Doorkeeper Koebler: "Attention, Members of the House of Representatives, the House will convene in fifteen minutes. Persons not entitled to the House floor, please retire to the gallery."

Speaker Redmond: "House will come to order. Members, please be in their seats. 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. Thomas Jefferson said: 'I am for a government that is rigorously frugal and simple and not one that multiplies offices to make partisans, that is to get votes, and by every device increases the public debt under the guise of being a public benefit.' ....Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee this day for our lives, our peace and for our responsibilities as public servants of the State of Illinois. ....Mindful of the trust that has been designated to us.........actions as Members of this House of Representatives may be prudent, to beneficial to those whom we serve. .......From fear of reprisal from those with whom we may disagree ......... causes common to our democracy and domestic tranquillity. ....In the name of our Saviour....."

Speaker Redmond: "....Call for attendance. Order of Amendatory Veto Motions appears House Bill 2946, Representative Pierce. What is your pleasure, Representative Pierce?"

Pierce: "Hold that for a minute."

Speaker Redmond: "Okay."

Pierce: "We're reviewing it."

Speaker Redmond: "Page 2 of the Calendar. Under the Order of House Bills Second Reading appears House Bills 2973. ...Any motions on 2973? There's three Committee Amendments, is there any motion in connection with......yeah, might as well."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2973. A Bill for an Act making an appropriation for the ordinary and contingent expense of the Industrial Commission. Second Reading of the Bill. Committee Amendments #1, 2 and 3 were adopted in Committee."
Speaker Redmond: "Any motion with respect to Amendments 1, 2 and 3?"
Clerk O'Brien: "A motion to table Amendments #1, 2 and 3 by Representative Abramson."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Epton, will you handle that?"
Epton: "Mr. Speaker, Representative Abramson is momentarily off the floor, I wonder if we could pass that?"
Speaker Redmond: "Okay. 2978."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2978. A Bill for an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of the Fair Employment Practices Commission. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #...2, 3 and 4...."
Epton: "...Speaker.....Representative Catania is on the way over, would you pass that momentarily?"
Speaker Redmond: "Well, I thought we'd find if there are any motions with respect to the Committee Amendments."
Epton: "All right, no objection."
Speaker Redmond: "Are there any motions with respect to the Committee Amendments?"
Clerk O'Brien: "Amendments 2 and 3 were tabled previously."
Speaker Redmond: "So we now have 1 and 4....."
Clerk O'Brien: "We now have Committee Amendments 1 and 4....."
Speaker Redmond: "Is that correct?"
Clerk O'Brien: "On the Bill."
Speaker Redmond: "Are there any motions with respect to those...."
Clerk O'Brien: "...Motion filed to table Amendment #4 by Representative Catania."
Speaker Redmond: "Well, we better take it out of the record. 3316."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3316."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Walsh is in the chambers. Proceed, Mr. Clerk."
Clerk O'Brien: "A Bill for an Act to change the name of the Illinois Institute of Environmental Quality to the Illinois Institute of Energy and Environmental Resources. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendments #1, 2, 3 and 4 were adopted in Committee but tabled previously."
Speaker Redmond: "So the status of the Bill now is that it has no Committee Amendments, is that correct?"
Clerk O'Brien: "There.....no Committee Amendments on the Bill."
Speaker Redmond: "Are there any Amendments from the floor?"
Clerk O'Brien: "Yes, there are."
Speaker Redmond: "Take it out of the record. House Bills Third Reading. House Bill Third Reading, 2739. Former House Member has returned to the scene of his triumphs, Senator Pat Philip .... returned to the scene of his triumphs. He passed a Bill here once in four terms."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 2739. Representative Ryan. A Bill for an Act to make an appropriate to the Department of Business and Economic Development. Third Reading of the Bill."
Speaker Redmond: "Out of the record. 3128."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Dunn, 3128. Out of the record. 3288."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3288. Representative Kempiners. A Bill for an Act making an appropriation to the Department of Public Aid. Third Reading of the Bill."
Speaker Redmond: "Out of the record at the request of the Sponsor. 3319."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madison here? Out of the record. 3419. 3419. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Williams."
Williams: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I think we can go with this one. It's...If there is a merely Bill, this is it and it's just a line item transfer as suggested by the Comptroller's Office. We're just transferring from one line item to another. At the time that we
made out the line item appropriation we had figured the travel included everything and the Comptroller's Office says that we have to separate the meeting room expense and expenses for nonstate employees, registration fees, into contractual service. So this is just transferring from one line item to another. It does not change the bottom line. It passed out of Appropriations unanimously and... and I would hope that we can get it passed here today."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? ......Is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there's a 145 'aye' and no 'nay'. The Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority hereby declared passed. 3420."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3420. Representative Ewing. A Bill for an Act making a supplemental appropriation to the State Board of Education. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ewing. Out of the record. 3422. Representative Madigan on the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3422. Representative Madigan. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of various state agencies. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Madigan. Out of the record. Former Member returned to the scene of his triumphs, the skinny John Hirschfeld. ....423(sic)."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3423. Representative Ryan. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of various state agencies. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ryan."

Ryan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 3423 appropriates 192,713 dollars for the administration of the energy program of the Institute of Natural Resources and I would move for the passage of...of House Bill 3423."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. Representative Geo-Karis to explain her vote."

Geo-Karis: "Mr. Speaker, I would like to know what it's about because
I can't seem to locate the... in the Digest."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ryan, will you yield for the purpose of a question?"

Ryan: "Yes, Sir, I will, Mr. Speaker, anything for the Senator."

Geo-Karis: "Pardon?"

Ryan: "Anything for the Senator."

Geo-Karis: "Any what?"

Ryan: "I'll answer your questions, Adeline."

Speaker Redmond: "Anything for the Senator."

Geo-Karis: "That's the best offer I've had since I've been here in six years, go ahead."

Ryan: "What is it you'd like to know, Adeline?"

Geo-Karis: "What's the Bill all about..."

Ryan: "Well, I'll explain it again. It appropriates 192,713 dollars for the administration of energy programs in the Institute of Natural Resources."

Geo-Karis: "Okay."

Ryan: "Supplemental appropriation."

Geo-Karis: "No...I'll vote yes."

Speaker Redmond: "Is that all right, Representative Geo-Karis? Okay.

Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take record. On this question there's 137 'aye' and 7 'no' and the Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, hereby declared passed. 2739, Representative Ryan."


Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ryan. Out of the record. 3424. ...424 (sic)."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3424. Representative Schuneman. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for fiscal year '79 ordinary and contingent expense and fiscal year '78 supplemental expenses of the Department of Local Government Affairs. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Schuneman."

Schuneman: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, House Bill 3424 amends the fiscal year
'79 appropriation for the Department of Local Government Affairs. It authorizes the department to spend a total of 464,000 dollars in Federal Grant Funds. Included in that total is 285,000 dollars for the Rural Area-wide Housing Demonstration Grant; 50,000 dollars for Urban Planning Assistance Fund; a transfer of 13,000 dollars within the Urban Planning Assistance Fund; and 130,000 dollars Community Development Technical Assistance Grant. I move the approval of the Bill.” 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? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there’s 136 ‘aye’ and 2 ‘no’ and the Bill, having received the necessary three-fifths majority, is hereby declared passed. 3425.” Clerk O’Brien: “House Bill 3425. Representative Reilly. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act providing for contingent expense of the Department of Transportation. Third Reading of the Bill.” Speaker Redmond: “Representative Reilly.” Reilly: “Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 3425 simply changes the language in the 1979 appropriation to the Department of Transportation to allow the use of some federal fund to buy four portable truck weight scale so that we can increase the enforcement program in that...in that area. I would ask for a favorable Roll Call.” Speaker Redmond: “Is there any discussion? The question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote ‘aye’, opposed vote ‘no’. ...All voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question, there’s 146 ‘aye’ and 5 ‘no’. The Bill, having received the necessary three-fifths majority, is hereby declared passed. 3426. We found a...a watch, a ladies’ watch, on the floor near the door. So far we’ve only had Representative Conti and Representative McGrew claim it. .... Watch, it looks like a pretty good watch.” Clerk O’Brien: “House Bill 3426. Kempiners. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act making an appropriation to the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Liquor Control Commission. Third Reading of the Bill.” Speaker Redmond: “Representative Kempiners.”
Kempiners: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill does two things and it affects only the appropriation for the....Dangerous Drugs Commission. It provides for transfer among line items within their particular appropriation and then it also appropriates 53,400 dollars in federal grants which will be used to institute the Medical Marijuana Bill which is Public Act 80-1426 and for other services which they are currently providing. And I would ask your support of this appropriation."

Speaker Redmond: "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 150 'aye' and 5 'no'. The Bill, having received the necessary three-fifths majority, is hereby declared passed. 3427."


Speaker Redmond: "Representative Catania."

Catania: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, House Bill 3427 authorizes expenditure of 232,300 dollars in federal funds for the Fair Employment Practices Commission. This is to implement an automated case management information system and to update their... well, to improve their rapid processing of new charges...system which they initiated last spring. This is all federal dollars, I ask for your approval."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? Representative Pullen. Representative Pullen. Please give the Lady order."

Pullen: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would like to remind the Members that this is the Bill that Mr. McClain attempted to amend yesterday to remove an attorney that the commission should not have."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative McCourt."

McCourt: "Mr. Speaker, would the Lady yield for some questions?"

Speaker Redmond: "She will."
McCourt: "What is the appropriation that the commission had for fiscal '78 and how does this...how much more is this than the amount appropriated for fiscal '79?"

Catania: "Representative McCourt, you want to know what the fiscal '79 appropriation is? The fiscal '79 appropriation, as I recall it, is about 1.8 million dollars; this adds 232,000 dollars to that. which is federal dollars. They did get approval from the Federal Government for the entire amount that they asked for for their rapid processing system."

McCourt: "Well, Mr. Speaker, rather than to delay the House too long on this Bill, I'd like to call the House's attention to a few facts. In fiscal '78, this agency spent 1.6 million dollars. In fiscal '69, they came in for over 2,000,000 dollars; 400,000 dollars more than they spent in fiscal '78. And now the Sponsor of this Bill is asking us to give the agency an additional 232,000 dollars which is 11.5 percent over their fiscal '79 appropriation. If the Members of this Body want to do anything to save the taxes for our taxpayers, if we want to do anything to preserve economy in government, it's to stop this rip-off. This is a rip-off and it should be voted down."

Catania: "...Speaker, may I close?"

Speaker Redmond: "Proceed."

Catania: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. As I'm sure the Body will recall, I...."

Speaker Redmond: "Wait a minute, I...Representative Darrow wanted to inquire."

Darrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, would the Sponsor yield?"

Catania: "Yes."

Darrow: "Hasn't 300,000 dollars in funds been impounded by the Governor for this agency?"

Catania: "As far as I know, this agency is getting the money that it has requested on a rather regular basis. They are required, however, to come in and justify their requests to the Bureau of the Budget but my understanding is that Dr. Mandeville is regularly releasing the money that they do request."

Darrow: "Are the members of the commission, or the staff personnel being limited or are they being increased?"
Catania: "This money will provide positions for new people to handle the caseload in the FEPC. As you recall, one of the problems we were forced to deal with in the Spring Session was a backlog of almost 3,000 cases in the FEPC. They have instituted a new rapid charge processing system so that they will never again develop that kind of a backlog provided that we fund them adequately but they do need to have enough investigators, enough hearing officers to process those cases and the Federal Government approved their request for enough people to keep current so they will not develop a backlog. That's what this is for."

Darrow: "These funds are for personnel not for computers and automation?"

Catania: "Part of it is for personnel, part is for their automated case management information system. That specific request is for 41,500 dollars in its management support system part of that proposal. And I have the entire proposal that the Federal Government approved over here if you'd like to look through it."

Darrow: "Well, the Governor is supporting this program and he's doing all he can for fair employment?"

Catania: "I certainly hope he is, we know he's dedicated to equal pay for equal work, don't we?"

Darrow: "No, I don't think we really do. Thank you."

Catania: "So I hope this proves.... Let's give him a chance."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Catania to close."

Catania: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. As I just pointed out to Representative Darrow, we were forced last spring to deal with the issue of coping with 3,000 cases - almost 3,000 cases - which constituted a backlog to the FEPC. The FEPC instituted a rapid charge processing system with the assistance of consultants from the Federal Government. The Federal Government has now approved expenditure of 232,000 dollars. This is the only state where a hundred percent of our request was approved; this is all federal money and it is to be sure that we don't ever again develop the kind of backlog that we had to deal with so sadly last spring. Please support this Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "...Question is, shall this Bill pass? Those in favor vote 'aye', opposed vote 'no'. ...All voted who wish? ...All voted who wish? Clerk will take the
record. On this question there's 109...109 'aye' and 37 'no'.
Representative Schlickman has requested a verification of the
Affirmative Roll Call. Representative Catania has requested a poll
of the absentees. Mr. Clerk, poll the absentees."

Clerk Hall: "Bartulis, Brandt, Byers, Caparelli, Jack Davis, Dawson,
Deuster, Huskey, Kempiners, Kosinski, Leverenz, Levin, Madison..."

Speaker Redmond: "...Levin. Representative Levin desires to be
recorded as 'aye'.'"

Clerk Hall: "McBroom, Meyer, Miller, Molloy, Peters, Rigney...."

Speaker Redmond: "...Rigney, 'aye'."

Clerk Hall: "Schisler. Sharp."

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

Keen eye."

Clerk Hall: "Stearney and Winchester."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Kempiners, 'aye'. Now what is the
count? ...113. Representative Schlickman. Representative Schlick-
man requests a verification of the Affirmative Roll Call. Mr. Clerk,
will you call the Affirmative Roll Call?"

...(Un intelligible)... Yourell. Mr. Speaker."
Speaker Redmond: "...Questions of the Affirmative Roll Call?
Representative Schlickman."

Schlickman: "Representative Brummet."

Speaker Redmond: "Who?"

Schlickman: "Brummet."

Speaker Redmond: "Is.....Representative Brummet is there."

Schlickman: "Representative Darrow."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Darrow.....he in the chamber?"
Representative Darrow. How is he recorded?"

Clerk Hall: "Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."

Speaker Redmond: "Remove Representative Darrow from the Roll Call. Proceed."

Schlickman: "Representative Farley."

Speaker Redmond: "Farley is in his seat. Representative Darrow has
returned, put him back on the Roll Call."

Schlickman: "Representative Garinisa."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Garinisa in the chamber;...or within
the call or hear of my......how is he recorded?"

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

Speaker Redmond: "....Take him off."

Schlickman: "Representative Dan....oh, I see him. Representative
James Houlihan."

Speaker Redmond: "James Houlihan, how is he recorded?"

Clerk Hall: "Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."

Speaker Redmond: "Remove him. Representative Garinisa within the
sound of my voice?"

Schlickman: "Take him off the record."

Speaker Redmond: "Remove him from the record. Any others?"

Schlickman: "Jim Houlihan's been removed, hasn't he, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Redmond: "No, we took him off, didn't we? Yeah, he's off."

Schlickman: "Okay. Representative Jaffe."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Jaffe in the chamber? How is he
recorded?"

Clerk Hall: "Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."

Speaker Redmond: "Remove him."

Schlickman: "Representative Katz."
Speaker Redmond: "How is he recorded?"
Clerk Hall: "The Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Redmond: "Remove him."
Schlickman: "Representative Mann."
Speaker Redmond: "How is he recorded? Mann. Representative Mann in the chamber?"
Clerk Hall: "The Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Redmond: "Is he in the chamber? Remove him."
Schlickman: "Representative McGrew."
Speaker Redmond: "He's here talking to Representative Tipsword."
Schlickman: "Representative Mudd."
Speaker Redmond: "...Representative Mudd in the chamber? How is he recorded? He's back of you there, Representative Schlickman."
Schlickman: "Representative Nardulli."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Nardulli here? ...In his seat."
Schlickman: "Representative O'Brien."
Speaker Redmond: "He was here a minute ago, he's in his seat."
Schlickman: "Representative Reilly."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Garmisa has returned to the chamber, put him back on the Roll Call. What was the last one?"
Schlickman: "Representative Robinson."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative Robinson here? How is he recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Redmond: "Remove him."
Schlickman: "Senator Schneider."
Speaker Redmond: "I hear a voice someplace. Representative Dawson desires to be recorded as 'aye'. Representative Katz has returned to the chamber, put him back on the Roll Call. Robinson, is that the one we're on now?"
Schlickman: "Well, Robinson you've removed, I believe."
Speaker Redmond: "Here he comes down the middle aisle."
Schlickman: "Representative Schneider."
Speaker Redmond: "You weren't taken off. Jaffe has returned, put him back on the Roll Call. Representative Mann has returned, put him back on the Roll Call. James Houlihan has returned, put him back on the Roll Call."
Schlickman: "Representative Schneider. What disposition was made? Off?"

Speaker Redmond: "He was off."

Schlickman: "Representative Mautino."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mautino. Representative Mautino. Remove him from the Roll Call."

Schlickman: "Representative Van Duyne."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Van Duyne is behind you there. Representative Mautino is at the door over here, put him back on the Roll Call."

Schlickman: "Representative Corneal Davis."

Speaker Redmond: "He's here."

Schlickman: "I have no further questions."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Stearney desires to be recorded as 'aye'. Representative Robert Walsh, 'aye'. Representative Peters, 'aye'. Representative Leverenz, 'aye'. Jacobs, 'aye'. Representative Byers, 'aye'. Representative Deuster, for what purpose do you rise? Desires to be recorded as 'aye'. Representative Schneider has returned, put him back on the Roll Call. Representative Ebbesen, 'aye'. ...(Intelligibility)...'aye'. Representative Terzich desires to be recorded as 'aye' instead of 'no'. Representative Christensen, 'aye'. Representative Brandt, 'aye'. Brandt. What's the count now? ....Question, there's 121 'aye' and 37 'no', and the Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, hereby declared passed. 3428. Pass."

Clerk Hall: "House Bill 3428. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act making an appropriation for the ordinary and contingent expense to the Department of Agriculture. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Hoxsey."

Hoxsey: "Yes, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 3428 is an Amendment to the Department of Agriculture's Fiscal Year '79 Appropriation Authorization. The Amendment is necessary to allow the department to use a fully federal grant for the farmer to consumer direct marketing program. The department has originally received 69,000 for this direct marketing program of which 56.8 thousand was appropriated in fiscal '78 and only 23.2 thousand expended. The department is now seeking to appropriate the remaining 33.6 thousand."
I would ask a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Redmond: "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 155 'aye' and no 'nay'. And the Bill, having received the necessary three-fifths majority, is hereby declared passed."
Speaker Redmond: "Representative J. David Jones, Robinson and Kane. Representative Birchler desires to be recorded as 'aye' on the last measure, any objections? Hearing none, leave will be granted. Representative Kane in the chamber? Turn the microphone over jointly to Representatives Robinson and Jones."

Jones, J.D.: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, we have a special presentation to make to you at this time to you and present a group that Springfield and all the whole area is very proud, the Springfield Griffin High School Golf Team on October 21st won the 1978 Illinois High School AA Class Golf Championship and we have them here for...to present to you, and as you know, yesterday we passed a Resolution in...in their honor and at this time I'd like to present their Coach Ron Brian and who will introduce this team."

Coach Ron Brian: "Thank you. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would like to introduce now, J. C. Anderson, one of the juniors. Bill May, the other junior. The sophomores, Doug Williams, Dick Schofield, Darrell Tureskis, and Pete Maher. To briefly summarize the reason that you are giving us this honor, they are undefeated in thirty...their last thirty matches over the two years, last two years. In the tournaments that they played in this year, they won the City Tournament for the third year in a row. They won the Conference Tournament for the first time in the school's history. They lost two invitational tournaments this year by one shot, the Quincy Invitational and the Champaign Invitational. They took third place in the Decatur, they took fourth place in the Peoria Invitational, they won the District, they won the Sectional and they won the State by thirteen shots. I really would love to thank you for the honor that you are bestowing upon us. We have had coaches, fellow players who have honored us and it's nice to have that, our fellow competitors, the school did; but to receive an honor from a state contingency, from somebody outside of the school is kind of hard to put into words. I thank you very much."

Jones, J.D.: "Thank you, Coach, and there's a personal side as well as the school itself and the team; but the Captain of the Team is J. C. Anderson and he is the son of Ruth Anderson, who I think's
in the gallery now, who is on our staff and works in the House
Transcribing Department and...and transcribes all of these pro-
ceedings. So at this time we'd like to recognize that connection.
On behalf of the Illinois House of Representatives, we local
Legislators would like to present to you a transcribed copy of
the Resolution that was passed yesterday and...we'll...we'll pass
this onto you, Coach, and the other....my colleagues here have
copies for each member. Thank you very much."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Messages from the Senate."

Clerk O'Brien: "A message from Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary.

Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has a Bill of the following title, the veto of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, and the passage of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House to-wit: Senate Bill 1419. Passed by the Senate November 28, 1978 by a three-fifths vote. Kenneth Wright, Secretary."

Speaker Lechowicz: "On Supplemental Calendar #1, Senate Bill 1419, Representative Yourrell. Tell Collins."

Yourrell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Senate Bill 1419 is almost identical with House Bill 2554 which deals with the implementation ... law to ... for the consolidated schedule for elections in Illinois. The difference in the two Bills being, the Senate Bill had a two-year delayed effective date and the House Bill had a one-year delayed effective date. The Governor put a total veto on the Senate Bill and an Amendatory Veto on House Bill 2554. The Senate in its action on the total veto moved to...voted to override the veto with a vote of 50 to 3. I ask the House to...to concur in that override motion on Senate Bill 14...1419."

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

Geo-Karis: "Will the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."

Geo-Karis: "If we move to override the veto today, does this extend the time before this Bill can be in operation?"

Yourrell: "Two years."

Geo-Karis: "To when?"

Yourrell: "December 1980."

Geo-Karis: "Thank you. In other words, if we vote to...to sustain the override, is that right?"

Yourrell: "Yes."

Geo-Karis: "Then we're not going to have this Bill operating before 1980, is that...."

Yourrell: "That's correct."

Geo-Karis: "In other words, you...you recommend that we override...?"

Yourrell: "Well, I think it...we don't have a choice really because
if we don't, starting on December 2nd under the Consolidated Schedule of Elections, there are going to be many elections in the State of Illinois and in the spring, other elections, and they'll all be illegal because the effective date of the Bill that consolidated the elections in House Bill 3, Second Special Session, takes effect on December 1, 1978 which is two days from now."

Geo-Karis: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I certainly concur in overriding this veto because I have correspondence in my hand today from a number of municipal attorneys showing how...what a great hardship it would be if we didn't do it. So I certainly hope that you will have an override veto."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Levin."

Levin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It is rare that I find myself in support of the Governor but on this particular matter I think he was right. I would point out that what the Governor did was he acted on two Bills that were parallel. He vetoed this Bill because he felt it was poorly drafted and he amendatorily vetoed House Bill 2554 to, among other things, provide for a two-year delay. I urge the...this Body to support the Governor as far as the veto of the Senate Bill because I think we have the option of accepting the Governor's Amendatory Veto on 2554. I'd like to very briefly tell you what I think is the most important reason for defeating this override motion and then going on to accept the Governor's Amendatory Veto on House Bill 2554. In addition to the poor draftsmanship of this Senate Bill, because we do a lot better job in the House. This Bill very adversely affects the residents of the City of Chicago. There are two provisions in this Senate Bill which would disenfranchise the voters of the City of Chicago. The first provision deals with...feel...filling of vacancies in the Office of Mayor in the City of Chicago. Right now if there is a vacancy in the Office of Mayor and the term has more than a year to run, within six months there has to be an election. When Mayor Daley died that provision led to the calling of a special election and the election of Mayor Bilandic. Under this Bill, as it's constituted, the voters of Chicago would be disenfranchised from voting to fill vacancies in the Office of Mayor because if there was less than twenty-eight months in the term for mayor, the City Council under this Bill,
could simply appoint a mayor to serve for the balance of the term. 
I think this is something that is...we certainly don't want in Chicago. 
I know you wouldn't want it in your area if you're from other than Chicago. The second provision in this Bill that adversely affects the residents of Chicago, deals with the filling of aldermanic vacancies. 
The provision is parallel to that of the mayor. If it takes effect, our people would be disenfranchised in voting where there are vacancies. 
In the 12th Legislative District that I represent jointly with Representatives Marovitz and Telser, we had two vacancies for aldermen and the City Council didn't want to act to fill them and it took a court decision. This Bill would disenfranchise the voters in Chicago with respect to both mayor and aldermen. By contrast, Governor Thompson recognized the problem that we have in Chicago and in House Bill 2554, he amendatorily vetoed the similar provision so that the residents in Chicago...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman kindly bring his remarks to a close." 
Levin: "....Would have a vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, so I...we urge the defeat of this override because we have an opportunity in just a few minutes to vote to sustain the Governor with respect to House Bill 2554 get a two-year delay and not disenfranchise the voters of the City of Chicago. Thank you."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Bluthardt." 
Bluthardt: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I think the last speaker was beating on a dead horse because I don't think the House Bill is going to be called but it seems to me that this is our last opportunity to pass implementation of the Consolidation of Elections Bill before December 1st. Now if we don't pass this Bill, an implementation Bill, on December 1st the Consolidation of Elections goes into effect and many referenda that will...that have been called for in December and January will become null and void. This leaves many of your local governments in a very, very difficult position. 
We've got to pass an implementation Bill. The faults that the last speaker sees in the Senate Bill - first of all, let me say this that I find no difference in the draftsmanship of the two Bills, the House Bill and Senate Bill, they're both well drafted - but the faults that he finds with it, with the Senate Bill, that affect the election in..."
the City of Chicago can well be taken care of in the two-year extended period that we'll have if we do pass this Bill. I think this is by far the better of the options that we have. It's a very good Bill and it will solve the problems. I think the consensus of this House, as well as the Senate—the Senate passed this Bill in the override motion by a 50 to 3 margin— I think that indicates that the consensus is that we ought to adopt this Bill and grant the two-year extension to consolidation of elections. I would urge you to vote 'aye' on the override motion."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Marion, Mr. Friedrich."

Friedrich: "This is a rare opportunity to satisfy Phil Collins and me both; he wants consolidation, I don't; he's willing to go for two years, I'd be glad to for ten but I'll settle for two. I hope you'll vote 'aye'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Collins."

Collins: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is a rare occasion indeed when Representatives Friedrich, Bluthardt and I are agreeing on a Consolidated Elections Bill. Representative Levin has pointed out some of the features of the Governor's Amendatory Veto in House Bill 2554. It...it may be an important issue, it may be one that I would join him in in a separate Bill; however, it not only speaks to an issue other than consolidation of elections but it singles out the City of Chicago only for this type of treatment and I don't think if we're going to get into this issue we should deal with only one city in...in this state. However, it is confusing two issues and one I think is...is overriding and that is the issue of consolidation of elections. I would not stand on the floor of this House today and urge the override of the veto on House...and Senate Bill 1419 if I were not convinced that we could not override or we could not accept House Bill 2554. There are features in that that drive people away from either acceptance or override. I would prefer a one-year extension. I can't get it and I'm willing to accept that now and admit that I would rather have two years than nothing. If we do not override this Bill today and if it is not signed into law tomorrow, we'll have utter chaos in
our election schedules in the State of Illinois. Consolidation of elections becomes a reality this Friday, December 1st, whether you like it or not. There are special school and local government referenda already scheduled for December which will be illegal, null and void if we do not override this Bill today. We are faced with a Hopson's choice and I think that this is far preferable than the chaos that will be created if we do not override Senate Bill 1419. I urge every Member of this House to join us in this effort. We will have consolidation of elections; we have to put it off a little longer than some of us would desire but at least we do have it and we will approach it in an orderly fashion. Again, I urge every Member please vote 'yes' on the override of the Governor's Veto on Senate Bill 1419."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Yourell, to close."

Yourell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. One of the arguments propounded by one of the previous speakers in... opposition to the override was based on the language that was submitted to this House as an Amendment to House Bill 2554. That Amendment dealing with the subject matter he refers to was soundly defeated by this House as an Amendment. So to now object to the override on that basis of a minority vote in this House simply is not in the best interests of the Bill. I ask you to vote to override the Governor's Veto on Senate Bill 1419."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall Senate Bill 1419 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. ...All voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? .....Will take the record. On this question, there's a 151 'aye', 16 'nays', 1 recorded as 'present'. The motion, having received the Constitutional three-fifths majority, prevails and Senate Bill 1419 is declared passed notwithstanding the veto of the Governor.

On the Calendar on page 3 is House Bill 3429. Mrs. Kent."

Kent: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3429. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of the Department of Transportation. Third Reading of the Bill."

Kent: "Thank you. House Bill 3429 amends the FY-79 Appropriations for the Department of Transportation, transferring federal funds
to specified projects. It is for 59,600 dollars and I urge passage of this Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any discussion? The question is, shall House Bill 3429 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All in ...on Third Reading? I'm sorry. The question is, shall House Bill 3429 pass? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. Requires three-fifths vote because the effective date is immediate. ...All voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there's 142 'ayes', 1 'nay', 2 recorded as 'present'. and House Bill 3429 is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3430. Representative Gene Barnes."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3430. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of the Commission on Delinquency Prevention in the Department of Children and Family Services and to amend Sections of an Act to provide.... the ordinary and contingent expense of the Department of Children and Family Services. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Barnes."

Barnes: "Thank you very much. Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, this appropriates 321,220 dollars to the Department of Children and Family Services for the purpose of child abuse workers. This money was already voted on favorably both by the House and the Senate in the Spring Session. This is one of those unfortunate occurrence that ....in the Amendment process and the printing and engrossing of this Bill, this amount of money was left out by accident. So, this Bill really...merely in fact appropriates...reappropriates that amount of money that this House had acted on in the Spring Session. One of the reasons for this appropriation....if...on July 14th, I submitted a letter to the Chairman of the Department with copies going to the Minority Leadership and to the Governor's Office and the Director of the Department...and in answer to me indicated that she could not in good conscience go ahead and put on the necessary people that everyone in all quarters agree we need for child abuse workers without having this funding in hand. So that is the reason and the purpose for this Bill and I would ask support of everyone in the House on House Bill 3430."
Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Peters."

Peters: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I concur one hundred percent with the comments made by Representative Barnes. He has, as many of us and many of you, have been extremely interested in the entire question of child abuse for some period of time. The legislation he offers does correct an oversight of last Session. It was approved unanimously by our Appropriations Committee and should have the support of every Member of this House. I would earnestly request that you join Representative Barnes in his effort."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall House Bill 3430 pass? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. Takes three-fifths because of the immediate effective date. Have all voted who wish?

...Voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there's 158 'ayes', no 'nays', none recorded as 'present. This Bill, having received the three-fifths majority vote, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3432, Mrs. Younge."


Speaker Lechowicz: "The Lady from St. Clair, Mrs. Younge."

Younge: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 3432 appropriates 60,000 dollars to the Speaker of the House for expenses of a special planning committee on economic prosperity for the East St. Louis area. This House passed House Resolution 539 which created this planning committee on economic prosperity. The Committee was established to study the economic problems of the East St. Louis area and the purpose of the Committee will be...and the purpose of the appropriation will be to hire consultants and staff to come up with a...economic plan for this area. Serving on the Committee will be the four Legislative Representatives from the 57th District and public members plus the various mayors from that area. And I move....your passage of this Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Speaker Redmond, at my desk."

Redmond: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, at the invitation of Representative Younge, I went to East St. Louis..."
for the installation of the Members of the Commission and I was agreeably surprised with what I saw as far as the physical qualities of that community's concern. They have sewer and water in place, they have paved streets, sidewalks, curb and gutter and many of the things that are necessary to accommodate additional industrial and commercial establishments. The meeting was held in a church, it was attended by most of the civic leaders of East St. Louis, including the mayor, including the president of the community college. They were most enthusiastic for the prospect of some kind of a study in order to help the economic condition of East St. Louis. The day that I went there they had the...the news that one of the two hospitals was closing and would lose about five hundred jobs; the week after that a glass factory was going to close and the loss...about five or six hundred jobs. So in that area that can ill afford to lose a thousand jobs, it would happen in the period of probably of two or three weeks. It seemed and I'd also discussed the matter with some member of the Department of Transportation in the planning section and they have contemplated some plans that they think...long range plans that they think will be of great assistance to the area. I rise in support of House Bill 3432. I don't believe that there is any place that we can spend money any better and any more profitably. And I can assure the Membership that if I have anything to do with the spending of the money that no more will be spent that is absolutely necessary and therefore I encourage an 'aye' vote on House Bill 3432."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Totten."

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "She indicates she will."

Totten: "Mrs. Younge, yesterday in Committee it was noted that this is a 60,000 dollar appropriation which is not line itemed at all to the Speaker. You'd indicated that you might have the information as to how the 60,000 dollars might be spent and provide us with line item, do you have that?"

Younge: "I...yes, I do."

Totten: "Could you tell us what...how it would be spent?"

Younge: "Right. The staff will consist of an administrative coordinator at 14,000, a secretary at 9,000, plus the fringe benefits would..."
would make 27,000 and then the balance would be for a consultative contract for economists investment and financial consultants at 11,000, for subprofessional research people at 3,400 and then for travel expense at...at 4,000."

Totten: "Are...okay, are these people...are these people been picked yet, these consultants?"

Younge: "Not...no one has been picked yet. I merely got an estimate as to the appropriate...approximate cost it would take to come up with the plan that is needed."

Totten: "Okay. This is an appropriation to the Speaker's Office for the Committee, would...then the Speaker would pick the consultants?"

Younge: "That's correct. In conjunction I would hope in consultation with the Legislative Representatives from that area."

Totten: "Thank you very much."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Request has been made to have the tv lights on....and a....request is granted. TV lights are on. The Lady from St. Clair, Mrs. Younge, to close."

Younge: "I move the passage of this Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall House Bill 3432 pass? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. This will take three-fifths vote. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 113 'ayes', 26 'nays', none recorded as 'present'. This Bill is hereby declared passed with three-fifths vote. House Bill 3433, Speaker:Redmond."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from DuPage, Speaker Redmond."

Redmond: "House Bill 3433 provides for the disposition of the 30,000,000 dollar surplus that was discovered in the...in the school appropriation. It raises the level of support to 1,310 dollars which will have the effect of distributing the 30,000,000 - 10,000,000 dollars to the City of Chicago and 20,000,000 dollars to the rest of the state which is the same as the previous formula. And I request the affirmative vote on House Bill 3433."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Walsh."
Walsh: "Well, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Bill has made very rapid progress up till now. Yesterday morning it was in Committee. Evidently the rules were suspended and it was on Second Reading, Second Legislative Day, yesterday and amended yesterday. There were those of us who thought an Amendment would be appropriate. An Amendment that would provide that the 1,310 dollar foundation level would be a one-time and one-time only level because if we don't do that, and we did not, that level is going to be the locked in minimum next time and you know that. We are going to build on the 1,310 dollars and we run a very real risk of having a deficit next fiscal year. If you'll vote for this you better be prepared to vote for an increase either in the sales tax or in the income tax. It's going to have to be significant. Now I suggest to you, Mr. Speaker, that the people when they voted on November 7th, when they voted for the Lechowicz-Totten-Thompson proposition they were telling us, 85 percent of them, that they want reduced taxes. They want reduced government involvement. They weren't talking about the property tax or state taxes, they were telling us about all taxes, property and state included. They do not want us to spend money. It is irresponsible, Mr. Speaker, to lay 30,000,000 dollars on school districts that have long since passed their budgets, eight or nine months ago they passed their budgets based on what the state was going to give them at that time, a 1,293 dollar foundation level. All of a sudden we come along because of a decrease in enrollment, we come along and make it 1,310 dollars and the only reason for making it that is .........so that we can spend all the money. Hasn't it occurred to anyone that we can lapse this money and spend it next year and possibly forestall an increase in taxes or, if very fortunate and prudent, perhaps reduce taxes. This is absurd, Mr. Speaker, the schools don't need it. Let's vote 'no' on this Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Macon, Mr. Dunn."

Dunn: "Will the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Redmond: "I will."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."

Dunn: "Is there a printout, school district by school district, of what this will mean...I see your....Representative Stuffle raising his hand....I'd like to see that before I vote on this Bill because
unfortunately where I come from a couple of districts that are large in population fared reasonably well but throughout my Legislative District last spring, almost every school district lost money. And if we're just going to plug into that same formula I think we'll come out on the short end again so I'll go down and take a look at the printout before I vote on this. Thank you.

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

Leinenweber: "Well, thank...thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative Walsh put it absolutely right. It...I...I would say this, if we're going to spend the 30,000,000 dollars in the way that this Bill proposes to do it is the best way to do it because it does take into account the fact that some school districts have increasing enrollments and those districts will come out better under this approach than some of the other approaches which probably the preceding speaker would probably want us to take. However, the point of the matter is as Representative Walsh pointed out, we're setting for...for now on a foundation level which we can only go up on, that's 1,310 dollars. Now the school districts back home think this is an absolute promise that they'll always get 1,310 dollars in....spite of what the state's fiscal situation may be next year or the year after. So we're going to be in a situation, as Representative Walsh pointed out, either of having to raise taxes next year in order to fund the 1,310 dollars or run the risk that we might have to underfund our formula and thereby break our promise to the school districts. It's insane to raise this foundation level this high forevermore. So if we're going to spend the money, I think we're probably doing it in the appropriate way but it's certainly wrong to hold out from forevermore that the foundation level is going to be 1,310 dollars when this is a onetime fortunate shot in the arm the state's got. I happen to think it'd be better to save this money and add it to our...our very meager resources which we have at the end of the year but we certainly should not pass this Bill in this form."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Coles, Mr. Stuffle."

Stuffle: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Member of the House, someone suggested we don't need to spend this money, none of us want to overspend, I don't think, but when we agreed last year to the amount of money
that we would spend on state school aid we not only look at the
approach, we talked to the Governor's Office and to Democrat and to
Republican alike and we agreed on a figure. Many of us wanted more
money for schools, not less and not the amount in this Bill. We
decided upon the amount and then we worked, literally, to put the
figures together that were fair to everyone. We agreed for the first
time in years to make the formula more fair to downstate and suburban
districts. This continues that process. It's not overspending, it's
already appropriated. I've never heard anyone since this proposal
was first put forth in my Bill a few days ago and put forth in the
media — months ago literally — say that the money wouldn't be
available next year or that the 1310 level would break the budget.
No one came before the House Education Committee the other day to say
that, they knew these Bills would be up, they knew the level we were
going to propose, they knew the effect of the Amendment, they knew the
effect of the legislation. And anyone who sits here now and says
we can't have this and we can't afford this is playing with an over-
all issue of spending and not with this particular Bill. This Bill
can be passed. It can be funded. It can be done this year and it can
serve as: a milestone next year and in future years as a base at
1,310 dollars without breaking the bank. It's fair to the districts
in this state. The Representatives from Chicago on this side of the
aisle have been fair about working this out with us from downstate
and those from the suburban areas. It ought to be passed and it
ought to be supported and it ought to be left at 1,310 dollars this year
and next year we ought to move forward progressively working on this
School Aid Formula to make it even more fair to the districts and
the students in this state. It ought to be passed and passed today
without delay so we don't have to come back here in January and mess
around again in a political fight with new people and new issues.
The issue is clear, it ought to be passed, it ought to get a green
light."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Brady."

Brady: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and fellow Members, I would just like to add
that once we get into these formula discussions on the floor and they
come out of Committee, I think that there are some erroneous thoughts
that are brought forth by some of the Representatives who maybe haven't spent as much time on the formula. Representative Leinenweber is nervous about the foundation level, the basic level, going to 1310 because he says the school district will say that that's what they have coming and you only go up from there. I would add, Representative Leinenweber, that if we fund the formula next spring at the 1310 dollar level it will cost 70,000,000 dollars less than we're funding it this year. So you can't say that you're raising money and cost in education, and as a matter of fact I think as...it's not high enough, but 1310 is what the money we appropriated and I think we should at least expend the money we appropriated this year in the education budget. And I urge your support of this bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Conti."

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman has moved the previous question. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', 'aye', all opposed.... The previous question has been moved. The Gentleman from DuPage, Speaker Redmond, to close."

Redmond: "Ask your affirmative vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall House Bill 3433 pass? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. This will take 107 votes as it got the effective immediate date. The Gentleman from Lake, Mr. Deuster, to explain his vote. Timer's on."

Deuster: "Well, Mr. Speaker, I reluctantly explain my 'no' vote. All of the letters from my district say, 'do your best to make sure that there's an equitable distribution of this extra money'. Because of declining enrollment and increased assessed valuations in Lake County, for example, many of our schools have gone to the Strayer-Haig formula. You will know under this Bill not one penny, not one penny, of the money will go to those schools on the Strayer-Haig and I don't think that's fair. I believe the money should be spent for education but I'd like to see it spread out so that all of the schools get a little bit and get a fair share of the money. And for that reason I'm explaining my 'no' vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Schneider, to explains his vote. All right. The Gentleman from Livingston,
Mr. Ewing, to explain his vote."

Ewing: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, the last Representative to explain his vote explained it about the Strayer-Haig School District and I think every downstate Legislator should be 'no' up there until we get some consideration in the distribution of school aid money. There is no consideration to downstate schools....."

Speaker Lechowicz: ".....Please proceed."

Ewing: "Thank you. I said there is no consideration to downstate school districts in this process and if we vote 'no' maybe we'd have a chance to be heard and get that vote down under 107."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there's 149 'ayes', 19 'nays', 3 recorded as 'present'. This....Bill is hereby declared passed with a three-fifths majority. House Bill 3434, Representative McGrew."

O'Brien: "House Bill 3434. A Bill for an Act making appropriations for reimbursement to school districts for uncompensated transportation expense. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: ". Out of the record temporarily. House Bill 3437, Representative Ryan."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3437. A Bill for an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of the Health Finance Authority. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan."

Ryan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 3437 appropriates 200,000 dollars from the Health Finance Authority Fund for the fiscal '79 administrative expenses of the new Health Financing Authority. This is a loan and will be paid back. This is start up money for the authority and I would ask for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any discussion? The question is, shall...oh, I'm sorry. Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Levin."

Levin: ". Would the Gentleman yield for a question?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."

Levin: "Representative Ryan, I'm wondering if you can tell us what is going to be done with this money this year? What kind of staff is being hired, how many, when can we expect appointments to the board,
and then to begin to operate and then to begin to start the routine that's mandated in Senate Bill 1060?"

Ryan: "Now would you repeat the question?"

Levin: "...Well, Representative, what is being...going to be done with this money this year, what kind of staff are they talking about, when are the board members going to be appointed, when are they going to start the routine that's mandated in 1060?"

Ryan: "That's how many questions, now, three, Mr. Levin?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Three."

Ryan: "Three questions. One is, the selection of the board member is presently in progress. What's the other two parts?"

Levin: "What is this money going towards in terms of staff, how many staff? What are they going to be doing at this point?"

Ryan: "...Months salary for the Executives...Director. Reimbursement money for the board members that'll be appointed and I...just regular operational money. I might add...Mr. Levin, that I said earlier this is a loan and the money will be repaid, this is start up money and after they get their funds flowing that this money is to come back. Any more questions?"

Levin: "Yes.....0...I understand that the process of selection in process now but can you give us a timetable as far as when we would expect the appointments to be made?"

Ryan: "Well certainly not until they get some money to operate with."

Levin: "Well, I understand that but are we talking about six months down the road...appointing board members or three months or what?"

Ryan: "Well, the...the nominees are currently being screened by the Governor, I don't know if he's got a deadline to make all of these or not...appointments but, no, I can't give you a date whether it'll be this afternoon after we pass this Bill or, you know, six months from now. I would imagine it'll be just as fast as the Governor can act on."

Levin: "And, Representative, you...you indicated that this is for...partially for salaries for the Executive Director. Is that the only staff person that is intended to put on board at this point?"

Ryan: "...Up to the hiring Executive Director, Representative, though I'm sure that he'll have to have some other staff people. I don't know
who they're going to be, I would imagine he'd have to have a secretary
like you have to have one and those kind of things."
Levin: "So you don't know how....about how many staff they're going
to hire...."
Ryan: "No, I don't...."
Levin: "...Fiscal year."
Ryan: "I really don't."
Levin: "I take it they have not yet selected an Executive Director?"
Ryan: "Well, since they haven't selected the Committee, Representative
Levin, I don't know how they're going to select an Executive Director."
Levin: "Thank you."
Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Rock Island, Mr. Darrow."
Darrow: "Will the Sponsor yield?"
Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."
Darrow: "Where in the statute do we find the authority for the state
to make a loan to this agency?"
Ryan: "The transfer, Representative Darrow."
Darrow: "Well, you had described it as a loan a minute ago."
Ryan: "Well, all right, it's a transfer then."
Darrow: "Well, where do we find the authority for.....transfer?"
Ryan: "Not being an attorney I'm not....I don't guard my words that
close, I'm sorry."
Darrow: "Well, where do you see the authority for a transfer?"
Ryan: "It's in House Bill 3438 that I would hope would be forthcoming.
Check your Calendar."
Speaker Lechowicz: "It's the next one to be called."
Darrow: "Now are we requiring any rate of interest for the payback or
is this just a noninterest loan?"
Ryan: "Noninterest loan, Representative."
Darrow: "Was there any consideration given to, say, charging 8 or 10
percent interest on this loan so that the state isn't going into
debt further?"
Ryan: "Was there any consideration....by who?"
Darrow: "Well, you drafted the Bill, I would assume that you would
give some consideration...."
Ryan: "No, I didn't give any consideration to that."
Darrow: "In other words you're giving away the state money...loaning it out, transferring it out at no rate of interest and then you're complaining that we may have to raise taxes or things like that. I'll wait to see the transfer legislation. Thank you."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Christian, Mr. Tipsword."

Tipsword: "Mr. Speaker, if I might ask some questions of the Sponsor?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he'll yield."

Tipsword: "Representative Ryan, is it true that in the original Bill setting up the Health Finance Authority, it did not set up any...any funds in that particular Bill and this is merely trying to really speed it up and not wait on funds in the usual appropriation process for next year so that this could get under way much faster than what happened otherwise?"

Ryan: "Yes, Representative Tipsword, that's right. This is just seed money, that's right....that's just exactly what it is."

Tipsword: "And this is to give the Governor the opportunity to start now instead of having to wait two or three months...."

Ryan: "That's right."

Tipsword: "When there would be funds to operate on?"

Ryan: "That's right."

Tipsword: "And this is a very minimum amount of funds and there will be funds under that Bill that is to be paid in by the participating hospitals throughout the State of Illinois which will be going back to pay off these funds just as soon as they can get under operation, isn't that correct?"

Ryan: "That's right and any unexpen....any unexpended balance from fiscal '79 is going to be returned to the...to the General Revenue Fund and then that expended portion will be returned to....as soon as the authority starts to get their...their money in in quarterly installments."

Tipsword: "Might I address myself to the...to this note...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed, Sir."

Tipsword: "This is an absolutely excellent Bill and so is the one that follows it - which I presume is going to follow,...least follows it on the Calendar - this is regrettably an oversight that happens very often in some very major pieces of legislation. This sets up the
authority but it does...it did not at the same time have appropriations available for that authority because we worked...we were late in the
year in finally getting it all put together after about three or four
years of work. In addition, there were an awful lot of problems that
had to be ironed out in the departments and in the various third party
providers throughout the...this entire State of Illinois and in getting
most all of the hospitals in the State behind this kind of an authority.
This Bill steps in and...and makes up the deficiency in the Bill that
sets up the authority. It's a very needed Bill and in fact does not
delay nor has the Governor delayed but it gives the Governor the
opportunity to step forward and move ahead with this Bill faster than
would be true under the ordinary appropriation process. I think the
Governor is to be commended in asking for this Bill to be drafted and
in providing these funds so that this Finance Authority very soon
get under way. And I would certainly urge all of the Members of this
House to give their votes to 3437, let us have this...this right to
provide some funds to this authority so that they can get to the
business of selecting an Executive Director, to the business of
selecting a staff, to the business of starting their reviews of
hospitals throughout the State of Illinois on which occasion money
will be coming in under our formula in that Bill which can and will
replace these funds. And this is a most commendable start by the
Governor and I applaud it."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Will, Mr. Van Duyne."

Van Duyne: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Is there any reason that we
couldn't have leave of the House to hear both of these Bills together,
we did it in Committee yesterday."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman asks...it's at the request of the
Sponsor? Mr. Ryan, would you like to have 37...3438 heard as a
package as well? Mr. Ryan."

Ryan: "What was the question, the Democrat Members are here bothering
me, Mr. Speaker. What was...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, leave of the House to have 3437
and 38 heard as one Bill?"

Ryan: "Certainly, that would be.......

Speaker Lechowicz: "Hearing no objection, Clerk will read 3438."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3438. A Bill for an Act to transfer monies between the General Revenue Fund and Health Finance Authority Fund. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Question is, shall House Bill 3437 and 3438 pass? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there's ....149 'ayes', 10 'nays', 5 recorded as 'present'. These Bills, having received a three-fifths majority, are hereby declared passed. House Bill 3442."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3442. A Bill for an Act....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Oh, I'm sorry."

Clerk O'Brien: "A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act making appropriations to the State Treasurer. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Jack, back up, it's 3439, is the next one."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3439. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of the Department of Transportation. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Take that Bill out of the record momentarily. Is Representative Madigan on the floor? Mike. ....Bill 3442."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3442. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act making appropriations to the State Treasurer. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Madigan, ....442, page..."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, this is a supplemental appropriation to the State Treasurer which appropriates monies which have recently become available to the Treasurer, there is bipartisan sponsorship of the Bill. I request a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Totten."

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."

Totten: "Representative Madigan, is this the monies for honoring the collective bargaining agreement?"

Madigan: "Yes, it is."

Totten: "Okay, they're not monies that have recently become available, they're monies to augment an agreement at....is that the AFSCME agreement?"
Madigan: "Correct."

Totten: "What's the total amount of money?"

Madigan: "It's in the neighborhood of 62,000 dollars."

Totten: "On...on the Bill then, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed."

Totten: "Thank you. Again we're, the Legislature is faced with the, the difficulty or the improbable cause of an agreement that takes away from us the responsibility for establishing appropriations because of a collective bargaining agreement. In this case the Sponsor has indicated that this agreement would cost us 62,000 dollars between these agreements and the merit selection and civil service, the entire appropriation process is being abrogated by outside influence. It's almost coming to the point where the Appropriations Committee of this General Assembly probably have little function left and I, for one, stand up as a Legislator who is opposed to this process being taken over in this way. House Bill 3442 is another case of an erosion of a Legislator's responsibility and I would urge a 'no' vote on it."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Question is, shall House Bill 3442 pass? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. It has an immediate effective date, it'll take 107 votes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? ...Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. C. this question there's 127 'ayes', 27 'nays', 5 recorded as 'present'. This Bill, having received a three-fifths majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3444."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3444. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of various state agencies named therein. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "...Sangamon, Mr. Jones."

Jones, J.D.: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this appropriation is supplemental to the Department of Aging and is entirely federal funds. This is the Illinois share of additional monies that were appropriated throughout the nation by the...by the Federal Government and I move its passage at this time."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Discussion? The question is, shall House Bill 3444 pass? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. ...Also require 107 votes, it has an immediate effective date. All voted who
wish? Record Representative Mann as 'aye'. ....All voted who wish?
Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 154 'ayes',
no 'nays', 2 recorded as 'present'. This Bill, having received the
three-fifths Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed.
On the Calendar on page 2, House Bills Third Reading, House Bill 2739,
Representative Ryan? House Bill 3128, John Dunn?
House Bill 3288, Mr. Kempiners? House Bill 3319, Mr. Madison?
House Bill 3420, Mr. Ewing? House Bill 3422, Mr. Madigan."
Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3422. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections
of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of
various state agencies named therein. Third Reading of the Bill."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Madigan."
Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Bill is
a housekeeping Bill to clarify a mistake of the last Session. During
the last Session, upon the advise of the Department of Revenue, the
annual appropriation to the Metropolitan Fair and Exposition Authority
was appropriated first to the Department of Revenue for transmittal
to the authority. Subsequent to the passage of the Bill by the Legis-
lature and its signature by the Governor, the Department of Revenue
changed its opinion and today has advised us that they will not transmit
the money until an appropriation Bill is passed and signed which would
provide for a direct appropriation from the General Assembly to the
authority itself. The Bill is supported, as I said, by the Department
of Revenue and also by the Bureau of the Budget."
Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Mann."
Mann: "Would... would the Gentleman yield to a question?"
Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."
Mann: "Mr. Madigan, does this... does this Bill have anything to do with
the possibility of a proposed stadium in the City of Chicago, Lake-
front Stadium?"
Madigan: "This is not the Sports Stadium Bill, that Bill is in the
Rules Committee."
Mann: "I understand but you didn't answer my question. Does this Bill
have anything to do with the possible Lakefront Stadium Bill?"
Madigan: "This Bill contains the annual appropriation which is currently
being used for the renovation of the Donnelly Hall across the
Lake Shore Drive from Soldier's Field. The money is currently obligated. What future use might be made of the money, of course, is subject to a great deal of speculation today."

Mann: "In other words, this Bill...this money might be used for a possibility of a Lake Front Stadium?"

Madigan: "At sometime in the future, yes."

Mann: "Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed."

Mann: "Mr. Speaker, we're here in the eleventh hour of the 80th Session of the Illinois General Assembly and suddenly the highly regarded and highly respected Majority Leader rises to his feet and innocuously announces that there's a housekeeping Bill, House Bill 3422, which may involve the erection of a stadium in the City of Chicago. And I hope the Members of both sides of the aisle are very closely listening to this debate, Ladies and Gentlemen, because we need a stadium...a sports stadium in the City of Chicago like a moose needs a hatrack.

In other words, Ladies and Gentlemen, on the issues of priority, on the issue of importance to the people of the City of Chicago, a sports-dome stadium ranks about 98 and then we're being generous. Now I think the Gentleman should have been a little candid, frankly, he usually is, I think he should have got up and told us that this is the first step of the Ogilvie-Bilandic plan to give us a sports stadium in the City of Chicago. We don't need a sports stadium in the City of Chicago with taxpayers' money. What we need in the City of Chicago is an educational system that'll give education to the people of the citizens of the City of Chicago. What we need is a good RTA integrated system.

What we need is a well-managed city that will prevent crime. What we need is nine hundred other things but we don't need a sports-dome stadium. Now there hasn't been a city in America that's had a sports-dome stadium that hasn't had a cost overrun that has run into hundreds of millions of dollars. Now, Ladies and Gentlemen, before you return to your voters and explain to them why you are committing yourself to what may involve hundred of millions of dollars of state funds for a sports stadium in the City of Chicago. I ask you to very, very carefully weigh this so-called housekeeping Bill. We don't need it.

As...as Representative Ryan said the other day when I got up on my
Handgun Bill, 'it's much too controversial to come in at this time of the Session, we don't need it now, it can wait, it's too late, it hasn't....fully been explained to us. It didn't even come through the Democratic Caucus. It wasn't discussed with the Members on the side of the aisle. And if the other side of the aisle goes for this Bill then we will know once and for all that Governor Thompson was elected not because the people of the State of Illinois voted for him but because there was a Thompson-Bilandic deal. And I'm saying to every Member of this House, vote 'no' on this Bill. Vote 'no' resoundingly because if we're going to have a sports stadium, let's have a debate. Let's have a debate that merits the expenditure of hundreds of millions of dollars. Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I respectfully ask that you vote this Bill down and vote it down resoundingly."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Collins."

Collins: "Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I couldn't agree more....of....with Representative Mann than what...the words he just said. This is a funny time to try and sneak through a Bill to initiate the construction of a sports stadium. We just came through an election where the people gave us a message loud and clear that they want us to stop spending money, they want us to stop wasting money and they want us to stop taxing them and here is a white elephant that's....be...foisted upon the people of the State of Illinois so that Chicago can have a bright new glistening sports stadium when all throughout the country these palaces that have been built...in the name of sports are losing money everywhere in the country. Now if we're going to build a sports stadium let's do as Representative Mann suggested, introduce the Bill in January, bring it into Committee, tell us what it'll cost, tell us where it's going to be and tell us how we'll pay for it....are there contracts drawn with the professional clubs in the City of Chicago? Are college teams going to use it? Are the high school teams going to use it? Is there going to be a racetrack in this complex? There are so many unanswered questions and most of the answers to those question, I think, the people would find particularly odious. So let's vote down this Bill today. I don't think we need a sports stadium in Chicago but if we
do, let's put it on a sound financial basis, one that pays for itself and everyone knows that no sports stadia pay for themselves unless they are used regularly. The Chicago Bears, the Chicago White Sox, the Chicago Cubs and teams all have stadia in which they play now. Are they going to come into this...this new field? These are questions that have to be answered. If we are going to erect this...this monument to somebody, I think we better make that it is financially sound. This Bill, I submit, is a...is an insult to the entire State of Illinois and I think it should be roundly defeated. Let's vote this thing down now and then when we come back in January we can start talking about it again."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, I...request that you take this out of the record at this time."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave to have this Bill taken out of the record, the Bill's out of the record. House Bill 3439. Is Representative Ryan back on the floor? No? Okay. On the Calendar on page 5 is Total Veto Motions, House Bill 2695. Representative Totten. Page 5 of your Calendar, Total Veto Motions. 2695. Out of the record? House Bill 3279, Mr. Pierce? House Bill 3279. The Gentleman from Lake, Mr. Pierce."

Pierce: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, last spring before Proposition 13 passed in California, this House of Representatives with 112 votes, including 19 of my Republican colleagues, passed out on Third Reading, House Bill 3279, the intent of which was to take the circuit breaker which worked so well for our senior citizens and extend it to low and middle-income taxpayers of our whose real estate taxes were more than 3½ percent of their income. It would have benefitted the senior citizens who had the 4 percent test. It would have benefitted all citizens in the lower and middle-income category. This House approved the Bill and sent it to the Senate. Unfortunately, right after Proposition 13 passed, we had the first Thompson-Bakalis debate on educational tv and it became the subject of that debate and Mr. Bakalis adopted the Bill as part of his platform after initially opposing it. The Bill passed the Senate, as you all know, it came back here on concurrence and barely passed
out of here on concurrence; went to the Governor and was vetoed in July when it became a partisan matter. Now all of us agree the circuit breaker works; even the Governor expanded it a little bit for senior citizens by raising the income limitation from ten to twelve thousand. Yesterday in this House when Representatives Kornovicz and Skinner had a Bill that further expanded the circuit breaker for senior citizens, we overrode the Governor's veto. The principle of circuit breaker is sound. It works. It takes our state income tax money and does with it what we promised to do when we passed the Ogilvie income tax back in 1969. It takes the state income tax money and gives people relief on their real estate taxes on their homes - for homeowners and renters. It doesn't help industry and that's why some of you don't support it. It doesn't help people who make over 25,000 a year and I understand one of...one of my colleagues from my district yesterday said that she opposes the Bill because it doesn't help people who make over 35,000 dollars and they're the people she's concerned with. Well, believe me, the people we should be concerned with first, the people we should be concerned first, are those who are about to lose their homes, those on fixed incomes, women who are abandoned sometimes by their husbands and left with the home and children, people out of work, people who...presently don't benefit from the circuit breaker because they happen to be under 65. If it's good for someone 65, believe me it's good for someone 62 or someone 63 in the same circumstance. Now one debate we had was over the cost of this program. I represented to you, when it passed the House, that the first year cost was 33,000,000. The Governor's Office through the Bureau of the Budget completely misanalyzing the Bill said it cost 98,000,000. I've had the staff of the Economic and Fiscal Commission working on a model of circuit breakers that they are using for Representative Skinner's Bill and mine to work it up and they estimate 41,000,000 the first year of the phase-in, 82,000,000 the second year and then working its way up in the fourth year to probably over a 100,000,000 by the fourth year. The first year they say between 35,000,000 and 45,000,000. Don't confuse this Bill with Bakalis' somewhat wild...somewhat wild proposals that he had during the campaign in August and September when he was paying... playing catch-up ball. I'll admit that that Mike - and I
don't blame him, I might have .........
done the same thing - Mike came out with some tax proposals that
went way, way, way, way beyond House Bill 3279. House Bill 3279
was only the first little drop of rain in his proposed tax relief
Bill that he came up with in August and September. This is the
original Bill that we passed out last year. Now I do...I do resent
somewhat the Bureau of the Budget flying around the state, Mr.
Kolhauser, going into editorial offices at state expense on state
planes and campaign against this piece of legislation which the
General Assembly passed out. The Bureau of the Budget's supposed
to be a state....a state paid....a state agency and they're not supposed to
campaign against the Legislature or the General Assembly. In my
opinion it was unprofessional and irresponsible and I do resent it
but there's not much I can do about it because the Bureau of the
Budget is a pet rock of the Executive, of the Governor, they do what-
ever he wants and they come up with figures to establish and back up
whatever he wants. And I voted for the Bureau of the Budget back
when the Governor Ogilvie founded it and he used it for a good purpose.
I thought we had the Bureau of the Budget under Ogilvie it was a good
agency but lately under our last two Governors it's become a mere....
a mere pet rock, a mere advocate for the Governor whoever he may be
against the Legislature. Now I ask you to do something about Propo-
sition Zero which the voters support with 82 percent of the vote on
November 8. They're going to come to you and say, 'implement the
Bill.'The Governor promised to his implementation ready before the
election, a few days before he said he couldn't have it ready, it was
too complicated. Here it's going to be December 1st at the end of
this week, it's still not ready. In January maybe it'll be ready.
I'll tell you what it'll do, it'll give half the real estate tax relief
to shopping centers, to high rise office buildings and to industry
because...because the Governor needs that support if he's to raise
the type of funds from political action committees of industry that
you need to run for President of the United States. My Bill benefits
only one group of people, homeowners and renters. It doesn't....
benefit business, it doesn't benefit industry, it extends the circuit
breaker system that works for senior citizens and I ask you at this
time to pass this responsible piece of legislation to give immediate
relief to homeowners and renters to carry out what they voted for on Proposition Zero on November 7th and that is, to override the Governor's Veto on House Bill 3279."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Telcser."

Telcser: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I could save a lot of time for the Members if I had available copies of the transcripts from last Session on this debate. But let me remind all the Members of the House that while House Bill 3279 is called a tax....real estate tax relief Bill, in reality all it simply does is take the tax burden from real estate taxes usually levied by units of local government and passing it onto the citizens all over the state in the form of some other taxes. Now, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, a lot has been said about the public mood regarding taxes, government spending and the very integrity of those of us who serve in government. I submit to you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, that House Bill 3279 is simply another gimmick very much akin to many of those we've seen come down the pike in prior years. And this is what I believe the public is really saying to us. The voters are asking us to be honest with them and not to keep passing pieces of legislation which hold out promises that are never kept. Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, what the Sponsors of House Bill 3279 promised will be a benefit of this Bill simply is not the truth. What in fact will happen should this Bill become law is that we will be allowing local governments to increase their budgets without restraint because they know if they increase local real estate property taxes the state will pick up part of that increase via this Bill. Now, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, the only way to stop spending so much money is to appropriate less. The only way to relieve taxpayers' burden is not to spend so much money, that's where it is, our ability to keep down the amount of money which we spend in this General Assembly. House Bill 3279 will simply make it easier to spend more money and pass the buck to another unit of government. And for these reasons, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I hope that we will sustain the Governor's Veto. It is a veto which made a great deal of sense. It's a veto which is honest for the people of Illinois and it will let us go forward this next Session and try to give the voters of this..."
state a fair shake on the question of tax relief and government spending."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Lake, Mr. Pierce, to close."

Pierce: "Mr...Mr. Speaker, I agree with the last speaker that the ultimate way...the ultimate way to reduce taxes is...is to reduce spending and I intend to support in the next General Assembly Bills that will limit spending and limit taxes and I'm waiting anxiously to see the Governor's proposal. My prediction of what it will be will be at least 50 percent of its benefit for shopping centers, high rise apartment buildings, high rise office buildings and other industrial and commercial concerns. But at any rate, I'm willing to take a look at it. But here's a way today we can put in a very sensible proposal into immediate effect to give the homeowners and the renters tax relief in the form of circuit breaker rebates. We don't have to wait for a controversial proposal that may be two or three years in coming into effect. We can by a three-fifths vote in the House this week and the same vote in the Senate when they reconvene in a week or two, I don't think they have a caucus next week so they're not going to be convening next week but whenever they convene again in two weeks, by a simple three-fifths vote, they can put into effect this law to grant immediate tax relief to the homeowners and renters of Illinois. This isn't the be all and end all of tax relief, it's the first step of property tax relief and I support it and ask that you override the Governor's veto of House Bill 3279."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall House Bill 3279 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. ...All voted who wish? ...All voted who wish? ...All voted who wish? Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Holewinski, to explain his vote."

Holewinski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, by way of explaining my vote, I'd like you to really consider and think about the concept...the concept underlying this Bill. I think you would agree that it is indeed a sound one. If we talk about placing the tax burden on those who can afford it or...or based upon their ability to...to afford it, we're talking about a concept that is if not indeed this one, one that would very close to this concept.
I think it is a Bill that can be expanded on in the future once we get some experience on it. It is a good idea. It is a way of providing tax relief to those who truly do need it and I would encourage you to...to vote in the affirmative on this override."

Speaker Lechowicz: "....From Lake, Mrs. Geo-Karis."

Geo-Karis: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, having been one of the original Sponsors and having thought it was a good Bill at the time until I found out what it would really cost and the estimates are about a billion dollars in four years, I'm not about to vote for a tax increase for sales tax or income tax and I don't think that this is really the avenue we have to follow for tax relief. I'm very much interested in tax relief. I certainly laud the Sponsor for his efforts, I know he's very sincere about it, but I've gotten the latest report from the Department of the Budget telling me that it would not....that it would cost approximately a billion dollars or a little more to administer it in four years. We really cannot afford it at this time."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? Gentleman from Lake, Mr. Pierce, to explain his vote. Timer is on."

Pierce: "Mr. Speaker, in view of the statements from the Lady from Lake, I'd like Mr. Kohlhauser to come before me and tell me how it's going to cost a billion dollars. It's not going to cost a billion dollars; maybe it's going to cost a billion dollars for ten years. It's going to cost less than fifty million dollars the first year and when fully implemented it's going to cost about a hundred and fifty-million a year and if he says it cost a billion he should resign from office because he's giving us false statements, he's misleading you, he's playing you for a sucker, he's making a fool of you. And he's a liar besides."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 79 'ayes', 86 'noes', 3 recorded as 'present'. This motion, having failed to receive the Constitutional three-fifths Majority, is declared lost. The Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan. The Gentleman from DeKalb, Mr. Ebbesen, what purpose you seek recognition? Kindly record Mr. Ebbesen as 'no' on your last Roll Call. Do you know where
Representative Ryan's at? All right. On the Calendar, Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Madigan. On the Calendar on page 6 is Total Veto Motions, Consideration Postponed, House Bill 32, Representative Cunningham."

Cunningham: "Please. Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'm going to labor you, we've been over this many times before, House Bill 32. I think each of you know as well as I what the issue is. The issue is whether Constitutional Officers, as provided in our Constitution, are to be paid for from the State Treasury as is true in every instance except in the instance of the Judges, and for reasons that are not very clear, approximately 20 percent of the judicial salaries is presently deducted from the counties that did not have the money with which to pay those salaries. We have counties in southern Illinois that can't even pay their...their county officers. They do not have the resources, they do not have the ability, the financial power to pay this wallop that they should not be assessed. Four counties in this state are refusing to pay, a half a million dollars stands on the administrator's books uncollected, no effort made to collect it because they recognize that it doesn't make any sense or rhyme nor reason. I ask you to believe that this is a local real estate tax relief act. The homes in your district will be taxed less if the county requirement is reduced by the amount, albeit rather small in this instance. The cost of the program won't break the bank. It is 3.1 million dollars, that's the cost, 3.1 million dollars. We talk about 11,000,000,000 dollars for the budget, I want to correct a misunderstanding here yesterday and publicly acknowledge that Representative Harlan Rigney was correct in his statement that there was a payment made from the Road Fund for the Judge's salary. I checked with DOT and they said they repaid 13.1 million dollars last year from the Road Fund for the judicial salaries. But I say to you that this in no manner affects the payment of any Road Fund for future judicial salaries. What you're voting for here is tax relief for your local constituents on their homes, the financially embattled counties need your help at this moment. I pray you, give us a green light and go back home to a grateful electorate that have sense enough to realize that you've kept faith with them in regard
to a very pressing real need."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from DeWitt, Mr. Vinson."

Vinson: "......Representative Cunningham yield for a question?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."

Vinson: "Last spring I voted for this Bill and I've indicated that I would vote against a pay raise. I wonder given the Pay Raise Bill, being debated in the Senate, what the cost of this Bill will be?"

Cunningham: "The Pay Raise Bill will not in any way affect the cost of this Bill. This Bill's cost is fixed at 3.1 million dollars. What this Bill does is say to the county, 'you no longer have to give 7500 dollars for each Circuit Judge in your....in your county', you only have to pay....that the state will pick it up except for that 500 nominal payment to qualify the Cook County Judges for some kind of a...an insurance coverage."

Vinson: "The cost to the state of this Bill will not increase as Judges' salaries increase?"

Cunningham: "No, this Bill will not increase in any way the cost to the state even if....when later in the day 'if you give the Judges the pay raise that you're going to give 'em."

Vinson: "Thank you."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Lady from Champaign, Mrs. Satterthwaite."

Satterthwaite: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."

Satterthwaite: "Representative Cunningham; I agree that we ought to help to subsidize the payments of these County Judges. Do you have any kind of a printout that indicate how much of the 3.1 million would go to each county in the state?"

Cunningham: "No, I haven't except to tell you in the thirteen counties of my district it averages a little better than 10,000. You have a large county and I would think in Champaign County it would be safe in saying 40 to 50 thousand. You remember yesterday I pointed out that Lake County's indebtedness went up 100,000 dollars each year and they're one of those ...................... that aren't paying. I think you're about half the size of Lake."

Satterthwaite: "I guess I would be particularly interested in knowing, for instance, if you have a statistic for how much of this would go
Cunningham: "Less than half goes to Cook County. The bugaboo is being raised, the argument is being made that somehow it's a rip-off for Cook County and nothing could be farther from the truth. Less than half of it goes to Cook County, I swear to you by all that's holy."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall House Bill 32 pass? I'm sorry the....the Gentleman from Lawrence, Mr. Cunningham, to close."

Cunningham: "It comes....now I yield to my distinguished...my distinguished Cosponsor to close, please....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Skinner, to close."

Skinner: "Yeah, he should remember this Bill would be dead if I hadn't showed up on the Committee floor when he was out gallivantin' around the campaign trail or something or other. At any rate, the principle behind this Bill is absolutely right on and it is....we are get...we are mandating local government to pay a salary of a state official. That is totally indefensible. Now consistency is not always...it doesn't always make that much difference in this General Assembly but this is a very small amount of money to give intellectual honesty to our relationships with county government and for that reason I think we ought to vote for this Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Question is, shall House Bill 32 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. .....From Livingston, Mr. Ewing, to explain his vote. Timer is on."

Ewing: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, as I explained the other day in the debate, the counties keep the fine money which goes into the county coffers to help pay Judges. Back before we had our new judicial article, counties used to pay their Judges and that's why they still pay a portion of their salaries - from the same funds that they had back then. I think it's right that counties help share the cost of the Judges so long as they're going to continue to keep the proceeds from the operation of the courts. And I think a 'no' vote is a good vote on this Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from Lawrence, Mr. Cunningham."
Cunningham: "It's late in the day for me to make any showing of...of being humble, I've been with you for all these years, but I want you to know that it's awfully hard to come and lobby with you as the lame duck. I recognize how all of you feel but when I'm politic....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed."

Cunningham: "This is conciliatory. When I'm politically reincarnated I will repay you a thousand times and be indebted to you always for a green vote. Now come along with me please."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there are 110 'ayes', 37 'nays', 4 recorded as 'present'. This motion, having received a three-fifths majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 168, Representative Griesheimer. House Bill 168, Representative Griesheimer. 168, Griesheimer. No."

Griesheimer: "Mr. Speaker, in light of the fiscal austerity just shown by the Illinois State Senate in defeating the Pay Raise Bill I think I will allow my Bill to go up in smoke and not call it."

Speaker Lechowicz: ".....By Mr. Griesheimer."

Griesheimer: "Mr. Speaker, I just made the statement that in light of the fiscal austerity just shown us by the Illinois State Senate, I feel it only appropriate to allow my Bill to go up in smoke with the rest of the things and I will not call it further."

Speaker Lechowicz: "All right. House Bill 1270, Mr. Bowman. Bowman."

Bowman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Bill we considered yesterday. Briefly, what the Bill does is gives local control over local funds that are raised from local property taxes. At the present time, we have a program in the state involving township general assistance that...such that...such that if a local government issues or levies the one mil rate they qualify for state aid provided the state essentially mandates how they will spend all of those funds not only the state monies that are supplied, not only the qualifying amounts but also any funds that may be raised in.... above and beyond the minimum necessary for the specific state program involved. Now we...we discussed this yesterday. I think some people were misinformed about the...the effect of the Bill. The Governor's Veto Message certainly is....I think misinformed. The Veto Message
makes two points, I think I'll simply mention them briefly. The first one is that it will provide for uneven benefit levels from township to township, we already have that, this will not provide additional unevenness. It also indicates that there will be a loss of control over state funds and that is grossly false, it is on the very first page of the...the Bill. I urge people to read it. It makes it very clear and is certainly the Legislative intent of the Sponsors that the state will retain control over the state funds, it says so right there in the Bill. So I believe that there's been some misinformation I hope that...we've had time to clear that up and I would like to urge your favorable consideration at this time.

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Christian, Mr. Tipsword."

Tipsword: "Would the Gentleman yield for a question, please?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."

Tipsword: "This may not be something that you directly attack with your Bill but it interests me by virtue of what I just read recently...happened in New Jersey. This would, if I'm...correct me please if I'm wrong, would this provide, now, that there could be a difference on a local level from...from a uniform state welfare system?"

Bowman: "Well, first of all, let me clarify exactly what it is that we're...we're talking about 'cause when you talk about the welfare system there is a number of different programs, aid to families of dependent children, for example is a famous one, but that's a state program and there would not be any variation of benefit levels for a program like that. Medicaid is the state program, there would not be any variation in benefits arising for that. General Assistance is a township based program. At the present time there is variation from township to township in general assistance payments however townships which get state assistance have a uniform benefit level. That is correct, that is the.....one of the provisions for state assistance.

What the Bill does would say that if a particular township wanted to levy an additional tax on themselves for the purpose of increasing grant levels in their own area above the state floor, if you will, then that would be permitted. So what this basically provides is the state standard would then become a floor level which I think is entirely appropriate. What I'm objecting to and what the...
Bill addresses itself to is that the state will tell local units of units of local government that they cannot raise additional monies and spend those additional monies above and beyond what the state sees as adequate in the way they see fit."

Tipsword: "Yes, I understand what you're doing. The thing that interested me about it was, if you notice...the New Jersey State Supreme Court, under New Jersey's welfare situation, said that a town could not pull out of the welfare system in New Jersey and have its own because they were going to provide a lower rate and there had to be uniformity under the law and the law did not recognize non-uniformity. Now this would...we would be recognizing under this some system of nonuniformity which might then give us the right to pull out locally...of the state welfare system. Is that cor..."

Bowman: ". . .So...May I respond to that?"

Tipsword: "Uh-huh."

Bowman: "First of all, right now, the there is that right...to pull out. If one pulls out, one uses only local monies, a hundred percent local monies, so we can do that right now anyway."

Tipsword: "But...but we're governed by the limits aren't we, too?"

Bowman: "Please repeat that."

Tipsword: "By the state limits, doesn't the state have some limit control on it nevertheless..."

Bowman: "No."

Tipsword: "....what they can use at all?"

Bowman: "No."

Tipsword: "Okay, fine."

Bowman: "Not...not if they're providing...see, what...what the...if my Bill were to pass..."

Tipsword: "Fine. Thank you."

Bowman: "The state standard then would become the floor."

Tipsword: "Okay."

Bowman: "And so it would provide a base level grant which could be supplemented above that so that the...the local townships couldn't cut...couldn't cut below that. So I think it would stand the... the court test."

Tipsword: "Uh-huh. Thank you."
Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Porter."

Porter: "Well, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think that this...this is a very, very good Bill, one that costs the state nothing but gives the local communities flexibility in dealing with their general assistance programs and I would urge an override of the Governor's Veto. It's not a Bill that mandates a community or township to do anything, it's permissive only but it gives them the flexibility to get people off of the general assistance rolls and into productive employment and it's been worked out on a pilot basis already in my own community of Evanston with very, very great success.

I think that if you understand that it costs nothing and that it's permissive you'll understand that the Governor's Veto was ill-advised. It permits the state to continue control with state standards over their portion of the money as a floor but allows the local community to add to that, to tax locally to add to that, to provide the flexibility that they need to solve those kinds of problems. We've had tremendous success with it in Evanston, we'd like to have it... have...have the opportunity for other communities throughout the state to do this and I would urge that you support the motion to override the Governor's Veto."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Lady from Cook, Mrs...Miss Pullen."

Pullen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this is indeed an excellent Bill and I commend the Sponsor for it. It is a Bill that will improve the lot of many people in this state. It relates to local control, it is totally permissive and it will not harm anyone. We will be taking a good step forward in the administration of welfare in helping needy people in this state if this Bill is approved and I urge you to vote to override the veto.

Thank you."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Mugalian."

Mugalian: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I tried to read all the Veto Messages. I...I think I read all of them that I thought were going to be called. When I read this one I read it twice and I still didn't fully understand it. I think if you read the Veto Message carefully you will probably not find any clarity and maybe not fully understand what the Governor is trying to say. I think the
reason for that is there really is no good reason for this veto. I've looked at it objectively. I've looked again at the Bill and I've talked with the Sponsor about this and this is a good Bill and I think the Veto's message....Message's lack of clarity indicates that it's not a good veto and I....I think we should override it."

Speaker Lechowicz: ".....From Cook, Mr. Bowman, to close. Who?...."

Bowman: "Okay. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, appreciate your attention in this matter. I ask for Affirmative Roll Call."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Question is, shall House Bill 1270 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'nay'. Takes 107 votes. ....All voted who wish? Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Conti, to explain his vote. ..... No? ....Want to shut your light off, Elmer?"

Conti: "....Uh...Uh....If it reaches 108. Yes, I'd like to explain my vote but I just want to remind those green votes up there that when the state does come in after the townships do pass this one mil, that the state will have full control of the General Assistance in that particular area And it's creating another bureaucracy that we have no control over, the local governments no control over the way it is, with too much bureaucracy in the state. I recommend that this does not receive the 108 votes and it be defeated."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Yourell, to explain his vote. .....Have all voted who wish? Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Bowman, to explain his vote."

Bowman: "Well, Mr. Speaker, I believe that this is basically a local control matter. I was surprised to hear the Representative talk about creating a new bureaucracy. It won't do any such thing. It makes the best use of the existing structure that we now have, we have township governments all over this state and I think that this...this is something that makes use of that particular form of government to the best advantage. So we're...we're putting the decision....you know, really, where it belongs. So thank you very much for your support."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there's 118 'ayes', 45 'nays', 2 recorded as 'present'. The motion, having received
the Constitutional three-fifths majority, prevails and House Bill 1270 is hereby declared passed notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. House Bill 2839, Representative DiPrima."

DiPrima: "...Please. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'd like permission to - if I may - to run House Bill 2839, 3392 and...there's two 3392s here....they're both....all three pertain to the same subject matter and I'd be happy to go up or down with the three of them in one crack."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me, would you kindly read the numbers again, Mr. DiPrima?"

DiPrima: "House Bill 2839, House Bill 3392 and another House Bill 3392. they all pertain to the same subject matter and...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "I don't think you can do it that way, one's a total veto motion and what's the other ones? Reductions....item vetoes. You can't run 'em concurrently, you'll have to do 2839 as ...as a separate item, it's a total veto motion. It takes a different number of...."

DiPrima: "All right, I'll go with 2839 then."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed."

DiPrima: "...This is an act creating a commission to recommend plans for and to determine the location of the Pioneer Memorial Plaza. We've had the commission in existence in the last....from the last Session and the commission worked diligently making a study of a proposal to put up a Pioneer Plaza depicting the pioneers that first came to Illinois in the early days and Springfield needs a little rejuvenation, put some new statues up around here and I think this would be a good deal and I would like to resurrect the commission to make a further study in the forthcoming year. And I would appreciate a...an affirmative vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is there any discussion? .....Is shall House Bill 2839 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. ..... Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question...the Gentleman from Cook, Mr. DiPrima, what purpose you seek recognition?"

DiPrima: "Well, I was overdue for a tumble. All right, what I'd like
to do now, I'd like to table House Bill 3392 and...both of the 3392."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Well, first of all, you...we have to declare this
one as lost...."

DiPrima: "Oh, go ahead."

Speaker Lechowicz: "And then all you have to do is withdraw your motion
on the other matters which will take care of the....that Bill."

DiPrima: "Go ahead."

Speaker Lechowicz: "On this question, on House Bill 2839, the motion
having failed to receive the Constitutional three-fifths majority
is declared lost. The vote was 88 'ayes', 41 'nays', none recorded
as 'present' and the motion is lost. The Gentleman from Kankakee,
Mr. Ryan."

Ryan: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I believe if
you will check with the Clerk you'll find....filed a motion, filed
by Representative Barnes and I wish that you would go to that motion
at this time."

Speaker Lechowicz: "What kind of motion is he talking about? Mr.
Ryan, are you referring to....to move to reconsider the vote by which
House Bill 32 was passed...."

Ryan: "Yes....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Notwithstanding the veto of the Governor?"

Ryan: "That's....that's the motion?"

Speaker Lechowicz: ".....By Mrs. Jane Barnes?"

Ryan: "That's the motion."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Well, I don't believe that the motion is in order
because the Bill is no longer in the House."

Ryan: "I don't believe that's true, Mr. Lechowicz. I just spoke with
Mr. Redmond and he told me that that wasn't going to happen, that that
Bill would be here and that motion would be called and....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Clerk, is the Bill here? ...Let's get the
answer first. The Gentleman from....yes, Sir. ....Message has gone
into the Senate, Sir. The....item veto....on Item Veto Motion, House
Bill 2970, Representative Daniels. Mr. Daniels, you want 2970 called?
It's located on page 6 of the Calendar, Item Veto Motion."

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, I agreed to file this motion to override pursuant
to request from a good friend, Representative Barnes, and so at this
point I'd like to turn over to Representative Barnes and I think he's looking for Representative Madison too.

Speaker Lechowicz: "Representative Eugene Barnes."

Barnes, E: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House.

House Bill 2970 is the appropriation for the Delinquency Prevention Commission. This...this override...this veto override motion is related to the Amendment that was offered by Representative Madison and supported in the appropriation process by both sides of the aisle. What this...this money is for and what this money does, this is 250,000 dollars, these are the monies that is necessary for the Commission to carry out its responsibilities with the local community agencies that have been working in all these many years in the area of delinquency prevention. This is the 107,000 dollars - yes, yes, you're right - 250,000 dollars that was amended into the Bill for the purpose of giving the Commission the ability to reimburse or to ...to enter into agreement with these local councils on a grant basis so they....they can continue to operate in the current year and in the future as they have operated in the past in this area. I'm sure that in consideration of this legislation in the spring, both here in the House and in...in the Senate, this was virtually unanimous in terms of its support. I would ask both sides of the aisle to concur with that thinking that we embarked on during the spring and I would ask that we would support this notwithstanding the Governor's Veto."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Peters."

Peters: "."...Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I hesitate to stand in opposition to one of the actions of the Governor in relation to the veto but we have worked very hard in our Committee in regard to the operations of the Juvenile Delinquency Prevention Commission and Members on both sides of the aisle, both from Chicago and down-state, I think have given bipartisan, good and solid consideration to the issues involved here. And the Bill did pass out of the Committee and did receive the votes of this House on the basis of that bipartisan effort in ensuring that there would be proper funding for the operation of this council and that the number of grants which we did talk about for the downstate areas were in fact granted. That was an agreement
we made here and a decision that this House made. I regret the action of the Governor. I am sure that if we had had the opportunity to explain to him our position in the matter his...his action may have been different. I do not speak for him on this matter. He has vetoed it. I, however, think that our Committee was correct and this House was correct when they passed the Bill out at the amount they did and would ask those who feel as I do, and as Representative Barnes does, that you join with us in overriding this line item veto."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Barnes, to close or Mr. Daniels? Who? Mr. Daniels."

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 2970 in the override of the Governor's line item veto will provide appropriations to the Commission on delinquency prevention for some 85 community organizations. It involves counselling, tutoring, recreational and social activities, camping and youth centers. I, for one, want to encourage the prevention of delinquency and I think this is the way for the state to do it and would urge your support of the override and urge your 'yes' vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "...Question is, shall the item on page 4, lines 12 through 15, of House Bill 2970 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All in favor signify by voting 'ayes', all opposed by voting 'no'. Marco. ...Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? ....Will take the record. On this question there's 132 'ayes', 19 'nays', none recorded as 'present'. The motion, having received a three-fifths Constitutional Majority, prevails and the items on page 4, lines 12 through 15, is declared passed notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. House Bill 3392, Representative Bradley."

Bradley: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, there is a item veto motion on House Bill 3392 concerning a 175,000 dollars from the Agricultural Premium Fund for the Farmer City Fairgrounds. That's just exactly where this money should be coming from. In the wisdom of the Governor, he line item vetoed this out of that particular Bill. Gives no reason at all for his...in the Veto Message there is none so I can't debate the Governor on his wisdom for...what his reasons were for vetoing this item. It...as I said, the Agricultural Premium Fund is to be used for just such a purpose as the Farmer City
Fair has requested. I remember my first term, we appropriated 
25,000 dollars to repair a roof on a...on a grandstand that was torn 
off by a tornado. I would appreciate a...'aye' vote on this particular 
motion."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from DeWitt, Mr. Vinson. Mr. Vinson."

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, this is an important 
project, it's a good Bill and it's a particularly fitting thing to 
do in light of the fact that my seatmate, Mr. Deavers, is about to 
leave the Legislature and cares a great deal about this project. I 
urge that we go along with Mr. Bradley on this."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from White Oak, Mr....or Red Oak, Mr. 
Rigney. Rigney, please."

Rigney: "Yeah. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."

Rigney: "Representative Bradley, the building you're speaking of, is 
that replacing a building that was destroyed or you're merely 
building a new building?"

Bradley: "What they have in mind is to start a building and add onto 
it themselves. It's going to be a conjunction, part of the money... 
they're going to supply part of the money and we're supplying part 
of the money for building a...a building that will be used in cattle 
judging and other related fairground activities. It....I can't tell 
you that it's not....it's an old building that's going to be repaired 
but it's something that's a joint venture between the county and 
the state."

Rigney: "Well, if I might speak on it very briefly."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed."

Rigney: "Mr. Speaker. My understanding is that a precedent in this 
state is that when a building has been destroyed at a local county 
fairground that very truly they do take the money out of the Agri-
cultural Premium Fund to replace that building. The precedent is 
not, however, to...to initiate building construction programs at 
various county fairs. This was looked upon as being the obligation 
of the county fair that is involved. I think every county fair 
throughout the State of Illinois has had to build buildings in recent 
years. They had to do it with formula money that they received
from the state out of the Agricultural Premium Fund and they have not received it as any type of a special grant. And this is perhaps why the Governor vetoed this particular Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Wolf."

Wolf: "Mr. Speaker, just a parliamentary inquiry I'm having some difficulty. House Bill 3392 appears to be something about appropriation for certain claims with the Court of Claims. Is there a wrong Bill number?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Did the Sponsor hear the question? Mr. Bradley?"

Bradley: "The, uh... I believe the Calendar today is in error. The money when we, I think he's convinced it came from the Agricultural Premium Fund. In conformity with......the Court of Claims."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from McLean, Mr. Deavers."

Deavers: "Mr. Speaker and fellow Members, as you... excuse me. But this building at Farmer City in the Farmer City Fair, we're looking for a going away present for Representative Deavers and I think probably this would be my favorite request if I had one at this point. And I think Harlan Rigney hit it right on the head when he said that this money does come from the Ag Premium Fund. It's very essential to realize that this is...essential county fair program. We need this Bill and I ask for you to override on this line item."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the item on page 64, lines 22 through 26, on House Bill 3392 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Takes 107 votes. Gentleman from McLean, Mr. Bradley, to explain his vote. ....Skinner...Mr....the Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Skinner, to explain his vote."

Skinner: "This is money from the Agricultural Premium Fund that is going for a purpose for which the fund was created, that is, county fairs. It wasn't created to build exposition centers that are going to be empty ten years from now and I don't see why we don't give him the money."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Peters, to explain his vote."

Peters: "Mr. Speaker, I...I rise to add my thought...my voice to those who are also in support of this Bill. It was discussed, as you may
recall again, on the House floor. The Membership did vote on it, it does come from a specified fund, the fund is for these purposes. I would request your favorable vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?

Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 128 'ayes', 26 'nays', none recorded as 'present'. The motion having received a three-fifths Constitutional Majority prevails and the items on page 64, lines 22 through 26 of House Bill 3392 is declared passed notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. ....On Third Reading, House Bill 3439. Wait a minute, you have another one. House Bill 2739. Representative Ryan, you want to have that Bill called....

Third Reading?"

Ryan: "Table that Bill, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave to table House Bill 2739. Any objections? Hearing none, it's tabled. House Bill 3439, Representative Ryan?"

Ryan: "Yes, please."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3439."

Ryan: "Give me the same treatment you gave Cunningham, that would be fine."

Clerk O'Brien: "A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of the Department of Transportation. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan, on House Bill 3439."

Ryan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, House Bill 3439 increases the fiscal '79 appropriation to the Illinois Department of Transportation by six million, one sixty-four thousand, one....five hundred and fifty-eight dollars and eighty-one cents (6,164,588.81). In federally reimbursed road funds for the Township Bridge Program. This brings the new total of appropriations for this program up to seven million, five hundred and fifty-two thousand dollars (7,552,000) and I would ask for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Question is, shall House.....is there any discussion? The question is, shall House Bill 3439 pass? All in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'nay'. Marco...You want to
the call? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?
Clerk will take the record. On this question, there's 159 'eyes',
no...no one is recorded as voting 'no', no 'presents'. This Bill,
having received the three-fifths Constitutional Majority is hereby
declared passed. ....Senate Bills Third Reading in Senate Bill 1395
which is located on page 3 of your Calendar. The Gentleman from
Sangamon, Mr. Jones."
Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1395. A Bill for an Act authorizing the
Capital Development Board to convey certain real property in Sang-
amon County to the City of Springfield. Third Reading of the Bill."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Take that one momentarily out of the record, the
Gentleman is off the floor at the present time. Representative
Dan Houlihan, is he on the floor? On the Calendar on page 7,
Reduction Veto Motions, House Bill 2969. Who's got the motion on
that, Jack? 2969."
O'Brien: "McAuliffe. McAuliffe and Roman Kosinski."
Speaker Lechowicz: "On House Bill 2969, the Gentleman from Cook,
Mr. Kosinski."
Kosinski: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Roger
McAuliffe isn't here, I don't think. I'm asking for...override on
a reduction veto because in the original Bill, now listen to me,
in the original Bill you gave us 161 votes for law enforcement.
...Want you to do equally well on the override. The Governor,
obviously, was in agreement with us but he reduced the amount of
money that's passed down to your community for police training.
Now if the cost of living is number one item, from what I get in my
returns in my district, crime is still one of the major considerations.
And we can't combat crime without the proper training of our police
officers. This is not money for Cook County, it's not money for
Sangamon County, it's money throughout the state. This is for reim-
bursement to local governmental units, fifty percent of the annual
cost of training of its police officers. I move to restore, the
word is not override, I move to restore the reduction and on the
basis of your 161 votes, I ask for the necessary majority. Thank you."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Is there any discussion? ....Question is, shall
the reduced item of appropriations on page 1, lines 29 through 33
...what...of House Bill 2969 be restored to its original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor? All in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'nay'. ...Takes 89 votes. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? ....Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan."

Ryan: "Mr. Speaker, if this happens to reach the number of votes needed I'd like to have a verification."

Speaker Lechowicz: "All right, Sir. Have all voted who wish? Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Kosinski, to explain his vote."

Kosinski: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I can't understand when a Bill passes this House by 161 votes, how there can possibly be 87 on the board at this moment. Obviously, you were with us in terms of law enforcement, where are you now? Have you changed your attitude? The training of police officers in the State of Illinois is a paramount issue. We gave foreign personnel in the Department of Law Enforcement an increase in pay because our recognition of the fact that training is vitally important. Now I'm not in defiance of the Governor, I think he's a fine man, but I need these votes and I need the restoration of this money and I ask you please to assist me."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. .....This question, there are 91 'ayes' and 51 'nays'. The Gentleman from Kankakee asks for a verification. Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Kosinski, asks...a poll of the absentees. Jack, would you kindly record Mr. Tim Johnson as voting 'aye'. Is that correct, Mr. Johnson? .....The absentees."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Edgar wants to be recorded as 'no'."

Clerk O'Brien: "Farley. Friedrich..."

Speaker Lechowicz: ".....Friedland? Please continue."

Clerk O'Brien: "Griesheimer. Hoffman."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me, will you kindly record Mr. Griesheimer as 'no'. Mr. Hoffman. Gene Hoffman as 'no'."

Clerk O'Brien: "Hoffman... 'no'. Hoxsey."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me, Representative Stearney, what purpose do you seek recognition?"
Stearney: "Would you change my 'no' vote to 'aye'?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Change Stearney from 'no' to 'aye'. The request has been made for tv...lights...tv lights, the request. Is there any objection? Hearing none, the request is granted. ....Keats wants to be recorded as 'aye'. 'Aye'. ...(Unintelligible) as 'aye'.

Gaines."

Gaines: "Change me to 'no', please."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Change Representative Gaines from 'aye' to 'no'.

Please proceed with a poll of the absentees."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Mautino as 'aye'."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Would the Membership kindly be in your own respective seats? Will all unauthorized personnel remove themselves from the floor? And would you give the Gentleman who was questioning the verification courtesy of a response. The Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan, on the verification. Do you have any questions of the Affirmative Roll?"

Ryan: "Yes, I do."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Ah, I'm sorry, we just polled the absentees, now are you ready to check the affirmative vote? Clerk will poll the affirmative vote."

Ryan: "Maybe. Maybe we ought to change Speakers so we get the right program going here."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Well, we're gettin' closer. I just wanted to get your attention, Senator, and a little order in the House."

Ryan: "I got your signal, Adeline."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed."

Speaker Lechowicz: "...Gentleman. Excuse me, the Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Mann, what purpose you seek recognition? Mr. Mann, please. Bob."
Mann: "Mr. Speaker, how am I recorded?"
Speaker Lechowicz: "How is the Gentleman recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "The Gentleman is recorded as voting 'no'."
Mann: "Vote me 'aye'."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Change him from 'no' to 'aye', please. Proceed."
Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan, on the affirmative vote. What's the count, Jack, what are we starting with? 96 affirmative votes. The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Farley, for what purpose...seek recognition?"
Farley: "Would you record me as 'aye', please?"
Speaker Lechowicz: "Kindly record Mr. Farley as 'aye'. 97. Mr. Ryan."
Ryan: "Glad you told me, thanks. Representative Byers."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Representative Byers, how is the Gentleman recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Take him off the Roll Call."
Ryan: "Representative Cunningham."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Cunningham?"
Ryan: "Cunningham."
Speaker Lechowicz: "How is the Gentleman the recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "The Gentleman's recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman in the chamber? Take him off the Roll Call."
Ryan: "Representative Friedland."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Representative Friedland. ....Is the Gentleman recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "Gentleman is recorded as voting 'present'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "He's recorded as 'present', Sir. The Lady from Cook, Mrs. Willer."

Willer: "...Change my 'no' vote to 'yes'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Kindly record Mrs. Willer from 'no' to 'aye'.

Mr. Ryan."

Ryan: "Representative Geo-Karis."

Speaker Lechowicz: "How is the Lady recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Lady in the chamber? Take her off the Roll Call."

Ryan: "Representative Getty."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Getty's in his chair."

Ryan: "Representative Hanahan."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Representative Hanahan? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman in the chamber? Take him off the Roll Call. There he is. Put him back on, Hanahan's there."

Ryan: "Representative Hart."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Representative Hart, how is he recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman in the chamber? Take him off the Roll Call."

Ryan: "Representative Johnson."

Speaker Lechowicz: "He's here and asked to be recorded as....how is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Representative Johnson....standing right there."

Ryan: "Okay. Representative Kelly."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Kelly. Representative Kelly. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman in the chamber? Take him off the Roll Call."

Ryan: "Representative Kornowicz."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Kornowicz is in his chair."
Ryan: "Representative Kozu...I see him. Representative Levin."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Levin? How's the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Put Mr. Kelly back on the Roll Call. And Mr. Levin is not in the chamber, kindly remove him from the Roll Call.

One moment, what purpose the Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Jim Houlihan, seek recognition? Jim Houlihan."

Houlihan, J: "Mr. Speaker, if I was taken off, to be put back on the Roll Call as voting 'aye' but if I wasn't...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "You're still on the Roll Call."

Houlihan, J: "Can I be verified now?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks to be verified."

Ryan: "Yes, certainly, get him...is he leaving the chamber?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Jim Houlihan?"

Ryan: "Yes."

Speaker Lechowicz: "He's right there."

Ryan: "Does he want to leave the chamber is that why he wants to ver...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Yeah."

Ryan: "Fine. Fine."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Thank you, Sir. Representative...."

Ryan: "Representative...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Simms, what purpose....seek recognition?"

Simms: "I'd like to be recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Kindly record Mr. Simms as 'no'. And Byers was removed off the Roll Call, he is back in the chamber, put him back on as voting 'aye'."

Ryan: "Representative Keats."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Keats. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is Representative Keats in the chamber? Take him off the Roll Call."

Ryan: "Representative Martin."

Speaker Lechowicz: ".....Lady recorded?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Lady's recorded as voting 'aye'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is Mrs. Martin in the chamber?"

Ryan: "That's Peggy Smith Martin."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Peggy Smith Martin."
Clerk O'Brien: "Voting 'aye'."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Kindly remove Peggy Smith Martin off the Roll Call."
Ryan: "Representative McGrew."
Speaker Lechowicz: "McGrew's in the back of the chamber."
Ryan: "Representative...Stuffle."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Stuffle's in his chair."
Ryan: "Representative Younge."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Mrs. Younge's in her chair."
Ryan: "Representative Von Boeckman."
Speaker Lechowicz: "How is Representative Von Boeckman recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "Gentleman's recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Is the Gentleman in the chamber? Remove Representative Von Boeckman from the Roll Call."
Ryan: "Representative Stearney."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Stearney? How is Representative Stearney recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "The Gentleman is recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Is Representative Stearney in the chamber? Kindly remove Representative Stearney from the Roll Call. Kindly replace Representative Hart as 'aye'. Hart. Dick Hart. Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Madigan."
Madigan: "May I be verified?"
Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave to be verified."
Ryan: "No."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Hearing no objection, there...verified."
Ryan: "I have no further questions."
Speaker Lechowicz: "On this question there are 91 'ayes'......kindly record Representative Reilly as 'aye'. Representative Anderson as 'present'. The motion, having received the Constitutional Majority, prevails and the item on page 1, lines 29 through 33 of House Bill 2969 is restored to its original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor. On page 3 is Senate Bill 1395. Is Mr. Jones in the chamber, he was here just momentarily, a little while ago. Mr. Jones. Dave Jones from Springfield. Senate Bill 1395, Third Reading."
Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1395. A Bill for an Act authorizing Capital Development Board to convey certain real property in Sangamon..."
County to the City of Springfield. Third Reading of the Bill."

Jones, J.D.: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this is an easement...between the...State of Illinois and the City of Springfield of a ten foot strip in the construction closing of the street, they had removed some...some telephone power lines and this was a...a contractual agreement between the city and the...and the state. There was no appropriation involved. I move its passage at this time."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 1395 pass? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. This will take 107 votes. It's got an immediate effective date. ...All voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 138 'ayes', no 'nays', none recorded as 'present'. This Bill, having received the three-fifths Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Kindly record Representative Dunn and Mulcahey as 'aye' and Representative Deuster as 'aye' and Geo-Karis as 'aye'. ....Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan."

Ryan: "What?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "You want to have a conference?"

Ryan: "Yes, Republican conference immediately if we could for about 20, 30 minutes in 118."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman asks that a Republican conference in room...What? George, 118?"

Ryan: "Right."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Be held immediately and we'll reconvene on the House floor at 4 o'clock, promptly, please. Representative Ryan, since you're still on the floor and we...just about 30 seconds ago, we just got the message from the Senate. I'd like to reconvene the House so the message can be read and we can prepare a supplemental calendar. The House is back in order. Messages from the Senate."

Clerk O'Brien: "A message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary. Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House of Representatives in passage of a Bill of the following title, to-wit: House Bill #255 together with the attached Amendment, Senate Amendment #1."
Passed by the Senate as amended, November 29, 1978 by a three-fifths vote. Kenneth Wright, Secretary.

Speaker Lechowicz: "The House will stand in recess until 4 o'clock.

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Speaker Lechowicz: "The House will...will reconvene. Membership

kindly be in your own respective seats. On the Calendar, page 10,

Reduction and Item Veto Motions, is House Bill 2632. Representative

Hanahan. ......We get there, Tom, there was a Bill by Representative

Yourell, Senate Bills Second Reading, Senate Bill 1550, page 4. He

wanted to advance that thing to....to Third. Senate Bills Second

Reading, Senate Bill 1550."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 1550. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections

of the Game Code. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amend-

ments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "None."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Third Reading. The Lady from LaSalle, Mrs. Breslin,

what purpose...you seek recognition?"

Breslin: "Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I'd just like to ask leave for

unanimous consent to be recorded as voting 'aye' on 3433. It will

not change the outcome of the vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Lady asks leave, any objections? Hearing none,

the Lady will be so recorded. George Schoening, come to the Clerk's

well, please. Back on page 10, Reduction Item Veto Motion is House

Bill 2632. The Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan."

Hanahan: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I'd like to table the first motion on

House Bill 2632 on page 10 on the override motion and go on to the

House Bill 2632 on the motion to restore....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave of the House to withdraw

Motion #1 on House Bill 2632."

Hanahan: "I don't think it's called...it doesn't give a number, just

is a motion. It's the first motion under Hanahan."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Yeah, it's on the Calendar as Motion."

Hanahan: "Yeah, but that's....there...there's no number after it."

Speaker Lechowicz: "It says Item Vetoes, page 32 lines 20 to 23?"

Hanahan: "Right."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Is that the one?"

Hanahan: "Yeah, that's the one I'd like to move, Motion 1, yes.

Table it. Withdraw it, right."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave to withdraw it, any objections?

Hearing none, the motion's withdrawn on...#1. On Motion #2."

Hanahan: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, Motion #2 is a motion

that includes many items in the Office of Education Grant in Aid

Appropriation Bill. With leave from the House, I...I ask leave that

we take item at a time because many Members asked me that for specific

items that they would like to vote on this, item at a time...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "That is the normal, that is the normal course of

action and procedure as far as one item....."

Hanahan: "....Even though I've made the one motion, I'd like it item

at a time."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Please proceed."

Hanahan: "Okay. First item is under Gifted Education. The State

Board of Education had recommended 3,900,000 dollars. The General

Assembly appropriated 3,750,000 dollars and the Governor cut 750,000

dollars out of the Gifted Education. Mr. Speaker, Members of the

House, there are many Members that have been approached I'm sure

in the past years asking for greater consideration of appropriation

to the Gifted Education Program. This is the program that allows

local education agencies to apply for financial and technical assis-

tance for identifying children with special talents, assessing their

needs, developing appropriate programs, evaluating programs and

securing adequate resources for provided gifted programs. The Gifted

Program is designed to serve those grades from kindergarten to...to

twelve(sic) students whose mental development is accelerated beyond

the average and who are capable of high performance in one or more

of the following areas, that is, general intellectual ability,

academic aptitude, creative thinking, leadership ability, visual and

performing arts and physical ability. During the past three years,

approximately 400 districts have provided unique and varied programs

at all grade levels to about 70,000 pupils who have consistently

shown a potential for excelling in the above areas. It is estimated

there are 43,000 children in the state who are unserved or are..."
served without state financial assistance. A survey is being conducted in the fall of 1977(sic) and that survey has not been presented to me yet, to detect the extent of gifted programming in this state irrespective of the source of funds. Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, one of the investments that we can make in our future is to insure the fact that our young children that are gifted in the areas of special abilities who have had the program that will accelerate their ability to use those special gifts that God has given 'em in order for them to compete in a highly technical and sophisticated world. I urge that we override, or that we restore the 750,000 dollars and view it as an investment into our future by supporting this motion to restore that I have now made and I so move."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Schneider."

Schneider: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Tom, how is the money going to be distributed? Is that for the resource centers or is that going to go the districts for programs already established by the school board?"

Hanahan: "This...this is for the...this will be for the general distributive...for schools that are..."

Schneider: "So it's not...."

Hanahan: "Already...........

Schneider: "Not an increase for the resources which I think were at 650,000 dollars last year...."

Hanahan: "No, this is not that...this is the actual...gifted education line item that will be utilized...."

Schneider: "What is...what was the reduction?"

Hanahan: "750,000."

Schneider: "From what 3,000,000 or something like that?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Three million, seven fifty."

Schneider: "Okay. Right."

Hanahan: "From three million, seven hundred fifty. And...as the Members...should recall, this is an agreed upon level that we had agreed upon, the three million, seven hundred fifty and the Governor cut it. It's something that...that those that were involved in the actual meeting had said that this would be an acceptable level from what the State Board had recommended."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman."
Hoffman: "Will the Sponsor yield to a question?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."

Hoffman: "What was the level the preceding fiscal year?"

Hanahan: "I don't have that figure but I know the figure that was spent was 2,453,215 dollars...was spent. But we did not...."

Hoffman: "That's including both...."

Hanahan: "....Was the actual...."

Hoffman: "That's including the grant and the area centers together."

Hanahan: "No, this is on...you see, this amount of money does not go to the area centers, this is for the grants."

Hoffman: "My recollection is that last year we appropriated two million, or two million, one hundred thousand dollars for the grants. The Governor's level of three million is a fifty percent, or approximately a fifty percent increase over the level the preceding year. It's...it seems to me that that amount of money increase is...is more than...than fair. The...the reimbursement...in terms of reimbursement level, these schools who are qualified for this...during this fiscal year have a pretty good idea what they're going to get and so I, for one, given the resources that are available would rise in opposition to this request to override the Governor's reduction."

Hanahan: "Was that a question, Sir?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Further discussion? Mr. Hoffman. Mr. Hanahan. Any further discussion? Mr. Hoffman."

Hoffman: "On this one...excuse me, this is just the one item."

Hanahan: "This is the 750,000...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Yeah, page 24, line 24."

Hoffman: "Okay, I wanted to make sure that we weren't talking about...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall...."

Hanahan: "I didn't think so the way you made that speech."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Hanahan to close."

Hanahan: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, I have no quarrel with those who have a strong feeling and belief and I both....I believe both Gentlemen that spoke have strong feelings and using our state tax dollars for the equalizer formula instead of for the special grants. But the fact remains we're...we're...the statutes of the state and the system of education that we now have and the manner
in which we appropriate some of our funds for education is through
the grant program and if we're going to look at the specific needs
of a specific area of children. I say in all candor, this amount of
money, 750,000 which is not that great in the amount of money in the
total budget - less than one-tenth of one hundred percent or one-
tenth of one percent of the budget - is so small and insignificant
but so important to reach the kids that will bring back money - and
this is a proven fact - will bring back money in the way of their
talents, if...if given the opportunity to...to be able to....

improve themselves and...and to bring out their special talents into
the work world so that Illinois exceeds some other states in...in
having specially talented, specially gifted children educated
specifically through this grant program. And I just urge that for
750,000 let's look at it like an investment I'm sure it will reap
millions of dollars in return."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the reduced item of appro-
priation on page 24, lines 24 of House Bill 2632 be restored to its
original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor. All
in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Takes
89 votes. What's the matter with this thing? Gentleman from
Champaign, Mr. Johnson, to explain his vote."

Johnson: "Well, I would join with Representative Hanahan in thinking
of all the ways we spend our tax dollars in Illinois this is probably
the best expenditure dollar for dollar that we can make. I think
it's been said with a good deal of truth that society's progress or
its status in...in history is oftentimes judged by the great
accomplishment...that are...that are made, the Einsteins, the Bachs
and the Newtons and so forth. And for 750,000 dollars for us to
have a chance to enrich our culture a little bit and to bring out
special talents of gifted children compared to the vast expenditures
we make in the total budget, I think is the very best expenditure of
dollars that we can make. We have a program that's going in
Champaign County as they do in other areas around the...around the
state very effective and very, very good use of your tax dollars.
And I certainly urge all people on both sides to vote green on this."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Lady from Lake, Mrs. Geo-Karis. Have all
voted who wish? The Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan."

Ryan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I would...what is this, 89 votes?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Yes, Sir, it's 89 votes."

Ryan: "I'd like to request a verification at the proper time."

Speaker Lechowicz: "At the appropriate..."

Ryan: "It's too bad that I have to do it this way but that's the way I have to do it."

Speaker Lechowicz: "That's fine. Have all voted who wish? All voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 95 'ayes' and 62 'nays' and there's been a request of a verification. The Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan, asks for a poll of the absentees. ...The absentees."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Hanahan on the floor? Back. Mr. Hanahan on the floor? .....From McHenry, Mr. Hanahan."

Hanahan: "Take it out of the record, please."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman want...asks leave to take the Bill out of the record. Leave is granted. Bill's out of the record. On the Calendar on Senate Bills Second Reading is Senate Bill 1456, that's located on page 4. Mr. McClain, do you want to have that Bill advanced to Third Reading? Senate Bill 15...1456. Second Reading. Correct the board. Reduction Veto."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1456. A Bill for an Act making an appropriation to the State Board of Education for the disbursement of certain money. Second Reading of the Bill. This Bill's been read a second time previously. Amendments...1 was adopted in Committee. 2, 3, 4 and 5 were withdrawn. 6, 7 and 8 lost. 9 and 10 are adopted. 11 lost. 12 was adopted and 13 lost."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any motions?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No motion on those Amendments."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any Amendments from the floor? Amendments from the floor, Jack? Second Reading. Senate Bill 1469."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1469. A Bill for an Act making an appropriation to the Department of Registration and Education for
the State Museum. Second Reading of the Bill. This Bill's been read a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any Amendments from the...any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "A motion to table Amendment #1 by Representative Ryan."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Representative Ryan, you have a motion to table Committee Amendment #1 on Senate Bill 1469? Mr. Brady, do you want to have this Bill called? It's your Bill. Take it out of the record? On the...Supplemental Calendar #2, House Bill 255 on the Order of Concurrence. Now let me point out to the Membership that no matter what the outcome on this Bill is, we still have a number of items on the Calendar that has to be completed today. I'm hopeful that the Membership would in all fairness to the Sponsors of the respective items on the Calendar would remain in attendance, remain in attendance, to complete the work on the Calendar and also on the veto, probably, of this Bill. So...be hearing this thing later on today as well; your attendance is of prime importance. House Bill 255. The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Kosinski."

Kosinski: "House Bill 255 originally...originally...Mr. Speaker, this may be important to the General Assembly."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Would the Gentlemen who are standing directly in front of Mr. Kosinski be in their own seats. Would the Membership of the General Assembly kindly give him your attention. Thank you."

Kosinski: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this just passed the Senate, it's your pay raise. Originally this Bill was an increase of mileage from 15 cents to 20 cents a mile for automobiles that cost us 30 cents a mile to run. It laid in the Senate for a little bit and now it's being used as a vehicle for the pay raise. I do not....I repeat, do not...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me, Mr. Kosinski..."

Kosinski: "Resent it being used...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Kosinski, excuse me. The first item on the
agenda is, you have to vote to suspend the rule on House Bill 255...68(d). Leave to use the Attendance Roll Call?"

Kosinski: "Would you please..."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Leave is granted. The rule is suspended. Now on House Bill 255. Concurrence."

Kosinski: "All right, I'll repeat myself. I do not, repeat, I repeat, do not resent the fact that this vehicle is being used for the pay raise. I have given my employees a great number of pay raises in the last several years when we received none. We are losing Members of the General Assembly who are good Members because of a lack of finances. There's one young Republican on that side of the aisle who has seven children and I don't see how he can run it on the basis of what he's getting today. I would like to turn this over for continuance to the Speaker of the House who has constantly supported a pay raise. Mr. Redmond, are you there somewhere?"
Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Speaker Redmond."

Redmond: "Has the motion been made to suspend the rules?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Yes, Sir, the motion was made and carr...we used the Attendance Roll Call. Now we're on the...moving to concur with the Senate Amendment #1 on House Bill 255."

Redmond: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the history of a possible pay raise not only for the Members of the General Assembly but also for the elected Constitutional Officers and Members of the Code Department has plagued this General Assembly for a long time. The last time that this matter was before us was in 1975 at which time a pay raise was...was voted. In March of 1977, I believe it was Representative Meyer, passed a Bill for the creation of a commission and the purpose of the commission would be to study the matter of...of salary and compensation of state employees and state officials. Unfortunately it has not been possible in the General Assembly to delegate the responsibility of establishing into law the proper level of compensation. Congress of the United States has such a procedure and I believe that several of the other states have but unfortunately we do not have. I think it would be very desirable if we could entrust this kind of responsibility to a committee of lay people who were not part of government and were not in the General Assembly. Perhaps in the future ......................that system will be worked out. Had that system been in vogue now and had the report of the commission, if it had the full force and the effect of law, the compensation of the Members of the General Assembly would be set at $30,000; there would be a significant increase for members of the Judiciary. The compensation of the Constitutional Officers would be raised very significantly and the compensation of the Governor of this state would be raised from $50,000 to $75,000. ......(Tape difficulty)...became embroiled in the political campaign and as a result I think that it was deferred beyond the time when it really should have been taken care of but the fact remains that if we don't do something now, if we don't do something in this Session, there will be two-thirds of the Members of the Senate who will go eight years without any increase in
compensation. Last night on the television, they reported that the cost of living increase had gone up 200 percent since 1967. I make no apology when I stand on this floor and say that in my judgment the Members of the General Assembly have not been treated as co-equal members of government. The type of Member - and I'm not in any way depreciating those who were here when I came here - but the quality of the Member has improved year after year, year after year, until today I believe that the membership of the House, particularly in the Senate, is composed of some of the finest, most dedicated, hard-working, educated people that you could find in any body.

And I don't think that you can expect to have a Legislature that is composed of a cross section, if you say that those among us who are extremely wealthy and do not need anything, that those among us who have spouse who are able to provide for them quite well and can serve without any additional compensation. I think we have to look at people of...that have young families, people who have to educate their families, people who have to buy homes and at the current rate pay as much as 9-3/4 percent interest and that they can look forward to putting adequate food on the table and buying a home and sending their children to school. The purchasing value of the $20,000 which we now get is something less than $10,000. And if you look at the things, you know, I have a calendar printed up here showing when we were in Session, and in the odd-numbered years we were in Session or in Committee Hearings the better part of eight months of the year and in the odd-numbered years, there was hardly, there isn't a month, there isn't a month when either the Session has not been held or a Commission or a......has not been held...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me, Mr. Speaker. Thank you, please proceed."

Speaker Redmond: "It is absolutely impossible to do the things which we have to do and should do in the future unless we work not only during the six-month's Session in the Regular Session and the three to four months in the odd-numbered year but to have the Commissions and the ongoing Standing Committees....I may point out to you a few of the things that were done. The Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatatives initiated a study on medical malpractice and after about
a two-year study, two Bills were passed. I don't know whether they solved all the problems but all I can say is, that you haven't heard the hue and cry about medical malpractice since those Bills were passed. The House of Representative's Judiciary Committee and the Senate, independently to begin with, both went into the area of product's liability, a matter of intense economic concern to our business community, and Bills were passed which I think the future will hold and show that they were very worthwhile and very important. This last Session we passed a revised mental health code which is bringing accolades from the general public and is serving as a model for similar legislation throughout the entire United States. There are things of crisis in the future, the matter of energy, the coal production in this state is less now than it was a few years ago and I don't believe that we can expect the Federal Government to solve our problem because Wyoming and some of the western states are in competition with Illinois and aren't interested in any way in making sure that our high sulphur coal is marketable. And some of the southern states, Texas, Louisiana and some of the others, probably are competitive with petroleum products so I think that it's up to us to do something along those lines. The matter of electronics fund transfer that could very vitally affect the entire commercial system as we know it to mention but a few. We have to...to do something about the replacement of the personal property tax for corporations. Now all of these complex matters, just as life is more complex, legislation and government is far more complex. In order to have and entertain the kind of Member that we need, the people who have the talent, that have the education and have the ability and to ensure that they will be able to serve here with honor and distinction, it seems to me that we should look to the level of compensation that we're affording them. I think it's grossly inadequate. The commission that was appointed by His Excellency, the Governor, thinks it's inadequate. We have...in this Amendment we have established a level of compensation for Members of the General Assembly at $8,000 additional; that's $2,000 less than the commission. We have also established an increase in compensation for all of the other officers at the level of $8,000. Now those
figures were arrived at by taking into consideration that there
been a cost of living since 1975 for each of the ensuing years and
for the years...next two years to come, that that's about what the
figure would arrive at. It seems to me that we have given a cost of
living increase to all the state employees, all private industry has
given cost of living increases and the President of the United States
has indicated that cost of living increases should be restricted to
about 7 percent a year. So for all of these reasons, it seems to
me that it's long since passed, the time, when we should bite the
bullet and vote ourselves and vote all the other Constitutional
Officers increased compensation by concurring in Senate Amendment
§1 to House Bill 255."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any further discussion? The Gentleman from
Cook, Mr. Kosinski."

Kosinski: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House....
for just a moment, will ya? Is there anyone among you who is
not worth the money that we're asking for? Then drop out of the
General Assembly. ...Give you who need that marginal difference
to get.........................elected don't have a heck of
a lot going for ya. ...Many of us, many of us need this
additional money. I have given my employees several pay raises
in the entire period that I've been in this General Assembly.
Now the vote is locked in, I need say no more."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Question is, shall...."

Kosinski: "I move to concur in Senate Amendment §1 to House Bill 255."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the House concur in
Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 255. All in favor vote 'aye',
all opposed vote 'nay'. All voted who wish? ...Have all voted
who wish? ....All voted who wish? .....Will take the record.
On this question, there's 112 'ayes', 57 'nays' and the House
does concur in Senate Amendment §1 to House Bill 255 and is hereby
declared passed by a three-fifths majority. Gentleman from Cook,
Mr. Madigan, what purpose...seek recognition?"

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, for the information of the Membership, that
Bill will be sent immediately to the Governor's Office where we
anticipate a veto and a...immediate return and then very quickly
thereafter we will place a Calendar on your desks and offer a motion to override. So if all the Members will please remain. Thank you."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Your point is well taken and I made.....kindly remain in your chairs and we've got a lot of other work to do as well. On the Calendar on page 11 under the Section, Amendatory Veto Motion, is House Bill 16. Representative Yourell. House Bill 16. Mr. Yourell."

Yourell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 16......Representative Edgar, the Vice Chairman of the Joint Committee, and myself have had conversations with the Governor's staff relative to the Amendatory Veto and during those discussions with the Governor's staff we have reached an agreement that will allow us to draft a new Bill in January doing many of the things that we wanted to do as a Joint Committee to strengthen the Administrative Procedures Act and at the same time satisfy some of the concerns that the Governor has and by those conversations and discussions have decided not to attempt an override but to present a new Bill in January. And so I move now to table the override motion on House Bill 16."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman withdraws the override motion on House Bill 16. Hearing...no objections, it's withdrawn. House Bill 384, Representative Richmond."

Richmond: "....Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would like to move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to House Bill 384. This is Motion #2. This...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "No, we're on Motion #1 now, Sir. Oh, you want to take both...both of them at the same time? Motion...."

Richmond: "No. They're alternate motions, I want to go with 2. I guess I need to remove #1. All right, fine."

Speaker Lechowicz: "...............Why don't you withdraw #1 then?"

Richmond: "All right, I...I move to withdraw Motion #1...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave to Withdraw Motion #1 on House Bill 384, any objections? Hearing none, Motion #1 is withdrawn. Now on Motion #2."
Richmond: "Motion #2 would make some very minor changes, technical changes in the language, that the Governor inserted with which I agree and the Sponsor of the Amendment that is being amended agrees, that's Senator Berning in the Senate, also the Municipal League who asked for this Bill originally are in agreement as well as the Governor's people. So I would move for the adoption of the specific recommendations of...to...of the Governor as to House Bill 384 on Motion #2."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Question is.... Is there any discussion?....Question is, shall the House accept the Governor's specific....recommendations for change with respect to House Bill 384 by adoption of the Amendment? All in favor will vote 'aye', all opposed will vote 'nay'. ....All voted who wish? ....All voted who wish? Clerk will take the roll. On this question, there's 154 'a yes', no 'nays', none recorded 'present'. The motion, having received the Constitutional Majority, prevails and the House accepts the Governor's specific recommendations for change regarding House Bill 384 by adoption of Motion #2 by a three-fifths majority. House Bill 562, the Lady from Cook, Mrs. Chapman."

Speaker Redmond: "....The Order of Amendatory Veto Motions appears House Bill 2946, Representative Pierce. ....What is your pleasure, Representative Pierce?"

Pierce: "Can you hold that for a minute?"

Speaker Redmond: "Okay."

Pierce: "We're reviewing it."

Speaker Redmond: "Page 2 of the Calendar under the Order of House Bills Second Reading appears....."

Chapman: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, House Bill 562 solves a problem of double taxation for citizens who find themselves living in two library districts and paying taxes to both. These citizens actually pay double library taxes. We have solved the problem by requiring the township to abate its library tax and for the municipalities to share on a 50-50 basis the library taxes it collects in this overlapping territory. This is a way to eliminate double taxation without favoring either the township or the municipality. It is fair to both. The Governor's Amendatory Veto favors the..."
municipality and the township is a clear loser. Our intention is to remove the burden of double taxation not to penalize either governmental unit; therefore, I ask you to join me in a motion to override the veto of the Governor and pass House Bill 562 in the form in which it was approved by the General Assembly where it found substantial agreement from both bodies. On the final vote there were 51 'ayes' in the Senate and 160...no pardon me, the vote in the House was 136 to 0 in favor of this Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Lady from Cook, Mrs. Macdonald."

Macdonald: "...Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I am also a Chief Co-sponsor of this Bill and I agree whole-heartedly what....with what Representative Chapman has just told you and I hope all of you were listening. I am sure that the Governor did not consider carefully what he was doing in this particular Amendatory Veto. It is unfair, certainly, to change from May... from 'shall' to 'may' will insure that township libraries will be impacted very severely and I hope that you will join us in overriding this veto to...to bring equity and fairness to all. I urge your 'yes' vote in overriding this veto."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any further discussion? The Lady from Cook, Mrs. Chapman, to close."

Chapman: "Mr. Speaker, I would ask you to vote 'aye' to end double taxation for residents of our state who are paying two library taxes."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall House Bill 562 pass notwithstanding the Governor's specific recommendation for change? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. ...Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 139 'ayes', 4 'nays', 2 recorded as 'present'. The motion, having received a Constitutional three-fifths majority, prevails and House Bill 562 is declared passed notwithstanding the Governor's specific recommendation for change. House Bill 2554, Representative Yourrell."

Yourrell: "...Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 2554 was taken care of with the...with the override of the Governor's Veto of Senate Bill 1419. I now move to withdraw the motion on House Bill 2554."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave to withdraw the motion on
House Bill 2554. Any objections? Hearing none, it's withdrawn.
Mr. Levin, do you want to persist in your motion on House Bill 2554?
Mr. Levin on the floor? Out of the record. House Bill 2685,
the Lady from Cook, Miss Pullen. Pullen."

Pullen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentleman of the House.
My motion accepts the Governor's Amendatory Veto of House Bill 2685
extending the deadline for senior citizens to file circuit breaker

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any discussion? The question is, shall the House
accept the Governor's specific recommendation for change with respect
to House Bill 2685 by the adoption of the Amendment? All in favor
will vote 'aye', all opposed will vote 'nay'. No, this one here.
Have all voted who wish? Marco. Have all voted who wish? Schober-
lein, 'aye'. Clerk will take the record. On this question, there's
167 'ayes', no 'nays', I recorded as 'present'. The motion, having
received the Constitutional Majority, prevails and the House accepts
the Governor's specific recommendation for change regarding House
Bill 2685 by adoption of the Amendment by a three-fifths vote.
House Bill 2946, Representative Pierce."

Pierce: "Mr. Speaker, this was a good Bill when it passed the Legis-
lature, it helped the handicapped children of our state. The Governor
chose to put an Amendatory Veto on it that knocked out the permissive
two cent levy for special education building facilities. I was going
to move to override it and I did file Motion #1. In view of the
loss of some attendance and in view of the spirit of good will and
the fact the Governor is going to sign a...a pay raise Bill, I'm sure, I will with-
draw in a spirit of good will to him, extend my hand to him and withdraw my
motion to override Motion #1 and go with Motion #2. I therefore
move to withdraw a motion...Motion #1."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave to withdraw Motion #1. Any
objections? Hearing none, motion's withdrawn. Motion #2."n
Pierce: "Now, again, in the spirit of good will, the olive branch to
the Executive, I will move at this time to accept the Amendatory
Veto of the Governor on House Bill 2946. The Bill as amendatorily
vetoed will help those district that have orphanage payments for
special education children that the state puts into their districts that were not originally residents of the district. I therefore move to accept the Governor's changes in the Amendatory Veto."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any discussion? The question is, shall House Bill 2946 pass notwithstanding the...Governor's specific recommendation for change? All in favor vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there's 154 'ayes', 1 'nay', 1 recorded as 'present'. The motion receiving...having received the Constitutional three-fifths majority prevails and House Bill 2946 is declared passed notwithstanding the Governor's specific recommendation for change. Oh no, we accept it. We accepted his Amendatory Veto. House Bill 299, (sic) Representative Tipsword. Tip.299(sic)2999."

Tipsword: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen, I move to accept the...the Governor's Amendatory Veto to House Bill 2999. This is a Bill that amends the Secretary of State's Merit Employment Code to allow the Secretary to require job applicants to authorize investigation relation to pass criminal conviction. This Bill so...also requires the Secretary of State to charge a monthly fee for the parking spaces in the....in the new parking garage that we have over here. The portion of the Bill that the...that establishes a monthly parking fee for underground parking facilities provides 80 percent of the fees collected would go the...the parking facility for construction of new parking areas; the remaining 20 percent to the state parking facility maintenance fund to be used for the maintenance sustained, owned or operated parking facilities in Springfield. The underground parking facility was financed by Capitol Development Bonds. That portion of the fees collected that are...dedicated to construction purposes should be deposited in the Capitol Development Bond Retire...Retirement and Interest Fund to pay the debt service. This is consistent with other current statutes and is a....Amendment that the Governor has added to this Bill. The Office of the Secretary of State has no opposition and urges that we do agree with the....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any discussion?"

Tipsword: "Amendatory Veto."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the House accept the
Governor's specific recommendation for change with respect to House Bill 2999 by adoption of the Amendment? All in favor will vote 'aye', all opposed will vote 'nay'. Marco, 'aye'. ...All voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there's 140...150 'ayes', no 'nays', none recorded as 'present'.

The motion, having received the three-fifths Constitutional Majority prevails and the House accepts the Governor's specific recommendation for change regarding House Bill 2999 by the adoption of the Amendment.

House...I said three-fifths. House Bill 20...3023. Mr. Greiman. 3023. Mr. Greiman, please."

Greiman: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I move that we accept the Amendatory Veto of the Governor. This Bill was perceived and in fact does make it simpler for consideration of student's permits who are asking for work permits and takes it out of the administrative law procedure which is complicated and long but in getting the Bill into shape we provided that a student could not get certification if his grades were failing. Well the truth is that sometimes students whose....who are not doing well in school may still need for their own personal development and as an economic necessity the right to obtain a work permit. And I think that the Governor's veto is well thought out....I...and I would ask that we accept it. Thank you."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any discussion? The question is, shall the House accept the Governor's specific recommendation for change with respect to House Bill 3023 by adoption of the Amendment? All in favor will vote 'aye', all opposed will vote 'nay'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted...the...the Lady from Winnebago, Mrs. Martin. You're recorded as 'aye', Ma'am. Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 152 'ayes', 1 'nay', none recorded as 'present'. The motion having received a three-fifths Constitutional Majority prevails and the House accepts the Governor's specific recommendation for change regarding House Bill 3023 by adoption of the Amendment. House Bill 3161, Representative Richmond. Richmond. 3161. Oh, I'm sorry, Representative Redmond. Speaker Redmond."
Redmond: "...Conspiracy. Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I move to accept the Governor's Amendatory Veto on House Bill 3161. I think it improves it immensely."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any discussion? The question is, shall the House accept the Governor's specific recommendation for change with respect to House Bill 3161 by adoption of the Amendment? All in favor will vote 'aye', all opposed will vote 'nay'. ...Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 148 'ayes', no 'nays', none recorded as 'present'. The motion, having received a three-fifths Constitutional Majority, prevails and the House accepts the Governor's specific recommendation for change regarding House Bill 3161 by adoption of the Amendment.

Senate Bill 1790, Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Brady."

Brady: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and fellow Members, I move that we accept the Governor's recommendation for change. It does three things in this Bill; it changes the Homestead Exemption from a thousand dollars to fifteen hundred dollars, increases the exemption. And it moves up the application to 1978 for quadrennial years in commission counties and so it gives instant relief rather than a year away for some of the taxpayers and it applies it to the equalized assessed valuation rather than the assessed value. This is a very significant tax saving Bill for the people of the State of Illinois and I would urge you accept the Governor's Amendment."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any discussion? The Gentleman from Champaign, Mr. Johnson."

Johnson: "Well, could we....is...is this a House Bill or a Senate Bill ...the notation isn't up on the board."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Senate Bill. Senate Bill 1790. Located on page 12 of your Calendar."

Johnson: "Mike, is....I thought the Homestead Exemption was already fifteen hundred."

Brady: "No, the Homestead Exemption in 1790 was a thousand dollars but it was on a thousand assessed. When the Governor changed it to equalized assessed he also then moved it up to fifteen hundred. It didn't really change significantly the tax saving....but by putting it on equalized assessed you then do affect a better savings for
counties where the equalizer plays an important role.

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Coles, Mr. Stuffle."

Stuffle: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, would the Sponsor yield to a couple of questions?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will. Stuffle."

Stuffle: "Representative Brady, with regard to the Amendatory Veto of Senate Bill 1790, what is the position of: one, the County Clerks and, two, the Public Action Council as the Bill stands before us and...and your motion stands to accept the Amendatory Veto?"

Brady: "Representative Stuffle, since the date of the veto to this day, I have not had a word or letter or a call from either of the parties that you've referred to. It...it may possibly create some small problem in '78 assessments but for the benefits it'll give to the taxpayers by incorporating it this year versus a year from now, I certainly think that those are worthwhile troubles that our County Clerks ought to deal with. As far as the Public Action Council, I can't see in any way that they wouldn't possibly want to see the Homestead Exemption enacted in a swifter manner than we would have done it the other way."

Stuffle: "Has there been any consideration given to what it will cost the taxpayer to administer the program in this Bill in the various County Clerks' offices throughout the state?"

Brady: "I don't have a fiscal note if that's what you're asking of what it cost the County Clerks but I think that...I think that what we're talking about here is how we can effectively get to the taxpayer to give him a tax break. If it requires extra paper work or book work for the County Clerk, I think it's well worth it to pass that on to the taxpayer of Illinois. This is...significant tax saving Bill for the citizens of Illinois and I submit to you that although it may cost County Clerks some monetary amounts none of them in the State of Illinois have come forward to me and suggested that it's going to cost them such amount of money or trouble that they are in any way in opposition to this."

Stuffle: "Have the Supervisors of Assessment, as they have to me, expressed to you a problem with ability to administer this program and a problem with the cost to the offices and consequently to the..."
taxpayers that they serve that are to be benefitted by the Bill?"
Brady: "No, not one of them, Representative Stuffle, it's the first I've heard of it."
Stuffle: "Thank you."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Rock Island, Mr. Jacobs."
Jacobs: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, will the Sponsor yield?"
Speaker Lechowicz: "Indicates he will."
Jacobs: "Representative Brady, when you are saying that provides...
prod..homestead exempt....up to 1,000, do you mean on the homestead or on the property tax which is already 1500?"
Brady: "Representative, do you have a copy of the Bill in front of you...and maybe....if you look at it you could see what was done here. There was a homestead exemption that went up to a maximum of a thousand dollars, homestead exemption being....an exemption of...of a tax on someone who was living in the dwelling unit and therefore be called a homestead exemption and that was on assessed valuation in a quadrennial year. What the Governor did was change it to the equalized assessed valuation which of course has a multiplier to it, so we've moved the exemption up from a thousand to fifteen hundred."
Jacobs: "Which it is....in our Bill of 1969, right?"
Brady: "If...if you're talking about a Bill...."
Jacobs: "You're...you're lowering it really."
Brady: "You're lowering the individual taxes by providing an exemption against increased assessed valuation. I...I think what you're talking about is maybe a senior citizen homestead exemption?"
Jacobs: "Yes."
Brady: "This is for all property taxpayers."
Jacobs: "Okay. Thank you. Thank you."
Brady: "We're just defining homestead as a...as a dwelling unit not for....."
Jacobs: "Thank you."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Any further discussion? The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Brady, to close."
Brady: "Yeah, I...I think we've straightened out the confusion, we're confusing what has been done in the past in the name of senior citizens as a homestead exemption. And when we refer to homestead here we're
referring to that dwelling unit that is owned and occupied and the
taxes are paid for by the individual who lives there. It is for
everybody who is in that tax situation, it is a significant tax saving
Bill for the citizens of Illinois and I urge your support."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the House accept the Gover-
nor's specific recommendations for change with respect to Senate Bill
1790 by the adoption of the Amendment? All in favor will vote 'aye',
all opposed will vote 'nay'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted
who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question, there's
158 'ayes', 1 'nay', 0 recorded as 'present'. The motion having received
a three-fifths Constitutional Majority prevails and the House accepts
the Governor's specific recommendations for change regarding Senate
Bill 1790 by the adoption of the Amendment. ....On the Calendar
on page 11 is House Bill 3276, the Gentleman from Will, Mr. Van Duyne."

Van Duyne: "Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This Bill passed
initially without dissent and it's a very small amount of money, really,
comparatively. The only thing that I can figure is that we were caught
up in the fever that the Governor had to save a couple of bucks. We
feel that we're justified and ask for the restoration of this because
we paid...it is an Amtrak station and we've paid 3,000,000 dollars-plus
into this last year alone only getting back less than 250,000 dollars.
So if we don't get this money it'll set us back a full year and because
it is such a small amount I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is there any discussion? The question is, shall
House Bill 3276 pass notwithstanding the Governor's specific recom-
mandations for change? What? All right, Motion #1. All in favor
vote 'aye', all opposed vote 'nay'. It's a line item override.
Lady from Lake, Mrs. Geo-Karis, your light's on, do you seek recog-
nition?"

Geo-Karis: "...All I was going to ask, Mr. Speaker....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "I can't hear you, what?"

Geo-Karis: "I couldn't hear what...I could...Mr. Speaker, I couldn't
hear with all the din, was he moving to accept the Amemotary Veto
on line item one or was he moving to override it?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Moving to override. I will defer to the Sponsor,
Mr. Van Duyne."
Van Duyne: "Yes, Sir."

Ceo-Karis: "All right...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "I be.......Mr. Van Duyne, you want to restate the question, please?"

Van Duyne: "The question is that this is an appropriation to conduct an engineering study as to the needs of the restoration of the Joliet Union Depot. It is an Amtrak station which comes under the per-view and the administration of the RTA. Last year it cost the people in Will County 3,000,000 dollars-plus for their support of the RTA. We have received back 247 or 48,000 dollars which is less than one-tenth of what we put in. We feel that we're justified in asking for this small amount of money. Now, also, in light of that....along with that our City Manager, you know, the city budget is absolutely broke for doing this type of work and if we don't get the money it ....it will set us back one complete full year. And, Angeline (sic) you know that there are certain criteria, certain procedures you have to go through in order to take step two and the City Manager has told me that if we don't get this it will set us back one full year. We consider it very, very important in our area. I don't know...you know, some people can justifiably say, I suppose, 'well, why us or why should we pay for this' or whatever but the only thing I can answer to that is this. That we pay for a lot of things and we set our priorities accordingly. Now this is my district. I haven't looked at the board to see what the Members of my district are voting 'em ....I'm hoping that they will vote 'aye'; also the Members of the 39th District in which district this lies. It...it....it's a small amount of money and we have to have this in order to get the rehabil-itation of that Union Depot started. So I would ask you, I'm not kidding you, I never do, I'm laying it on the line for your's 50,000 bucks to my....to....actually, it's for Representative Kempiners' district, which is in the same town that I represent. So it...it's 50,000 bucks and I think we can justify the need."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the item on page 9, lines 2 through 5 of House Bill 3276 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? As stated by the Sponsor it's for the amount of 50,000 dollars."
Van Duyne: "And if I may just add this, it passed without dissent. When this Amendment was added to the Department of Transportation bud-
et it passed without dissent. There was not one voice that was raised in this whole House."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted that wish? Have all voted that wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 84 'ayes', 69 'nays', 2 recorded as 'present'. The motion having failed to receive the three-fifths Constitutional Majority is declared lost.

House Bill 3276, Representative Yourell."

Yourell: "Thank...thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The motion....the Motion 2....2 is to override on page 12 and 13 line 32-35 is an Amendment I offered to the House Bill 3276, the sum of 6½ million dollars or so much thereof as be....as may be necessary to the Department of Transportation from the Road Fund for the original land improvement from 87th to 111th Street in Oak Lawn, Chicago Ridge and Worth, Illinois. Simple explanation is that to date these three communities involved, Oak Lawn, Chicago Ridge and Worth all in the 8th Legislative District, having expended in....excess of 250,000 dollars for engineering fees and after public hearings have entered into contracts with the County and Department of Transportation with the stipulation that the monies would be available from the Department of Transportation at the time of the improvements. Now they're being told that the money is not available and that is the reason, I suppose, for the veto motion of the Governor....veto action of the Governor. Excuse me. It seems to me that if three local communities can in good faith expend monies in excess of 250,000 dollars and then find that the additional monies...excuse me...is not forthcoming for the completion of the product it certainly isn't their fault and it should be the responsible....the General Assembly to provide the monies for them. And so I ask for a....a favorable Roll Call on the motion to override the Governor's Veto on House Bill 3276."

Speaker Lechowicz: "....Any discussion? The Gentleman from Hardin, Mr. Winchester."

Winchester: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
House. I think the key word here is 6.5 million dollars out of the Road Fund. The Road Fund doesn't have 6.5 million dollars. I think we all must take this into consideration when we cast our vote and we should vote not to....this....this override should fail, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any further discussion? The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Yourell, to close."

Yourell: "Well, I don't know whether the Road Fund has the money or I...it doesn't have the money, all I know is that the County of Cook and the Department of Transportation have entered into an agreement and a contract with the three communities I mentioned in my presentation and certainly if those contracts are to be honored as they should be this motion should be.....to override should be sustained."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the items on pages 12 and 13, lines 32...32 through 35 and 1 of House Bill 3276 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 60 'ayes', 83 'nays', 1 recorded as 'present'. The motion having failed to receive a three-fifths Constitutional Majority is declared lost. House Bill 3276, Representative Younge."

Younge: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to override the Governor's veto of...of...on page 13, lines 2 through to 8 of the House Bill 3276. This was a item of 25,000 dollars for a study of the bridges in the St. Louis Metropolitan area. There are four major bridges between Illinois and Missouri in the St. Louis Metropolitan area. Due to the construction of the highways in Illinois, seven major highways feed into one Poplar Street bridge so therefore during...all during the day and all during the night all the traffic is on one of the four bridges and there is a total situation of disuse of three major bridges. These bridges are going into a stage of disrepair. These bridges for the lack of...of traffic on them have had a very adverse affect upon the well-being of the downtown business areas in the...St....East St. Louis area and therefore--the request was for a small amount to study how to divert that traffic from the one bridge and to have all three bridges used so that the deterioration and the lack of use would not be
current..... And I ask you to override this veto."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Hardin, Mr. Winchester."

Winchester: "Mr. Speaker, again, this money is coming out of the Road Fund. We don't have money in the Road Fund. And, also, I've been told by the Department of Transportation that there is a study that's being presently conducted and that sometime in the near future, next year, that this study will be completed. Therefore, there's no need for this 25,000 dollars at this time. I ask that this motion fail."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any further discussion? The Lady from St. Clair, Mrs. Young, to close."

Younge: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The study that the Department of Transportation is now undertaking does not look at the bridge situation from the standpoint of the adverse affect on the downtown business area of E. St. Louis. The study is...is one biased and eschewed toward the Missouri interest and the Missouri side of the river and that's why I felt it necessary to ask that this Department look at those bridges from the standpoint (sic) of this adverse affect upon Illinois. And I move that you override this veto."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the items on page 13, lines 2 through 8 of House Bill 3276 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'nay'. Marco. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 66 'ayes', 83 'nays', none recorded as 'present'. The motion having failed to receive a three-fifths Constitutional Majority is declared lost. Gentleman from Macon, Mr. Dunn, what purpose you seek recognition?"

Dunn, John: "Mr. Speaker, I ask leave of the House to change my vote from 'yes' to 'no' on Senate Bill 1790, it will not change the outcome."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave to change his vote from 'yes' to 'no' on Senate Bill 1790, any objection? Hearing none, the Gentleman will be so recorded. House Bill 3276, the Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Tersich."

Tersich: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I just heard a recent study that was made, very recent, and it stated that there's more than ample money in the Road Fund so don't let that
stop you from voting 'aye' on this Bill. I requested an appropriation, I shouldn't say I requested 6,000,000 dollars, I did ask for a loan for the purpose of building a...overpass or a grade separation in my district. We have approximately 24 grade separations in my ward alone which contains approximately 100,000 people. It services also three other suburban communities. A study was made by the Department of Transportation and the Director John Kramer stated that there was an urgent need for a grade separation in my district and recommended this be done. I happened to...believe that needless to say I'm not an engineer, this was supposed to be funded by approximately 70 percent by the Federal Government but it does need some type of an appropriation. If the money is not used for the building of a grade separation, of course, it would be returned back to the ....the Motor Fuel Fund. The area is surrounded by 24 grade separations. We had such a severe problem of trains going through our community and causing such delays and just in the last years there were so many delayed by the trains that...while waiting for the trains to clear the tracks, there were 10 births, 5 deaths and 6 people became eligible for Medicare, so you can see that the problem in my area is very, very acute. This is a borrowing of 6,000,000 dollars. There's more than ample money in the Motor Fuel Fund. I'm sure Representative Winchester would agree, he has Fred Uhlig on his side affirming the position of Director John Kramer for the urgent need of this grade separation. Since my living in the Chicago area for the last 40 years there's never been a grade separation improvement in my community. I've never asked for any funds from the Motor Fuel Funds for anything of this nature, any pork barrel, but this is a serious situation in my district and I certainly would appreciate your consideration and support in overriding this veto."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any discussion? The Gentleman from Hardin, Mr. Winchester."

Winchester: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. If we had the 6,000,000 dollars in the Road Fund I can't think of anyone else other than Representative Terzich that I would be more than happy to stand up here and ask everyone to support his project. But, unfortunately again, I have to appeal to the Members of the House
that we just don’t have 6,000,000 dollars in the Road Fund. We’ve just got to protect this Road Fund and, again, I would ask that we ...that this override motion fail."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Terzich, to close."

Terzich: "Well, yes, Mr. Speaker, I do not know what the cost is for a grade separation, believe it or not, I'm not an engineer. It was recommended that some monies be put aside to at least study the cost of building a grade separation. I would want this to get the Department of Transportation to look into it and come up with a figure. I don't know know whether it needs 6,000,000 dollars. I understand that 70 percent of the money is to come from the Federal Government. If there is any excess money or if it costs less than that, which I'm sure it does, then it's going right back to the Motor Fuel Fund. We haven't had one built in 40 years, it'll probably take 'em another 40 years to come up with the plan. So I don't... I don't think that I'm asking for money to be taken out, I'm asking to borrow the money to at least get this project off the ground and at least have the Department of Transportation proceed with their study for the building of a possible grade separation in my district. And I would urge your support."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the items on page 13, lines 27 through 31 of House Bill 3276 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'nay'. Have all voted that wish? Have all voted that wish? Have all voted that wish? Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Terzich."

Terzich: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, for everyone who does vote for this override, we'll put a plaque up on the grade separation naming the fine Legislators that showed the foresight and the courage to give an 'aye' on this Bill and even, you know I mean the downstaters I think about their Agricultural Fund and everything I'm sure, but people in my district would be appreciative of knowing the fine Legislators who gave an 'aye' vote on this override."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 68 'ayes', 69 'nays', none recorded as 'present'. The motion having failed to receive a.....a three-fifths Constitutional Majority is declared lost. House Bill
McClain: "Thank you very much, Mr. . . ."

Speaker Lechowicz: "...McClain."

McClain: "Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, my motion is on House Bill 3374, which is Jim Edgar's Bill, the appropriation for the Department of Public Health. . . . Specifically is to. . . . a motion to override the line item veto that Governor Thompson made...page 15, lines 26 through 29, the total sum of 750,000 dollars. So I can explain first since.... maybe just a little background for all three motions. As you were, as you are aware, during fiscal 79 appropriation process there were numerous discussions regarding the financial situation of local health departments. The Governor expected for us to receive much Title XX money to replace services that had been taken over by state funds for the past few years through the Department of Public Health. They had carried over dollars, 3.2 million dollars of which.... for Maternal and Child Health Appropriation Funds. The Federal Government said we could no longer have carry over dollars and therefore we lost that 3.2 million dollars. In fiscal 78, the Chicago Department of Health received approximately 7,000,000 dollars in that Maternal and Child Health Program. The fiscal 79 appropriation of MCH dollars to the City of Chicago, it's 5.8 million, a loss of 2,000,000 dollars almost. In anticipation of cutbacks in MCH Programs, the General Assembly appropriated 750,000 dollars of GRF Funds to assist the Chicago Department of Health in maintaining services. The Governor reduced that and line item vetoed that 750,000 saying..... expecting Title XX dollars to replace those sums however Title XX dollars have such restrictive qualifications that indeed the Chicago Health Department cannot replace those vital services through Title XX dollars. Dr. Brown, the Commissioner in Chicago Health Department, has already started programming and planning to cut back services for the MCH Programs. If we do not replace the 750,000 dollars that... those programs would be lost. I ask you to replace 750,000, not a great deal sum of money, it's certainly not critical to our state financial situation but it is critical to Chicago's Department of Health. I urge your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Epton."
Epton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, it is with regret that I must oppose my Governor's position on this particular Bill. I'm aware of this need for this appropriation of 750,000 dollars that happens to be an organization in my district. Unfortunately, the City of Chicago, Dr. Brown, is playing games with this district and has seen fit to take out of this tremendous budget, ...this tremendous sum, has seen fit to close just one institution in the City of Chicago, an institution which is serving people both black and white who need it greatly. Although the amount is not great, the amount of service that this provides is a service that cannot be duplicated anywhere else. And I plead with my colleagues on this side of the aisle not to make this a partisan issue. The people in the district and the people from without the district who travel great distances need this additional money. I think Dr. Brown and the City of Chicago are playing an unseemly trick by making it appear as if the Governor is the villain. But in any event I can't afford the risk of having this department closed and I hope you will support Representative McClain in overriding the Governor's veto."

Speaker Lechowitz: "Any further discussion? The Gentleman from Adams, Mr. McClain, to close."

McClain: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. For the Membership's information, the Commission on Children has endorsed it and so have the...the black caucus. I'd like to really explain that it's critical for those kids and maternal...maternal women that need this kind of program that will be cut out if indeed we do not override this measly 750,000. For those of you that are concerned, our....analyst claims that the Department of Public Aid, AFDC's line item will lapse this year approximately 30,000,000 dollars. This sum is a measly 750,000 vital services and I'd ask your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lechowitz: "Question is, shall the item on page 15, lines 26 through 29, on House Bill 3374 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. All in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'nay'. Gentleman from Coles, Mr. Edgar, to explain his vote."

Edgar: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As the Sponsor of this Bill, i...I don't think the...I would urge people to vote 'no' on this. I think there is...there is adequate funds in this appropriation for the
City of Chicago in this area. There is...reduction is offset by an increase in state's direct support for Maternal and Child Health Care Program. The Governor's budget also provides for ten percent increase in grants to local governments which will be available to the Chicago Department of Public Health. So I think there is adequate money in this year's appropriation Bill to cover this matter without restoring these funds."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Barnes, to explain his vote. You need 107. Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Barnes."

Barnes, E.M.: "Thank you very much. Well, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, especially since this Bill was heard in Appropriations II and as I recall this...this Amendment to the Bill was offered by myself. The money is vitally needed in....for local health departments. This is...this is the first initial request for a line.....override of this line which is for Chicago. There will be another one which is for the downstate health departments...that's the way the Bill is drafted and that is the reason for the request coming in this manner but it is vitally necessary to keep these local health department centers viable especially in the area of child and maternal health care. There's...there's no question that this money, the small amount that it is, if it is not included and we do not override this veto, many, many, many families will suffer through not having adequate access to health care. So I urge my colleagues, we need a few more votes up there, I urge you to support this override on this veto to insure the...the...insure the continuity of service in the local health department."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Lady from DuPage, Mrs. Dyer."

Dyer: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'm watching this Roll Call with a great deal of interest because I see some names up there....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me, Ma'm. Give the Lady some attention, please. Please continue."

Dyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I see some names up there of people who have spoken out most eloquently against the idea of any woman anywhere ever having an abortion for a child that she may feel unable to care for ...and whom she may feel she cannot give adequate health care to. Now I would expect every one of those people who are against abortion to
Support this override to see that the babies who are born get adequate health care. Thank you."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Caldwell."

Caldwell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the particular...this particular Bill that we are talking about now is vital to the community of Woodlawn. Woodlawn is one of the most devastated areas, it's happened during the past two decades and we are attempting to revitalize it, and this particular medical center I have visited on numerous occasions and they're performing some services there are not being duplicated anywhere and they're fulfilling a very vital need in the community. I would hope that all of you would see fit to give this Bill a green light because this certainly is an opportunity for us to perform a public service that is badly needed."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 115 'ayes', 40 'nays', 1 recorded as 'present'. The motion having received a three-fifths Constitutional Majority prevails on the items on page 15, lines 26 through 29 on House Bill 3374 and is declared passed notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. House Bill 3374, Motion #2.

McClain: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Motion...I have a motion here to override line...a line item veto, page 15, lines 30 to 32. The sum of money involved, the 150,000 dollars. What we did is, we...we had the last year's expenditures...estimated expenditures of 659,100 dollars, we did not appropriate enough to handle vision and hearing for the State of Illinois. We did appropriate enough however the Governor reduced the sum by 150,000 thinking, again, that Title XX Funds would be available to supplement. However, Title XX Funds are not available for this program which is required by statute. What the Department of Public Health had done, to my understanding is, they have allotted all the monies that we have appropriated in absence...the Governor's veto to local health departments. So this 150,000 dollars would go to those counties that do not, and they're not involved in local health departments. For the, those couple dozen counties that this 150,000 dollars is critical in going to schools and throughout their counties.
to test for vision and hearing problems for children and for that
I'd ask the Speaker to please recognize now Mr. Edgar who is the
Sponsor of the appropriation."
Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Coles, Mr. Edgar."
Edgar: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I opposed....the last Amendment I'll
oppose the next Amendment....but after review of this Amendment,
it's for the hearing program which I think's a vital program. And
in lieu of some other activities we've done today, I think this is
a well spent 150,000 dollars. I'd urge everybody on this side to
vote in favor of the..Mr. McClain's motion."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Peters."
Peters: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would
join with Representative McClain and Representative Edgar in asking
the House to give its full support for this override."
Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Adams, Mr. McClain, to close."
McClain: "I'd appreciate an 'aye' vote."
Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the items on page 15, lines
30 through 32 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor? All
in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have
all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the
record. On this question there are 137 'ayes', 15 'nays', no...no
one recorded as 'present'. The motion having received a three-fifths
Constitutional Majority prevails and the items on page 15, lines 30
through 32 of House Bill 3374 is declared passed notwithstanding the
veto of the Governor. House Bill 3374, Motion #3, Mr. McClain."
McClain: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of
the House, I would move to override the reduction veto by the Gover-
nor, page 15, line 25. The sum is 300,000 dollars approximately.
The local health departments are indirectly affected by the loss of
MCH dollars through reductions and grants-in-aid line items for
maternal and child health programs. The Governor reduced the amount
that we appropriated which was an additional 700,000 for direct
grants-in-aid to local health departments by a sum of 300,000 dol-
ars stating that Title XX Funds would be available to those depart-
ments and additional funds would be unnecessary. One of the things
that I'd like to stress....to the Membership is Title XX Funds
are very restrictive. A lot of our local health departments throughout the State of Illinois are not willing to use those Title XX Funds because to a great extent they have to use them in areas that they believe their constituency would not be willing to have the local health departments having those kind of courses. So whatever the case is, this motion would replace the 300,000 dollars. I'd like to point out to the Membership that we have continually mandated more and more options and more and more programs for local health departments and we have not helped them in any way for grants-in-aid. Since 1976, fiscal year 1976, the increase in fiscal 1977 was .2 percent, that's not 2 percent, it was .2 percent. We did nothing for them in fiscal '78. So this increase of 700,000 dollars, a replacement here of 300,000 from the reduction veto of the Governor, I think is in order and I'd urge your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Gaines."

Gaines: "I want to support this because I found that these Title XX monies that they've promised just aren't fair. I know in my district the agencies that applied for Title XX money, some kind.....the last speaker said, some kind of technicality kept them from getting it. So many of these programs that the Governor honestly felt could be taken care of by Title XX Funds cannot be. So therefore I'm supporting this...this override."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Coles, Mr. Edgar."

Edgar: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to Representative McClain's motion. The current budget as signed by the Governor provides for a ten percent increase for health service grants to local health departments at 4,307,000 dollars. There is available now Title XX dollars also to be used for this though there's some complication there's still money available. I think the ten percent increase coupled with the Title XX funding available provides for up to almost fifty percent increase in support to local health departments. It's only 309,000 dollars with that money over the budget. I think it's important we try to hold the line and I'd urge a 'no' vote on this."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. McClain to close."
McClain: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is a reduction veto so therefore will require 89 votes, to my understanding. It is a sum of 309,000 dollars. Mr. Edgar is correct the percentage increase is okay for this year but what I pointed out in my initial discussion was that we did not do anything really except .2 percent in.....fiscal '77, nothing in fiscal '78. So the impact is not as strong as Mr. Edgar would believe. And he pointed out in his discussion which I think I tried to allude to is that there are complications to Title XX Funds so these local health departments do need the sum of 309,000 dollars which the General Assembly appropriated this year and I'd urge you to replace the sum that the Governor reduced. This is not a hostile motion with the Governor at all, it's just the difference of opinion."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the reduced item of appropriation on page 15, line 25, be restored to its original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor? All in favor will vote 'aye', all opposed will vote 'nay'. Reduction veto, restoring it to its full amount. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? This one takes 89 votes. Have all voted that wish? Mr. Getty, want to explain your vote? Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan, what purpose you seek recognition? Explain your vote?"

Ryan: "Mr. Speaker, at the right time, I wish you'd....recognize Representative Edgar for the purpose of a verification."

Speaker Lechowicz: "All right. Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 89 'ayes', 63 'nays', I recorded as 'present'. Request for a verification? The Gentleman from McLean, Mr. Adams....Mr. McClain asks for a poll of the absentees. .....Marco. Poll the absentees, please."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Keats votes 'no'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "What's the...what are we starting...kindly record Mr. Winchester as 'no'. Mr. Leverenz as 'aye'. Anyone else seeking recognition? What's our...what's our starting count? 90 solid. Does the Gentleman persist in his verification and dilatory tactics? Mr. Edgar persists and long remembered. Please proceed. Greiman wants to be recorded as 'aye'. It's 91 solid. No...Representative Mudd requests to be verified and Representative Dawson requests to be verified. Please. Clerk will kindly proceed to...to verify the affirmative vote."

Clerk O'Brien: "E. M. Barnes."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Here."

Clerk O'Brien: "Beatty."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Here."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me, the Lady from LaSalle, Mrs. Breslin, what purpose you seek recognition?"

Breslin: "I'd like to be recorded as voting 'aye', please."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Kindly record the Lady as 'aye'. Gentleman from Grundy, Mr. Christensen, what purpose you seek recognition?"

Christensen: "Mr. Speaker, please record me as 'aye'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Kindly record Mr. Christensen as 'aye'. Christensen as 'aye'. Please proceed."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me, would Mr. Epstein come up to the Chair?"


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Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Williams, what purpose you seek recognition? Mr. Williams, please."

Williams: "If you'll change my 'no' to 'aye', please."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Kindly record Mr. Williams as 'aye'. He's in his office. Anyone else seeking recognition? Mr. Edgar, you want to verify the 93 solids?"

Edgar: "What do we have?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "I don't know...what...what do we have, Jack? 94 solid....."

Edgar: "94, okay. Well, the veto's not back yet, I've got some time."

Speaker Lechowicz: "You withdraw your request?"

Edgar: "No, the veto's not back yet, I said, we need to get everybody here. Barnes. Gene Barnes."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gene Barnes is in the chamber as always."

Edgar: "Okay. Aaron Jaffe, he returned didn't he?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "Aaron Jaffe is in the chamber as always."

Edgar: "Okay, Madigan."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Madigan? Momentarily out in the hall, will be here momentarily."

Edgar: "Can you momentarily take him off?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "I will. Mr. Madigan. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is Mr. Madigan in the chamber? I don't see him. Remove him temporarily."

Edgar: "Thank you. Marovitz."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Marovitz? Representative Marovitz. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Put Representative Madigan back in...on the Roll Call please."

Edgar: "Lynn Martin."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Representative...who?"

Edgar: "Lynn Martin."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Lynn Martin. The Lady in the chamber? Representative..."
Martin. Lynn Martin. How is the Lady recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "The Lady's recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Take her off the Roll Call."
Speaker Lechowicz: "I'm sorry, what?"
Edgar: "He's there, I just saw him. Representative Sharp."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Sharp? John Sharp. He's back in the chamber. ....Not...did you ask about Billy Marovitz?"
Edgar: "Yeah, we took him off."
Speaker Lechowicz: "He was...he was over there. Okay."
Edgar: "Okay, you better put him back on then."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Okay."
Edgar: "Taylor is....I can't see, is he back there? I can't see through there. Representative Taylor."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Taylor...yeah, Taylor is back there. Taylor Pouncey?"
Edgar: "Sir?"
Speaker Lechowicz: "Taylor Pouncey. Oh, Jimmy Taylor."
Edgar: "He's there."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Jimmy Taylor's right there."
Edgar: "You.... Terzich."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Terzich."
Edgar: "Oh, I see his sport coat, all right."
Speaker Lechowicz: "He's right here."
Edgar: "Representative Polk."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me. Who did you ask for?"
Edgar: "Representative Polk. Polk."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Oh, Polk."
Edgar: "Ben Polk."
Speaker Lechowicz: "How is the Gentleman recorded?"
Clerk O'Brien: "Gentleman's recorded as voting 'aye'."
Speaker Lechowicz: "All right, I don't see the....is Representative Polk in the chamber? Take him off the....take him off the Roll Call."
Edgar: "Representative Kent."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Mrs. Kent. Representative Reilly. Mr. Reilly."
I...I'm sorry, I can't see through you. How is the Lady recorded?

Clerk O'Brien: "Lady's recorded as voting 'aye'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "...For her...Mrs. Kent, the Lady in the chamber?

Mrs. Kent. Kindly remove her from the Roll Call."

Edgar: "That's all, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from Bureau, Mr. Mautino, wants to be on a...side of the angels. Mr. Mautino, how is he... Mr. Mautino, please. Mautino. Okay."

Mautino: "Mr. Speaker, will you please record me as 'aye'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Kindly record Mr. Mautino as 'aye'. Anyone else? What's the count, Mr. Clerk? On this question there are 92 solid 'ayes'...."

Edgar: "...Over here."

Speaker Lechowicz: "63 'nays'."

Edgar: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "I don't know how solid they are. The motion... wait a minute, which one is this... Motion having received the Constitutional Majority prevails... put Folk back on too... and items on page 15, line 25 of House Bill 3374 is restored to its original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor. House Bill 2989, Mr. Kane."

Kane: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this motion is to override an item veto by the Governor of 9.8 million dollars of anti-pollution bond funds which would go to...to fund health hazard grants that the EPA has given in previous years for communities with severe health hazards to build sewage treatment projects to remove those health hazards in the sewage created by the lack of sewage treatment in those particular communities. It has been a project where the health hazard grants have been set by the Department of Public Health, or have been put in order by the Department of Public Health, and then passed onto the Environmental Protection Agency for funding. ... Been a program that has been in existence for the last three years. This particular year there have been about twelve projects recommended by the Department of Public Health and put in rank order, all of those projects would come to a 9.8 million total and the Governor vetoed those. And I would urge the override of those..."
projects because they do represent the most severe health hazards in
the state."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any discussion? Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Totten."

Totten: "Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker. What the Gentleman from Sangamon
is trying to do is to override a veto for 9.8 million dollars but as
always when we're talking about bond fund that is not the total cost.
The total cost will be somewhere around 17,000,000 dollars once we
pay the debt service on this override motion. The State of Illinois'
present bond rating has been in jeopardy over a number of years
because of our excesses in issuing new bonds. This motion, I'm sur-
prised, comes from the Sponsor who has been quite cautious on new
bond issues. I think we should maintain our cautiousness and not
at this time extend our future indebtedness to the tune of 17,000,000
dollars as this would eventually cost."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Sangamon, Mr. Kane, to close."

Kane: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, these are not
new bonds, they're not Capital Development Bonds, these are bonds
that were approved by the voters in the 1970 election...or the...
part of the 750,000,000 approved by the voters in 1970. What this
program does is take a portion of those bonds and move them out of
the priority listing established by EPA and give the money to those
communities which have severe health hazard problems and fund those
projects to remove those health hazards. And I would urge the
override of the Governor's veto."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the items on page 12, lines
6...6 through 13 of House Bill 2989 pass notwithstanding the veto of
the Governor? All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed
by voting 'nay'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?
Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 62 'ayes',
79 'nays', none recorded as 'present'. The motion having failed to
receive the three-fifths Constitutional Majority is declared lost.
Messages from the Senate."

Clerk O'Brien: "A message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary.
Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives
that the Senate has passed Bills of the following titles, passage of
which I'm instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives,

A 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, adoption of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives, to wit: Senate Joint Resolution 105. Adopted by the Senate, November 29, 1978. Kenneth Wright, Secretary.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary.

Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of the following Joint Resolution, to wit: House Joint Resolution 106. Concurred in by the Senate, November 29, 1978. Kenneth Wright, Secretary.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary.

Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of the following Joint Resolution, to wit: House Joint Resolution 105. Concurred in by the Senate, November 28, 1978. Kenneth Wright, Secretary.

Speaker Lechowicz: "Senate Bills First Reading."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1881. Ewing. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of various state agencies. First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1882. Macdonald. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act making an appropriation for the ordinary and contingent expense of the Environmental Protection Agency and Pollution Control Board. First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1879. Polk. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of various state agencies named therein. First Reading of the Bill."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Marion, Mr. Friedrich, what...what purpose...seek recognition?"

Friedrich: "Mr. Speaker, I was absent, necessarily absent, when the Concurrence was taken on House Bill 255, Senate Amendment, and I would like to be recorded as voting 'no'. It will not be... change the outcome of the vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave of the House to be recorded as 'no' on Concurrence Motion to House Bill 255, any objections? Hearing none, the Gentlemen will be so recorded."

Friedrich: "Thank you."
Speaker Lechowicz: "On the Calendar, page 10, Reduction and Item
Veto Motions, is House Bill 2632. The Gentleman from McHenry,
Mr. Hanahan. Now did you...I'm trying to recall, did you withdrawn
Motion #1?"
Hanahan: "Motion #1, I asked for leave and it...was acceded to, it
was withdrawn."
Speaker Lechowicz: "...It was withdrawn, correct?"
Hanahan: "Right."
Speaker Lechowicz: "And then we're on Motion #2?"
Hanahan: "Motion #2 and this is the restoration on the Gifted Educational
Program. And, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, we have dis-
cussed the gifted program. It has been debated. We're talking about
restoration of 400,000 dollars, or 750,000 dollars, to the programs
that I feel and many Members of this House on both sides of the aisle
have said is one of the investment programs into the future of Illinois
and I request that the Membership give serious consideration that in
voting against the gifted program that they are going to deny someday
the future genius that may at sometime find a cure for cancer, solve
heart disease and do all the other things that we...the lofty ideals
of our...citizenry want. And I just suggest that for 750,000 dollars
in an investment in the gifted program, it's too little a sum to let
go so that we could reach approximately 43,000 gifted children in
Illinois that right now have no program nor anyone to help them
accelerate their education so that they could participate in the Gifted
Education Program. I plead with you to consider that....I am not
going to ask you in every case to reconsider what the Governor did
because I understand some deep feeling....."
Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman."
Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.
I will not repeat what I said earlier on this same motion. I will
point out two other things however. Number one, this is not a mandatory
program and so all school districts are not affected by this equally.
Also I would point out that the accumulated reductions in this area
gets us closer to the kind of overall figure that we had agreed upon
when we moved this through the Legislature. Today we passed a Bill
out of the House to increase the General Distributive Fund to
1110 dollar level. I would point out every child that's affected by this specialized program also qualifies to the...the same way that every other student qualifies for the General Distributive Fund. We have to draw a line somewhere and this is where the line ought to be drawn and I would encourage you to not support this motion and subsequent motions to increase the reduction level. I think that everyone was treated very equitably. This is close to a fifty percent increase over the preceding years of funding and there's a limit, I think, to how far we can go."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan, to close."

Hanahan: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, once again I'm asking for the restoration of 750,000 dollars to the level that is still 150,000 dollars less than what the State Board of Education had recommended to the General Assembly. I believe, like the last speaker, that gifts should be and priorities should be set but certainly not in an investment program into the future well-being of...of our citizens. And certainly the gifted programs have proven themselves as an investment and I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the reduced item of appropriation on page 24, lines 24, of House Bill 2632 be restored to its original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor? All in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted that wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 84 'ayes', 59 'nays', 1 recorded as 'present'. The motion having failed to receive a Constitutional Majority is declared lost. No. Now he goes to 2434. Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan...

Hanahan: "Mr...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Yes, Sir, Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Mann, what purpose you seek recognition?"

Mann: "Mr. Speaker, how am I recorded?"

Speaker Lechowicz: "How is the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Gentleman is recorded as not voting."

Mann: "Vote me 'aye'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Schlickman."

Clerk O'Brien: "85."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Record Mr. Schlickman as 'no'. Kane as 'aye'.
There are a lot of people seeking recognition, I would hope that you would be in your respective seats and cast your vote accordingly.
Roman, just listen. We'll open up the board. There are a lot of people seeking recognition that are on the floor. Mr. Ryan."
Ryan: "Mr. Speaker, you've already declared this Bill lost...."
Speaker Lechowicz: "No."
Ryan: "It's dead."
Speaker Lechowicz: "I...."
Ryan: "...And I see no reason to open the board. It means you have to dump this Roll Call....."
Speaker Lechowicz: "No. No. No. No."
Ryan: "And I am not in favor of that...."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Ryan."
Ryan: "And if you continue to act...."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Please listen this is on 24 - 34 now."
Ryan: "High-handed manner, we're going to have to call for the real Speaker to get back out here and do...do...like he's promised to do with some fair operation from that chair."
Speaker Lechowicz: "This is 34 - 34. I'm asking the Membership to be in their seats and vote accordingly, 24 - 24 is lost, but there are a number....a number of other....a number of other items in the motion that we go by page and line number. Mr. Ryan."
Ryan: "What about 2632?"
Speaker Lechowicz: "I am on 2632, Sir, and his first thing was on page 24, line 24, that was lost. Now we're on page 24, line 34 and I'm hoping that the people will listen to his explanation...."
Ryan: "All right."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Listen to debate and vote your own switches up or down. Please continue, Mr. Hanahan, on page 24, line 34."
Hanahan: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, this is the reduction in special education of private school tuition. The General Assembly has appropriated...page 24....appropriated 8,000,000 dollars. The Governor signed 7,000,000 dollars. The motion is to restore 1,000,000 to....back to the....the recommended amount of the General Assembly for special education private school tuition. Now for those of you who
are not aware of what that is, the purpose of this program is to
insure that all handicapped children receive special education services
when the public schools cannot make appropriate programs available.
Such children may then tend...attend private special education facilities,
special education facilities owned and operated by county government,
or public and private out of state schools that provide the necessary
services required by the child. The local district is required to pay
the tuition charge, or 2500 dollars, whichever is less. This reim-
bursement also applies to summer school programs. Now in 19...in
fiscal year 1978, we had the claimed amount of 7,571,288 dollars. We
had 8,010 children. We expect to have an increase in the amount of
children that will be attending special education private school
functions that we under the statutes say that we will reimburse the
schools. Now if we do not reimburse your local schools for that amount
of money that's claimed, all you do is then shift the burden from the
state treasury to the local government...to the local taxpayer on
real estate taxes because that's where the money will have to come
from. It will be paid one way or the other to...for the students.
The difference will be made up whether it comes out of real estate
taxes or out of the State General Revenue Fund. I urge a 'aye' vote
on restoration of the 1,000,000 dollars that the Governor has reduced
from the budget of the special education private school tuition grant item
in House Bill 2632."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman. Mr. Hoffman,
please."

Hoffman: "Fine. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen
of the House. The claims that are covered by this line item are
already in, they amount to 7,000,000 dollars. That's the reason for
the reduction. We pay after the fact and what you said about this
fiscal year is correct in...in that for this school year. That will
be in next year's budget, that's the 94,142 material that Senator
Berman and I dealt with. This line item level will cover the cost
and there's no need to appropriate the additional....million dollars,
we already know what it is, and so that's the reason for the reduction.
And so I would ask that you would support the 7,000,000 dollar level.
I don't know where you're getting your information but you've got
problems."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Mann."

Mann: "Mr. Speaker, my switch is... just isn't voting right and I'd just like to be recorded as voting 'aye'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan, to close."

Hanahan: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, what the Gentleman from DuPage has said is correct and I'm not... attempting to mislead or... or to encourage anyone to vote for an appropriation in excess of what we will expend. The fact remains that, yes, he's correct, that the claims of fiscal year '78 are in and they're approximately 7,000,000 dollars but there are some other things that are extenuating that you should consider. Proration is the name of the game and when you only appropriate the very minimal amount in this field that's all you are ever are going to get. If you look at just the Bill that... part of the Bill that just failed in the last motion you will find that the gifted is on proration also of 90 percent. You will find in special education that there are prorations on all of the various categorical grants. I am suggesting that to have the 8,000,000 dollars available is what is needed so that there is no necessity to prorate if any other outstanding claims do come in or if the General Assembly decides to increase or to encourage the usage of the programs in the coming fiscal year that the monies will be available. If you want to... if the Members of the General Assembly want to stay on one hundred percent appropriation of... of the claim, I would gladly withdraw this but then I would hope those same Members would vote for the hundred percent appropriation for all the claims especially in special ed, transportation and all the other programs that right now we are not funding at the hundred percent level. I encourage an 'aye' vote to... to just insure the fact that the General Assembly stands behind special education private school tuition philosophy."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The que... the question is, shall the reduced item of appropriation on page 24, line 34, of House Bill 2632 be restored to its original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor? All in favor will vote 'aye', all opposed will vote 'nay'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 79 'ayes', 68 'nays', none
recorded as 'present'. This motion having failed to receive the Constitutional Majority is declared lost. Now on page 25, line 23, Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan."

Hanahan: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, this is the bilingual education reduction of the Governor. The State Board of Education had requested for the Chicago Bilingual Program 13,455,000 dollars. The General Assembly in its wisdom reduced it to 12,000,000 dollars. The Governor further reduced it to 11,000,000 dollars. This motion on this third portion of House Bill 2632 would restore the 1,000,000 dollars the Governor cut from the budget that the General Assembly had approved. I know there's some strong feeling about bilingual education both pro and con, I'll leave that to the experts to debate, but I could say to you this, that I feel that people who have a problem with bilingual education should sometime take a few hours of their time and go into their local school district that is offering the courses whether it be in Polish, Spanish, German or Chinese or...of the many, many other....Italian, or the many other languages that are taught in the bilingual programs in the City of Chicago.

In order to fully utilize the Federal Funds that are available we must appropriate fully the amount of money that the General Assembly had agreed upon last June. If we do not, children that need the attention of bilingual instruction will be shortchanged and I could just suggest that there are many students out there that we should be considering instead of the 1,000,000 dollars that this Bill would restore. And I urge your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Will, Mr. Jack Davis."

Davis, J: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, during the last Session I think Representative Hanahan hasn't told you the whole truth. There was some agreements made that would have funded bilingual at the 1978 level and those agreements were somehow in the last stages of the game violated upward to the point where....at the current level of veto reduction the budget is some twenty-two percent over what it was in 1978. The...this General Assembly in its wisdom also, at my Amendment supported by the Illinois Office of Education, authorized 130,000 dollar expenditure for a study, third party independent outside of Illinois study, of the bilingual program..."
in Illinois to find out if the program is effective and if indeed the money is being well-spent and I would suggest to you that we should await the results of that study which will be available to us next year before moving further in expenditure in a program that has monumentally increased in the last few years. So I suggest to you that the proper course of action at this point would be to sustain the veto and to vote against this motion."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any further discussion? Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Peters."

Peters: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think the statements made by both Representative Hoffman and Representative Davis would clearly present the picture in regard to the financial end of the bilingual education program. There are those, of course, who...who see this program as a needed and far reaching and would like to spend a lot more money on it than we are spending. It would appear to us however that we have funded it at an adequate level. We had a...quite a fight on it in the House last Session as you well recall. It was a very serious part of the negotiation process here, a lot of people were disturbed that the program received as much as it did. Let me just indicate that even in spite of the fact that money was appropriated in excess of what we originally suggested some of the funds will end up lapsing and it would appear to me on the basis of that record that there would be no need to restore that 1,000,000 dollars which the Governor has reduced this budget by in this instance and I would ask for your support of....in defeat of this motion to override."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Marovitz. Marovitz, please."

Marovitz: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would agree in part with my colleague, Jack Davis, about the 130,000 dollars that was appropriated for outside independent study of bilingual programs throughout the State of Illinois and how the money is being used and...and spent and the programs are being implemented. But while that study is being conducted, and I think that will determine the future course of bilingual education in the State of Illinois, why cut off children who need this program both in Chicago and in downstate Illinois? We're talking about over a
million dollars throughout the State of Illinois for people who have planned on this program and need this program. If the money is not being spent properly we'll find out by this 130,000 dollar independent study and then we can take steps to cut it off. Let's not do it then until we find out whether or not this money is being well-spent by the independent study."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan, to close."

Hanahan: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, I'd like to point out that in the City of Chicago there's 22,250 children enrolled in the bilingual programs from Level 1 to 3. Census report that in Illinois there's still over 27,000 children, especially in the lower grade level, that need and should be encouraged to participate in the bilingual programs. If we do not restore this money you will find that you cannot improve the reading quality, the reading progress, and I think this is one of the measures that we use in judging educational quality of schools. It's in....Chicago Board of Education the evaluation proved that in the bilingual children that in eight months' time the children increased their proficiency and reading of English to 1.17 years. If that don't...tell you something then vote 'no'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the reduced item of appropriation on page 25, line 23, of House Bill 2632 be restored to its original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor? All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'nay'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Yeah. Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 76 'ayes', 65 'nays'. The motion having failed to receive the Constitutional Majority is declared lost. On page 25, line 30, the Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan."

Hanahan: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, this is the downstate portion of the bilingual education reimbursement. The State Board of Education which requested 4,500,000, the General Assembly appropriated 4,000,000 dollars of that request. The Governor reduced it to 3,600,000. I could just point out that many of...there's 6,935 pupils in downstate Illinois now participating in bilingual education. Suggest that those who criticize the fact that many young people are not conversant in the English and they're not capable of acquiring..."
a decent quality education in Illinois because of a language barrier that the reason is that in...especially in downstate Illinois the acceleration of the utilization of the bilingual programs have not taken place completely throughout the state. This motion of mine to...to restore the 400,000 dollars that the Governor has cut from the 4,000,000 dollars appropriation should be restored to encourage in downstate Illinois utilization of bilingual programs and I ask for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I'd just point out that this is no different than the last Bill and would encourage you to vote the same way."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the reduced item of appropriation on page 25, line 30 of House Bill 2632 be restored to its original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor? All in favor will vote 'aye', all opposed will vote 'nay'. All voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there are 71 'ays', 71 'nays'. The motion having failed to receive the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared lost."

On page 26, line 28, the Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan."

Hanahan: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, the vocational education line item of the recommendation of the State board of Education was 26,870,000 dollars. In the wisdom of both the Senate and the House, we acceded to the request of the vocational education line item of the State Board of Education and appropriated that amount. The Governor signed the Bill at 25,120,000 dollars, a reduction of 1,750,000 dollars. Now, Ladies and Gentlemen of this House, of all the educational programs that we should be encouraging to be funded fully at the request of the State Board, I consider vocational education at the top of the list in priority. Those of you who live in northern Illinois, especially in Lake County, I don't know if you ever took time to go over to Grayslake and see what they have done with vocational education in that center in Grayslake, Illinois, even McHenry County in its jealousy has joined as a part of that program. Throughout the state vocational education institutions have upgraded and improved based on the accelerated help that the General Assembly placed in
its hands as... at the appropriation that the Governor has signed. If we give 'em another 1,750,000 dollars by restoring this line item it would go toward purchasing and reimbursing vocational area centers around this state to even yet upgrade and improve the quality services they are now providing our children. And I know you could hear about ....all the arguments about holding down the budget but once again what do you do with children that do not want to become academic scholars? What do you do with the young high school student who wants to be a sheet metal worker or an automobile repairman or the girl who wants to be a beautician or a highly skilled computer operator and does not want to go to school for academic excellence? We have to provide high quality vocational area centers. We have just scratched the surface even though we increase the appropriation significantly, we have just scratched the surface when it comes to the priority expenditure of voc ed in this state. The State of Ohio almost spends twice as much money as we now spend at the accelerated appropriation level as we now spend in Illinois. And I could just suggest that if your priorities are in order this is another program of... of an investment, an investment in the future and I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. In FY-78 the expenditures for vocational education were 18,240,000 dollars. The Governor's action put the level at 25,120,000 dollars, that is a 38 percent increase, or an increase of 6 point... approximately 6.9 million dollars. Vocational education has been treated better than it's ever been treated before. I believe the Governor's reduction was probably less than it should have been but be that as it may I would suggest that you not support the motion of the Gentlemen to override."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Coles, Mr. Stuffle. Stuffle, please. George. George Schoening. George Schoening, put... put Stuffle on, will ya? Thank you."

Stuffle: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Members, the statement of Representative Hoffman is absolutely true if you only look at one year but the vocational education funding program is the one area for many, many years where there weren't any changes. There were three or four..."
studies submitted by the state and it stayed around the 18,000,000 dollar level, it never went up. It should have gone up a long time ago and it ought to go up now to the full level."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan, to close."

Hanahan, please. Eddie. Hanahan."

Hanahan: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, I can only encourage you to use your judgment on setting priorities on where your tax dollars are expended. Vocational education is...is something that is needed. It's a program that should be funded. You cannot turn your back upon the need, it's there. Kids want jobs. You can't complain about high unemployment in this state in the next coming decade if you're not going to provide vocational education for your children. Who are you kidding? You can't blame kids for not having a job if you don't give 'em the education and that's what we're talking about here! Don't come to me and tell me about how we're driving the...business out of Illinois and tell me that Illinois is going downhill when you're afraid to stand up for something that's right! Vocational education is right and you know it in your hearts and I plead with you, those of you that have taken the time to study what voc ed is all about know that you should be voting 'aye' on this resolution, on this motion and I urgently plead with you to give it an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall the reduced item of appropriation on page 26, line 28 of House Bill 2632 be restored to its original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor? All in favor will vote 'aye', all opposed will vote 'nay'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman, for what purpose...you seek recognition? Kindly record Mr. Simms as 'no'."

Hoffman: "Mr. Speaker, I request a verification of the Roll Call."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman requests a verification of the Roll Call. Mr. Hanahan asks for a poll of the absentees. Would Mr. Domico and Dawson come to the chair, please? Poll the absentees, please."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Caldwell. Kindly record Mr. Caldwell as 'aye'. Mr. Christensen, what purpose do you seek
recognition? Okay. Please continue the poll of the absentees."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Mugalian....'aye'."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Tim Simms....I'm sorry. Mr. Johnson wants to be recorded as 'no'. Mrs. Willer. Poll the affirmative votes. No. Mr. Hoffman, we're polling the affirmative vote now."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Richmond wants to be recorded as 'aye'. Anyone else?"

Richmond: "I want to be verified."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Oh, you want to be verified. I'm sorry. Gentleman asks leave to be verified. Leave is granted. Any questions of the affirmative vote? Mr. Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Just a...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "What's our count, Jack?"

Hoffman: "Just a few, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "We have 93 right now and Mr. Harris wants to be verified too."

Hoffman: "Fine."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Okay."

Hoffman: "Bianco."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Bianco. How is he recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is Mr. Bianco in the chamber? Take him off the Roll Call."

Hoffman: "Mr. Bradley."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Bradley. Mr. Schwartz. Ah, Mr. Brady. I...I can't see through you. All right, is Mr. Bradley in the chamber? Mr. Bradley."

Hoffman: "Okay, he's upstairs."

Speaker Lechowicz: "All right. Thank you."

Hoffman: "Corneal Davis."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Deacon's in his chair."

Hoffman: "Fine, thank you. Flinn. I see him. Friedland."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Friedland. How is he recorded?"

Clerk O'Brien: "The Gentleman is recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Take him off the record and save himself."

Clerk O'Brien: "Oh, I'm...no, wait a minute. Friedland voted 'aye'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "He voted 'aye'. Mr. Friedland. Is the Gentleman in the chamber? Mr. Friedland. Take him off the record."

Hoffman: "Giorgi."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Giorgi's here."

Hoffman: "Okay. Hart. Representative Hart."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Hart. Mr. Hart. Hello, Art. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Take him off the record."

Hoffman: "Mr. Griesheimer."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Griesheimer. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is Mr. Griesheimer in the chamber? Take him off the record."

Hoffman: "J. M. Houlihan."

Speaker Lechowicz: "He's here."

Hoffman: "Okay, fine. Huff."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Huff. Mr. Huff. How... how's the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is Mr. Huff in the chamber? Take him off the record."

Hoffman: "Luft."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Luft is in his chair."

Hoffman: "Matula."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Matula. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is Mr. Matula in the chamber? Is Mr. Matula in the chamber? Take him off the record."

Hoffman: "What was the response on Mr. Luft, I'm sorry... ."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Luft is in his chair, Sir."

Hoffman: "All right. Fine."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Right here."

Hoffman: "McClain."

Speaker Lechowicz: "McClain. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Hoffman: "Here he is."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Here he is, right here."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Mudd's right here."

Hoffman: "Okay. Nardulli."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Nardulli. He's up here."

Hoffman: "Oh, okay, that's fine. Pouncey."

Speaker Lechowicz: "He's in his chair."

Hoffman: "Fine. Von Boeckman."

Speaker Lechowicz: "He's back there, he's in his chair."

Hoffman: "That's all my questions."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Lady from Cook, Mrs. Willer, what purpose you seek recognition?"

Willer: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I'd like to vote 'yes'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Kindly record Mrs. Willer as 'aye'. Anyone else seeking recognition? What's the count, Jack? On this question there are 88 'ayes', 63 'nays'......the Lady from Cook, Mrs. Catania."
Catania: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. In spite of the fact that the Sponsor of this motion has made...continually remarks that are degrading to women, in spite of the fact that the AFL-CIO did not choose to make the Equal Rights Amendment vote...I think that...and I don't think it's a laughing matter. I'm entirely serious....what I'm saying...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me, Miss Catania, kindly put Mr. Huff back on the Roll Call."

Catania: "I hope that this money will be used to seek out and inform young women and minorities that they too have a right to vocational education. I hope that the labor unions will open up and let in those people to whom they have closed doors and in that hope I vote 'aye'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "What's the count, Mr. Clerk? On this question there are 90 'ayes', 63 'nays'. The motion having received a Constitutional Majority prevails and the item on page 26, line 28 of House Bill 2632 is restored to its original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor. Now on page 26, line 31, the Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan."

Hanahan: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, this is a little easier for anyone that....may have any questions about it, this is the textbook program. The textbook program of the State of Illinois has bipartisanly (sic) been supported and sponsored and...and really the gratitude of many students of the states have to go to Representative Barnes who...who...who...Jane has...has led the fight in seeing to it that children in the state have a good textbook program and a reimbursement program is funded in the State of Illinois.

The State Board of Education requested 9,000,000 dollars. The General Assembly in its wisdom increased that appropriation to 11,000,000 dollars. The Governor reduced that back 2,000,000 dollars to 9,000,000 dollars. Now the number of students receiving textbooks rose from 4,000...4,500 in fiscal year '76 to 718,469 in fiscal year '77.

Three public school districts in and seven nonpublic school district participated in a pilot program in '76, in '77, 650 public school districts and 752 nonpublic schools participated in this program. Approximately 60 percent of the books went to public school students."
The textbook program is not a reimbursement program. Parent and/or student request for free textbooks are forwarded to the Illinois Office of Education by regional superintendents. Textbook selection is made by local schools, public and nonpublic, from the list of publishing companies bonded with the State of Illinois. The IOE orders the texts in...for direct shipment to schools and reimburses publishing companies upon notification of a receipt reading progress, and of books by the school. Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, we have hardly scratched the surface even at the 11,000,000 dollar figure for having an adequate appropriation to meet the needs of the textbook program of Illinois. And I ask you for a vote to restore the 2,000,000 dollars that the Governor cut from this line item for the textbooks for the kids who will be using textbooks both in public school and....I know there's a lot of confusion, a lot of Legislators have said to me, 'well, that's a Catholic program' but the confusion rests on them not on us. The fact remains 60 percent fully of the textbook utilization is in the public schools and I urge a favorable 'aye' vote on this restoration."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman."
Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The increase of the appropriation for textbooks from four million, nine hundred-plus thousand dollars to 9,000,000 is an 82, or close to an 83 percent increase at the 9,000,000 dollar level. This amount of money will provide the extension of the textbook program at least as it appears now anyway to....from the first eight grades up to the and through the...through the twelfth grade. What the Representative said is correct in terms of the proportional distribution of...of the money however it seems to me that the program which has jumped 82 percent in a one-year period of time has made significant progress to say the least and that the funds that were available we try to shift into the general distributive areas as to provide for all the children who are attending the public schools. And for that reason I would ask that this motion to override the reduction veto be defeated."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Any further discussion? The Gentleman from McHenry, Mr. Hanahan, to close."
Hanahan: "I just think that, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, that the textbook program has proven itself as very valuable asset to the state and to the community, to the citizens of Illinois. The people want it, it's now up to the General Assembly to say at what level. The level that's recommended by the General Assembly in full fiscal restraints during the Session ... still felt strongly enough to say 11,000,000 dollars is what we will set our priorities at, we passed it at that level, full...knowing full well the implications but we also knew full well the need. So I request that you consider restoring this 2,000,000 dollars for the textbooks for the kids of Illinois."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Question is, shall the reduced item on page 26, line 31 of House Bill 2632 be restored to its original amount notwithstanding the reduction of the Governor? All in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this there are 85 'ayes', 48 'nays'. Gentleman asks leave to poll the absentees. Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hoffman, what purpose you seek recognition?"

Hoffman: "Just...if it gets 89 votes I'd like to call for a verification."

Speaker Lechowicz: "All right. Poll the absentees."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Caldwell wants to be recorded as 'aye'."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Gaines is 'aye'."


Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Meyer on... Mr. Hoffman, what purpose you seek recognition?"

Hoffman: "I...the mike was on, I wanted it off."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Oh, want to shut Mr. Hoffman's mike off please? Please continue, Sir."


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Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me, what purpose does the Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Boucek, seek recognition?"

Boucek: "Change my vote from 'aye' to 'no'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Kindly record the Gentleman from 'aye' to 'no'.

Mr. Pechous, what purpose you seek recognition? How is the Gentleman recorded, Mr. Pechous, please?"

Clerk O'Brien: "The Gentleman is recorded as not voting."

Pechous: "Please record me as 'aye'."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Kindly record him as 'aye'. Please continue.

Mr. Pechous wants to be recorded as 'aye'."


Speaker Lechowicz: "...Count? On this question there are 87 'ayes', 47....was that 47?"

Clerk O'Brien: "49."

Speaker Lechowicz: "49 'noes'. The motion having failed to receive the Constitutional Majority is declared lost. Messages from the Senate. Excuse me, Mr. Hanahan, what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Hanahan: "No, I...I....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Messages from the Senate."

Clerk O'Brien: "A message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary. Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives the Senate has passed Bills of the following title and passage of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives, to wit: Senate Bills #1880, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890 and 1893. Passed by the Senate, November 29, 1978 by a three-fifths vote. Kenneth Wright, Secretary.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary.

Mr. Speaker...yeah....I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, the Senate has concurred with the House of Representatives, passage of Bills of the following, to wit: House Bill #3238 together with Senate Amendment #1. Passed by the Senate as amended, November 29, 1978 by a three-fifths vote. Kenneth Wright, Secretary.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary.

Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, the Senate has concurred with the House of Representatives...passage of Bill
of the following title, to wit: House Bill #1325 together with
Senate Amendments #1, 2 and 3. Passed by the Senate as amended
November 29, 1978 by a three-fifths vote. 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 concurred with the House of Representatives in passage
of....Bill of the following title, to wit: House Bill #2863 together
with...Senate Amendment #1. Passed by the Senate as amended, November
29, 1978 by a three-fifths vote. Kenneth Wright, Secretary."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Senate Bill First Reading."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1880. Ryan. A Bill for an Act to amend
Section of the Capital Development Bond Act. First Reading of the
Bill.

Senate Bill 1883. Jack Davis. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections
of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of
various state agencies named therein. First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1884. Peters. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections
of an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expense of the
Commission on Delinquency Prevention and Department of Children and
Family Services. First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1890. Winchester. A Bill for an Act relating to the
Game and Fish Fund. First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1893. Ebbesen. A Bill for an Act to amend Sections
of an Act making appropriation to the Illinois State Scholarship
Commission. First Reading of the Bill.

Senate Bill 1888. Ebbesen. A Bill for an Act...make appropriation
to provide for the normal cost of fiscal year 1979 be increased at the rate
of automatic annual increases in annuities provided by Public Act
80-1408 for various state retirement. First Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "On the Calendar, Supplemental #3, is House Bill
1325, Mr. Bradley and he moves that we suspend the one day rule
...I think it was 68(d) for the Supplemental Calendar #3. We'll use
the Attendance Roll Call, any objections? Hearing none the Attendance
Roll Call is used to suspend the rule. This is for the Supplemental
Calendar on...on the threes. You got your Calendar there? Okay.
He wants to take it out of the record. House Bill 2863, Mr. Polk, you want to call your Bill? Yes, that's.... We'll use the Attendance Roll Call. Mr. Polk, you want to handle 2863?"

Polk: "Yes and you could also use the Attendance Roll Call if you'd wish, okay with me."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Why don't you explain the Bill?"

Polk: "Oh, okay. The original....."

Speaker Lechowicz: "....The Amendment."

Polk: "Bill was the License Plate Bill and it's all been deleted due to an emergency. This is the 1,500,000 dollar transfer in Federal Funds for personal services...Department of Labor and it's to meet their payroll for December and it's an emergency. If they don't receive it they won't get their Christmas paycheck, I understand, appreciate an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Excuse me. Is there any discussion? Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Barnes."

Barnes, E: "Thank you very much. Mr. Speaker, just...indication to add to Representative Polk's...being as....Department of Labor was over, this is a....extreme emergency to insure that they can meet their very next payroll, so I would urge the support of the House."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is there any further discussion? The Gentleman from Rock Island, Mr. Polk, moves that the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2863. All in favor will vote 'aye', all opposed will vote 'nay'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 148 'ayes', 3 'nays', I recorded as 'present'. And the House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2863 and it's passed by a three-fifths majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 3238, Mr. Friedrich."

Friedrich: "Mr. Speaker, I yield to Representative Hoxsey. This Bill is an...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Who are you yielding to.....Dwight?"

Friedrich: "Representative Hoxsey."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The Lady, Mrs. Hoxsey."

Hoxsey: "Yes..I would move to concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3238. The Amendment authorizes the Department of
Conservation to convey by quitclaim deed its interest in the land known as Canal Road to the County of LaSalle whereafter the county has agreed to add Canal Road to the LaSalle County Highway System and accept the maintenance responsibility of the same. I move for concurrence."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Is there any further discussion? The question is, shall the House concur in Senate Amendment 91 to House Bill 3238 and this has an effective...an immediate effective date so it'll take 107 votes....all in favor will vote 'aye', all opposed will vote 'nay'.

Marco. Gentleman from Livingston, Mr. Ewing, you want to explain your vote?"

Ewing: "Yes, Mr.....we have enough votes."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Got 119. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk will take the record. On this question there's 132 'ayes', 7 'nays', I recorded as 'present'. This Bill having received the Constitutional Majority - in fact it received three-fifths - is hereby declared passed, effective immediately. At the request of the Sponsor, Representative Bradley, we will hold House Bill 1325. ....The Calendar on House Bills Third Reading, John Dunn, you want to call House Bill 3128? How...does this....probably be the last time we're going through this...all right.
You want to table it? No. Take it out of the record. House Bill 3288, Mr. Kempiners. Take it out of the record. House Bill...."

Kempiners: "Mr. Speaker...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "I'm sorry. Mr. Kempiners, you want....."

Kempiners: "Yeah, I would ask leave to table that Bill, 32...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "88."

Kempiners: "House Bill 3288."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave to table House Bill 3288...wait, you've got to correct the board, Jack....3288, he wants to table it. Hearing no objection, it's tabled. House Bill 3319. Mr. Madison. Take it out of the record. House Bill 3420, Mr. Ewing. Take it out of the record. House Bill 3422, Mr. Madigan. Take it out of the record. House Bill 3434, Mr. McGrew. Take it out of the record. Total Veto Motions, Mr. Totten, on House Bill 2693? Take it out of the record. According to my perusal of the
Calendar, Ladies and Gentlemen, the only item we have left is House Bill 255 and if you just give the Chair five minutes to make sure that that's correct... Gentleman from Adams, Mr. McClain, what purpose you seek recognition? Mr. McClain, please.

McClain: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I believe I have Senate Bill 1456, with leave I'll table that, clean up the Calendar."

Speaker Lechowitz: "Where's it at?"

McClain: "We just moved it to Third Reading today."

Speaker Lechowitz: "Okay. Senate Bill 1456, you want to table it?"

McClain: "Yes, Sir."

Speaker Lechowitz: "Gentleman asks leave to table Senate Bill 1456. Any objections? It's tabled. Is there anything for the... is there anything else for the welfare of the House and the Membership? Anybody else want to table a few Bills? Oh, the Clerk informs me that there are a number of Senate Bills that are lacking Sponsors. Put Ryan on that. Oh, no, the President of the Senate?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Right."

Speaker Lechowitz: "I'll... I'll handle that one. Lechowitz."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bills First Reading, Senate Bill 1885, Lechowitz. A Bill for an Act making an appropriation for the painting of portrait of Senate President. First Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowitz: "I may."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 1886. A Bill for an Act in relation to the nonsubstantive revisions, renumbering or repeal of Sections of Acts necessitated by Amendments, Amendments and repeals."

Speaker Lechowitz: "Mr. Friedrich, you going to be the Sponsor for that Bill?"

Friedrich: "What number is that?"

Clerk O'Brien: "An Act in relation to nonsubstantive revisions, renumbering and repeal...."

Friedrich: "Right."

Clerk O'Brien: "Of Sections..."

Friedrich: "Yes, thank you."

Clerk O'Brien: "First Reading of the Senate Bill. Senate Bill 1887, also Friedrich. A Bill for an Act in relation to nonsubstantial revision and renumbering of Sections of numerous..."
Acts. First Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Friedrich."

Friedrich: "I'd like to ask for unanimous consent for these Bills to be placed on the Order of Second Reading without reference. The reason is, they're revisionary Bills by the Reference Bureau, there are no substantive changes, they're changes in some spelling, items like that. The Reference Bureau says, tells us that they really need to get these passed so that in the new...they can get them in the computer so when they start drafting the new Bills they'll have 'em for reference. I would so move, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Motion's on Senate Bill 1886 and '87? Leave to use the Attendance Roll Call? Leave is granted and hearing no objections, Gentleman's request is granted. Now that was on 1886 and '87. Gentleman from Macon, Mr. Dunn, what purpose seek recognition? Oh, wait....one....second, Jim. Mr. Clerk, Senate Bills First Reading."

Clerk O'Brien: "I need a Sponsor for Senate Bill 1889. A Bill for an Act to provide for the normal cost of various state retirement systems for the increase and the rate of automatic annual increases and annuities provided by Public Act 80-1408. Terzich. First Reading of the Senate Bill."


Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 3449. McCourt-Caldwell. A Bill for an Act to create the Commission on Urban Education. First Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Macon, Mr. Dunn."

Dunn, J: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I would at this time ask leave to table House Bill 3128 which appears on page 2 under House Bills Third Reading on today's Calendar."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman asks leave of the House to table House Bill 3128, are there any objections? Hearing none, the Bill is tabled. Mr. Giorgi on the Agreed Resolutions. Agreed Resolutions, Jack. Be with you in a second, Zeke, the Veto Message just arrived. I agree."

Unknown: "Record me as 'aye'."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Messages from the Governor."

Clerk O'Brien: "To the Honorable Members of the House of Representatives of the Eightieth General Assembly pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(b) of the Constitution of 1970. I hereby veto and return House Bill 255 which increases compensation for Members of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial branches of government. It is my view that the issue of pay increases for Constitutional Officers should have been like pay increases for state employees...the...were considered and decided in the Spring Session of the General Assembly. The General Assembly did not see fit to act until now and I therefore must keep the promise that I made this summer to the people of Illinois. I therefore respectfully veto and return this Bill. Sincerely, James R. Thompson, Governor."

Speaker Lechowicz: "We.....be back to that matter on the agenda very shortly. Mr. Giorgi with the Agreed Resolutions. Want to read the Agreed Resolutions, Jack?"


Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Anderson's Resolution 1163 honors the Cavaliers from LaSalle-Peru in their championship bid. 1164 by Mahar notes the 25th anniversary of Reverend Schroeder. 1165 by Kornovicz records that Mr. and Mrs. Leon Wegryn celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. 1167 by Waddell wins the Whip-Purs for winning the Class 1A Championship. 1168 by Hanahan recognizes John E. Desmond's retirement from Chicago Teachers. 1170 by Pullen talks about 98th birthday. And did you read the Senate...the Senate Joint by Van Duyne on 103? Did you read the Senate Joint #105? Van Duyne's honoring Joliet High School. I move for the adoption of the Agreed Resolution."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Gentleman has moved for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', all those opposed..... The 'ayes' have it and the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. The Gentleman from DuPage, Mr. Hudson, on House Resolution 107, Joint Resolution 107."
Hudson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House.

I move to suspend the provisions of Rule 41(a) for the immediate
consideration of House Joint Resolution 107."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Why don't you have the Clerk read the Resolution
now?"

Clerk O'Brien: "House Joint Resolution 107. Hudson. Resolved by the
House of Representatives of the Eightieth General Assembly of the
State of Illinois, the Senate concurring herein, that the reporting
deadline for the Joint Committee on Regional Government created by
House Joint Resolution 8 is extended to January 10, 1979 or as soon
thereafter as possible."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Hudson moves to suspend the Rule 41(a), use
the Attendance Roll Call for the immediate consideration, is there
any objection? The Attendance Roll Call will be used to suspend
41(a). Now on the Resolution, Mr. Hudson."

Hudson: "Well, Mr...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Moves the adoption...."

Hudson: "Speaker, I...."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Use the Attendance Roll Call. Any objection?
Hearing none, the Attendance Roll Call will be used. Now on the
Calendar, Supplemental Calendar #3, pardon me? What? General
Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 108. Lucco. And that was House
Joint Resolution 108. Lucco. And House Resolution 1169, Murphy."

Speaker Lechowicz: "Committee on Assignment. Death Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 1143, Stuffle, respect to the memory
of Paul Foreman. House Resolution 1160, Simms, to respect the
memory of Gladys Mae Fisher. House Resolution 1166, Terzich,
respects the memory of Christ L. Dineff."

Speaker Lechowicz: "It's Christ Dineff. Christopher Dineff.
Representative Giorgi moves the adoption of the Death Resolution,
all those in favor signify by saying 'aye', 'aye', all those
opposed.... The Death Resolutions are adopted."
Speaker Lechowicz: "Now on Supplemental Calendar #3 is House Bill 255. And under the...Calendar under Total Vetoes appears a motion to override the Governor's Veto with respect to House Bill 255; on that motion, the Speaker of the House, Speaker Redmond."

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

Speaker Lechowicz: "Mr. Redmond moves that the House suspend 40....44.1(b), use the Attendance Roll Call. Any objections? Hearing none, the Attendance Roll Call and rules...is adopted...is used...is adopted and we suspend 41(b). Now on the motion, Mr....Speaker Redmond."

Redmond: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think we've belabored this long enough. We know what's in the Bill and I move that the...this Bill do pass, the Governor...the veto of the Governor notwithstanding."

Speaker Lechowicz: "The question is, shall House Bill 255 pass notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. All in favor signify by voting 'aye'; all opposed by voting 'nay'. 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 110 'ayes', 56 'nays' and none recorded as 'present'. The motion, having received the Constitution: three-fifths majority, prevails and House Bill 255 is declared passed notwithstanding the veto of the Governor."
Speaker Lechowitz: "Adjournment Resolution, Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Madigan."

Clerk O'Brien: "Read the message from the Senate. A message from the Senate by Mr...."

Speaker Lechowitz: "A message from the Senate first."

Clerk O'Brien: "A 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 and the adoption of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives, to wit: Senate Joint Resolution #106. Resolved by the Senate of the Eightieth General Assembly of the State of Illinois, the House of Representatives concurring herein, that when the Senate adjourns on Wednesday, November 29, 1978, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, December 12, 1978, at twelve o'clock noon. And when the House of Representatives adjourns on Wednesday, November 29, 1978, it stands adjourned until Tuesday,...December 5, 1978, and when it adjourns on Wednesday, December 6, 1978, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, December 12, 1978, at one o'clock p.m. Adopted by the Senate, November 29, 1978.

Kenneth Wright, Secretary."

Speaker Lechowitz: "Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, are there any further announcements? Any further announcements, Mr. Speaker...."

Speaker Lechowitz: "Any further announcements?"

Madigan: "I...move that we adjourn until Tuesday, December 5, and I....at what time, Mr. Clerk?"

Speaker Lechowitz: "One o'clock. Doesn't say, we'll put it at one o'clock."

Madigan: "At one o'clock. At one o'clock, Tuesday, December 5."

Speaker Lechowitz: "Any further announcements? The Gentleman has moved that the House adopt the Adjournment Resolution. All in favor signify by saying 'aye', 'aye', all those opposed.... The Adjournment Resolution is adopted. Come back Tuesday, December 5th at one o'clock. The House stands adjourned."
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