropriation Bills in the future and look carefully at how we're spending the money. I'd urge a 'no' vote on House Bill 2792 for those reasons."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Tipsword, to close. ...Pardon me. Representative Epton."

Epton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise with great reluctance to oppose any Bills by my distinguished colleague. I certainly think that...almost without exception his Bills have merit. Unfortunately, I find that this is the...a position that I have encountered in the past when various members of the legal profession have come to the Legislature asking for funds to defray the cost of something which should be borne by the
legal profession itself. There's more than enough money within the ranks of the bench and the bar to finance this entirely. As a matter of fact I can recall several years ago when Professor Prentice Marshall, now Judge Marshall, came before the Judiciary Committee asking for an appropriation of 5 million dollars for the public defender. At that time I suggested that it would be a terrible blot on the legal profession if we allowed that Bill to pass. What I'm saying is that the Bar Association in the State of Illinois, in the City of Chicago and the various counties can assess their own members if they are not prepared - I'm talking about these great, tremendous, large, benevolent law firms who out of the goodness of their heart send in their most incompetent moron to defend the prisoner - I'm suggesting that they are not even willing to do that - and in some cases the prisoner would be better without - that at least they can afford to make some payment. Today, finally, the Supreme Court... Supreme Court has gotten off its robes and has decided that we should pay as lawyers, so much to police the profession. It's with great reluctance I suggest that it's just as well if the Supreme Court were to make a...issue a mandate making every lawyer, with a license practicing in Illinois, pay into a fund which will subsidize the very necessity for which Representative Tipsword is speaking. Certainly the need is there, but the cost should not be borne by the state it should be borne by an honorable profession. I'm sorry that I have to ask you to oppose this Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Brummer."

Brummer: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, I would wholeheartedly endorse this Bill. I live in the Fourth Circuit District, the public defender program that has been operating there has been a very successful one. The appropriation here is for a pilot project to continue that operation...and the Public Defenders' Association, the Circuit Judges' Association are for this. They are hopefully looking at this to adopt this on a state-wide basis depending on the success of this project there. It is...has been successful in its brief time of operation and ought to be continued."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Skinner."
Skinner: "Well, ...the truth is out. We're going to go to a state-wide basis next year. It's going to cost 20 million dollars next near... it's going to cost virtually nothing this year. This is one of those issues on which ... in which we should judge our priorities. If you'd rather educate kids before they get to the juvenile courts and you'd want to put the money that's available in the State Aid to Education Formula...you certainly shouldn't be voting for this Bill. I personally would rather give it to the schools than to the courts. Why don't we let Representative Tipsword's and Representative Brummer's areas pay for their own Bills rather than coming to us."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Representative Tipsword, to close."

Tipsword: "In closing I can well understand some of the arguments that have been presented against this Bill, but I would like to point out that the State Appellate Defender Program has been in strong support of this......came before the Committee and supported this appropriation even at a time when it was at the 60 thousand dollar level, which is the full funding — which is not needed for that three month period — but we need only the 30 thousand dollars. The...We have given to the Office of State Appellate Defender the authority to establish sample circuit projects in the state through legislation that we had enacted here. This is one of those sample projects...to find out...to give us a new means of providing public defender services better than that which we've experienced in the past in the State of Illinois. This has been eminently successful in the 10th Judicial Circuit...or the 4th Judicial Circuit, it has also been....the Public Defender's Office has indicated to me that it's been a great help to me or the State Appellate Defender...that it's been a great help to them because of the better defense that has been provided to them and consequently from that area has been cutting down the kind of job that they have had to do in many of the circuits throughout the State of Illinois. And finally one additional reason for this and the reason it was established in this area is that there are the two new prisons in the State of Illinois; both are to be located within this circuit. Consequently they expect that they are going to have a lot of defender services that they are going to have to perform. That's why it was..."
used there as...this area was used as the pilot project. I would
urge the appropriation of the 30 thousand dollars so this might
continue to the end of the fiscal year only. Thereafter, the
Legislature can make a full and complete determination as to whether
this kind of project should continue in the future or not. I urge
your support."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor
vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all
voted who wish? Representative Tipsword."

Tipsword: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen, I know there's a lot of
concern about these federal programs that have been funded by the
Federal Government and by various federal agencies and after about
three years they decide that they are going to drop out of the
picture. I'm just merely asking that we might provide that 30
thousand dollars to run this to the end of this fiscal year...
because the federal funds don't run through the entire fiscal
spectrum that...that most of our appropriations run through. You
can make your decision then as to whether or not this kind of
project should be continued there or anyplace else in the State of
Illinois if it is even suggested that it should so continue. I've
indicated to this circuit the...the problems that they face because
many people are very resentful of these federal programs that have
been first begun in the state and funded and then the feds ran out
and no longer provided the money. I would urge strongly that you
consider providing for just this very small amount. This is
probably the least amount of money that we've ever been asked for
in one of these federal programs...that has been federally inspired
and that the feds have stopped their funding on...after a period of
about three years. I urge that we might provide this 30 thousand
dollars just so that they can complete the fiscal year...after that
you certainly would have the right to make any determination about
any future of this program or any other program of its kind anyplace
in the State of Illinois."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wish? Representative Mann."

Mann: "Mr. Speaker, I think that 30 thousand dollars for this...for this..."
particular purpose...is very modest in nature. I think one of the
tings that's so costly that we all regret are those misdemeanants—
especially young ones—who don't have the advantage of counsel, even
though the Constitution guarantees it to them, are people that
eventually end up in the penitentiary. When, with an adequate
defense counsel, some of these convictions—they are not all well
founded—if they are guilty they are guilty, but at least I think
we ought to see everyone have a chance to have a defense. That's
part of our Constitution. If you'll look at our statistics you'll
see that our penal institutions are being increasingly occupied
by...by young people who initially get involved in something that's
quite harmless and they may be actually innocent of, they are
convicted and pretty soon they are accelerated into the penal
institutions and we've lost them forever...and it costs us a lot
of money. So I would say this's not only constitutionally correct
with regard to the right for a citizen to have counsel, but it's
an economic Bill. It will reduce the population of our prisons—
I urge your support."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wish? Representative Tipsword."
Tipsword: "Mr. Speaker, rather than take the time of the House for polling
of the absentees, I'd ask for Postponed Consideration, please."
Speaker Redmond: "Postponed Consideration. 2800."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2800, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of
an Act in relation to tenure of certain public officials, Third
Reading of the Bill."
Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman from Knox, Representative McMaster."
McMaster: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House..."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Darrow, for what purpose do you arise?"
Darrow: "Mr. Speaker, could the Sponsor take this...could the Sponsor take
this out of the record for a while? We aren't ready to proceed with
it yet?"
Speaker Redmond: "Representative McMaster?"
Darrow: "Can you take it out for awhile, Tom?"
Speaker Redmond: "Out of the record. 2801...the same thing. Same request?
Sir? Out of the record? 2801. Do you want that out? Out of the
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2808."

Speaker Redmond: "Epton, out of the record. 2852."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2852, a Bill for an Act to make an appropriation to the Department of Agriculture, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Brummer."

Brummer: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. This Bill appropriates 35 thousand dollars to the Department of Agriculture from the Ag Premium Fund for the purpose of reconstruction of a 4-H Barn at the Effingham County Fair Grounds that collapsed in February, due to the ice and snow on the roof. It was a total loss. The insurance did not cover.....loss from ice and snow. As everyone here I'm sure is aware the Ag Premium Fund has a substantial excess surplus. It has been used for this type of project numerous times in the past including reconstruction of buildings at White County, Coles County, Martinsville, Knox County, Sandwich, Bureau County, Griggville, Cumberland County, Macon County, Jefferson County and not the least of which was reconstruction of McCormick Place to the tune of 15 million dollars. I think this is a very important Bill with regard to the use of the agricultural industry in our area. I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is, shall....Representative Ewell."

Ewell: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, somehow or another it appears to me that when one of these barns collapses it has to be an act of God. Somehow or another I just fail to conceive in my imagination why the horseplayers in Cook County ought to be paying for every little cotton-picken barn throughout the state. This is totally irrational, it's unreasonable and I think that what these particular counties ought to do is they either ought to insure their contractors or they should provide roofs stable enough to withstand the snow and the rain. We know that it's going to rain next year. We know that it's going to snow next year. They either ought to get the contractors, when they put these barns up, to build them substantial enough to withstand certain small acts of God. Now I suggest that if
we're going to reach into the taxpayer's pocket and pull out some money that there is totally no justification for this type of thing except to say that we have done it in the past over and over again. We used to give the judges widows all of their unexpired funds, but we stopped it simply because somewhere along the line we the people have got to stand up to our obligation. We have got to quit spending the taxpayer's money in such a wasteful and useless manner. And to argue that there's a surplus in this particular fund, the Agriculture Premium Fund, is to argue that perhaps the taxes are too high that are being charged to the people who attend the racetracks - in fact it is - they pay 14 percent. I would like to point out that this is sort of a socialistic redistribution scheme where some of the people pay and other people benefit. I think there's no reason, no rhyme and no logic. This was an act of God. Let's keep it that way. Let's try to stand up and for once let's try to be statesmen and vote what we ought to vote instead of logrolling and paying off in a lot of patronage for various counties. Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Totten."

Totten: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Representative Ewell has hit the nail on the head. I can't for the life of me understand why these barns weren't insured. But more importantly, even if the Ag Premium Fund does have an excess in it, that excess is returned to the General Revenue Fund. And by appropriating this money out of that Ag Premium Fund, you're reducing the excess, you're taking it from the General Revenue Fund. I'd like to point out to the Sponsor of the Bill, also, that the Department of Agriculture budget for fiscal year 79 does have about 2.2 million in it for rehabilitation of barns and if he wants to go to the proper source it should be into that Department of Agriculture budget rather than a raid on the General Revenue Fund as this Bill would do. I would request a 'no' vote on House Bill 2852."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ebbesen."

Ebbesen: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I have to respond to what Representative Ewell said...that ... you know it's
been indicated that we used 15 million dollars to rebuild McCormick Place. All of us know that that is a central location, in the City of Chicago, which does serve to draw a lot of people to Chicago and to generate income tax and jobs and sales tax which help operate this state. But also we indicated that, you know, why do we have to rebuild every little barn? I think at the rate of 35 thousand dollars for this one and 15 million dollars for McCormick Place, if my arithmetic is correct, we still have 449 barns coming and we'll subtract one from this and let it go at that. Everybody should vote green on this bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Representative Skinner?"

Skinner: "Yes. I wonder if the Sponsor could tell us whether the barn in question was underinsured...underinsured by the 15 million dollars, or something comparable that McCormick Place was underinsured, when it burned down?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Brummer."

Brummer: "This building was insured with regard to fire and windstorm. It was not insured, much to the chagrin of the...local Fair Association for roof collapse caused by the ice and snow."

Skinner: "Well, gee whiz, Mr. Speaker, it seems to me that if the Gentleman from the 29th District is opposed to socialistic redistribution of tax dollars in all cases, we all ought to vote with him. But I sorta got the feeling that his district was one of the tax eaters. Whereas districts such as mine were among the taxpayers. It seems to me that we might be able to redistribute some of the money to one of the districts that also is a taxpayer. The one down south there."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Rigney, the Gentleman from Stephenson."

Rigney: "Would the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Rigney: "I was wondering, in the case of this particular disaster, I know that routinely we do pay for those disaster type of things that happen...at various county fairgrounds. Are you sure that this is not included in the Governor's budget? In a routine fashion, why was it necessary to introduce a special Bill?"

Brummer: "Well, the Governor's budget, as I understand it, had already been
introduced. The Department of Agriculture routinely takes no position and they did not... on this... they did not oppose this nor did they support it. In fact, I think it passed out of Appropriations 27 to nothing, as I recall. The Governor's Office has certainly indicated no opposition to this. His budget had already been... submitted by the time this... this Bill became necessary."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Rigney. Gentleman...Proceed."

Rigney: "The only thing I was going to say that... this is not a... we're not establishing a new precedent here, in defense of the Sponsor. We do, in cases of fire and other types of disaster, do come in and help these local county fairs. Ordinarily it does not take a separate Appropriation Bill such as the Sponsor has here. And I frankly have had no communication from the Department in regard to the Bill. So at this time I guess I'm somewhat neutral as far as my position is concerned, but I'm amazed that it's not a part of the regular general agricultural Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Gaines."

Gaines: "I rise a point of personal privilege. I'm from the 29th District and I want Representative Skinner to know we pay more taxes than we get back from state services."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Representative Brummer to close."

Brummer: "In summary, this is a request for an appropriation of 35 thousand from the Ag Premium Fund. There is 12 to 15 million dollars annually not spent from the Ag Premium Fund. It was established for this purpose. It is a very small appropriation. I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. For those that were worried, Representative Cunningham has arrived. Representative Bradley."

Bradley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'd like to explain my 'aye' vote. I think it's been said before, but I'd like to repeat, that we have in the past done just exactly what this Bill does for Representative Brummer and his fairgrounds. I can remember... asking for and receiving some 25 thousand dollars in a situation at Farmer City Fairgrounds due to a windstorm that
went through there and took the roof off the grandstand. The Agricultural Premium Funds are available for just exactly this purpose, to help county fairs and county fairgrounds. Now I think it's only fair that if it's good for one fairgrounds, it's good for another in the State of Illinois. When you remember that that's what the purpose of the Agriculture Premium Fund is for...is to supply aid and...to county fairs throughout Illinois. And the money comes from...from the share of the ...racing share of the dollars from the mutuel funds at the track. And its...no better place to be used than to return a...replace a roof at the fairgrounds for Representative Brummer and I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman from County Lawrence, Representative Cunningham."

Cunningham: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I was afraid that last Gentleman was going to talk this thing to death. You're voting not only for a very fine Sponsor but you also have... also have Mr. Walsh-down there from that district. We need the... dough for the 54th District. Don't be ashamed to put a green light up there. It should have 170 votes. It's a reflection on any of you that vote red. You don't recognize the needs we have. Please vote green."

Speaker Redmond: "You got anything more to say, Representative Cunningham? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 99 'aye' and 45 'no', and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2855."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2855, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Highway Code, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative McMaster."

McMaster: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the purpose of this legislation is to clear up a situation that has come up over the last year or two. Under current law the county highway superintendent is required to advise Township Road Commissioners upon the care and upkeep of their roads. During a year such as we have currently had in which bad potholes have developed, frost boils in the township roads; there have been some lawsuits. Because of
the current law that exists, the county superintendent of highways is then brought in as being responsible; in other words the county is legally responsible as the Road Commissioner is, because he has that authority to advise. What this Bill would do would be to keep the county highway superintendent out of it unless the Township Road Commissioner has asked his advice in writing. And I might say that this is in support...supported by the township officials and by the County Highway Superintendents' Association."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 149 'aye' and no 'nay', and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2867."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2867, a Bill for an Act to enlarge the corporate limits of the Metropolitan Sanitary District of Greater Chicago, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mugalian."

Mugalian: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This proposal is Sponsored by all six Legislators of the 2nd and 3rd Legislative District, in which the corporate limits of the Village of Palatine are located. This is an annexation of about 54 acres of land to the Metropolitan Sanitary District for a world headquarters of the Square-D Corporation. The Construction of which is now under way. This received the unanimous approval of the Rules Committee and of the Committee on Townships and Counties. I ask your favorable support."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Madison 'aye'. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 153 'aye' and no 'nay'; the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2880, Representative Jaffe."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2880..."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Byers..."
Clerk O'Brien: "...a Bill for an Act establishing the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation ...Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Jaffe."

Jaffe: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, House Bill 2880 is a Committee Bill and it the work product of probably a year and a half work by the Subcommittee...on the blind. Basically what it does is it ... does three things. It enacts the Visually Handicapped Rehabilitation Act which shall be administered by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation of the Board of Vocational Education and Rehabilitation. It also establishes the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation as the central authority for rehabilitation services for the visually handicapped. And thirdly, it provides for the transfer of the community services program and the Illinois Visually Handicapped Institute from the Department of Children and Family Services to DVR. I would tell you that this is a Committee Bill to improve services for the blind. All of the blind groups, I think, are in support of it. It's supported by the National Federation for the Blind, it's supported by the Illinois Federation for the Blind, it's also supported by the Lighthouse for the Blind. I know of no Department that's against it. DCFS is not against it, DVR, I think has not taken a position either...I think you would find that they are really both for it. This Bill would take effect on July of 1979. I would move for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Representative Totten. Totten."

Totten: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Totten: "Was there....I know there was not a fiscal note filed on this... but, do you have any anticipation of what the cost of changing the direction of DVR is by doing this?"

Jaffe: "Well, there will be no cost then, of course, this year because it doesn't go into effect until July of '79. And then what happens, really, is they just assume the cost of DCFS, with regard to TVHI and with regard to the other agency that they are actually taking over. So I don't really see any large fiscal impact upon this. I
think the money has just been appropriated...it's just, 'Who's going to spend it?'; and where it's the best then to help the blind people of the State of Illinois. I think all people are in agreement that DVR is the place to spend it."

Totten: "Are you saying then that some of this money would come from taking over programs and other agencies?"

Jaffe: "Yeah. What would happen is that where you have a program now being handled by DCFS, if DVR is going to handle it, you just switch that appropriation over to DVR."

Totten: "Okay. So you would say then that DCFS probably would reduce their appropriation next year at least by the amount that they had used in this area before."

Jaffe: "For these departments they should, absolutely."

Totten: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Stuffle."

Stuffle: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield...to a question?"

Jaffe: "Sure."

Stuffle: "Recently, in my district, I have had several inquiries about your Bill...to the extent that they are asking me 'What is the need for the transfer of this authority into one unit?' and 'Why is it being done? Aren't services being provided?' Secondly, what effect will this Bill have in terms of programs for elderly blind people who I understand make up a great bulk of the number of people who are served and who....the people who are calling me are afraid may not get the same service mechanisms and the same service provided that they now get, under the existing organization of programs for the blind?"

Jaffe: "Well, let me respond to you in this way. I think what the people face, probably who are calling you, are really people who are worried about their particular jobs. You always have that every time that there is a switch in services. It will not affect the elderly blind at all and the truth of the matter is that we came out with these...this Bill because it was the feeling of the Committee that blind services were really not highlighted as far as DCFS was concerned - that DVR could do a much better job of it. We would
have better services for the blind by virtue of going ahead with House Bill 2880. As I indicated to you every blind group in the state that I know of, the National Federation, the Illinois Federation, Lighthouse for the Blind, they are all supporting this particular Bill."

Stuffle: "What...what sort of programs are going to be changed, then - from the current situation?"

Jaffe: "I think the programs that they are actually talking about is they are talking about the two programs that will be transferred from DCFS to DVR. They will be the Illinois Visually Handicapped Institute and also you have the transfer of Community Services Program. I think the Community Service Program is the thing that they are talking about but they are way off base on that because the program is just incorporated into DVR. There's no change in that at all. As a matter of fact that program will now be highlighted under DVR to a greater extent than it is now."

Stuffle: "What percentage of blind persons recieving state services now - for the Community Service Program - are 65 and older?"

Jaffe: "Representative Stuffle, I really don't have those figures with me."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Keats."

Keats: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield...for a question?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Keats: "Representative Jaffe, I just want to check, I was listening to the questions earlier and you were saying that the one bureaucracy is going to transfer its appropriations to the other. You are saying this is not costing any more money whatsoever?"

Jaffe: "Not initially. The Bill doesn't go into effect until July of '79. And what's going to happen is that the appropriation for, for instance IVHI, that would be...would be the DCFS, would now go to DVR. So you are actually just changing, you know, departments that are going to be handling it."

Keats: "Well, what I would like to ask of you, because I've heard that and I was finding that hard to believe. Could we rely on you to be... to follow this and make sure the Amendments are put in because have you ever heard of one bureaucracy willingly giving up a dime?"
Jaffe: "Let me say this to you, Representative Keats, if you were in Committee on that day, we had Children and Family Services there and they indicated that they were not against it. And if anything, I think they are for it, but they just can't come out and say that."

Keats: "Well, Representative Jaffe, if you remember, I was in Committee and my comment at the time was, I don't know why they would want to change, but if they wanted I was perfectly willing to vote for the Bill - which I did do in Committee. I just wanted to make sure we're following that appropriation because I just have the feeling that both of them will try and get the appropriation. And I would appreciate you safeguarding that money for the taxpayers because I know you are noted for your fiscal responsibility."

Jaffe: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Gaines."

Gaines: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I've talked with the gentleman who's head of the Blind Advisory Committee for this program. He lives in my district and he's Assistant State's Attorney named Norman Robinson. He tells me that the majority of the blind that are concerned about this issue, who are on the Advisory Committee, are opposed to this transfer. And it will just put it in a agency that is not as high up on the scale as the agency it is in now. As you may have known that our DVR happens to be about 49th among the 50th DVR's in the country. And they are afraid that the maladministration that has been the hallmark of DVR will extend to the blind now. And I don't feel that a program that is going as smoothly as the one is going now should be transferred. All you're going to do is stir up a new bureaucracy and you come in here with a larger budget two years from now...don't blame us, we warned you. Because this is nothing...but to create new jobs in DVR when it can be done just as well by those who have been doing it all of the time. So I urge a 'no' vote on this Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Representative Jaffe, to close."

Jaffe: "Yeah. Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I think we've had a lot of misinformation going on. As I indicated to you, I think every blind group in the entire state actually supports the concept
of this Bill. As I said, the National Federation, the Illinois Federation, and if you're familiar with the blind groups, very seldom does the National Federation get along with the Illinois Federation, but they are in this particular instance. We also have independent blind groups like Lighthouse for the Blind that support this concept. And I know of no organized group that's actually against it. I think what you've had is you've had a couple of people who may be working for a Department, who are afraid of their jobs, who have somewhat been agitating against this Bill because they are afraid that they are going to lose their job. I think that's sort of silly because I think for the first time blind services will be highlighted in this state the way they never have been beforehand. As I have indicated to you, Children and Family Services is definitely not against this, DVR certainly would like to assume this responsibility, and I say to you I know of no one who is really against it and I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor, vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Representative Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, will you recognize me after the Roll Call?"

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 118 'aye' and 17 'no', and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. Representative Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, I rise for purposes of an announcement. The group in the gallery, on the Republican side of the aisle, is the eighth grade class from St. Christina Grade School in Chicago. It's in the Legislative District represented by Representatives Daniel Houlihan, Emil Jones and Ted Meyer, and they are accompanied by their teacher, Miss Maureen Doody."

Speaker Redmond: "2881. Representative Dave Robinson, for what purpose do you arise?"

Robinson: "A Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2881, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act concerning public utilities, Third Reading of the Bill."
Robinson: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this is a second Bill dealing with the new technology that has been developed for the deaf to communicate over the phone. This Bill requires the telephone companies in the state to provide information services, operator assisted dialing and a fifty percent intrastate long-distance rate for calls made with the machine by people who are ... deaf. The machine takes at least twice as long to make a call - by typing as opposed to calling. It is a fair Bill and I would appreciate the support of the House."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 130 'aye', and 14 'no'; and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2896."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2896, a Bill for an Act authorizing the Capital Development Board to consent to annexation of certain real property by the City of Kankakee, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ryan."

Ryan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is a routine matter; but the Capital Development Board advised that we should have this legislation so that we ... the City of Kankakee can annex the property that the Kankakee Community College is on. I would ask for your favorable vote."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? Any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 159 'aye' and one 'no'. The Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2912, Representative McMaster. The Gentleman from Knox."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2912, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Surface-Mined Land Conservation and Reclamation Act, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative McMaster."

McMaster: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, we did discuss this Bill rather intensively during the amendment process, but I will
go through some of the highlights of it again...shortly. It...the Bill does grant regulatory...authority of the Department of Mines and Minerals as far as the new Federal Surface-Mining Act is concerned. The legislation will make the State of Illinois eligible for 1.7 million dollars of federal funds for us to use in the process of writing and finalizing our final concurrence with the Federal Surface-Mining Regulatory Act. The money will be divided up between the Department of Mines and Minerals, the EPA, Department of Agriculture, and the Department of Conservation. It incorporates, by reference, 10 environmental standards required by the federal law. For instance, the Department of Conservation will act as fish and wildlife consultant to other state agencies in reviewing reclamation plans. The EPA will handle coal mine waste piles, the use of explosives, regulation of surface aff ects of underground mining and minimize disturbances of the hydrological balance. The Department of Agriculture will be involved in monitoring all provisions relating to the protection of prime agricultural land. For instance, the establishment of vegetation, topsoil replacement, original land capability and restoration of original land contour or better contour if possible. Now this is briefly the intent of the legislation. I will answer any questions and I would urge a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Yes. Question of the Sponsor?"

Speaker Redmond: "He would yield. The Gentleman standing between the Chair and Representative McMaster, please be seated."

Bowman: "Representative McMaster, I recall there are a large number of Amendments being offered. There are two Amendments on this Bill. I wish you would refresh my memory as to the...precisely the affect of the Amendments which were adopted...to this Bill?"

McMaster: "Mr. Bowman, the first Amendment was purely technical...to clear up a punctuation mark...improper numbering of Sections and various things such as this, purely technical. The second Amendment has to do with the Advisory Council, which was established under previous legislation and all that the current legislation does in regard to the Advisory Council is...enlarge it from seven members to ten members."
And the Amendment that was accepted last week would specifically say that the Commission would elect its own Chairman...other legislation introduced, the Director of the Department of Mines and Minerals would have automatically have been Chairman. All this does is say that they will elect their own membership.....er....their own Chairman."

Bowman: "Thank you."

McMaster: "And it also says that a meeting may be called by the Director of the Department of Mines and Minerals or upon the request of a majority of the Advisory Council."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Thank you. My recollection of the Bill in its original form is that there were a number of defects that the other Amendments that were offered attempted to clear up. I regret that they were not added to this Bill. I think the Bill in its present form is...still is defective and I wish we had been able to adopt those Amendments. I think, in its present form, it probably ought not to be passed."

McMaster: "Well, Mr. Bowman, if I might. I think we answered, in regard to those other Amendments, that they were premature...that they were Amendments...with language that should be written into the final Act...not into the initial Act, which we are proposing today. I think those Amendments will be certainly carefully considered for possibility of inclusion when we do write a final Act. But I do not think the initial Act should be cluttered up with something that's going to be the final Act. That's the reason for not adopting those Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Representative Ryan."

Ryan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In the rear of the chamber we have with us today, the Lieutenant Governor of the State of Illinois, Dave O'Neal - right back there."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Did you want me to respond to Dave O'Neal, whether he had anything to do or did you want me to introduce Mary Claire Brost, up there in the gallery? Mary Claire Brost."

Speaker Redmond: "The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's
140 'aye', and 2 'no'. This Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2925, Representative Brady."

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

Speaker Redmond: "Out of the record. 2929, Representative Ewing....Representative Barnes, will you please be seated."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2929, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Revenue Act, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ewing."

Ewing: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this is the Bill that we discussed quite thoroughly on Second Reading, which provides the hold harmless for the Ag Land Assessment Bill passed last year. to protect local units of government and schools from loss of revenue by the implementation of the new Farmland Assessment Bill. It provides for a one year hold harmless at the rate of tax assessment of 1976. It also provides, through the Department of Local Government Affairs, to assure that farmland is assessed under the provisions of the Farmland Assessment Bill. That's in Amendment 3. Amendment 1 provides for a problem in Winnebago County and if an explanation is needed on that I would call on Representative Giorgi."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Representative Darrow."

Darrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?......Could you tell me, was Amendment #2 or Amendment #3 adopted?"

Ewing: "Amendment #2 was adopted and then removed. That allowed for a two year hold harmless and it was taken off in Second Reading. Amendment #3 is still on the Bill."

Darrow: "What about Amendment #1?"

Ewing: "Yes, Amendment #1 is on the Bill."

Darrow: "Isn't Amendment #1 already in the statutes - in the law?"

Ewing: "Representative, I think you'd have to refer that question to Representative Giorgi."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, Amendment #1 allows Winnebago County and its county board, up until June 30, to allow for the County Treasurer to send out estimated taxes. That's all it does."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Darrow, for what purpose do you rise?"
Darrow: "Well, to respond. I had asked him a question and ... to follow with another question... Representative Giorgi, isn't this already in Chapter 120, paragraph 705.1a?"

Giorgi: "Yes, but that would have had to be done by September 30, of last year. They didn't do it by September 30 of last year so they had to give them more time. So to give them until June 30 of this year. That gives the County Board a meeting in May and a meeting in June to determine whether they want to go to an estimated Bill."

Darrow: "Should the... As a technical matter, shouldn't it amend that Section rather than this Section?"

Giorgi: "This was the only vehicle that was available. And it's a Committee Bill and we had to have some relief for Winnebago County. ... I urge a Roll Call... an Affirmative Roll Call on this Bill. It's very permissive legislation. There are no hooks or curves in it like they do in Rock Island."

Speaker Redmond: "Any thing further? Representative Ewing... er... Representative Martin. Former Member..."

Martin: "Representative Giorgi."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Martin."

Martin: "Representative Giorgi, I'm sure there are no hooks in this, but will this in any way affect the taxpayers right of contesting the Bills? Is it that kind of hold harmless for Winnebago County?"

Ewing: "Yes, because that's already in the law and it doesn't touch that Section at all."

Martin: "Representative Giorgi, is this the legislation requested by the Legislative Committee or the County Board of Winnebago?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Giorgi."

Giorgi: "It's a version of it."

Martin: "Representative Giorgi, that version of it indicated that taxpayers would suffer under that version... and that if indeed they went to contest their taxes, that they would be losing time. So that although the County Board might want it, as I recall, the taxpayers might well not."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Skinner."

Skinner: "Mr. Speaker, perhaps I could assist Representative Martin. This
is not the Bill she wants to kill. This is...Amendment is strictly to allowing...Winnebago County to...the County Board to issue estimated tax bills if they want to. It has nothing to do with what Representative Simms and you and the local newspaper have called the 'forgiveness clause'. At least it doesn't yet."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Representative Ewing to close."

Ewing: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think this is fair legislation because last year when we passed the Farmland Assessment Bill we didn't do it with the idea of reducing taxes and hurting our local units of government. This merely gives us another year to phase-in that good legislation. I would ask for your favorable approval."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question, 145 'aye' and no 'nay', and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2931, Representative Lucco, you desire to return this to the Order of Second Reading? Is that correct?"

Lucco: "Yes."

Speaker Redmond: "Does he have leave? Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2931, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code."

Speaker Redmond: "Leave having been granted, it'll be returned to the Order of Second Reading. Representative Lucco."

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #2, amends House Bill 2931, as amended, on page 6, line 5 and so forth."

Lucco: "This Amendment merely clarifies what the expenditures...the costs for transportation of school busses would be. It's very...very brief. I hope that you will accept it."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? The question is on the Gentleman's motion for the adoption of Amendment #2. Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye'; opposed 'no', the 'ayes' have it, the motion carries, the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2932."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2932, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the
School Code, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Who's the Sponsor of 2932?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Elementary and Secondary Education Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lucco."

Lucco: "Schneider. He didn't leave it with me. I don't know."

Speaker Redmond: "Out of the record."

Lucco: "Let me look it up."

Speaker Redmond: "2969."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2969, a Bill for an Act to provide for the
ordinary and contingent expenses of the Local Governmental Law
Enforcement Officers' Training Board, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I ask for a
favorable Roll Call on this Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? Representative Lechowicz."

Lechowicz: "I'm just standing in support of the Bill. This is for police
training and they deserve the increase in the budget."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass?
Those in favor vote 'aye'; opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who
wish? Have all... Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the
record. On this question there's 140 'aye' and one 'no'; the Bill
having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed.
2970, Representative Bennett 'aye'."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2970, a Bill for an Act to provide for the
ordinary and contingent expenses of the Commission on Delinquency
Prevention. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Bill
appropriates, for FY 79, the ordinary and contingent expenses of the
Commission on Delinquency Prevention. I ask your favorable support."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? Representative James Houlihan."

Houlihan, J.: "Will the Gentleman yield for a question?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Houlihan, J.: "Representative Daniels, the Governor indicated in a speech
before one of the social service agencies that he was intending to transfer the Illinois Status Offender's Program funding to this Commission. Has his office talked to you about this proposal?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "No."

Houlihan, J.: "There's no suggestion of transfer of funds from...to this Commission?"

Daniels: "Nobody has talked to me regarding that. ...Somebody is talking to me. Nobody has talked to me regarding that."

Houlihan, J.: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think, either the Governor is going to transfer those funds and realistically fund the Illinois Status Offender's Program or he's going to run this Bill through and then put a tag on the end, over in the Senate. We're going to have no opportunity to review this appropriation. I would suggest to Representative Daniels, either take this out of the record and have it amended as to the Governor's wishes or hold the Bill until there's further information and it can proceed along with the Department of Children and Families appropriation, which now currently holds the budget proposal for the Illinois Status Offender's Program."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Schlickman."

Schlickman: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "Pardon me, do you want to respond, Representative Daniels? Daniels?"

Daniels: "Only to tell the Gentleman that the appropriation that he's referring to is already in another piece of legislation."

Houlihan, J.: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, that's my ...that's my point. Mr. Bedgood could inform you that the appropriation is in the other piece of legislation and the Governor's intention is to take it out. I suspect the Governor's intention is to let it drop between cracks...drop between the cracks... and that we will not have an Illinois Status Offender's Program; and that we will not provide the necessary funds to keep these juveniles out of the lockups. And, I think, there we will be providing a great disservice to all of the juveniles in Illinois. That's my concern, Representative Daniels."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Schlickman."
Schlickman: "Would the Sponsor yield?"
Speaker Redmond: "He will."
Schlickman: "How much did we appropriate last year for the Commission on Delinquency Prevention?"
Daniels: "The appropriation for FY 78 was one million, six hundred six thousand dollars."
Schlickman: "So we have an increase in excess of one hundred thousand?"
Daniels: "Yes, that's correct."
Schlickman: "Thank you."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Willer."
Willer: "Yes, will the Sponsor yield?"
Speaker Redmond: "He will."
Willer: "Representative Daniels, I remember when this...when we voted this in. I believe it's three years old now. Am I correct?"
Daniels: "Yes."
Willer: "And, I think, the original appropriation was one million, two hundred thousand; if my memory serves me correctly. It's now up to one million, seven hundred thousand. Do you believe it's done a good job, that it has fulfilled what it was supposed to do? I remember its intent, and they were laudable in some ways. I had reservations about it, voted against it. And I wonder if you could tell me or tell us, what it's done that you feel it deserves this appropriation; and every year we increase it. I agree with Representative Houlihan, the Status Offender's Program at least would justify it. Tell me what it's done in my community or in anybody's community."
Daniels: "Well, first of all, Representative Willer, the appropriation has gone down since FY 77, when the appropriation was a million, eight hundred thousand, and it's less than that for the FY 79 request. Second of all, some of the questions that you have expressed concern about in the past is the juvenile information file; now it's going to the Department of Law Enforcement. So those are areas that we've dealt with on questions you've raised before. As far as the value of the Commission and some of the work it's done
include the distribution of grants-in-aid for various areas throughout this state and I have a list here, if you would like - Porter has the list now. - I have a list of some of the grants that they have made to assist the communities and the individual areas, on some of their juvenile problems. So as far as justification, the Commission I think, that those people that have been directly concerned with it feel that the Commission is doing a good job."

Willer: "Do you?"

Daniels: "From what I can understand. We haven't had any grants in my particular district, but I believe that the Commission has done a good job as far as I can tell."

Willer: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Any thing further? Representative Totten."

Totten: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Totten: "Representative Daniels, my figures indicate to me that since we've created this Commission on Delinquency Prevention that actually the rates of delinquency have gone up in this state...rather than us preventing 'em. It would seem to me this is a case of a Commission being created that is probably useless, not doing the job for which it's intended. Do you have figures that would indicate differently?"

Daniels: "I don't know what your figures are. You haven't taken the liberty to come over here and show me the figures that you have on this issue. I don't contest the fact that you may feel that delinquency has gone up. I don't know really how you can measure that completely, but I think that we're trying to attack the problem, we're trying to deal with the issue of juvenile delinquency and you don't do that by turning your back on the issue. You do that by trying to attack the issue and trying to create Commissions that are doing a good job. Now, if they aren't doing a good job then what we ought to do, as Legislators, is communicate with them and encourage them to do a better job; but not just to say that delinquency has gone up, therefore, we ignore it or we don't pass an appropriation."

Totten: "May I speak on the Bill, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed, Representative Totten."
Totten: "Thank you. I submit that this is the case, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, of the state spending money in an area that really has not been fruitful at all. We've recognized a problem, we've appropriated millions of dollars to try and do something about it. There are many other ways to do something about it other than have a Commission on Delinquency Prevention, which spends over a million, six a year and does not do anything about preventing delinquency. I think this is a case of penny...pound wise, penny foolish and the money should not be expended in this area, on this Commission, and that this Bill should not receive a favorable vote."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Barnes."

Barnes, E.M.: "Thank you very much. Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I rise to support this Bill in its form as it exists now. This Bill was heard in the Appropriations II Committee. We heard the testimony on it, we amended the Bill there, and the Bill is in the form that it was reported out from that Committee. There have been some questions raised relative to some issues that I am not sure that we should be addressing in this particular Bill at this particular time. Because those issues are not related on what we will be voting on currently right here presented to us. Relative to ...the ... program that was identified here earlier, that appropriation now rests in another Bill. No matter what pronouncement the Executive Branch makes relative to their wishes on how they suggest we fund programs, only we, ourselves, can exercise those wishes. If we decide, and I see no reason why we will not decide, that this appropriation would maintain as it is and I sincerely hope that we will, and that the other program be funded in the agency that it is currently funded in, there's nothing the Executive Branch can do about that one way or the other. I think that the issue here right...presented to us today, is whether or not we should fund the Delinquency Prevention Commission at the level at which they are requested. The request, I think, is in keeping with fiscal responsibility. It's merely 100 thousand dollars over last year's fiscal request. We've reviewed many, if not most of the questions relative to this Committee and Commission. We amended it, and I suggest that we should all support Representative Daniels in
Insuring that the local community ... local community organizations have the wherewithal to address themselves to a serious problem, the problem of juvenile prevention that this Commission attempts to do. This is a good Bill. The Commission needs these monies to insure that they have the help of the local communities and we should support it."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative McClain."

McClain: "Thanks, Mr. Speaker. Would the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

McClain: "Lee, why did Tony Sorrentino, the Executive Director, get fired?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Daniels. Representative Peters, the Gentleman from Cook. Representative Peters."

Peters: "First of all, I don't know whether that question is in order. Secondly, I don't know that Mr. Sorrentino got fired."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative McClain."

McClain: "Well, I can ask both of you then, ... a couple of days after it got out of Appropriations II, my local community which has a neighborhood association, was informed that Tony Sorrentino was fired."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Peters."

Peters: "Representative McClain, you well know that there has been a personality conflict going on in the Commission for some period of time. Now, I think, I think ... that before a Member of the House floor ... or a Member on this House floor gets up and indicates that the Director of the Commission was fired, which could indicate, or could lead people to believe, that there was something in the conduct of his office that led him to be fired, and Mr. Sorrentino has been on that Commission through several administrations, I think we should be a little more careful before we make those kind of statements."

McClain: "Well, Pete, that was just stupid. I hate to be so brass, but I didn't imply any misconduct from Tony at all and that was just kind of a stupid thing to put in the record. All I'm trying to do is clear up whether or not indeed Tony's been fired and answer a simple 'yes' or 'no', and if you don't know, okay; but if you do know then I'd like to know, why? The Gentleman was a part of the Commission, or the like, for about 40 years and Clifford Shaw (sic)
I'd like to know if he was fired or if he wasn't fired.

You can imply whatever you want to, but those kind of comments ought to be either stricken or maybe you ought...I'm just surprised you even mentioned it."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mulcahey."

Mulcahey: "Will the Sponsor yield, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Mulcahey: "Representative Daniels, included in this Bill this year, is the.."

Speaker Redmond: "I'll get back .....I thought you were finished."

Mulcahey: "Is the Illinois Status Offender's Service included...in this budget?"

Daniels: "No."

Mulcahey: "Has it ever been included in this budget in the past?"

Daniels: "No."

Mulcahey: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative McClain. Pardon me. McClain."

McClain: "Well, Lee, could you just answer the question? Was Tony Sorrentino asked to quit the Commission? Was he fired? That's all I would .....was that 'yes' or 'no'?"

Daniels: "Your question was the first time it's been posed to me. I've asked the question of other people and we're ...we understand that he will be retiring. That's all that I know on the issue."

McClain: "Retiring under pressure or retiring of his own volition?"

Daniels: "I told you what I know."

McClain: "Well,...I mean...the Commissioner is sort of critical to a lot of neighborhood communities downstate. Can you just take it out of the record until you find out?"

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

Madison: "Well, Mr. Speaker, I'd like to speak on the issue. First of all I don't know what ...whether or not a Director has been fired, quit, retired or died has anything to do with whether or not this is an appropriation that is worthy of our consideration. My God, if we're going to appropriate money based on personalities then we're all in trouble. Now this agency, I don't know about other communities, but
this agency has been a Godsend in my community. I heard one of my colleagues talk about the money being used...he should come to my community and see the number of man-hours...volunteer hours...that is put in in terms of delinquency prevention and all these community committees ask for, on the part of the state, is a little help. This budget represents simply a little help on the part of the community Committees for the efforts that they are putting forth in delinquency prevention. I don't know whether Sorrentino...Tony Sorrentino has been fired or not; and frankly, I don't care. I would like to see this...this Commission funded and it can...in terms of its operation that's for the Governor to decide, that's what we elected him for....and if we don't like the way he appoints directors, then we'll do something about it in November. But the issue now, is whether or not we fund this Commission and I would strongly suggest that we do it."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Capparelli."

Capparelli: "Mr. Speaker, I know something about this. Mr. Sorrentino was asked to resign, but knowing Mr. Sorrentino as well as I know, he wouldn't like to see this appropriation go down. I would ask for a favorable Roll Call. Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Ready for the question? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Kempiners...what are you doing over there? Representative Geo-Karis, ...Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 125 'aye' and 13 'no', and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 2977, Representative Epton... (see special)
Speaker Redmond: "...2977, Representative Epton."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2977, a Bill for an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of Insurance. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Epton."

Epton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is the annual appropriation Bill for the Department of Insurance. It is a substantial amount, $6,165,000, which is a substantial increase over last year's budget, which was $4,402,000. This is probably the only Department in the state which has received the Governor's permission, reluctantly, to exceed the generally accepted budget percentage of six percent. In this case the reason for that is because the Director of Insurance intends to utilize the additional funds to employ examiners who will themselves generate money. In other words, approximately 2 million dollars of the additional money requested will in turn be paid by the insurance industry itself. I could call to your attention that the Department of Insurance generally collects in the neighborhood of 90 million dollars a year in taxes and turns it over to General Revenue. In the past it has been understaffed, undermanned and in the past I'm free to admit it's done a pretty rotten job. As a matter of fact, one of the reasons that I was willing to accept the sponsorship this year and this additional appropriation, was on the assumption that they would do an effective job and answer the many, many complaints, the many valid complaints presented by not only the Members on the floor of this House but of many of our constituents. I think that the Department needs this money. I think they can utilize it well. And I should add that it has absolutely nothing to do with an additional proposal by the Department called the 'Fair Funding Proposal'. On two occasions the...the Director of the Department and his assistant have issued conflicting statements. But I can assure you, both in writing and on the transcript, that the fact is that the passage of this appropriation has nothing whatsoever to do with the 'Fair Funding' request which will be coming through by the Director. That Bill will rise and fall on its own and if it passes it will
simply substitute a difference of collection for the Department
But in order to operate efficiently, to do the job that should be
done in the State of Illinois, this Department needs this
6 million, one. I solicit your approval of this appropriation."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Holewinski."

Holewinski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Gentleman yield for a
question?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Holewinski: "Representative Epton, there is now pending on the House
Calendar, I believe Second Reading, a piece of legislation that
will substantially change the way we deal with insurance rates in
Illinois. If we are to pass this appropriation out at this time,
will it include enough money to pay for the rate making board that's
included in that legislation?"

Epton: "If you're referring to the Laurino Bill?"

Holewinski: "Right."

Epton: "No, it will not."

Holewinski: "Well, could I ask you then, wouldn't it be wiser to possibly
hold this Bill on Second Reading until we vote on the Laurino
rate making Bill; so that we have a better idea of what exactly
we're going to expect the Department of Insurance to do within the
next year? If that Bill is to pass, and I suspect that it is
going to meet with considerable favorable support, it may be necessary
to place an Amendment on your Bill to add more dollars."

Epton: "There isn't any question that if that Bill should pass—which
would be a complete disaster—but if it should pass, it would re-
quire so much money that it would require a supplemental appropa-
tion and I....and although the Governor hasn't called me for several
hours, as a matter of fact; I'd hate to tell you how many days go
by where he doesn't call me, and that of course applies to the
President too. But the fact remains that we would not need a
supplemental appropriation, we would need a new funding mechanism;
not a supplemental Bill, we would probably need a massive appro-
priation and source of revenue. The Laurino Bill, which has some
good features, particularly the Sponsor beyond that I'm lost, would
require so much money that to hold this file up...to hold this appropriation indefinitely...would defeat its purpose. We need this amount of money to run the Department as is. If any changes are made, at that time, you probably would have to have an additional appropriation Bill."

Holewinski: "Well, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'm not sure how much additional money it would take to implement the Bill...that's sponsored by Representative Laurino, I suspect it is not nearly as much as the Gentleman suggests. I would suggest, in this case, that we do hold this Bill. If, Mr. Sponsor, I certainly would accede to your wishes to call it now, but if you do I would suggest to my colleagues that we vote 'present' on this Bill. Not in opposition to the Department of Insurance, but just because it seems to me to make more sense to vote on the method we're...in which we're going to regulate insurance, before we vote on how much money we're going to give them to do it."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Levin."

Levin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield? ...Representative Epton, I noticed that you indicated the additional money is simply for examiners. Is there anything in the Bill to...in terms of additional appropriations in order to get the Department to act, to come up with the regulations for the insurance redlining legislation that was passed last fall, and the Blue Cross legislation that was passed last fall; neither of which have had regulations proposed or promulgated? The experience many of the people in my district is, they file insurance redlining complaints with the Department and nothing happens. And what they are told is, 'Well, we don't have any regulations.' So, this is May and that was signed in September, and I don't know if it takes nine months or a year or how long it takes to promulgate regulations, but ...you know...does this legislation deal with these particular problems?"

Epton: "Mr....Representative Levin, what is your question?"

Levin: "Pardon?"

Epton: "What is your question?"

Levin: "The question is, is there anything in this appropriation which
...which will cause the Department to promulgate regulations on the insurance.redling and Blue Cross laws that were passed many, many months ago? We don't have regulations at this point."

Epton: "This is an appropriation Bill. The Department has regulations, they have more than enough regulations, thanks to you and many other colleagues. They have regulations coming out of their ears. What this will do, it will give them sufficient money to put some people in the Department, some people who might very well be alive, who may be able to implement some of those regulations. But this is an appropriation Bill, has nothing to do with regulations."

Levin: "...If the Gentleman would yield further? If we're going to put all this money into examiners..."

Epton: "No, I didn't say all this money would go into examiners. I said that the additional increase would be...2 million dollars would be substantially returned by virtue of the use of examiners. They not only pay for themselves, but they will even pay for some of those people who will try to implement regulations that your local constituency would like to see implemented."

Levin: "So, then what you're saying is that some of the additional 2 million dollars...dollars will go for staff... other than examiners? It will go for people that can come up with these regulations, that can deal with the consumer inquiries that come in?"

Epton: "Approximately 87 additional people who will be hired as a result of this additional appropriation, 54 will be examiners, the balance will not be. They will be used to pursue the function you suggested."

Levin: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Representative Laurino."

Laurino: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Representative Epton, there is a possibility that if House Bill 3193 does get a considerable hearing on the House floor and it does pass, there's a chance that there could be a considerable savings to the State of Illinois and the Department of Insurance. And I also request you to hold this Bill for...well...a day or so for this reason..."

Epton: "...May I say this...if you make a statement. Is this a question
Laurino: "If you're telling me that there's going to be a savings with the passage of your Bill, one of us is kidding."

Epton: "Well...."

Laurino: "Through the indulgence of your leadership they've asked for a fiscal note. Now there's a possibility there could be a reduction in the Department of Insurance's appropriation and if that be the case, I think it behooves both of us to look into it a little further. I seek your support in holding this Bill until we find out what the fiscal note ... does."

Epton: "I certainly intend to pursue this Bill today and I have no objection to winning or losing it. I don't think that has anything to do with the relationship of your Bill or not. If this Bill is defeated the Department of Insurance will have no funds and Representative Levin and everybody else will have nobody implementing anything. If, on the other hand, your Bill does pass then you go ahead and pass all the money you want to implement it. But don't kid this House into thinking that by your Bill you are going to lessen the cost. So far there are 49 other states in the Union, in the other 49 states the additional cost of proposals like yours, which has not been too well received in other states my dear colleague, have cost in excess of 42 million dollars. Now I don't really want to go ahead with the Bill...."

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

Satterthwaite: "Point of order, Mr. Speaker. I don't believe we are discussing House Bill 2977. I think the speakers should limit their debate to the Bill that is before us...."

Speaker Redmond: "Now that you've raised your point of order...you are absolutely correct. Limit your discussion to the merits of 2977."

Epton: "I apologize. I think that the request made by Representative Laurino is indeed an appropriate one. I wish that I could respect it. Unfortunately, since I feel as strongly as I do about the passage of this appropriation at this time, I think the House would be well advised to do it so that the Department of Insurance can
prepare. They have to hire personnel for the future. And for that reason I would respectfully ask that the House proceed to vote this Bill up or down at this time."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think Representative Epton said it all when he said that the Department of Insurance has done a lousy job. That said it all. When he said that that's when all of us should do what Representative Laurino said, 'Hold the Bill.' We should hold this Bill. And there's another reason we should hold this Bill. I just talked to one of my staff members who's analyzing this Bill. We in the Legislature, in the appropriation process, all we've got to help us to do our work is our staff. My staff contacted the Deputy Director of the Department of Insurance and he said we need some more information in breaking down some program items. And the Deputy Director told him, 'I'll give you that information when the Legislature asks me to.' Now Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the staff works for us, the staff is responsible to us. There's been some things said about the Department of Insurance budget and I'm not a Member of the Insurance Committee. But there are some who are on that Committee, like Representative Tipsword, who are also on the Appropriations Committee, that heard the Director and his aides say two different things. Representative Epton has already said that they don't respond to us as Legislators. We ought to respond back to them by voting 'no' or 'present' on this Bill and holding it. Now it also has been said that this budget has nothing to do with the 'fair share plan.' Well the Director in the Committee said that there's two and a half million dollars in this budget, their goal for a new fee structure that has...is tied into the 'fair share plan'. And I said at that time I thought it more responsible...that we ought to wait to see what happens to that fair share plan before we put two and a half million dollars in the budget. I thought that made sense. I thought that made good budget sense. But we...we sent it out of the Committee and put it on the floor of the House. I think all of us, as a responsible House, now ought to say, 'we don't think this budget is in good shape now because of those
unanswered questions." And because of those unanswered questions, I appeal to the Members of the House to either vote 'no' at this time or vote 'present', so that this budget can stay on the floor awhile so that we can clear up those discrepancies and ...and then we can pass it out in its correct form."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Adams."

Adams: "Yes, I think there's been plenty of discussion on this. I move the previous question."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall the main question be put? Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. Repre-sentative Epton to close."

Epton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I appreciate the attention given to this Bill. There isn't much to add to it except I would simply comment that in addition to the fact that this Bill passed out of the Committee 23 to nothing, there was several Members of the Committee who had specific questions that they wanted responded to. The Director of Insurance did respond to each one of those questions. The budget has been......

When we comment that there were questions that have been unanswered that is an error, it's a mistake, because all of the questions have been answered. As far as I'm concerned, as far as the Director of Insurance is concerned, he needs this money to run a good Department for the State of Illinois. He needs assurances now because they have to go out even now and start recruiting to get those very people who we will need to implement the laws that we have passed. If other Bills come to pass that require additional funds, the House can make the determination at that time. But as far as I'm concerned, I am asking my colleagues to vote for this Bill which has been fully explained. Vote it up or down. I hope you will vote favorably."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Representative Skinner to explain his vote."

Skinner: "Mr. Speaker, I'm voting in favor of this Bill because my ques-tions have been asked. The question I asked was, 'How many members of the Department of Insurance, since 1976, have left the Department and gone to work for the insurance industry?' I have a list of the
names of those people....which we will use when we are debating House Bill 400. And I think it rather persuasive evidence that House Bill 400 should pass. Now if the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee has questions that have not been asked, I would ask him to have some other Member who hasn't spoken in debate, it would not violate the rules by doing so, to put them in the record so that we can pin the Department of Insurance Director down."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madigan, to explain his vote."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise to explain my 'present' vote. There have been serious questions raised from all sections and sectors of this state regarding the conduct of insurance companies. From many areas of the City of Chicago for several years we have heard complaint upon complaint concerning the abuses of redlining. At this point in time many Members on this side of the aisle feel that the answers of the Department have been inadequate. Today, pending before this Body is a Bill by Representative Laurino that would provide for a form of insurance rate regulation. Mr. Laurino has asked that this Bill be held so that if his Bill is acted upon favorably by this House then we will amend the appropriation Bill to provide for the money to pay for the apparatus for insurance rate regulations. I suggest to all of you that this is a serious matter and that a 'present' vote here today is not a vote of recklessness. It's an intelligent vote. It's a message to the Department that the problems of the insurance companies are problems that must be met before we move out in this Session of the Legislature."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Huff."

Huff: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, but I think our esteemed floor Leader has said it all. Anything I could add would only be hyperbolic."

Speaker Redmond: Representative Kelly. Kelly."

Kelly: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I'm going to rise to support my colleague, Representative Epton, on this appropriation matter because I feel that the Director of the Department of Insurance, Mr. Mathias, was very cooperative with me on House Bill
170, which would have been one of the most far-reaching consumer protection Bills in the rating of the insurance companies this nation would have known. I think the Director is doing a good job in this area. I don't feel that by passing this Bill we're going to stymie Representative Laurino's Bill. Certainly we can adopt an Amendment in the Senate to correct any appropriations, additional monies or increases that might be necessary. Another Bill could even be put in at this date. I don't want to see us come back and forth on this issue, because you know we're going to pass this piece of legislation out of the House and all we're going to do is end up wasting our time. And we've got a lot more important business to carry on with."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madison."

Madison: "Mr. Speaker, in explaining my vote. As a plaintiff in litigation involving the Department of Insurance, and a Director, I feel that I have a substantial conflict of interest and, therefore, I am voting 'present'."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 78 'aye' and one 'no', and the Bill having failed to receive the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared lost. 2983."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2983, a Bill for an Act making appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Commissioner of Banks and Trust Companies, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Cunningham."

Cunningham: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, 2983 provides for the contingent and ordinary expenses of the Commissioner of Banks and Trusts. It was handled before conservative John Matijevich's Appropriations I Committee by the incomparable Representative Conti, who has been unavoidably detained this afternoon. It got a 27 to nothing, unanimous vote of confidence, before Appropriations I, after being very carefully scrutinized. It appropriates $2,750,300 for the operation of this very vital Department of government. I wish that you'd have been there to learn as we learned, with a great deal of awe from the Commissioner, how important the Department is. We learned that there will be 25 new banks in this state during the coming year...and the number of employees will be added by 12. The point was made and, I think, it'd be material to you that the additional...all monies that are expended are collected from the banks that are being regulated. So all we're doing is protecting the citizenry of the state by assuring a continued, adequate supervision of Illinois banks. We ask you to give a green light for Elmer Conti and a very fine Appropriation Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Brummer."

Brummer: "Yes, for an inquiry of the Chair. Isn't it standard procedure that the Sponsor of the legislation be present on the House floor before we proceed, unless there is an emergency involved?"

Speaker Redmond: "Well....this Sponsor is...is handling this Bill primarily at the request of the Speaker. I wanted to move this thing along. Not this particularly, but we've got a lot of work to do, I mean if you persist, we'll take it out of the record. But that's the reason Representative Cunningham has it. Representative Conti was detained in Chicago with ex-Governor Ogilvie, so I knew where he was too.

Representative Holewinski."

Holewinski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Is the Gentleman in a position to answer questions about this appropriation; since he's not the principal
Sponsor?

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Cunningham."

Holewinski: "Well, Representative Cunningham, I'd like to know how much money is being spent by the Commissioner of Banks, to take a look at the financial institution's disclosure reports - pursuant to legislation we passed in 1975 - to make sure that banks in Illinois are not disinvesting city neighborhoods all over this state?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Cunningham."

Cunningham: "I'm advised by my very competent advisor that that is the responsibility of the Department of Financial Institutions, Representative Holewinski. You might have noted that the increase in the budget this year is $303,200; but I don't believe that any portion of that is directed to the problem that you mentioned."

Holewinski: "Well, the Department of Financial Institutions may collect the reports, but the reports are filed by both banks and savings and loans and I'm asking what initiatives the ... the bank commission has taken to take a look at the problem that we've had in urban areas, to take a look at those reports that are filed pursuant to law. The law does not mandate the Department of Financial Institutions to do anything with those. Those are public information documents and they are available and accessible to both the savings and loan and banking commissioner and I think that they should be active in this area instead of sitting and looking at those papers gathering dust for some three years now."

Cunningham: "I would be glad to go with you to talk to Commissioner Harris, because I'm sure that you will find, as Appropriations I found, that he is very dedicated and zealous in his performance in duty."

Holewinski: "Well, I'm wondering if you might hold this until we find out what the Commissioner's plans are in this regard?"

Cunningham: "Well, I had hoped to avoid the same problem we had in the prior Bill. This is noncontroversial, or at least it was thought so, the vote was 27 to one. Even Chairman Matijevich is with us on this one, Mike. Let's go talk to the Commissioner together, but let's pass the Bill out and get on to some other Bills."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Representative Kent."
Kent: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I thought that we understood in Committee, in the Appropriations Committee, that the funds that this agency receives comes from the banks themselves. So, I think, we're being very foolish in not passing this one on out."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative James Houlihan."

Houlihan, J.: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think the point of question here that Representative Holewinski is raising is not where the funds are coming from. I think we're all well aware of where the funds are coming from; the question rather, is how they are being used. The same question's been raised on other issues, the Commerce Commission, the Department of Insurance, all the regulatory agencies. The question is, whether they need additional resources to properly do the job and whether those additional resources might prevent any abuses in the...in the implementation of the law...or, whether in fact, they would provide a greater safety and protection for the consumers in Illinois?"

Speaker Redmond: "Ready for the question? Representative Cunningham to close."

Cunningham: "Remember a green light for Elmer."

Speaker Redmond: "The question....The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 136 'aye' and 2 'no'...and the Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. Representative Hoffman, did you seek recognition with respect to 2723? Representative Gene Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker...Speaker, I'd like leave of the House to be recorded as 'aye' on 2723. It will not change the outcome. I was absent from the floor at the time of the...vote on it..."

Speaker Redmond: "Does the Gentleman have leave? There's no objection. Leave is granted and he will be added to the Roll Call. 2998. Representative John Dunn."

Dunn, J.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd also like leave to be recorded as voting 'aye' on House Bill 2597. It will not change the outcome of the vote."

Speaker Redmond: "Does the Gentleman have leave? Hearing no objection,
leave is granted."

Speaker Redmond: "I just wanted to see if she was alive. We'll be back..."


Speaker Redmond: "Representative Tipsword."

Tipsword: "Mr. Speaker, House Bill 2998 and 2999 are companion Bills and I wonder if they...If we might have the privilege of hearing those Bills together?"

Speaker Redmond: "Does the Gentleman have leave? Hearing no objection, leave is granted. Read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2999, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Secretary of State Merit Employment Code, Third Reading of the Bill."

Tipsword: "These Bills add specific statutory authority to our statutes to provide that the Secretary of State may continue the present procedures that have continued for quite some time for investigating potential employees. There are new federal regulations by the Law Enforcement Assistant Administration which requires the introduction of these Bills. It's due to the very highly sensitive nature of many areas of employment within the Office of Secretary of State, it's necessary to have this kind of legislation. Where the Secretary can inquire into, in certain specific instances, the background of those employees in regard to certain violations of law - whether or not they have occurred or not - because they are in highly sensitive law enforcement positions. The Law Enforcement Assistant Administration of the Federal Government prohibits that - except in these particular areas where this statutory authority is granted. The Illinois Department of Law Enforcement supports this Bill as well as the Chicago Police Department - er...these two Bills. I would urge passage of House Bill 2998 and 2999....to let the Secretary continue to practice this kind of necessary investigation."

Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman from Rock Island, Representative Darrow."

Darrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.

I would just point out to the Speaker that the Amendment #1 is
technically incorrect. What you are doing is you are using the phrase deleting rather than striken through. You're not doing it properly and technically it's incorrect. Perhaps you'd like to change that in the Senate if you don't want to take that back to Second Reading now."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Tipsword."

Tipsword: "Take it out of the record. We'd rather cure it here if there's something that needs to be cured."

Speaker Redmond: "Take these Bills out of the record. 2989."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2989, a Bill for an Act making appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Pollution Control Board, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Jane Barnes."

Barnes, Jane: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 2989 appropriates 718,600 dollars from the General Revenue Fund, to the Pollution Control Board for its FY 79 expenses. This had a very extensive hearing in the Appropriations Committee and it passed with 23 'ayes' and 3 'nays' and I would call for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? Representative Robert Mann. Representative Mann, the Gentleman from Cook."

Mann: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "She will."

Mann: "...to a question, my very distinguished colleague? I'm informed that with regard to Lake Michigan, that the pollution that is now entering the lake is not coming within the municipal bound of the City of Chicago, but is coming from the northern areas in and around where Abbott Labs are, in and around Waukegan. I don't mean to generalize or demean Waukegan in any way, I respect all of my colleagues that...that come from that area; but I know that the distinguished Member would not put forth a Bill that she didn't think would be helpful in fighting this battle. But I just sorta wanted to say, that when you begin to feel that you can't eat trout twice a month because of the mercury count and when you...when you see other chemicals like PCB's and others showing up in such quantity and we're learning more and more about water borne viruses. It isn't
that I want to shoot the Bill down, but I want to know where the Bill is being spent. Is it being spent on the scenic rivers? Is it being spent up north of Chicago, or is it all on staff?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Barnes."

Barnes, J.: "Thank you, Representative. That was a very good question and I appreciate your comment. The Board is in the process of hearing these complaints and they are about to have a new sewer control project and they...with the money appropriated they will be hearing the problems that you refer to and hopefully taking care of them."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mann."

Mann: "Mr. Speaker, as she knows, I'm very fond of the Lady. I don't think..."

Speaker Redmond: "All ladies..."

Mann: "All ladies, but I'm fond of this Lady. She's a capable Legislator. But really, for twenty years now we've been told by a number of agencies, passing the buck, that new time limits were going to be established for this program to be implemented and for that program to be implemented, more monies appropriated, more bucks are passed and you reach a point where you say, 'no more'. We've heard this too often, we've heard this statement that there's going to be some hearings on the North Shore, outside of Chicago,...for God's sake...for thirty years we have known that that has been a hotbed of pollution. And I really seriously...would hope that you would withhold your vote here until we find out a little bit more in particular:

One, why this agency hasn't done what it says it's going to do and;

Two, what enforcement powers it has...even if it does find what we know to be true - mercury, P.C.B.'s, all kinds of unhealthy growths within that great Lake Michigan. These are my comments, Ladies and Gentlemen. I hope you will consider them as you vote on this particular Bill. I repeat once more, to the very capable Sponsor, it's an entirely impersonal position that I take here, but I think it's one that ought to be followed."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ryan."

Ryan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move the previous question."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall the main question be put? Those
in favor say 'aye', 'aye'; opposed 'no', the 'ayes' have it, the
motion carries. Representative Jane Barnes, to close."

Barnes, J.: "I would appreciate a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor
vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Representa-
tive Holewinski."

Holewinski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.
I would join with Representative Mann in urging you to consider
carefully your vote on this measure. I think the problems that Rep-
resentative Mann raised are really indicative of a lot of the problems
that we have with all of our regulatory agencies in the state. If
we do not get answers at this stage in the process as to their plans
for dealing with our problems today, when will we get those answers?
I think it's time that we stop maintaining agencies that had as their
sole goal maintaining a status quo and protecting industries and
dealt seriously with the problems of regulation. I would urge you
who are voting in the affirmative to reconsider your vote until some
of these policy questions are answered and vote 'present' or 'no' on
this appropriation."

Speaker Redmond: "Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record.
On this question there's 122 'aye' and 6 'no', and the Bill having
received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. We
return now to 2998 and 2999."

Clerk O'Brien: "These Bills have been read a third time previously."

Tipword: House Bill 2998 and 2999 are the Bills we were considering a
couple of minutes ago and they thought there was a possible problem
on the Amendments to each of the Bills. We have found that there is
no problem on the Amendment and the Bills are in proper legal shape.
These merely are to meet the problems created by the new federal
regulations so that the Secretary can continue to make those necessary
examinations in certain critical employment and licensing areas. I
would....This is supported by the Department of Law Enforcement and
by the Chicago Police Department. I would urge that we pass these
two Bills out....2998 and 2999."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Bowman."
Bowman: "Will the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Bowman: "I've heard ...Representative Tipsword, I've heard you mention the Federal regulations on a couple of occasions. Could you be more precise about that? It seems to me that these are not really sensitive positions that we are dealing with and I'd like to know a little bit more about why we are authorizing such investigations?"

Tipsword: "The new federal regulations of the the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration provides that you cannot make any of these kinds of investigations unless there is specific statutory authority for them."

Bowman: "Well, wait a minute. Okay. To pursue that then, why have the investigations at all? The implications that you gave before was that we needed to provide for the investigations because of federal regulations requiring them. It seems to me that the Secretary of State simply wants to do it and so he needs the authority to do it."

Tipsword: "We need the statutes for that. We have always made these kind of investigations in these specific instances. One of them as in House Bill 2998, relates to commercial driving instructors, and this has always been required simply because the commercial driving instructors take people out, individually, in automobiles for these driving instructions and they want to be sure that they are persons of good moral character. When they are...holding them out by the Secretary of State as persons who...would be safe for people to be with for their driving instructions and that nothing is going to happen to them. There are certain investigative positions in the Department...or in the Secretary of State's various divisions in which they have to know that they are also of good moral character and have to be totally trustworthy ...for the various areas in which they must send them into and the kind of investigations that they must make."

Bowman: "Then this covers only...personnel...wait a minute ...It covers only personnel hired by the Secretary of State that conducts investigations and it conducts ..."

Tipsword: "...And those licensed as commercial driving instructors."

Bowman: "Licensed commercial driving instructors for whom the Secretary..."
of State is responsible for licensing."
Tipsword: "That's correct."
Bowman: "It doesn't cover anybody else?"
Tipsword: "This covers no one else. Now I understand there are certain
other problem areas."
Bowman: "Just stop right there. I'll vote for the Bill."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Telcser."
Telcser: "Will the Sponsor yield?"
Speaker Redmond: "He will."
Telcser: "Does this appropriation include the . . . ."
Tipsword: "This is not an appropriation. This is authorizing legislation
for making these sensitive investigations."
Speaker Redmond: "Appropriation Bills are in the heavy type, Representative
Telcser. Representative Simms."
Simms: "Well, Mr. Speaker, would the Gentleman yield for a question?
Representative Tipsword, would this include investigating the
possibility of drunk driving charges in the State of California, of
an employee of the Secretary of State's Office?"
Tipsword: "No, this does not. As I understand it it, it does not go into
that...."
Simms: "I'm just curious....why it wouldn't. I mean."
Tipsword: "This is in regard....This is in matters regarding moral turpitude,
and they are...."
Simms: "Well, is drunken driving in the area of moral turpitude? Why
couldn't the State of California not ..... taking a Breathalyzer."
Tipsword: "No."
Simms: "Okay."
Tipsword: "No."
Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? Ready for the question? Represen-
tative Leverenz. Representative Mulcahey, will you please sit down?
Leverenz."
Leverenz: "Just to move the previous question, Mr. Speaker."
Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall the main question be put? Those
in favor say 'aye', 'aye'; opposed 'no', the 'ayes' have it, the
motion carried. Representative Tipsword to close."
Tipsword: "I would urge the adoption of... the passage of these two Bills so that we can continue these necessary procedures. This has the full support of the major law enforcement groups in the State of Illinois and is a necessary thing for the proper investigation."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall these Bills pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Right. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 145 'aye', and no 'nay', and the Bills having received the Constitutional Majority are hereby declared passed. 3018, Representative Dan Houlihan. 3018."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3018, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Municipal Code, Third Reading of the Bill."

Houlihan, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm handling this Bill for Representative Beatty, who is off the floor at the moment. And at his request I would like leave of the House to take House Bill 3018 back to the Order of Second Reading for the purposes of an Amendment."

Speaker Redmond: "Does the Gentleman have leave? Hearing no objection, leave is granted. 3018 will be returned to the Order of Second Reading."

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #1, amends House Bill 3018, on page one, line 15, by deleting 'but' and inserting in lieu thereof 'but' struck through."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Dan Houlihan."

Houlihan, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment #1 is Representative Beatty's Amendment. All that it does is correct a grammatical error, which would be in the Bill... absent the Amendment. I move the adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is on the Gentleman's motion for the adoption of Amendment #1. Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, the motion carries, the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 3035. Representative Winchester."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3035, a Bill for an Act authorizing the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities to convey
certain real property in the City of Anna. Third Reading of the Bill.

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Winchester."

Winchester: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.

This is an easement Bill. It does authorize the Department of Mental Health to convey 62 acres of land to the City of Anna, for the purpose of a public park and recreational purposes. The Department of Mental Health is supporting it because the City of Anna has agreed to provide all the recreational facilities which would be shared by the mental health patients there at the Anna State Hospital. I would urge a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? Representative Byers."

Byers: "Mr. Speaker, would the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Byers: "What...Representative Winchester, what is the appraised value of that 62 acres, of land?"

Winchester: "I'm really not sure what the actual appraised value is, Representative, but I would feel that it would be in the area of about 250 dollars to 275 dollars an acre. Roughly around 15 thousand dollars, total."

Byers: "Isn't...This is right at the edge of the City of Anna. Wouldn't that be worth more than that for commercial development, or something of that nature?"

Winchester: "I'm not sure, Representative, but I don't think that you would want commercial development that close to the Anna State Hospital. It's not that close to the City of Anna. It's more close...closer to the State Hospital."

Byers: "Between the Union County Hospital and the State..."

Winchester: "I believe it's across the street from the Union County Hospital - the particular road you're talking about - on the right-hand side."

Byers: "What happens to this land, once it's deeded to the City of Anna, if they decide that they want to get rid of it sometime...can they..."

Winchester: "It's in the legislation that they cannot do that. Should the City of Anna decide that they no longer want the land it reverts back to the Anna State Hospital, the Department of Mental Health."

Byers: "Mr. Speaker, if I might address this Bill?"
Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Byers: "I think it's a fine thing that we have excess land and that the state is unloading its burden, but at the same time I feel that the state should sell that resource rather than simply just give it away, even though they are giving it to another municipal body. I've opposed these all around the state and I think that this is another case of giving away resources that we shouldn't and we should put them up for the highest bidder and let someone buy them. I'm sure that this would bring a lot more money into the state. We could certainly use it for schools, they'd use it for mental health and a lot of other things. I would recommend a 'no' vote."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Mann."

Mann: "Mr. Speaker, I know absolutely nothing about the area and the Sponsor knows this, but I was thinking about the Southshore Country Club which has maybe a few more acres, maybe 63, 64, 65; and what in particular are they planning to do with it, aside from making a public park and recreation purposes? Are they going to have a golf course there? What...Do you know in detail what they are going to do?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Winchester."

Winchester: "Not in detail, Representative, but it is not going to be used to develop a golf course. The City of Anna only has one recreational area and the community is growing leaps and bounds. The...The mental health patients, at the Anna State Hospital, who are able to be bussed are transported to that recreational facility for use of the equipment that's available. They have sat down with the city officials and have agreed and worked out this legislation so that the city officials would, themselves, turn it into a second recreational area, a playground area, a little bit bigger than just a playground area, but it would be available not only to the public but it would also be available to those mental health patients who are, you know, at the Anna State Hospital. It would not be turned into a country club situation; I can assure you of that, Representative."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Pierce."

Pierce: "Would the Gentleman yield to a question?"
Speaker Redmond: "He will."

Pierce: "Under the off-track betting Bill, could the City of Anna turn this into an off-track betting parlor, provided, of course, the City of East St. Louis gave them permission."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Harris...Representative Winchester."

Harris: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This land is much needed by the City of Anna. They have completely exhausted their parking facilities for their parks. This can be used by the State of Illinois for those that are in the mental hospital. The State of Illinois is getting a real good bargain by giving this land to the City of Anna. They definitely need it, the City Council has requested it, there's a definite need and I'd like to speak for the Bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "Are you ready for the question? Representative Winchester to close."

Winchester: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think Representative Harris said basically what I wanted to say. It is an important, I think, piece of legislation to the City of Anna. It is an easement Bill. It's agreed to by the Department of Mental Health. I think we'd be doing a very wise and good thing here by supporting this piece of legislation. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 130 'aye' and 8 'no', and this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 3039. Out of the record. 3041. Out of the record. 3111, Representative Madigan. Out of the record. 3020...3120."

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

Speaker Redmond: "It's the plan to go until about 7 o'clock tonight. 3120."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3120, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Capital Development Board Act, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lucco."

Lucco: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This
Bill, House Bill 3120, is one that, I think, has been entirely too long in coming. Today I had a Bill which granted an easement for a sewer line across the school property. And we have these coming up just day after day - numerous times - we have to take our time to pass statutes, pass Bills, in order to grant the Capital Development Board the right to do this. This particular Bill amends the Capital Development Board Act. It authorizes the Board to grant easements for sewers, drainage or utilities to school lands to which the Board holds title; upon request by the school board. Now, it seems to me like this is something that should be between the Capital Development Board and the boards of education of the various school districts. And it seems to me like this would be very ...very much in order and would save much time of the State Legislature. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 152 'aye', and one 'no'. The Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. 3131."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3131, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the..."

Speaker Redmond: "Out of the record, request of the Sponsor. We'll go now to the Order of House Bills, Second Reading. We've got a lot of work there. 10.....House Bills, Second Reading, House Bill 104, Representative Getty. Are you ready to proceed on that one? 620, Representative Flinn? Representative Winchester."

Winchester: "Mr. Speaker, I am wondering....Representative Harris and I had a Bill on Third Reading, which we are getting very close to, that we'd like to move back to Second for the purpose of an Amendment."

Speaker Redmond: "3147....Is that the one you're talking about?"

Winchester: "Yes, Sir."

Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman asks leave to return 3147 to the Order of Second Reading for the purpose of an Amendment. Leave granted? Hearing no objection, leave is granted. 3147 will be returned to the Order of Second Reading."
Winchester: "Mr. Speaker, I've just been informed by the Democratic side of the aisle that the Amendment has not been distributed. We submitted this earlier this morning so..."

Speaker Redmond: "Okay. We'll leave it on Second Reading."

Winchester: "Thank you anyway."

Speaker Redmond: "We'll return then to 620. Representative Monroe Flinn."

Flinn: "Mr. Speaker, this has been on Second Reading for two weeks now and there's no Amendments. There was some people asked questions about it - Would I hold it on Second? - I have. I would still offer to move it back to Second if any..."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any motion with respect to Amendment #1, Mr. Clerk? 620, yes."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 620, a Bill for an Act to license, tax and regulate the business of operating jai alai, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any motion with respect to that Amendment?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motion filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Was the fiscal note furnished? It has been requested. Has it been furnished?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Fiscal not has not been furnished...yet."

Speaker Redmond: "We'll have to leave it on Second then, Representative Flinn."

Flinn: "That's right. I didn't know anything about that, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "Okay. 788."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 788, a Bill for an Act in relation to a school district....."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Edgar. Out of the record."

Edgar: "Yeah."

Speaker Redmond: "1357."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 1357, a Bill for an Act relating to farming by business organizations, family farm corporations and authorized farm corporations, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendments #1....."

Speaker Redmond: "The Sponsor requests that this Bill be taken out of the
record. 1913. Representative Bowman. 1913."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 1913, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to revise the law in relation to landlord and tenants. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendments #1 and 2 were adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any motion with respect to Amendment 1 or 2?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motions filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #3. ....Amendment #3, Johnson, amends House Bill 1913, as amended by House Amendment #2, and so forth."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Johnson."

Johnson: "I just need.....I need to see a copy of the Amendment to know which one we're on. I have a couple of them filed."

Clerk O'Brien: "It's the long one."

Speaker Redmond: "The long one.....2200 pounds..."

Johnson: "Let me go ahead. Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, what Amendment #3 does is to guarantee to private residential tenants the same due process pre-seizure protections that we've guaranteed by this Bill, to commercial tenants. It does do this, it doesn't totally eliminate the distress remedy ...as the Bill was originally intended to do. My thinking is, that rather than to completely throw out the concept of distress altogether that what we've got to do is put it in a workable form where it protects what I think, are inadequately protected rights of tenants now. This Bill does that and, I think, with this Amendment it makes it a very good Bill and something that ought to be supported."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Amendment is perfectly acceptable to me. I ...I think, you know, while I would be happy to see distress eliminated altogether, for residential properties, I'm primarily concerned about securing due process for all citizens and, I think, this Amendment is certainly acceptable. And I would urge a favorable Roll Call as well."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is on the Gentleman's motion for the adoption of Amendment #3. Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye', opposed 'no', the 'ayes' have it, the motion carried, Amendment #3 is adopted.
Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #4, Johnson, amends House Bill 1913, as amended, and so forth."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Johnson."

Johnson: "Mr. Speaker, I would move to table Amendment #4."

Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman is withdrawing Amendment #4. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments?"

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 1967..."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 1967, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Vehicle Code, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motion with respect to Amendment #1?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motions filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motions filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 1970..."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 1970, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Vehicle Code, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any motion with respect to Amendment 1?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motions filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: Third Reading. 2084. Has the fiscal note been furnished on this one?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No, the fiscal note is not filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Cunningham, do you want to communicate with Elmer? Representative Cunningham has some news for you, Representative Conti. Has the fiscal note been furnished on 2084?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No, the fiscal note has not been filed."

Speaker Redmond: "2418."

Clerk O'Brien: "The fiscal note is not filed on that Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "2428."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2428, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of
the Illinois Employees Group Insurance Act, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #1, Satterthwaite, amends House Bill 2428 on page one, line 16 and so forth."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Satterthwaite."

Satterthwaite: "Mr. Speaker..."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Houlihan, I can't see Representative Satterthwaite."

Satterthwaite: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, the Bill, as written, has no effective date in it. There would be some confusion about when the Bill would actually take effect. The Amendment I have proposed simply puts in a date for the effect of the amendatory language. I ask for your support."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Darrow."

Darrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor of the Amendment yield?"

Speaker Redmond: "She will."

Darrow: "How did you pick 1980? Why should not this take effect immediately, or effect in a shorter period of time?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Satterthwaite."

Satterthwaite: "Representative, the Department of Personnel indicated that a two year contract is to be extended and they have no authority to renegotiate within that contract period of time. This would allow for that current contract agreement to end and in the meantime a new contract could be negotiated for that time, after July 1 of 1980."

Darrow: "Absent the effective date that you are proposing, when would this take effect?"

Satterthwaite: "Well, that is not clear. And that is why I feel that it is necessary that we put an effective date in so that it would be clarified."

Darrow: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything further? The question...Representative Willer. The question is on the Lady's motion for the adoption of Amendment #1. Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye', opposed 'no'; the..."
in the opinion of the Chair the 'ayes' have it, and the motion carries and the Amendment's adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2436."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2436, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Revenue Code, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2486."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2486, a Bill for an Act to amend an Act to tax gifts, Third....Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2539."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2539, a Bill for an Act relating to county and municipal jails, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motions with respect to Amendment #1?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motion filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendment from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2548."

Clerk O'Brien: "There's a request for a fiscal note on this Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "2555."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2555, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Insurance Code, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #1, Bowman, amends House Bill 2555...."

Speaker Redmond: "Take this one out of the record, request of the Sponsor. 2560."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2560, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motions filed with respect to Amendment 1?"
Clerk O'Brien: "No motion filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2570."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2570, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Revenue Act, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2572. Representative Totten."

Totten: "Fiscal note...."

Speaker Redmond: "The Calendar indicates the fiscal note has been filed. 2572."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2572, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Criminal Code, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2575."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2575, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Revenue Act, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #1, Ewing, amends House Bill 2575, on page two, by deleting line one through 35...."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Lechowicz on the floor? Representative Dan Houlihan."

Houlihan, D.: "We don't have a copy of the Amendment."

Speaker Redmond: "Whose Amendment is it? It's not printed, that's why you don't have it. Take this one out of the record. 2589."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2589, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act in relation to fire protection districts, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #1, ... Amendment #1, Matijevich, amends House Bill 2589 on page one, by deleting line 8 through 12 and so forth."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Matijevich. Representative Kelly. Ewell..."
Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, when I presented this Bill to the Cities and Villages Committee I informed the Committee, at the request of the Fire Protection Association of Illinois, that I would prepare a more restrictive Amendment so that the dissolution can only pertain to one fire protection district in the State of Illinois, that's the Shields Fire Protection District in my home town, which is now totally within the municipality. There is even a repealer clause in it. With that Amendment the Fire Protection District Association now supports the Bill. I move for the adoption of the Amendment to 2589."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? Representative Ryan."

Ryan: "What's the Amendment number, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Redmond: "One."

Matijevich: "It's supposed to be one, but they've got two written on it."

Ryan: "Is this the same Amendment that says number two."

Matijevich: "That's it, George. It says two on it, but I know of no other Amendment to the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Does the he have leave to amend it on its face?"

Ryan: "If that's the only Amendment, I have no objection."

Speaker Redmond: "That's the only Amendment."

Matijevich: "Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Do we have leave to amend it on its face, to show Amendment 1? Hearing no objection, leave it granted. It will be amended on its face. Now the question is on the Gentleman's motion for the adoption of Amendment #1. Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye', opposed 'no'; the 'ayes' have it, the motion carries, the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2591, a fiscal note has been requested. 2598..."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2598, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Highway Code, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Jack Davis."
Davis, J.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. There's been a Floor Amendment filed, but I don't think it's been distributed. Will you take it out of the record - unless it has - I don't have a copy."

Speaker Redmond: "Has it been distributed? Out of the record. 2600. Representative Sandquist."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2600, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act relating to alcoholic liquors, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2605."

Clerk O'Brien: House Bill 2605, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Revenue Act, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 and 2 were adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any motions with respect to Amendment 1 and 2?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motion filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. The fiscal note has been filed, I see. 2619."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2619, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was tabled in Committee. Amendment #2 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motion with respect to Amendment #2?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motion filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Jones, ...you want this held on Second, is that correct? Hold it. 2625."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2625, a Bill for an Act concerning the use of cannabis....Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motion or ....."

Clerk O'Brien: "No motions filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Do you want this one advanced, Dr. Edgar?....I know it..."
Third Reading... 2643, a fiscal note has been requested. 2650. Oh!
Pardon me. 2643, I understand the fiscal note is filed."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2643, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of
the Revenue Act, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."
Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"
Clerk O'Brien: "None."
Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2650."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2650, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of
the Messages Tax Act, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was
adopted in Committee."
Speaker Redmond: "Any motion with respect to that Amendment?"
Clerk O'Brien: "No motion filed."
Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendment from the floor? Representative Dan
Houlihan. Dan Houlihan."
Houlihan, D.: "I have a question of the Sponsor of the Amendment, Rep-
resentative Mugalian."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mugalian. Floor Amendment?"
Houlihan, D.: "On Amendment... ...#1, which was adopted in Committee,
was that with the consent of the Sponsor of the Bill, Representative
Katz?"
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mugalian?"
Houlihan, D.: ".....911, the emergency number?"
Mugalian: "I don't have any Amendment on that..."
Speaker Redmond: "Committee Amendment #1, was there any motion with respect
to that?"
Clerk O'Brien: "No motion filed."
Speaker Redmond: "Was there any Amendment from the floor?"
Houlihan, D.: "Is Amendment #1 germane? That's the question I have."
Speaker Redmond: "Oh! I see. I don't know. Mr. Parliamentarian. Rep-
resentative Katz?"
Katz: "Mr. Speaker, Amendment #2 has been filed, but not yet distributed,
so I would just ask you to move on and hold it until tomorrow when
it will have been distributed. Then it can be disposed of all in
one package."
Speaker Redmond: "Okay. We'll take this one out of the record. 2684..."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2684, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments.

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2691, has that fiscal note been filed yet? The fiscal note on 2691, has that been filed yet?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No, it has not."

Speaker Redmond: "2707. I take it when it doesn't so indicate on here, that it hasn't been filed. Is that correct? 2707, has the fiscal been filed? It has?"

Clerk O'Brien: "2707."

Speaker Redmond: "Okay. 2707, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2707, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief Act, Second Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from ......?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #1..."

Speaker Redmond: "Has that been printed and distributed? I guess maybe we better take that one out of the record. 2708."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2708, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act in relation to fencing and operating railroads, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motions with respect to Amendment 1?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motions filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No floor Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2713."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2713, a Bill for an Act in relation to village boards of trustees in villages under 25,000 population, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motions with respect to Amendment 1?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motion filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"
Clerk O'Brien: "No floor Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2718."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2718, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2736."


Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #1."

Speaker Redmond: "Who's the Sponsor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Representative Ryan. ...Amends House Bill 2736, on page four, line three..."

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

Houlihan, D.: "Has that Amendment been printed and distributed?"

Speaker Redmond: "Has it been printed and distributed?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Yes."

Speaker Redmond: "The Page advises me it has."

Houlihan, D.: "Could we have a copy of it, please?"

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ryan...."

Ryan: "You can take this out of the record."

Speaker Redmond: "Out of the record. 2746."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2746, a Bill for an Act to prohibit smoking in certain vehicles of public transportation, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2749."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2749, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Downstate Public Transportation Act, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"
Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2757, 2757...Out of the record. 2763."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2763, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Industrial Development Authority Act, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2771."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2771, a Bill for an Act to amend State's Attorneys Appellate Service Commission Act, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2775."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2775, a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code, Second Reading of the Bill. No...No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2787. Representative Leinenweber."

Leinenweber: "Mr. Speaker, I think there was supposed to have been an Amendment put to that Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Which one? 2775? No Amendments filed. Are ...."

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #1 was tabled in Committee. No floor Amendments have been filed."

Leinenweber: "The Sponsor was going to have another Amendment. I think she wants to hold it on Second. I'm not sure."

Speaker Redmond: "Speak for yourself, John Alden. Do you want us to have it held on Second Reading?"

Barnes, Jane: "I have discussed it with my leader and he said I would take it back at the proper time. I did agree to an Amendment."

Speaker Redmond: "Is this the proper time?"

Barnes, Jane: "No."

Speaker Redmond: "Shall we leave it on Third Reading? What's the trouble, didn't you pay your fee to Leinenweber? 2793....2787...."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2787..."
Speaker Redmond: "Out of the record. Request of the Sponsor. 2793. Fiscal note requested. 2794, Representative Yourell."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2794..."

Speaker Redmond: "Out of the record. 2798..."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2798, a Bill for an Act... pertaining to reimbursement grants in relation to capital improvements by public community colleges, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motion with respect to Amendment #1?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motion filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendment from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #2, Reilly, amends House Bill 2798, as amended, by House Amendment #1, with reference to the page and line number and so forth."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "This Floor Amendment simply clarifies some language in the Bill. I would move the adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is on the Gentleman's motion for the adoption of Amendment #2. Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye'; opposed 'no', the 'ayes', have it, the motion carried and the Amendment's adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments?"

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2833."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2833, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Motor Fuel Tax Law, Second Reading of the Bill, No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #1, Skinner, amends House Bill 2833, on page one, line thirteen, and so forth."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Skinner, on the Amendment. Representative Ewell."

Ewell: "I have a question as to the germaneness of this Amendment."

Speaker Redmond: "The Amendment isn't printed anyway, so we can't..."

Skinner: "How could any Amendment about the RTA be out of order? This says nothing about homosexuality...?"
Ewell: "Are the two synonymous?"

Speaker Redmond: "2833.... Take it out of the record until it's printed and distributed. 2844."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2844, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Motor Fuel Tax Law, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Has a fiscal note been requested on this?"

Clerk O'Brien: "A fiscal note is requested and filed....already."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2850...Out of the record. 2869..."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2869, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Unified Code of Corrections, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2875."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2875, a Bill for an Act to clarify an Act herein named, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2877."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2877, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act creating the Department of Children and Family Services, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment 91 and 2, were adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motions with respect to Amendment 1 and 2?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motions filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Has the fiscal note been furnished?"

Clerk O'Brien: "The fiscal note is not filed. Yet."

Speaker Redmond: "I understand that there's an Amendment from the floor. Is that correct?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Further Floor Amendments, correct."

Speaker Redmond: "Have they been printed and distributed?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No."

Speaker Redmond: "Out of the record. 2891. Fiscal note has been requested....."
Harris. ...Is it furnished?

Clerk O'Brien: "The request for a fiscal note was withdrawn."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2891, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further...No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2898."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2898, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Pension Code, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motion with respect to Amendment #1?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motions filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motions from the floor? Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment...We have Floor Amendments...Not printed..."

Speaker Redmond: "Amendments filed but not printed and distributed? Is that correct?"

Clerk O'Brien: "One has been printed but three others..."

Speaker Redmond: "Well, we might as well take it...Representative Yourell...Out of the record. 2903, I understand a fiscal note has been requested. Is that correct? Filed? Okay. 2903."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2903, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motions with respect to Amendment #1?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motions filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2916."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2916, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

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

Deuster: "When you get to Amendment #2...I think the Clerk just read
Amendment #1, adopted in Committee. And I don't know of any motions with respect to Amendment #1. I was...

Speaker Redmond: "There were four Amendments that were not printed and distributed."

Deuster: "Yes, there was one Amendment I wanted to take care of, that was #2, and I simply wanted to table it. It was my own Amendment and it is incorporated in Amendment #3."

Speaker Redmond: "You withdraw Amendment #2, is that correct?"

Deuster: "I would like to withdraw Amendment #2."

Speaker Redmond: "Any other Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #3 and 4 are not printed... yet."

Speaker Redmond: "What was that, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendments 3 and 4 are not printed."

Speaker Redmond: "Amendments 3 and 4 are not printed, Representative Deuster."

Deuster: "I'd like to have it held on Second Reading. There is also a request for a fiscal note, so..."

Speaker Redmond: "It will be held. At the request of the Sponsor, 2926 will be held. 2933. There's been a request for a fiscal note. 2946, I understand that's to be held at the request of the Sponsor. 2958."

Clerk O'Brien: "It's held on Second. House Bill 2958, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act in relation to the rate of interest and other charges in connection with the sales and credit and the lending of money, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendments #1 and 2 were adopted in Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motions with respect to Amendments 1 and 2?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motions filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Any motions from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. 2981. Representative Tipsword. The rules provide that nobody is supposed to stand between the Chair and the...."

Tipsword: "...They didn't know we were going to talk. Mr. Speaker, did you pass by 2933?"
Speaker Redmond: "I called it, but there's a request for a fiscal note is the problem."

Tipsword: "It's filed."

Speaker Redmond: "Well, ...has the fiscal note on 2933 been filed?"

Tipsword: "It sure has. I filed it."

Speaker Redmond: "Chalkie can't find it. 2933..."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2933, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Insurance Code, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Are there Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Redmond: "Third Reading. Representative Schuneman. Schuneman..."

Schuneman: "Mr. Speaker, did you just pass 2933 to Third Reading?"

Speaker Redmond: "2933, the fiscal note has been filed and there were no Amendments from the floor."

Schuneman: "Yes, Sir. There were four Amendments to this Bill which I filed. I have copies of these Amendments."

Speaker Redmond: "Well...let's go back. 2933."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2933, Floor Amendment #1, Schuneman..."

Speaker Redmond: "...2933, on the Order of Third Reading will be returned to the Order of Second Reading. Now...Amendment #1, is that correct?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment 1, Schuneman, amends House Bill 2933 on page one, line one, and so forth."

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Schuneman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 2933 seeks to make it illegal to issue an automobile insurance policy that would have a deductible on glass breakage. The Sponsors of this Bill, who represented the glass industry, came before the Insurance Committee and indicated that their reasons for introducing this Bill has to do with highway safety. Now I suggest to you that if it makes any sense to put a deductible on glass breakage and thereby raise the insurance premiums to all the constituents in the State of Illinois, then Amendment #1 also makes great sense because in Amendment #1 I would seek to prohibit the issuance of any policy that would have a deductible applying to the steering mechanism of a car. And I would urge the adoption of..."
Amendment #1."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Dan Houlihan."

Houlihan, D.: "A question of the Sponsor of the Amendment?"

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Houlihan, D.: "What's the position of the insurance industry in respect to this Amendment?"

Schuneman: "I don't know that they have a position, Representative. I don't think it really would make any difference to them one way or another because if ... if this Bill passes, and if my Amendment is put on, I think they will simply raise the insurance premiums for everybody and they'll collect more premiums if House Bill 2933 passes in any form. So I don't think they really... I haven't talked to them about it, but I don't think they have a position on it at all."

Houlihan, D.: "Your feeling.... With this Amendment on, that the cost of insurance for the individual policy holder will rise?"

Schuneman: "It's my opinion that the Bill will cause an increase in the insurance premiums..."

Houlihan, D.: "And will the Amendment accentuate the ... that same situation?"

Schuneman: "I really don't know to what extent the steering mechanisms represent a portion of the claim experience in Illinois, I don't think that steering mechanisms are damaged as often as windshields are damaged, but probably to some extent it would affect the premiums."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Tipsword."

Tipsword: "Mr. Speaker, it is my understanding that according to the evidence we had before the Insurance Committee... is that glass has always been considered a part of the comprehensive coverage in insurance. Recently the comprehensive cost of automobile insurance has been rising rather drastically. This is now covered under comprehensive, but we understand what many of the companies are saying, 'Well we can lower your comprehensive if you will put on a deductible clause for glass coverage.' So consequently, putting this ...pro... provision in in regard to glass breakage is not... should not raise..."
insurance, but it just simply takes away this thing of telling people...

'Okay, we'll take away what's always been included in your comprehensive and therefore, we'll lower it a little bit.' Trying to get people to no longer cover the glass breakage in their automobiles.

Now, with regard to steering mechanisms, as far as I know, this hasn't been a matter that they've been telling people that we'll lower your comprehensive cost if you'll take deductible on your steering mechanism. Currently, however, glass is covered and it is covered in the comprehensive, but they are using it as a leverage now to tell you 'Well, we'll lower your premiums if you'll take a deductible on it.' So, I think, these are actually two different things and the... including the glass... prohibiting the glass deductible is not going to increase comprehensive, it is just going to keep them from using it as a lever... to tell you that they'll lower your insurance rates if you'll take it out so they won't have to cover it."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Schuneman."

Schuneman: "Yes, Sir. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think, there's been some misunderstanding and some misinformation about what this Bill will do. Most insurance companies, offering comprehensive insurance in Illinois, offer it on an optional basis. You can buy full coverage comprehensive insurance - and I see those Members who know something about the insurance business nodding their head in agreement - you can buy it on a full coverage basis or you can save some money and buy it on the deductible basis. Now what this Bill says, 2933, it says that you can't save any money on glass breakage, and you must buy full coverage glass insurance. The only... The only benefits from this Bill are for those people who are in the glass industry, because, as you and I buy deductibles on our insurance policies, the Bill for glass insurance will no longer be paid in full by the insurance companies, but rather, those people who have a deductible will have to pay that 50 dollar deductible, and the glass companies are afraid that they're going to have trouble collecting their deductibles. So, the only one to benefit from this Bill is the glass industry. And I suggest to you that it's wrong to mandate that you and I can't buy deductible on our physical damage auto insurance. And I would urge..."
adoption of Amendment #1, if this truly is introduced as a safety measure then we ought to make this Bill apply to the steering mechanism, which is such an important part of the automobile."

REPRESENTATIVE LECHOWICZ IN CHAIR...

Speaker Lechowicz: "Will the Gentleman kindly confine his remarks to the Amendment and not to the Bill?"

Schuneman: "Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. I was just closing on the Amendment."

Speaker Lechowicz: "All in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'nay'.....On Amendment #1. All in favor say 'aye'.....All opposed...The Gentleman requests a Roll Call.....In favor of Amendment #1, vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. The Gentleman from Lake, Mr. Deuster, to explain his vote. The timer is on."

Deuster: "One time we had a Bill putting a deposit on bottles, and I think it was Representative Ebbesen - in order to illustrate what a ridiculous Bill he thought it was - put on an Amendment with respect to newspapers. In a way Representative Schuneman is doing the same thing with this Bill. I think it is a bad Amendment to a bad Bill, but it is a vehicle for us to understand what the basic Bill does and what is wrong with the basic Bill. There are a couple of other Amendments along the same line. Now, if you want to kill the Bill, you can either wait until Third Reading or you can do it on the Amendment by adding to the silliness of the proposal."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman...from...Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. I'm sorry. The Gentleman from Lake, Mr. Pierce, to explain his vote."

Pierce: "Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to tell the Gentleman from Lake, who insulted my bottle Bill, that Connecticut and Iowa just passed a Bill this year and the Governors of those states have promised to sign it."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, .....67 'aye's, 79 'nays', 2 recorded as 'present', and the Amendment is not adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #2, Schuneman, amends House Bill 2933, on
Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Whiteside, Mr. Schuneman, to explain the Amendment."

Schuneman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Since House Bill 29 was introduced with the idea of promoting highway safety, I don't understand how the Sponsor failed to include the exhaust system of an automobile. Certainly that is one of the most important parts of an automobile. And if you are interested in highway safety, then you surely cannot plead that the exhaust system of an automobile is not important. I submit to you, Mr. Speaker, that in order for this Bill to truly address highway safety in Illinois, that we should make this deductible...elimination of the deductible...applicable to the exhaust system of an automobile. I would urge the adoption of Amendment #2 which would do that."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Leverenz."

Leverenz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I don't have a conflict. I move the previous question."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman has moved the previous question. Representative Dan Houlihan requests the same rebuttal to Amendment #2. The Gentleman from Whiteside, Mr. Schuneman, to close."

Schuneman: "Just ask for a favorable Roll Call, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall Amendment #2 be adopted? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Lady from Cook, Mrs. Miss Pullen, to explain her vote. Your light is on, Ma'am. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 59 'ayes', 72 'nays', 2 recorded as 'present', and the Amendment is not adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #3, Schuneman, amends House Bill 2933, on page one, line one, and so forth."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Whiteside, Mr. Schuneman."

Schuneman: "Well, Mr. Speaker, I don't understand those two Amendments losing because they're certainly Amendments..."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Move to table this Amendment, Sir?"

Schuneman: "No. No. I can't do that, Mr. Speaker. This Amendment..."
Speak Lechowicz: "Proceed."

Schumeman: "...would include in the Bill, the braking system of an automobile. Now I...certainly the Sponsors of this legislation cannot claim that a windshield or side window in a car is more important than the brakes on a car. And if you really want...if you are really interested in highway safety, and not the passage of some Bill that would be a special interest Bill for the glass industry, then I think every Member ought to vote for Amendment #3, which would include - in the Bill - the brakes on an automobile. I would urge the adoption of Amendment #3."

Speak Lechowicz: "Any discussion? The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #3. All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'.

Marco...Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from Whiteside, Mr. Schumeman, to explain his vote."

Schumeman: "Well, Mr. Speaker, I'd like to urge the Members who are really interested in highway safety to vote for this Bill...for this Amendment. I'm not sure that the Members really understand what it does. It would require that there be no deductible, under a policy of automobile insurance, that would involve damage to the brakes on a car. Now, the argument, of course, is that if you have a deductible, you may not be able to afford that deductible and, therefore, you will not make the repairs to your car. Now, certainly, if there is any part of the car that this principle applies to, it would be the brakes. And...And I really think that the Members who are voting 'no' ought to reconsider what they're doing here. Vote for this Amendment."

Speak Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from DeKalb, Mr. Ebbesen, to explain his vote. The timer is on."

Ebbesen: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The thing that concerns me and it relates to this Amendment, not the Bill, but whatever this Bill includes in its final form and if this Amendment was on there, it looks to me like we're talking about increasing premiums. That's what we better be voting on here, because it appears to me that if we don't hang one of those Amendments on here, that's what you're saying to all those consumers out there, you
are going to raise their premium, if the Bill is adopted. I certainly
would encourage some of you people that's had second thoughts and
get off that red light you've got up there and get into the green area.

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record.
On this question there are 75 'ayes', 73 'nays', 3 recorded as 'present'
and the Amendment is not adopted. Any further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #4, Schumeman, amends House Bill 2933, on page
one, line one, and so forth."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Whiteside, Mr. Schumeman."

Schumeman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'm
disappointed that you have failed to adopt the last three Amendments,
but this one I am sure you won't quarrel with...because this Amend-
ment would include - with..."

Speaker Lechowicz: "I'm sorry, please proceed."

Schumeman: "...This Amendment, Mr. Speaker, would require that there not only
not be a deductible on glass breakage, but the deductible could not
apply to damage to tires. Now...No one can argue that the tires are
not perhaps the most important part of an automobile...and that if
there is damage to tires that those tires should definitely be
replaced. I would ask that you reconsider what you've done on these
other Amendments, that you consider the importance of this matter and
that you adopt Amendment #4, which applies to the tires of an auto-
mobile."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is that all four tires or...the spare tire...?

The Gentleman from Christian, Mr. Tipsword, the Chairman of the
Committee."

Tipsword: "Would the Sponsor of the Amendment yield to a question?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "He indicates he will."

Tipsword: "Mr. Schumeman, are you aware of any companies that are now
suggesting to their policyholders that they take a deductible on the
tires of their car to reduce their premiums?"

Schumeman: "Yes, Sir."

Tipsword: "What companies?"

Schumeman: "All companies."

Tipsword: "They are all suggesting this to their people now?"
Schuneman: "Yes, Sir. All insurance companies are suggesting to policyholders that, as a way of reducing their premium, they can attach deductibles to their insurance policies. There's nothing new about that. That's been suggested for many...many years."

Tipsword: "And consequently what you are saying is that their premium already covers it, so that it's not going to increase any premium, their just...suggesting to them these might be ways of reducing their premium."

Schuneman: "Would you repeat that...please?"

Tipsword: "What you're telling me is, then...they already..."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me...Representative...Will you give the Gentleman some order? Please proceed."

Tipsword: "What you're telling me is then, that they already have the premium set - including the damage to the tires - and this is just a means of their telling people...if you'll take the tires off of there then we'll reduce your premium. So that the Bill isn't going to increase anything.....Is that correct?"

Schuneman: "Well, I'm not sure I understand your question, Sir, but the fact of the matter is that insurance companies have for many...many years offered deductibles as a means of reducing insurance premiums...Full coverage insurance costs more money than does deductible..."

Tipsword: "What I am asking you is...then, they already...they set their price at full coverage, including the tires...?"

Schuneman: "No. That is not true."

Tipsword: "You're telling me they are suggesting a deductible to reduce the premiums."

Schuneman: "I'm telling you that ...that they are suggesting deductibles and increases in deductibles as the way of reducing premiums..."

Tipsword: "Right. So the premiums..."

Schuneman: "...That's precisely true. But ...I don't see what point you're...drawing from it..."

Tipsword: "The premium is already set. The premium is already set covering tires. You're suggesting and the companies are saying you take a..."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me. A point of order being raised... Excuse me. Is a point of order being raised by Representative Byers? State
Byers: "I think this Amendment is about tires and deductible... It seems like they are off the point."

Speaker Lechowicz: "They are trying to debate the issue, Sir. Please proceed. Would you kindly respond to Representative Tipsword's question?"

Schuneman: "I think I have, Mr. Speaker."

Tipsword: "The answer is 'yes', then, thank you."

Schuneman: "Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Did you respond to his question, Sir?"

Schuneman: "I'd like to respond to you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed."

Schuneman: "I wish, Sir, that when you are in the Chair, you would act as the presiding officer and not a participant in debate."

Speaker Lechowicz: "I asked if you responded to his question..."

Schuneman: "I heard what you said, Mr. Speaker. I would appreciate it if you would act as the presiding officer."

Speaker Lechowicz: "You listen very carefully then, Mr. Schuneman. The Gentleman from Lake, Mr. Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, I am trying to follow this, will you let me know when we come to mufflers, please?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "What was that, John? .... The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Daniels. Mr. Daniels."

Daniels: "Yes, will the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "He indicates he will."

Daniels: "Representative Schuneman, I've heard you talk about the braking system, I've heard you talk about the mufflers - Representative Matijevich, we already had a chance to vote on mufflers - now we're on tires. Why do you feel it's so important that we adopt this Amendment relating to tires?"

Schuneman: "Well, because of the highway safety factor that's involved. If tires are damaged and people have a deductible on their insurance policy, they might fail to have that damage repaired. And a badly damaged tire - everybody knows - would represent a severe highway hazard; and so that's the reason."
Daniels: "Just for a clarification, the Bill itself relates to glass. Is that right?"
Schuneman: "Yes, Sir."
Daniels: "And what you want to do is not only include the glass, but you want to put the tires of the car there as well?"
Schuneman: "Right."
Daniels: "May I address the Bill?"
Speaker Lechowitz: "Please proceed."
Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I am moved ...
moved to talk to you about tires..."
Speaker Lechowitz: "Excuse me. There's a point of order being raised by Representative Giorgi."
Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, would it be appropriate now to ask the 'Ev and Charlie Show' a question."
Speaker Lechowitz: "Who would you like to address the question to?"
Giorgi: "The 'Ev and Charlie Show'."
Speaker Lechowitz: "Please proceed with your explanation."
Giorgi: "I'd like to ask...
Speaker Lechowitz: "No, Mr. Daniels."
Daniels: "Would you like to ask me a question? I'll answer it."
Giorgi: "I'd like to ask the 'Ev and Charlie Show' a question...over there."
Daniels: "All right. We're ready."
Giorgi: "The question is, when the insurance companies do suggest ....
premium reductions, does Schuneman give them because...I guess he's a jobber, or is he licensee or what is he, ...selling insurance?"
Speaker Lechowitz: "That's out of order?"
Giorgi: "What does he do? Does he sell insurance or is he a jobber, or is he ...
Speaker Lechowitz: "Mr. Daniels, please."
Daniels: "Well, Mr. Speaker, it's obvious that by the very nature of this
Bill, with dealing with glass, that we should include the tires in it. There's nothing that goes around more than tires. It continues to go around and around and around. So what does glass do? Does glass do anything...on your car? Nothing at all. So, I think, if
you're going to talk about a true premium reduction, we ought to put
the tires in there as well, because those are things that really
carry you around and around and around. Think of it, you go from
the Caucus Room over to the ... John's Supper Club. What takes you
there, ... the tires, not the glass. So we ought to include tires
here and it's very important that this be included for premium re-
duction and we know that they'll have some effect by adopting this
Amendment."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from DeKalb, Mr. Ebbesen."

Ebbesen: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'd just
like to address myself again to the Amendment and remind.....the
last time I gave a very eloquent speech about premiums and forgot to
vote, but - on the last Amendment - but I would say this and remind
you again, you're voting on ... it stands to reason, if you have a
nondeductible policy in anything, house windows, automobile glass,
-by the way in this Bill, I hope this is not prescription ground
glass - ....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me, would you kindly talk to the Amendment,
Sir?"

Ebbesen: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I would ask everybody to take into consider-
ation... the vote on this Amendment is for the benefit of the con-
sumer out there... vote 'yes', so you can keep those premiums down
where they belong. That's the issue, nothing else."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Katz."

Katz: "Mr. Speaker, I would never tire of Mr. Schumeman, nor would I give
you a bum steer. I believe that Mr. Schumeman deserves to go to
the head of the glass here and I believe he deserves some support.
He really is for the consumer because he sees through a Bill like
this and is willing to let people make a choice."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Whiteside, Mr. Schumeman, to close."

Schumeman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Did the last speaker say that I
deserve to go to the head of the 'glass'. Is that what he said?"

Unintelligible conversation... laughter.

Speaker Lechowicz: "I'm just officiating..."

Schumeman: "All right... I'd forgotten that. That's all right. I do want
to answer one question; Representative Matijevich asked when we're
going to get to the mufflers. We passed that some time ago, Representative, and you missed your opportunity when we voted on the exhaust system. But in all seriousness, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen, these...Amendments...ah...if the Bill makes any sense, then these Amendments make sense. I would urge the adoption of Amendment #4, which deals with tires on automobiles and the fact that if the Bill passes then there could be no deductible on damage to tires on automobiles. I would urge your adoption of the Amendment."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall Amendment #4 be adopted? All those in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. The Gentleman from Lake, Representative Griesheimer, to explain his vote. The timer is on."

Griesheimer: "I'll pass, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Okay. The Gentleman from Maco, Mr. Dunn, to explain his vote. The timer is on."

Dunn, J.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I just wanted to make the observation...this is one big vehicle around here that doesn't need wheels."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from McLean, Representative Deavers, to explain his vote. The timer is on."

Deavers: "This is probably the best Amendment to any insurance Bill since I've been here...in the six years. One reason I really like it is because it pertains to glass-belted tires. That'll...Because this way when the windshield are knocked out we can regrind it and put it into eyeglasses for Joe Ebbesen, that'll keep him in business. And as all of you know we need raises down here in the Legislature and Joe doesn't make any money being a Legislator so we got to get him a payraise some way. But...This Bill is essential and Tommy Hanahan ought to be for, it's going to raise the minimum wage. And there's other things involved here and I can't imagine a heavy union contributor like Tommy not being for a good union Bill like this."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 74 'ayes', 79 'nays', 6 recorded as 'present'. The Amendment is not adopted. Any further Amendments?"
Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."


Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2981, a Bill for an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of the Illinois Art Council, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any further...Any motions?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motions filed."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Third Reading. House Bill 3002, Representative Richmond-Dunn."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3002, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Local Library Act, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1..."


Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3006, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Criminal Code, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Third Reading. House Bill 3010, Representative Dan Houlihan. Take it out of the record? House Bill 3024, Representative Beatty?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Does he want it out or..."

Speaker Lechowicz: "No. Put it in. 3004...3024, I'm sorry."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3024, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Court of Claims Act, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any Amendments from the floor?"
Clerk O’Brien: "Floor Amendment #1, Beatty, amends House Bill 3024 on page one, by deleting line 12 and so forth."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Beatty, on Amendment #1."

Beatty: "This is a very technical Amendment in the sense that it defines more closely the change we want to make. It takes out the word 'Associate Judge' to make it 'Associate Judge of the Court of Claims', so that there is no question as to the title involved here. These gentlemen are merely going to be changed from the title 'Commissioners to 'Associate Judges of the Court of Claims'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is there any discussion? The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #1. All in favor signify by saying 'aye', 'aye', all opposed .... Amendment #1 is adopted. Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk O’Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Third Reading. House Bill 3040, Judiciary I. Take it out of the record. House Bill 3051, Representative McClain."

Clerk O’Brien: "House Bill 3051, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act in relation to the rate of interest and other charges in connection with sale and credit in lending of money, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O’Brien: "None."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Third Reading. House Bill 3077, Representative Summer."

Clerk O’Brien: "House Bill 3077, a Bill for an Act making appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Dangerous Drugs Commission, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 and 2 were adopted in Committee."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any motions?"

Clerk O’Brien: "A motion filed. I move to table Amendment #1, by Representative Peters."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Peters on the motion."

Peters: "Mr. Speaker, if I may, I defer to Representative Telcsar."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman asks leave. Any objections? Hearing
none, Representative Telcser...on the motion to table Amendment §."

Telcser: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I believe Amendment § reduced the appropriation for this Bill by some 230,000 ...dollars. Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I frankly never thought I'd see the day when the Members on the other side of the aisle would be cutting budget in such areas of sensitive human needs as we find in the work which the Dangerous Drug Commission performs. I don't believe there's a Member of this House who does not recognize the serious, critical problems we have in this state and in this country, as a matter of fact, regarding the problems of drug abuse. Many... many years ago I was the House Sponsor of the legislation which created Illinois Drug Abuse Program. I'm sorry to say that some ten or twelve years later the great scientific minds of this country have still not come up with specific quantitative answers as to how to solve the problems of drug abuse...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me. Would the Gentleman kindly confine his remarks to the Amendment?"

Telcser: "Now Mr. Speaker, the people who had this Amendment adopted in the House Appropriations Committee, I am sure, recognize that problem. I'm sure that they know full well that this agency came in with a budget which was a no-fat, no-frill budget. The agency requested fewer employees than the last fiscal year. And Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, everyone knows how critical the need is in the area of drug abuse. To cut the heart out of funds of this agency would be a tragedy. I can't imagine ... I can't imagine why the Members on the other side of the aisle would want to choose this particular agency to become fiscal conservatives with. If there is ever a purpose for which we need more funds, it's in the area of drug abuse. That's the area where you cannot measure dollar for dollar, but it's an area in our daily life we cannot ignore. Now Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I hope that each and everyone of you will think of your district, will think of the troubled constituents in your district who'll benefit from this program, who'll benefit from them. Think of the addicts, the drug users and the youth in this state who would be hurt by cutting funds from this..."
agency. Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I urge everyone...I urge everyone to vote for Representative Peters' motion so that we may table this cut of some 230,000 dollars which is critically needed to help rehabilitate drug addicts in this state and to help, perhaps, some youngsters who are probably your constituents, from becoming users of drugs. Mr. Speaker, I urge that we adopt Representative Peters' motion."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Barnes, Chairman of the Committee."

Barnes, E.: "Well, thank you very much. Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, that was a very elegant.....speech relative to the Amendment, but I don't see that it had anything to do with the purpose of the motion. Let me say this, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, if the Gentleman had took time to look at the Amendment and if the Gentleman had took time to look at the purpose for what these 230,000 that he purports will be a drudge on this state if we do not overturn this Amendment. He would have noted that the Chairman of this Commission came before our Appropriations Committee and indicated to us that this monies that we're talking about here had absolutely nothing to do with the services rendered for the drug abuse recipients that are served by that Commission. This monies...these monies addressed theirself to a false...a false, if you will, so-called cost of living increase for employees for private contractural agencies. Agencies that contract with the Dangerous Drug Commission have absolutely nothing whatsoever to do with those services rendered by that Commission. Now according to the director of that agency, according to that director, these...this cost of living was based upon...based upon the contractual agreement that was made relative to state employees. Well, these employees aren't state employees. And I did not know that in the appropriation process that we were in the business of giving raises to private industry people that are involving the contractual arrangements based on some agreement that was made for state employees. I don't think that we should be in the business of doing that, nor do I think that we should be setting that kind of precedent. This is not the only area in state government
where we, in state government throughout various agencies, contract out certain services by contract ...rendered by those agencies, but this is the first attempt that I know of that an agency has come to us saying that we should give those private industries...I underline that...private industry employees a cost of living raise based on the agreement for state employees. That's what is involved here and has absolutely nothing to do with the services rendered by this agency, has nothing to do whatsoever, as the Gentleman so eloquently indicated, relative to whether or not a person or any person would or would not be served by these services rendered relative to the Drug Abuse Program, but solely...solely a cost of living for private service agency's employees that we have no business funding...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from...">

Barnes, E.: "I solicit the support of all of the Members to...to...to not vote ...to table this Amendment which was well thought out, well considered, well documented and...and adopted by the Appropriations II Committee."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Madison, Representative Byers, the Sponsor of Amendment #1."

Byers: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I offered this Amendment in Committee and it was adopted and I'm rather surprised at Representative Peters for filing this motion and Representative Telcsar for speaking against this good Democratic Amendment. It cuts 230,000 dollars out of this budget. We've got to tighten up and this is a good place to do it.
Representative Barnes explained it very succinctly when he said that they're giving a cost of living raise to some people that are not even in state government. I would recommend a 'no' vote on this Amendment."

Telcsar: "Amendment?"

Byers: "Motion."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I believe this would be the wrong time to be cutting any money out of the Drug Enforcement Program. Certainly anybody who's got any experience... in Chicago, out on the streets or in the jailhouses, will see that
the drug problem is getting worse constantly. The 250,000 (sic) dollars cut out..."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Will the Gentleman kindly address his remarks to the Amendment?"

McAuliffe: "I am."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed....and the motion."

McAuliffe: "We need this money to help curb the Drug Abuse Program in Chicago. It's a serious problem, causes a lot of crime and it's no time now to be cutting money out. Besides maybe these employees deserve a payraise. Maybe it'll attract a better grade of people. I definitely support Representative Peters' motion."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Telcser, to close."

Telcser: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, ...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me. I didn't see your light, Mike. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Madigan....on the motion."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise in opposition to the Gentleman's motion to table this Amendment. I listened with great interest to the remarks of the Assistant Minority Leader as he commented on the efforts by this side of the aisle to show some strain of fiscal conservatism. I find it interesting because he stands on the floor tonight and complains about an Amendment that reduces 240,000 (sic) ....dollars of expenditures. Did any of us hear him speak out when we recently heard about the lavish expenditures in the mansion? Do we hear him now? I submit to you on that side of the aisle, this is a pittance amount of money in comparison to what goes on across the street."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed....The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Telcser, to close......Representative Peters. Peters."

Peters: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, much has been said on this. I think we all know where this is coming from, and why it's coming; but I might also suggest that those who are concerned about the quote, 'champagne', at the mansion, certainly didn't say anything there, last week, when they were enjoying it."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Point of order being raised. Representative Matijevich,
Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, I make a point of order. I have not gone to the Governor's Mansion, except for appropriation briefing, since Otto Kerner's day. I went there last week just to find out if he had caviar and I couldn't find it. All I did was raise hell for Representative Collins because they didn't have beer. The Governor did provide him with beer, at least, but there was no caviar there and I was very disappointed about it, Pete."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Point of order, Representative Barnes."

Barnes: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Well, since I have raised some of the initial questions, I'd like the record to show that I have not attended the Governor's Mansion through Governor Ogilvie, Governor Walker, or Governor Thompson."

Speaker Lechowicz: "How about Bakalis? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Peters."

Peters: "Mr. Speaker, if I may just conclude? To indicate that this 250 (sic) thousand dollars that we are talking about may, in fact, be part of salary increases that are going to people. We also know that it's not going to be too long -- in June -- this gets to the Senate and gets back, when people from your local agencies; whether they be on the west side of Chicago or whether they be in Decatur or whether they be in Madison County, or wherever they're going to be, are going to end up calling you and asking you to restore their proportional cut of this particular budget. Now that'll end up happening and I know at that point Representative Byers will see the light and will, in fact, offer the Amendment to restore this money because we all know that in his heart he really know that these funds are needed for the purpose that they are set out to. Thank you."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Lady from Cook, Mrs. Catania. Mrs. Catania, No, Representative Telcser closes."

Catania: "Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to suggest that if it would make the people over there any happier, maybe we could restore the money and use it to spray the caviar and the lobster with paraquat."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is there leave? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Telcser, to close."
Telcser: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House; and in particular to the Democratic spokesman on this issue, Representative Byers, I wonder how many young people in your district 230,000 dollars will help rehabilitate? I wonder why the Democratic Party stands on the floor of this House and makes jokes and makes fun of people in this state who are drug abusers and who are sick people. I wonder when the Democratic Party took a turn to the right, like they're taking today, and like they've done in the Appropriations Committee all Session? I wonder if this is the order that you're getting from Mr. Bakalis to go way out in right field and save money in the areas like drug abuse, FEPC, and if your rational is correct you'll do the same thing in Mental Health and the same thing in all those human services which in prior years your party prided itself upon. Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, this Amendment is a frivolous, irresponsible Amendment. It ought to be ...it ought to be adopted, the cut ought to be restored, this problem is much too serious to make foolish, lighthearted partisan attacks with. Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I hope each and everyone of you will search your conscience because with the grace of God, it could be your child who needs that money. It could be your community organization who maybe helping one of your neighbors. This 230,000 dollars is vital and I sincerely hope that Representative Peters' motion is adopted."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the House adopt Representative Peters' motion to table. All in favor of Representative Peters ... vote 'aye', all opposed of his motion vote 'nay'. Dan...Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from McHenry, Representative Hanahan, to explain his vote."

Hanahan: "Mr. Speaker, I thought it was very clear a few months ago when we heard all of the ballyhoo about Class X, that there wouldn't be any drug abusers on the streets, that we're going to terrorize and put the fear of God in them, I think this cut is appropriate...figuring out that we could afford this cut, I don't see anything wrong with reducing the amount...the amount of money. After all Class X is not a law of Illinois and all of those drug abusers that Governor Thompson threatened with the passage of that Act...they are not going
to be on the street anymore so we won't need all of this money. This cut is appropriate."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 75 'ayes', 85 'nays', and the motion fails. Further motions?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Motion, 'I move to table Amendment #2', Representative Peters."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Peters, on the motion."

Peters: "Mr. Speaker, the pattern seems to be set. I'll be satisfied with the same Roll Call on this Amendment."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Leave for the same Roll Call? Hearing no objection, the Clerk will make a Xerox copy of the same Roll Call. Any further motions or Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further motions."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Third Reading."

Clerk O'Brien: "No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "There were what? There were no Amendments from the floor, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No Floor Amendments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Third Reading. House Bill 3088, Representative McMaster. Mr. McMaster. Is the Gentleman on the floor?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Take it out of the record. House Bill 3112, Representative Yourell. Has the fiscal note been filed? The Gentleman indicates it has."

Clerk O'Brien: "Yes, it has."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Take it out of the record."

Clerk O'Brien: "It has been filed."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman asks leave to take it out of the record. How about 3114, Bus? Take it out of the record. 3117, Representative Dan Houlihan. Wait a minute. Representative Yourell?"

Yourrell: "I thought you were talking about 3113 after 3112. I want that taken out of the record, but I'd like to move 3114."

Speaker Lechowicz: "All right. House Bill 3114."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3114, a Bill for an Act in relation to fees of County Clerks, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Has there been a fiscal note requested on that Bill? Clerk O'Brien: "No, it has not been filed." Speaker Lechowicz: "You need a fiscal note on that, Bus. We'll leave it on Second Reading. 3117, has a fiscal note been filed on that?"

Yourell: "Mr. Speaker, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Representative Yourell."

Yourell: "If I might explain 3114. This does not require any state funding. I, therefore, don't know the reason for the request for a fiscal note. This has to do with fees of County Clerks."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Bus, unfortunately, somebody has asked for a fiscal note. And... Do you want to move to suspend the rule? ..."

Yourell: "No, go ahead."

Speaker Lechowicz: "We'll just file it and ... with the Clerk today or tomorrow. 3117, has the fiscal note been filed on that, Mr. Clerk? Representative Dan Houlihan."

Houlihan, D.: "I believe there is a fiscal note filed. A fiscal note is not applicable to this. It only affects local units of government. This is on demolition liens."

Speaker Lechowicz: "All right, we'll read the Bill, then. 3117."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3117, a Bill for an Act relating to foreclosures."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Dan Houlihan."

Houlihan, D.: "I'm informed here that the Amend... fiscal note has not been filed. Mr. Speaker, I'd like you to examine the Bill and I request that you rule that the Fiscal Note Act is inapplicable to this Bill. This deals solely with units of local government."

Speaker Lechowicz: "May I see the Bill, Sir? Your point is well taken. I'll rule in your favor. The Clerk will read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3117, a Bill for an Act relating to foreclosures of demolition liens by units of local government, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any Amendments form the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Third Reading."
Houlihan, D.: "Yes, there is. There's an Amendment #1 that has been filed. It's also been distributed."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #1, Dan Houlihan, amends House Bill 3117, on page one, by deleting line 6 through 9 and so forth."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentlemen from Cook, Representative Dan Houlihan, on Amendment #1."

Houlihan, D.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment #1 is a technical Amendment which delineates and clarifies that the local unit of governments, which will have this expanded authority under the ...the demolition liens involved in foreclosures, apply only to those local units of government which have the power of foreclosure. That's the essential thing that the Bill does. Secondarily, what it provides is that it limits the prohibition on the prior owner ever subsequently reacquiring title to a period of five years from the day of the exercise of the demolition lien."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Mahar, on the Amendment."

Mahar: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "He indicates he will."

Mahar: "Why did you change the...the 'thereafter' to 'five years'? In other words, my understanding of the Bill as it went through Committee, that any individual who owns the property or any firm or association could no longer have any interest in the title to that property."

Houlihan, D.: "It was suggested by staff. They felt that if there was no time limit placed on it that at no period of time ever could any prior owner ever come back into title. It was felt that five years would be a reasonable period of time. Presumably though, by that time, the problem that this Bill addresses itself to, would obviously have been resolved. Which was the situation about where there would be outstanding delinquent taxes at the time that the local unit of government should foreclose on the demolition lien. At the time that they would transfer title to the property it would extinguish the outstanding delinquent taxes. But the value of the property five years thereafter would have changed, certainly, hopefully increased, as the result of whatever the improvements or use
that the property had been put to in the subsequent five year period. So it was felt by the staff that the five year period was a reasonable one and would also provide, again, any possibility of windfall profits to a prior owner."

Mahar: "Well, isn't it possible for a prior owner to wait five years and then reacquire the property at a fraction of its former cost, with all of the liens against it clear, and then to proceed to develop it..... with a handsome profit?"

Houlihan, D.: "Well now, when the city disposes of the property they are going to have to dispose of it, of course, on a bid process. Additionally, to the five years, it's approximately a two year period from the time that the demolition lien is levied against the property, until foreclosure is complete. So, actually, what we're talking about here is approximately a seven year period and it was felt that it was reasonable. ...

Mahar: "Mr. Speaker..."

Houlihan, D.: ".....long before that will have disposed of the property."

Mahar: "Mr. Speaker.."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed."

Mahar: "Yes. When the Bill was heard in Committee, it was the understanding that once the county or the municipality .... acquired the property they would then proceed to develop it....for the good of the community. The language of the Bill was specific that no firm or corporation or owner or anybody connected with them would have the right to come back and acquire the property. I thought that was a good Bill. I think it passed out of the Cities and Villages without a dissenting vote. Now we have an Amendment which allows the prior owner to come back in five years and acquire the property. I think this Amendment seriously detracts from the Bill and the Amendment ought to be defeated."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Conti."

Conti: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think my colleague, on this side of the aisle, explained it about as best as I could. The only thing that concerns me in the fringe area of the City of Chicago, which I'm sure Representative Houlihan is concerned
with, or the County of Cook, in five years the redevelopment program in Cook County can almost triple and quadruple in price...some of the land values. With this Amendment this would be a heck of a windfall for someone to sit on a piece of property that's dead, let the city spend all of the money in cleaning it up and then come back five years later when it's quadrupled in price and pick up the property. I think, with this Amendment this Bill is no longer any good."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Dan Houlihan."

Houlihan, D.: "I think a...they have misapprehended really what the Amendment is about. But, there is no magic, Representative Mahar, to the five year period. What we're trying to do is put an outside cap on that we think would be reasonable. If you or Representative Conti would want to go ten years or even fifteen years, I would be agreeable with that. At this time, in view of the concern that has been expressed by both Representative Mahar and Representative Conti, I'm going to ask leave to take it out of the record at this time...and then come back to it..."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman asks leave. Is there any objection?

Hearing none, the Bill is taken out of the record. House Bill 3114, Representative Yourell.....Bus."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3114, a Bill for an Act in relation to the fees of County Clerks, Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Has the fiscal note been filed."

Clerk O'Brien: "The fiscal note is filed."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Third Reading. Resolutions. Agreed Resolutions. Representative Giorgi, on Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 818, Ryan; 821, Wikoff; 820; 820, Kelly; 821, Wikoff; 822, Peggy Smith Martin; 823, Yourell; 824, Lechowicz; 825, Lechowicz....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Winnebago, Representative Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, the first Resolution is by the Minority Leader, Ryan, House Resolution 818. It tells about James R. Thompson being
born in a log cabin...on a cold..."

Unknown: "Is that 'the James Thompson'?"

Giorgi: "He used to be known as 'Young Jim Thompson', now he's 'Big Jim Thompson'. 820, Kelly, talks about Paul Lauer's 25th anniversary. 821 by Wikoff, talks about John Correll, who is a young Elk. Peggy Smith Martin wants to talk about Reverend Willie B. Taplin Barrow. 823 by Yourell talks about a silver anniversary. 824, by Lechowicz, talks about a Commander, and 825 by Lechowicz talks about a Priest. I move the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any discussion? All in favor signify by saying 'aye', 'aye'; all opposed, the 'ayes' have it. The Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Further Resolutions. Excuse me. Death Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 819, Ryan, respects the memory of Mr. James J. McCourt."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan."

Ryan: "Are you going to read the Resolution?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "This is for a Member's immediate family. The Clerk will kindly read the Resolution."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 819, Whereas, the Members of this House were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Mr. James J. McCourt, well known and highly respected businessman in the Chicago area and father of Representative James P. McCourt, our esteemed colleague; and Whereas, Mr. McCourt, who was born in Mayo Bridge, County Down, in Ireland, passed away at age 87 in Evanston, on May 1, 1978, after a full and active life in which he contributed much to his community and to his nation; and Whereas, he was the owner of McCourt Properties, Incorporated, and participated in real estate and property management on Chicago's near North side for more than 50 years; and Whereas, he was a veteran of World War I, serving in the celebrated unit known as the Fighting 69th, that saw action in France; and Whereas, during his long career of over half a century, Mr. McCourt's genuine interest and participation helped in the success of many community affairs and as late as this year he rode on a float in Chicago's St. Patrick's Day Parade; and Whereas, Mr. McCourt, who was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Irene, leaves a proud..."
heritage in the persons of two sons, State Representative James P. McCourt and Mr. J. Donald McCourt; one daughter, Mrs. William J. (Irene) Ferrick; and 14 grandchildren; therefore, be it Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the Eightieth General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that we express our deep regret and sorrow upon the death of Mr. James J. McCourt; that his life and service to his community and his country will be long remembered; and that we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family in their time of bereavement."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan."

Ryan: "I would ask leave to have all the Members added as Cosponsors and then move for the adoption of the Resolution, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is there leave? Hearing no objection, all Members will be Cosponsors. The Gentleman moves for the immediate adoption of the Death Resolution. All in favor signify by saying 'aye', opposed ..., the Resolution is adopted. Any further announcements? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Capparelli."

Capparelli: "Mr. Speaker, I would like to suspend the posting rule to have House Resolution 760 heard in the Executive Committee this Thursday."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Was that 716, Representative Capparelli?"

Capparelli: "760. 760."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any objection? Hearing none, the Gentleman will use the Attendance Roll Call and leave is granted. Any further announcements? The Gentleman from Lake, Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, announcement for Appropriation I and I.... Chairman Barnes isn't here but I make the same announcement for Appropriation II. Here's Gene. - There will be the usual briefing of the Democratic Members of Appropriation I and II. I understand that the House will not go into Session until 10:30 a.m., in my conversation with the Speaker, so Appropriation I Democrats be in G-3 or 4...whatever it is; and Appropriations II will be next door."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Thank you. What time, John?"

Matijevich: "That's 9 a.m. in the morning. 9 a.m."

Speaker Lechowicz: "9 a.m. The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Mahar."

Mahar: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to suspend the posting rule to
have House Bill 3234 heard in Appropriations tomorrow, too. I've cleared this with the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader and the Appropriations Chairman."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is there unanimous consent to have House Bill 3234 heard in Committee tomorrow? The Gentleman have leave to use the Attendance Roll Call? Hearing no objection, the Gentleman's request is granted. Any further Announcements? The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Pechous."

Pechous: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. I would ask leave of the House to be recorded as having voted 'no' on Floor Amendments 1 and 2 to House Bill 3077. Inadvertently, I had pressed the 'yes' button and I intended to vote the 'no' button."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman have leave to be recorded as 'no' on House Bill 3077, Amendments 1 and 2? It will not affect the outcome. Representative Pechous. Any objection? Hearing none, the Gentleman will be so recorded. The Gentleman...Representative Mugasian.... Okay. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Madigan, on the Adjournment Resolution."

Madigan: "Are there any further announcements, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "According to the Clerk, you need about five minutes Perfunct for introductions."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, I move that we adjourn until 10:30 tomorrow morning, with allowance for five minutes for the Clerk to perform housekeeping duties."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman moves that the House stand adjourned until 10:30 tomorrow morning. After five minutes of Perfunct, so the Clerk can do his housekeeping duties. All in favor signify by saying 'aye', 'aye', all opposed....the House stands adjourned until 10:30 tomorrow morning."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3379, Peters, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of Children and Family Services, First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3380, Reilly, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of Transportation, First Reading of the Bill."
House Bill 3371, Ewell, a Bill for an Act making an appropriation to the Department of Transportation, First Reading of the Bill.

Messages from the Senate. A Message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary. Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of the following Joint Resolution, to wit: House Joint Resolution 84, concurred in by the Senate, May 9, 1978. Kenneth Wright, Secretary. Message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary. Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives the Senate has adopted the following Senate Joint Resolution, the adoption of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives, to wit: Senate Joint Resolution 79, adopted by the Senate May 9, 1978, Kenneth Wright, Secretary. Message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary. Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives the Senate has adopted the following Senate Joint Resolution, the adoption of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives, to wit: Senate Joint Resolution #80, adopted by the Senate May 9, 1978, Kenneth Wright, Secretary. No further business. The House now stands adjourned."
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