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Speaker Ryan: "The House will come to order and the Members will be in their seats. For the prayer this morning again we have Sister Siena from the Sacred Heart Academy in Springfield. Sister."

Sister Siena: "Let us pray. Nothing You give us to do, oh Lord, is ever wasted. If it is of You, if it helps mankind in any way rather than harms it, it is effective. It affects our own development and it affects those around us, our families, the people who work beside us, the younger and older lives we touch. Let us ask in the words of St. Francis that we touch each others lives with peace. Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, pardon. Where there is doubt, faith. Where there is darkness, light. And where there is sadness, joy. Oh divine Master, grant that I may not seek so much to be consoled, as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life."

Speaker Ryan: "Thank you, Sister. Representative Epton will lead the pledge this morning."

Epton, et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

Speaker Ryan: "Roll Call for Attendance. Take the record, Mr. Clerk. 165 Members answering the Roll. A quorum of the House is present. On the Calendar on page two under the Order of House Bills, Second Reading appears House Bill 588. I understand... Take that. You're supposed to take the record on that. House Bill 588, Amendment #37. Is

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that right, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #36 was adopted..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, leave to withdraw Amendment #37."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw 37. Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #38, Turner."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Turner on Amendment #38 to House
Bill 588."

Turner: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Representative Matijevich will be offering Amendment 51 which will reduce the operation to provide necessary funding for the restoration of day care, which I am proposing. The Governor is also cutting back as part of his proposed 2.9 million budget slash, a 1.7 million dollar cut in Local Effort Funds. This cut is nearly 20% of the LEF total. Day care centers around the state, in Carbondale, Chicago, Evanston, East St. Louis will all be affected by the loss of funds and will be forced to reduce the number of day care slots they have available. These cities provide their own money to be matched with federal Title 20 funds to provide these day care services to working people. The Department is suggesting it can cut funding for day care by 1.7 million by shifting the focus from placing children in day care centers to placing them in homes for day care. What the Department of Children and Family Services does not mention is that no legislation has been approved to allow this. No planning has been made and there is no way to judge what the administrative cost for developing home day care networks would be. With this Amendment, we would be able to care for the children of working men and women in licensed day care centers, not unlicensed homes. We want day care centers so that people can remain at work and not go on welfare."

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Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to the Gentleman's Amendment. In the Human Services Subcommittee and later in the full Committee we heard testimony by those who supported day care and we responded to that testimony. We restored 1.3 million in a bipartisan compromise at that time of day care funds. I don't disagree with what the Gentleman is saying. Of course, day care is important in our present economy and I would not want to see that cut out. But we have to be guided here by the fiscal realities and the fiscal reality is that the Committee responded as best it could to the need. It restored 1.3 million of the approximately 2.9 million that was cut. That was agreed to in Committee by both parties and accepted in Committee. I would hope that we would oppose Amendment #38 and vote 'no' on that Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Jones."

Jones: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise in support of Amendment #38 because this Amendment actually restores money that is desperately needed for a very worthwhile program. To take these monies out is sort of counter productive because the person that utilizes the services of day care, if these services are not available, they're going to end up on welfare in the first place, and we're still going to have to spend the money. So, we should support this particular Amendment because it actually saves us money in the welfare line item. It's a very good Amendment and we should all vote 'yes' on Amendment #38."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Rhem."

Rhem: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and to the Members of the House."

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It's my understanding that there are other cuts coming in this area of services to the people, and I might say that we don't want to just be cutting budgets to cut budgets. This program is very vital to the working men and women who have small kids. If you cut this program all you're going to be doing is putting these people back on the welfare. I think it would be better to see monies going into the day care program than to be going into welfare programs. So, I'm in favor of this Bill... this Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise, too, in support of the Amendment. It wasn't too many years ago that any time we mentioned funds for day care, that rose a red flag. It was a no-no and then we proceeded to provide funds for day care and found out that it was a good dollar spent because we were allowing people to work to provide for their families, and the records do show that when people have been working and mostly working mothers they've been able to go off of welfare. I was happy to see in Committee that conservatives now are supporting day care. You would never see that happen years ago, but they have awakened to the fact that you are taking people off the welfare rolls and I would urge your support of the Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Turner, to close."

Turner: "Thanks to the conservative union, first of all. Let me just say that, if we lose this money, if the budget does go through, we're talking about 1700 positions that will be lost and these are 1700 positions. These are families that eventually will have to quit work, as been mentioned before, to go on welfare. So I ask for a favorable vote on

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this Amendment to show our legislative intent and our concern for day care centers throughout the state. Thank you."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #38 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed by saying 'no'. Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #38 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. You might save a lot of time, Ladies and Gentlemen, if you just push your own button today. We wasted a lot of time yesterday. Representative Wolf."

Wolf (J. J.): "I was going to suggest, Mr. Speaker, if we just dump this Roll Call and everybody vote their own switch. We'd save an awful lot of time today."

Speaker Ryan: "I think your point is well taken. Dump the Roll Call. Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #38 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Representative Catania, to explain her vote."

Catania: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I rise in support of this Amendment. It simply restores the money that was asked for in the Governor's budget. As you know, the Governor told us in his address to us that he's against child abuse and he wants to have extra money to stop child abuse. I would suggest that this is an excellent place to begin in stopping child abuse. As you know perfectly well, there are a lot of parents in two parent homes and one parent homes who must go out to earn a living. They must have decent day care if they are to do this. That's all this Amendment does is to provide money for that decent day care. This is the place to start if we want to stop child abuse, not when the call comes in on the hotline and says that someone has broken bones. Start here

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with good, decent programs."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Representative Bowman, one minute to explain your vote."

Bowman: "In explaining my 'aye' vote, Mr. Speaker, I'd just like to point out that this particular appropriation was only one of two cuts that attracted hundreds of people to come to Springfield. In fact, we had so many people come down here on day care that we had to adjourn to the House floor and the galleries were literally full of people who had taken a day off of their jobs because, if this money is not restored, they will lose their jobs because they won't be able to keep their jobs. This money is absolutely essential so that at least 1700 people in this state can keep their jobs and not have to go on welfare. They came down to Springfield to give us that message and I think we ought to listen to it. Vote 'aye'."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Satterthwaite, one minute to explain your vote."

Satterthwaite: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, the Governor's message indicated that the rationale for this cut was that we would instead provide day care homes rather than day care centers. Unfortunately, it's not clear that we will, in fact, be able to develop as many day care homes as is projected. Certainly, if those homes are developed, we will not spend all of the money, but lacking the development of those homes we need to have the money in place so that we can make sure that the same number of children are cared for. Otherwise, we do, in fact, put more people on our welfare rolls and I urge a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Huff, one minute to explain your vote."

Huff: "It's very simple, Mr. Speaker. Please take the record."

Speaker Ryan: "Do you want to explain your vote, Representative?"

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Huff: "I was just urging to take the record."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Wolf."

Wolf (J. J.): "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, just go back to yesterday and keep adding on and keep adding on. I don't know. We probably put some 30 some million back on yesterday and as Everett McKinley Dirksen once said, you know, a million here and three million there and ten million there and pretty soon, you know, you're talking about some real money."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Reluctantly, because I know there aren't that many people here, I'm going to ask for a verification if the affirmative is still ahead when the Roll is taken."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 75 voting 'aye', 66 voting 'no' and 1 voting 'present'. Representative Reilly has asked for a verification. Representative Turner asks for a poll of the absentees. Read the absentees, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "Poll of the absentees. Abramson. Bower."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bower wishes to be recorded as 'no'."

Clerk O'Brien: "Brummer. Cullerton. Darrow. Deuster. Domico. Garmisa. Hanahan. Jaffe. Kane. Keane. Dick Kelly. Koehler. Kucharski. Laurino. Lechowicz. Leinenweber. Margalus. Martire. McAuliffe. McBroom. Ted Meyer. Oblinger. O'Brien. Pierce. Preston. Redmond. Schneider. Stanley. Stearney. Terzich. Tuerk. Yourell and Zwick."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Kane. Record Representative Kane as 'aye'. Record Representative McBroom as 'no'. Representative Reilly persists in his verification of the affirmative. Would you poll the affirmative vote, Mr.

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Clerk?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Alexander."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Turner, do you seek recognition at this time?"

Turner: "Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to say that, at some point, I'd like to verify the negative also. If they win."

Speaker Ryan: "Alright. Proceed, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "Alexander."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Balanoff, do you seek recognition?"

Balanoff: "Could I be verified?"

Speaker Ryan: "Could she be verified? Yes."

Clerk O'Brien: "Balanoff. Barr. Beatty. Bianco. Bowman. Bradley. Braun. Breslin. Bullock. Capparelli. Carey. Catania. Chapman. Christensen. Currie. Deuchler. DiPrima. Donovan. Doyle. John Dunn. Epton. Ewell. Farley. Flinn. Getty. Giglio. Giorgi. Greiman. Hallock. Hallstrom. Henry. Huff. Jackson. Jones. Kane. Katz. Jim. Kelley. Kornowicz. Kosinski. Krska. Kulas. Leon. Leverenz. Levin. Madigan. Matijevich. Mautino. McClain. McGrew. McPike. Mulcahey. Murphy. O'Connell. Ozella. Pechous. Pouncey. Rea. Rhem. Richmond. Ronan. Saltsman. Satterthwaite. Schraeder. Slape. Margaret Smith. Steczko. Stewart. Stuffle. Turner. Van Dwyne. Vitek. White. Sam Wolf. Younge and Zito."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Reilly, you're going to start out with 76 'aye' and 68 'no'. Do you have any questions?"

Reilly: "Representative Bradley."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bradley. Representative Bradley."

Is the Gentleman in the chamber? How is he recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Reilly: "Christensen."

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Speaker Ryan: "Representative Christensen. Representative Christensen in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Reilly: "Representative Barr."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Barr. He's here."

Reilly: "Representative Parley."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Parley. Representative Parley in the chamber? Representative Parley. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Reilly: "Flinn."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Flinn. Representative Flinn in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Stanley, do you seek recognition? Remove Representative Flinn from the Roll Call. Representative Stanley."

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

Speaker Ryan: "Record the Gentleman as 'no'. Return Representative Parley to the Roll Call. Proceed, Mr. Clerk."

Reilly: "Jackson."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Jackson. Representative Jackson back there? He's back there."

Reilly: "Representative Jones."

Speaker Ryan: "Right here in front."

Reilly: "Representative Bianco."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bianco. Is Representative Bianco here? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

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Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call. Record Representative Cullerton as 'aye'."

Reilly: "Kosinski."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Kosinski is in his seat as usual."

Reilly: "Sorry. Representative Krska."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Krska. Representative Krska in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Reilly: "Kulas."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Kulas. Representative Kulas in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Reilly: "Leverenz."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Leverenz in the chamber? Representative Leverenz. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Reilly: "Mautino."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Mautino. Representative Mautino in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Reilly: "McGrew."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative McGrew is here this morning."

Reilly: "Rep..."

Speaker Ryan: "Who?"

Reilly: "Rea."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Rea. Representative Rea in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

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Reilly: "Richmond."

Speaker O'Brien: "Representative Richmond. Representative Richmond in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Reilly: "Saltsman."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Saltsman in his seat."

Reilly: "Slape."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Slape. Representative Slape. Representative Slape in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Reilly: "Van Duyne."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Van Duyne. Representative Van Duyne in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him. Representative Schneider, do you seek recognition?"

Schneider: "I'm not voted I don't believe. Please record me as 'aye'."

Speaker Ryan: "You're sure? Record Representative Schneider as 'aye'. Representative Jaffe."

Schneider: "Representative Turner... how's Representative Turner..."

Jaffe: "Record me as 'aye'."

Speaker Ryan: "There's a man that knows what he wants. Record him as 'aye'. Return Slape to the Roll Call. He's back."

Reilly: "Representative Wolf, Sam Wolf."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Sam Wolf. Representative Sam Wolf in the chamber? How is the Gentlemen recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call. Any further

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questions, Representative Reilly? Representative Deuster, do you seek recognition?"

Deuster: "Please record me as voting 'no', Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Record the Gentleman as 'no'. Representative Karpiel, do you seek recognition?"

Karpiel: "Yes, please record me as 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Record the Lady as 'no'. Representative Tuerk. Record the Gentleman as 'no'. Do you have any further questions of the affirmative, Mr. Reilly? Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "No further questions."

Speaker Ryan: "Return Leverenz to the Roll Call. He's returned to the chamber. On this question there are 68 voting 'aye', 72 voting 'no'. Representative Bowman, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Bowman: "I'd like to verify the..."

Speaker Ryan: "That's already been requested, Representative. Representative Turner's doing it. Do you want to do it or does he?"

Bowman: "I will help Representative Turner."

Speaker Ryan: "Okay."

Bowman: "Thank you."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Turner, do you request a verification? Persist?"

Turner: "Mr. Speaker, I request a verification of the negative."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman requests a verification of the negative Roll Call. Would you poll the negative vote?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Ackerman. Alstat. Barkhausen."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Peters would like to have leave to be verified. And Piel also. Representative Turner, you've got Representative Peters and Representative Piel. I'll tell you... would ask leave. Return Representative Christensen to the Roll Call. Return Representative

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Richmond to the Roll Call. Return Krska to the Roll Call.
Anybody else? Representative Hastert. Gentleman asks
leave to be verified. Representative Friedrich. Leave to
be verified. Proceed, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "Barnes. Bartulis. Bell. Birkinbine.
Bluthardt. Boucek. Bower. Collins. Conti. Daniels.
Davis. Deuster. Jack Dunn. Ralph Dunn."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Watson would like to have leave to
be verified."

Clerk O'Brien: "Ebbesen. Ewing. Fawell. Findley. Virginia
Frederick. Dwight Friedrich. Griffin. Grossi. Hannig.
Hastert. Hoffman. Hoxsey. Hudson. Huskey. Johnson.
Karpel. Klemm. Kociolko. Kustra. Macdonald. Mays.
McBroom. McCormick. McMaster. R. J. Meyer. Miller.
Neff. Nelson. Peters. Piel. Polk. Pullen. Reed.
Reilly. Rigney. Robbins. Ropp. Sandquist. Schuneman.
Irv Smith. Stanley. E. G. Steele. C. M. Stiehl.
Swanstrom. Tate. Telcser. Topinka. Tuerk. Vinson.
Watson. Wikoff. Winchester. J. J. Wolf. Woodyard and
Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any changes? Return Representative Wolf
to the Roll Call. Sam Wolf. Representative Turner, you
start with 72 voting 'yes' and 72 voting 'no'."

Turner: "Ackerman."

Speaker Ryan: "Is Ackerman... Representative Ackerman is in his
seat."

Turner: "How about Bluthardt. Representative Bluthardt."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bluthardt. Representative
Bluthardt. Is the Gentleman in the chamber? How is he
recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call. Mr. Doorkeeper,
will you pull Representative Bluthardt's key and bring it

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to the podium, please? Proceed, Mr. Turner."

Turner: "Representative Meyer."

Speaker Ryan: "Which one? Ted Meyer. Roland Meyer."

Turner: "Ted Meyer."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Ted Meyer. Is the Gentleman in the chamber? How is he recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Not voting, Representative."

Turner: "Representative Pullen."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Pullen in the rear of the chamber."

Turner: "Representative Sandquist."

Speaker Ryan: "Right here in the front."

Turner: "Representative Schuneman."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Schuneman is in his chair."

Turner: "Representative Findley."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Findley in the chamber?
Representative Findley, in the rear of the chamber."

Turner: "Representative Hoxsey."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Hoxsey is in her chair."

Turner: "Representative Birkinbine."

Speaker Ryan: "In his chair."

Turner: "Representative Johnson."

Speaker Ryan: "In his... At his desk."

Turner: "Representative Hudson."

Speaker Ryan: "Hudson or Huskey?"

Turner: "Hudson."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Hudson is at his desk."

Turner: "Representative McMaster."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative McMaster is in the rear of the chamber."

Turner: "Representative Daniels."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Daniels is in the aisle over here."

Turner: "Representative Neff."

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Speaker Ryan: "In his chair."

Turner: "Mr. Speaker, what is the count, presently?"

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any further questions, Representative?"

Turner: "No further questions, Mr. Speaker. Could you give us the count, please?"

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Meyer wishes to be recorded as 'no'. Representative Darrow."

Darrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. How am I recorded?"

Speaker Ryan: "How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Darrow: "Please vote me 'aye'."

Speaker Ryan: "Record the Gentleman as 'aye'. Representative Sandquist."

Sandquist: "How am I recorded, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Ryan: "How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Sandquist: "Change it to 'aye', please."

Speaker Ryan: "Change the Gentleman to 'aye'. Are there any other changes? Representative McBroom."

McBroom: "Mr. Speaker, may I be verified 'no'?"

Speaker Ryan: "How is the Gentleman recorded? McBroom."

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

Speaker Ryan: "You're recorded as 'no', Representative. You want to be verified."

McBroom: "Yes."

Speaker Ryan: "Is that alright with you, Mr. Turner? The Gentleman be verified? Leave. Representative Koehler."

Koehler: "Please record me as voting 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Record the Lady as 'no'. Representative Hallstrom. Record the Lady as 'no'. Change her from 'aye', to 'no'. Representative Barr. Record the Gentleman from 'aye' to 'no'. Representative Leinenweber 'no'. On this question there are 72 voting 'aye', 75 voting 'no' and

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the Gentleman's Motion fails and the Amendment's lost.
Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #39, Chapman-Stewart."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Chapman on Amendment 39."

Chapman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment #39 to House Bill 588 restores 1.9 million in GRF dollars to provide a full year rate increase to private foster care group home and institution providers. The Governors budget reductions delayed this increase for six months so that these providers would need to wait until January 1, 1982 for the increases due them on July 1, 1981. The reason it is important to approve this Amendment is that permanency planning for children is a first priority with our state and with our Department of Children and Family Services. It is said when children are victimized by child abuse at the hands of their parents, but very often these children then become the victims of the child welfare system. Our child abuse victims are among the 12,000 children drifting in foster care in our state. In order for these children to find permanent homes, we must have these dollars so that we will be able to provide for foster family training, counseling for children, natural family and foster families, permanency planning, reviews and implementation of the plans, case management, care and supervision, follow up and readjustment for children after placement, specialized care for health and emotional problems, medical and remedial care, homemaker assistance, vocational skills training, school instruction. All of these services for our 12,000 children will suffer if we are not able to provide the dollars. As a matter of fact, the Department admits in their memo which is within the Governor's explanation that less intensive treatment programs.."

Speaker Ryan: "Could you wait just a minute, Representative?"

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Could we have a little attention in the chamber, please?
The Members be in their seats. Mr. Doorkeeper, will you
clear the floor of all unauthorized people?"

Chapman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Proceed."

Chapman: "The Department admits that less intensive treatment
programs will be available for our children who are
drifting in foster homes if we do not provide these
dollars. Our Governor has stated children first. In this
spirit of children first, I ask you to approve Amendment
#39 to House Bill 588. For those of you who may be
concerned that these are dollars that you do not have, I
refer you to Amendment #51 which will be shortly offered by
Representative Matijevich. I ask you to approve both
Amendment #39 and subsequently Amendment 51 because
Amendment 51 will help to provide the dollars, will help
free up the dollars to make it possible for children to be
first here in Illinois."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative
Reilly."

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to the
Lady's Amendment. First of all, I'd call your attention to
the fact that, as part of this program that's advertised as
making cuts so that we can make increases elsewhere,
Amendment 37, whether Amendment 37 or 51, will cut 540,000
dollars. The Amendment that we're considering adds three
million-one. Somehow that doesn't balance out in my
bookkeeping. The issue here is simply when the rate
increase is going to take effect. That's all. It isn't a
matter of whether we're going to provide these services.
It's a matter of when the rate increase takes effect.
These institutions, homes, had a rate increase during the
last fiscal year. The question is the timing. It saves us

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3,100,000 dollars approximately to delay that rate increase until January 1. In the light of the fact that we are all, all institutions, the state, all the institutions it funds, all the people that it helps are in a tight financial situation. That doesn't seem to me to be unreasonable. I would hope there would be a great many 'no' votes on Amendment #39."

Speaker Ryan: "Any further discussion? Representative Conti."

Conti: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I stand here today and yesterday finding it very difficult to vote for most of these Amendments that are placed on House Bill 588, but I also can remember two or three times that the Governor's addressed us this year where he has to cut 400 million dollars from the budget and possibly, before the end of this Session, come in with another 200 million dollar budget slash. Somebody wasn't listening last November when there was a complete revolt throughout the nation where we must cut the size of government. Yes, I find it difficult to vote against a 1.6 tenths million dollars budget for day care centers. I find it difficult to vote against all of these. I read the message loud and clear that the Governor, if you're going to have to cut the cost and the size of government by 400 million dollars, we're going to have to start somewhere. If you think that each and every one of these are going to get you elected back home when you have to turn right around and then add some kind of a tax or other hidden taxes, we're all going to be in trouble back home unless we can show that we are cutting the size of State Government along with the national government, along with the county governments and along with the local governments. I sat here idly by yesterday when he was taking 24 million dollars away from local government. I know that something has to be done if

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we're going to have to cut this budget. Even though you find it difficult to vote for these Amendments. These single Amendments aren't going to get you elected back home, but I'll tell you what's going to defeat you when we go back home and we don't cut the 400 to 600 million dollars that the Governor's asking us to cut out of the budget this year. I urge a negative vote on all of these good Amendments. There's nothing wrong with these Amendments. They're good. They sound good, but where are we going to get the money?"

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Chapman to close. Representative Stewart, do you seek recognition? Representative Wolf, would you step aside there so Representative Stewart can speak? Proceed, Representative."

Stewart: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to close. I think that in addition to worrying about the fiscal concerns, we also have to worry about children. There are approximately 12,000 children in private foster care and institutions and group homes. These children deserve permanent placement. They deserve whatever funding we can make possible for them. Not only Amendment #51 but also Amendment #40 offers additional revenue and I'd urge an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Ryan: "The Lady moves for the adoption of Amendment #39 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 76 voting 'aye', 78 voting 'no', none voting 'present' and the Amendment ... and the Motion fails and the Amendment's lost. Further Amendments. Representative Chapman."

Chapman: "Mr. Speaker, I'd request a verification of the Negative Roll Call, please."

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Speaker Ryan: "You're not timely, Representative. Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #40, Matijevich, amends House Bill 588 as amended on page 18, line 13 and so forth."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich on Amendment #40."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Amendment #40 is one even that Everett McKinley Dirksen would support because Amendment #40 is a reduction in the amount of 2,832,300 dollars. It removes 181 vacancies in the Department of Public Aid and also that's to the tune of 1,280,400 dollars and the commensurate retirement and security that goes along with that, 974,000 in contractual monies, 27,000 in equipment. This is to enforce the Governor's recommendation in cuts. 200,000 in payments to the Local Initiative Fund and 176,400 dollars in purchase of medical management services. I've heard some say here just in the last few minutes, where are you going to get the monies. We've got to have less government. None of these cuts are in field services or in field staff. These are the quote, 'fat cats' in Public Aid that we can cut out. These are vacancies. We don't need to fund vacancies. I would urge those who are looking to cut government to support Amendment #40. Move for its adoption."

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

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to oppose the Gentleman's Amendment. This Amendment would cost, would cost the state, in my opinion, a great deal. The cuts are in three areas essentially; electronic data processing. We've had enough trouble bringing that system in to ... on to line. If it isn't brought in to line very soon, we're going to be losing federal funds. They're severing the 5% federal financial participation in this area. The second

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area is in the central level of the people that handle appeals and excess assistance recovery. The fact is good or bad, under the law, when you find a vendor that's cheating, you can't terminate him until you give him a hearing. The people who conduct those hearings are being cut here. It would cost us money to make those cuts. And finally the last 49 positions that are being cut are in medical operations. The federal rule is that if 90% of all the Medicaid claims are not paid within 30 days, the Federal Government can withhold our funds. It would cost us money again. This is penny wise and pound foolish. I would ask for a 'no' vote on the Gentleman's Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Matijevich, to close. Representative Levin."

Levin: "Would Representative Reilly yield for a question?"

Speaker Ryan: "It's not his Amendment. It's Representative Matijevich's Amendment."

Levin: "I know, but he's the guy with the facts. Representative, I heard you say that you have to follow termination procedures which would cost money. Does it cost money to terminate people that aren't there if there are 181 vacancies? Does it cost any money not to fill those vacancies just to get rid of them?"

Reilly: "The answer..."

Levin: "I don't understand this. We've had several Amendments that have been offered to eliminate vacant positions to save real money, not to fill those positions, and your side of the aisle has resisted every one of them. I don't understand this."

Reilly: "Is there a question in there somewhere? I'll be glad to provide you with the facts."

Levin: "Yes. Does it cost... Do you have to go through..."

Reilly: "Number one, our side hasn't opposed them all. We

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accepted some. Number two, the fact is that the Department is currently down under the head count that it should have. That's why the vacancies are there. Some of these programs such as the EDP program are just coming on line and that's why the vacancies are there. Yes, I think it's extremely necessary and it will cost us money if we adopt this Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich, to close."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, in Amendment #40 herein lies the whole fallacy of what we're hearing about the Governor's cuts. Nowhere do we find where that side of the aisle, evidently, wants to touch the bureaucracy. Here we have an Amendment that all it's doing is saying we have vacancies in government. Nobody's going to be hired until January of '82. We know that, and we are saying, 'let's not fund those vacancies throughout this fiscal year'. Here we have a chance as Members of the House to cut out the bureaucracy. That's all I've heard from that side of the aisle when we were trying to, through other Amendments, say we have some priorities that we think ought to be funded. Now, this is your chance. You conservatives over there that like to cut out the fat in government, you conservatives that always talk about waste in government, that always talk about the bureaucracy, this is your chance. Support Amendment #40. We're going to find out if you're for waste in government, if you want to cut it out. I urge the adoption of Amendment #40."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #40 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Representative Friedrich, one minute to explain your vote."

Friedrich: "Mr. Speaker, in explaining my vote, I think we might

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save some money in Public Aid if we had more people out there who could work these cases and get the ineligibles off the list."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bowman, one minute to explain your vote."

Bowman: "Mr. Speaker, I think it's ironic that the people on the other side of the aisle will vote to take money away from units of local government and from caregivers for whom the state provides reimbursement, but won't go after the fat in the state's own budget. I think that's precisely what this Amendment purports to do, and that we ought to put our own house in order before we tell local governments that they'll have to tighten their belts. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Representative Braun, one minute to explain your vote."

Braun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I am amazed to see that many red votes on this Amendment. If indeed we are supposed to provide public services in this state, that does not extend, it seems to me, to keeping the bureaucracy bloated while we cut essential services to people who are in need. That's what this Amendment seeks to do. If you really do believe in the process, then we will begin to pare back on the bureaucracy as the mandates that we've talked about suggest that we do. We will put the money in human services where it belongs. I'm, frankly, surprised that people who espoused cutting back on the bureaucracy are not voting for this Amendment. This is a good Amendment. It will provide a more sensible, humane way for us to proceed in these tight budgetary times, and I encourage a green vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Representative Leverenz, one minute to explain your vote."

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Leverenz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I think it's amazing. This is the Roll Call that should be published around the state. The red votes indicate those that want to protect the bureaucracy, that which we were sent here to cut. The Amendment simply eliminates a certain number of vacancies and still allows 600 positions to be filled. If you can get the emergency approval to hire, you can hire people until January comes. This is terrible and it's the Amendment that should be published around the state. Vote green."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On this question there are 83 voting 'aye', 78 voting 'no' and none voting 'present' and the Motion carries. The Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #41, Bowman, amends House Bill 588 as amended by deleting Section 11 and so forth."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bowman on Amendment #41."

Bowman: "Leave to withdraw Amendment #41."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw 41. Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #42, Matijevich, amends House Bill 588 as amended ..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich on Amendment #42."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Amendment #42 is a total reduction of 804,538 dollars in General Revenue Fund monies from the Department of Public Health. It eliminates eight budgeted vacancies in the Department of Public Health, funding for four positions which provide enforcement of a regulatory Act which has been recommended to be terminated October 1 by the Sunset Commission. Also 22,000 dollars in travel for that budgeted for enforcement of that Act which will be terminated October 1, 1981. 25,000 dollars in equipment and... which meets the recommendation of the Governor,

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enforcement of his recommendation to terminate that amount of money in equipment. 491,900 eliminates and reduces various detail objects within divisional contractual services. These are items which we feel meet the Governor's recommendations in reduction and contractual services. It also reduces two positions in the Department of Public Health which, evidently, Director Kempiners is going to expand his Division of Governmental Affairs. I understand, if this Amendment is adopted and I would urge its adoption, that Representative Leverenz has an Amendment to restore these two positions. Evidently, Director Kempiners, although this was not budgeted in the last fiscal year, he has put on board a couple legislative liaison for the... both the federal and the state as far as his governmental liaison. I have no objection with Leverenz's Amendment later on. But I would urge the adoption of the rest of this Amendment because these are vacancies. We can again trim government by this Amendment, both in contractual and personal services, and I move for the adoption of Amendment #42."

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

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to the Gentleman's Amendment. We all know Bill Kempiners. I think most of us do and I went through the budget process with him as many of us have this year, and I think you all know him to be a conscientious guy. What happened with Bill was that he agreed and got into the spirit of things and agreed to the cuts to get his budget in reasonable shape to begin with and then on came the second round of cuts and he got hit again. The fact is, his budget is tight and all of you who know him know that he's a conscientious guy who would come in with a tight budget. The fact is that he is already 132 slots below what the...

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what we approved for FY '81. So, we're not talking about cutting fat out. We're talking about cutting into the meat of that Department. I resisted the previous Amendment, but I resist this one with all the strength that I have. I think this is important to defeat this Amendment. More than half of the cuts that are being made here are in contractual services unless you want to give the Department of Public Health the money that it takes to hire full-time physicians, then you're going to have to leave this contractual money in. They already had cuts. They got cut at the introduced level. They got cut at the second round of levels. Bill has taken his cuts. The Department of Public Health has taken its cuts. We ought to resist this Amendment. It is just plain wrong headed on its face. I ask a 'no' vote on Amendment #42."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Dunn, John Dunn."

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

Speaker Ryan: "Indicates he will."

Dunn: "About a year ago the Director of the Department of Public Health, in response to questioning in the appropriation process, made a commitment to provide for random and surprise inspection visits of nursing homes and there is some scuttlebutt around the floor now that this Amendment would take out the personnel that the Director has included in his budget on a permanent basis for this purpose, and I wonder if the Sponsor of the Amendment can tell me whether that is so or not. I want to make sure that these people remain on board."

Matijevich: "This Amendment in no way affects the inspectors of nursing homes. In fact, if the liaison for the Department of Public Health is going around the floor saying that, I would say that maybe we ought to eliminate those two liaison people too that, evidently, Leverenz's Amendment

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will restore. That's false and the gentleman that's going around the floor saying that. Go around and tell facts, but don't go around telling falsehoods or the Director ought to get rid of you. And I... if you want me to mention your name, I'll do that, too. Do your job, but do it right. I want to see liaison hired and do a good job between the Legislature and the agencies of government, but don't go around telling people a falsehood. This is no way affects the nursing home inspectors."

Dunn: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I urge a favorable vote on this Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Leverenz."

Leverenz: "Simply to confirm what was just questioned. I understand that the nursing home inspectors that go around and do those spot checks are not included in this Amendment. We do have an Amendment to restore two positions in the budget later, and I would request an 'aye' vote on the Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Matijevich, to close."

Matijevich: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this is another Roll Call where you can show that you want to reduce vacancies in government, reduce spending, reduce the bureaucracy, reduce the fat in the budget. We will... I have confirmed that I will support the Leverenz Amendment in spite of the fact that one of the liaison is ... has produced some false information on the floor. I'll still support that, but I would urge the Membership to support Amendment #42, and I move for its adoption."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #48(sic, 42) to House Bill 588... Amendment 42 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'."

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Unknown: "Turn me off."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 72 voting 'aye', 86 voting 'no' and the Gentleman's Motion fails and the Amendment loses. Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #43, Slape-Rea, amends House Bill 588 as amended in Section..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Slape on Amendment #43."

Slape: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Amendment 43 is an effort to re-establish 641,950 dollars into the Mental Support Services of the State of Illinois. These services are used mostly for low income citizens and helps them to maintain a favorable condition of health. If we cut these services out I feel that it's going to cost the State of Illinois more money in the long run simply because of the fact that one of the services is medical evaluation, and if we allow the people who are now using this program not to have it's services, why then they probably won't have any medical attention until it's time for them to be hospitalized or a more expensive medical program. Some of the counties that would lose money if this Amendment is not adopted would be Peoria County would lose 35,000, DuPage County will lose 21,000, Winnebago County will lose 28,000 and the southern seven counties in the State of Illinois would lost 117,500 dollars. I would ask for adoption of this Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Gentleman from Morgan, Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Pretty soon we're going to get to an Amendment I can support, I hope. I rise to oppose the Gentleman's Amendment. This program is entirely a federally funded program. The federal funds have been cut by 25%. The money won't exist whether we put it into the Bill or not. None

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of the counties the Gentleman listed will get a dime more if we put this in than if we don't. The federal funds have been cut. If, by some reason, that's reversed we can easily do that in form of a supplemental. It's holding out a false promise to a lot of communities that simply aren't going to get the money. I would ask for a 'no' vote on Amendment #43."

Speaker Ryan: "Any further discussion? Representative Chapman."

Chapman: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I'd hope that Members would vote 'yes' on this Amendment if they care about local government and about the local taxpayer. The effect of a 'no' vote on this Amendment is to send down to the local property taxpayer an additional burden of supporting necessary public health spending."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman from Lake, Representative... wait a minute. Representative Bullock."

Bullock: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise in support of Amendment 43. One of the previous speakers alluded to the fact that the Congress had not appropriated the Title 20 money. He knows and I'm sure most of us know that isn't true at all. Congress has not finalized its budget cycle, and even in the event that Congress chose not to fund these local services we know that the units of government at the local level will continue to provide these services. We also know when we vote against Amendment 43 that we are, in fact, saying to our units of local government, 'increase your taxes'. I think those Members on both sides of the aisle that want to vote for a tax increase ought to vote 'no' on this Amendment because a 'no' vote is a property tax increase and you know it and I know it. So let's give an affirmative vote to Representative Slape's proposal and I can assure you that your unit of local government will not

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have to impose a tax increase because the services that they are presently providing will not be discontinued."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevid, to close."

Matijevid: "No, Slape's going to close. I'm only rising in support of the Amendment, Mr. Speaker. This is another case where so called cuts are going to hurt local services and local government because, if these services are going to be provided, then the county governments are going to have to take up the void. Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I guess the people have been talking about cuts, but I think it's going to be a couple of years down the line when the people are going to wake up and say what did we do? We shot ourselves in the foot because what's going to happen, they are going to have to provide for these services and then they're going to have to raise their property taxes for the services. Both in the Federal Government and in the State Government all I see is that their budgets are passing the buck right down the line to the local property tax owner and I don't think that is economy. I can see it in the Federal Government and I can see it in the State Government that they are saying we are making cuts, but all they are doing is shifting the burden, and they're shifting the burden right on down to the property tax owner. Maybe some may say that we, on this side of the aisle, are not cutting in government, but I believe that we, on this side of the aisle, are saying that we know that the bulk of services are provided closest to the home. The bulk of services are provided by local government and that's what the people want. Above all, the people don't want to pay any more property tax, but if you vote against this Amendment you are saying we do want to shift the burden to the local government. We do want the property tax owner to bear the

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brunt of the burden. I don't and I'm going to support Representative Slape in this Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Slape, to close."

Slape: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'm sure a lot of the concern that's been spoken here today on the floor about the need to cut the budget, but I think that, as the House reviews this, we must remember that when the Governor was before us here several months ago, he said that the bottom line is what we have to protect. I think it's incumbent upon this House to make sure that the cuts and all the reductions in the state budget do not fall upon the people who can least afford those cuts. These programs that this Amendment would re-establish are programs that are aimed at people who have to fall below or can only come up to 80% of the median income in the State of Illinois to even receive these services. Most of the people are senior citizens who would be denied elementary medical attention if they didn't have this Amendment, and I would ask for passage of this Amendment and I ask for a Roll Call vote, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #48 to House Bill... Amendment 43 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 77 voting 'aye', 81 voting 'no' and none voting 'present' and the Gentleman's Motion fails and the Amendment is lost. Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #44, Donovan-John Dunn, amends House Bill 588 as amended by deleting Section..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Donovan on Amendment #44."

Donovan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Assembly. Amendment #44 to House Bill 588 restores all

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granted aid lines decreased by the Governors revised budget to a level that he previously proposed this Spring. This Amendment would ensure that community grants are not cut below the original Governor's budget and it would help encourage community development attorneys to institutionization. I think we all want to do that. We've all said we want to move toward more community based operations. This is an Amendment that will allow us to do this, to do this and keep the funding at the proposed original level of the Governor's. Along with that we have some new initiatives in this Amendment that deals with grants to statewide collection of information along in the alcoholism area. We also have in the new initiatives we have a fetal alcoholism project for proper prenatal care and, in addition, we have some purchase care money in there to help hospital based treatment that we do need at times to follow up on alcoholism. I would ask for the adoption of Amendment #44 to House Bill 588. If there's any questions, I'd be glad to try to answer them."

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

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As you might guess, I rise in opposition to the Gentleman's Amendment. What we're talking about here are new initiatives primarily. The Department had budgeted a cost of living increase for the existing grants to existing community institutions and we are not dealing with that here. Primarily what we're dealing with is new initiatives. There is no area of the budget on which the Human Services Subcommittee worked longer or harder than in Mental Health. We reached, I think, a fair compromise of all the interests that were involved. At one point, the community agencies came to us and said that they thought that our cuts had been too deep. Upon reflection, we agreed with that and by later Amendment

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in Committee which is now part of the Bill we restored a great deal of that money. What we are talking about here are primarily new initiatives which we simply can't afford. I would ask for a negative vote on Amendment #44."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Donovan, to close."

Donovan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move the adoption of Amendment #44 to House Bill 588."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #44 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 80 voting 'aye', 81 voting 'no' and one voting 'present'. Representative Donovan."

Donovan: "Poll the absentees."

Speaker Ryan: "Poll the absentees, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "Poll of the absentees. Bluthardt. Deuchler. Garmisa. Hanahan. Keane. Levin. Margalus. Oblinger. Piel. Redmond. Stearney. Terzich. Vitek."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Vitek 'aye'."

Clerk O'Brien: "Yourell and Zwick."

Speaker Ryan: "On this question there are 81 voting 'aye', 81 voting 'no' and one voting 'present'. Representative Donovan."

Donovan: "Mr. Speaker, I'd like to verify the negative."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman requests a verification of the negative. Poll the negative."

Clerk O'Brien: "Abramson. Ackerman. Alstat. Barkhausen. Barnes. Barr. Bartulis. Bell. Bianco. Birkinbine. Boucek. Bower. Collins. Conti. Daniels. Davis. Deuster. Jack Dunn. Ralph Dunn. Ebbesen. Epton. Ewing."

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Speaker Ryan: "Representative Levin."

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

Speaker Ryan: "How is the Gentleman recorded? He forgot."

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

Speaker Ryan: "You're not voting."

Levin: "Vote me 'aye', please."

Speaker Ryan: "He'd like to be voted 'aye'."

Clerk O'Brien: "Pawell. Findley. Virginia Frederick. Dwight Friedrich. Griffin. Grossi. Hallock. Hallstrom. Hastert. Hoffman. Hoxsey. Hudson. Johnson. Karpel. Jim Kelley. Klenn. Kociolko. Koehler. Kucharski. Kustra. Leinenweber. Macdonald. Martire. Mays. McAuliffe. McBroom. McCormick. McMaster. Ted Meyer. R. J. Meyer. Miller. Neff. Nelson. Peters. Polk. Pullen. Reed. Reilly. Rigney. Robbins. Ropp. Sandquist. Schuneman. Irv Smith. Stanley. E. G. Steele. C. M. Stiehl. Swanstrom. Tate. Telcser. Topinka. Tuerk. Vinson. Watson. Wikoff. Winchester. J. J. Wolf. Woodyard and Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Donovan, do you have any questions?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Well, right now there is 82 'aye' and 81 'no'. So, your verification, I guess, of the affirmative is not in order. Representative Huskey, how is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Huskey: "Record me 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Piel."

Piel: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Would you vote me 'no' please?"

Speaker Ryan: "Record the Gentleman as 'no'. Representative Kulas, do you seek recognition?"

Kulas: "Yes, yes, Mr. Speaker. I don't know why, but I am being

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hounded and badgered by Members from both sides of the aisle. I don't know for what reason. They keep coming to me and asking me what the schedule for the rest of the day is. Now, I don't know, and would you be so kind, Mr. Speaker, and tell them that I don't know. But if you know, would you be so kind and indulge us with an answer. What is the program?"

Speaker Ryan: "We're going to appoint a special appropriation for you, Representative, so you can be the scheduling Chairman for the House. Representative Nelson."

Nelson: "Mr. Speaker, may I have leave to be verified, please?"

Speaker Ryan: "I am going to decline. I am going to start turning that down, Representative. I don't know how else we're going to do this, but anybody that wants to be...have leave to be verified, I am going to object to. I am going to start with you. Sorry. Are there any other questions? Representative Donovan, the count is now 82 'yes', 83 'no'. Your verification is in order. Do you have any questions?"

Donovan: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Ackerman. Abramson. Bartulis."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bartulis, he's in his chair."

Donovan: "How about Abramson?"

Speaker Ryan: "In his chair."

Donovan: "Bianco."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bianco. Representative Bianco. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Donovan: "Ralph Dunn."

Speaker Ryan: "At his desk."

Donovan: "Findley."

Speaker Ryan: "At his desk."

Donovan: "McBroom."

Speaker Ryan: "At his desk."

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Donvan: "Barr."

Speaker Ryan: "On the telephone at his desk."

Donovan: "Stanley."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Stanley is in his chair."

Donovan: "Telcser."

Speaker Ryan: "He's at his desk. Return Representative Bianco to the Roll Call. He just returned to the chamber."

Donovan: "Vinson."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Vinson. Representative Vinson. The Gentleman in the chamber? How is he recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Donovan: "Watson."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Watson is at his desk."

Donovan: "Fawell."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Fawell is up here in the middle on the Republican side. Representative Deuchler, do you seek recognition? Turn her on."

Donovan: "Hoxsey."

Speaker Ryan: "Wait. Wait just a minute. Representative Deuchler."

Deuchler: "Mr. Speaker, record me as 'yes' please."

Speaker Ryan: "Certainly. Record the Lady as 'yes'. What was your last request, Representative? Representative Yourell, do you seek recognition?"

Yourell: "May I be recorded as voting 'aye'?"

Speaker Ryan: "Record the Gentleman as 'aye'. Representative Donovan, proceed with the verification."

Donovan: "Yeah, Roland Meyer."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Roland Meyer in the chamber? On the back on your side. Return Vinson to the Roll Call. He is back in the chamber."

Donovan: "Is Representative Collins here?"

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Speaker Ryan: "Representative Collins. Yeah, he's right here."

Donovan: "Topinka."

Speaker Ryan: "She's at her desk."

Donovan: "Is Gene Hoffman here?"

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Gene Hoffman on the floor? He's in the back of the chamber. Have any further questions?"

Donovan: "No further questions."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative DiPrima, would you come to the podium please? On this question there are 84 'aye', 83 'no'. Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "I'd ask for a verification of the affirmative."

Speaker Ryan: "Poll the affirmative vote, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "Alexander, Balanoff, Beatty, Bowman, Bradley, Braun, Breslin, Brummer, Bullock, Capparelli, Carey, Catania, Chapman, Christensen, Cullerton, Currie, Darrow, Deuchler, DiPrima, Domico, Donovan, Doyle, John Dunn, Ewell, Farley, Flinn, Getty, Giglio, Giorgi, Greiman, Hannig, Henry, Huff, Jackson, Jaffe, Jones, Kane, Katz, Dick Kelly, Kornowicz, Kosinski, Krska, Kulas, Laurino, Lechowicz, Leon, Leverenz, Levin, Madigan, Matijevich, Mautino, McClain, McGrew, McPike, Mulcahey, Murphy, O'Brien, O'Connell, Ozella, Pechous, Pierce, Pouncey, Preston, Rea, Rhen, Richmond, Ronan, Saltsman, Satterthwaite, Schneider, Schraeder, Slape, Margaret Smith, Steczko, Stewart, Stuffle, Turner, Van Dwyne, Vitek, White, Sam Wolf, Younge, Yourell, and Zito."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Reilly, you start with 83 voting 'aye'...or 84 voting 'aye', 83 voting 'no'."

Reilly: "Representative Bradley."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bradley is in the chamber."

Reilly: "Breslin."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Breslin. She's right here in the chamber."

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Reilly: "Brummer."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Brummer. He's here."

Reilly: "Cullerton."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Cullerton. Representative Cullerton. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Reilly: "Farley."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Farley. Representative Farley in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Reilly: "Flinn."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Flinn. Right here in front."

Reilly: "Greiman."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Greiman. Representative Greiman in the chamber? Yeah, he's back here."

Reilly: "Representative Jones. Alright, he's in the back. Kane."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Kane."

Reilly: "He's here."

Speaker Ryan: "Where?"

Reilly: "He's over here. Representative... Well, Mr. Speaker, on the way, I normally don't like to challenge the leadership, because I know they are in their offices, and I won't this time, but I would ask the same courtesy for our leadership. Madigan, McClain, and McPike, for example, are not here. I am not going to challenge them, but Representative Telcser was challenged. I would hope we would extend that courtesy to both sides."

Speaker Ryan: "Your point is well taken."

Reilly: "Representative Murphy."

Speaker Ryan: "At his desk."

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Reilly: "O'Brien."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative O'Brien. Representative O'Brien.

O'Brien in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Reilly: "Ozella. No, he's here. Pouncey."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Pouncey. He's in his seat as
always."

Reilly: "Rea."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Rea. Representative Rea. Where is
Rea? Representative Rea in the chamber? How is the
Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Reilly: "Ronan."

Speaker Ryan: "In the back of the Republican side."

Reilly: "Appropriate. Representative Schneider."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Schneider. Representative
Schneider. Is the Gentleman in the chamber? How is he
recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Reilly: "Schraeder."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Schraeder back there?
Representative Schraeder in the chamber?"

Reilly: "Yes, he is there, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "I can't see him. Greiman's got two seats blocked
out. Representative Schraeder is there."

Reilly: "Is Representative Slape back there? I can't see."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Cullerton would like to be recorded
as voting 'aye'. Now what was your last request?"

Reilly: "Is Representative Slape back there? Yes, he is I am
told. Stuffle."

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Speaker Ryan: "Representative Slape. Yeah, he's there."

Reilly: "Stuffle."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Stuffle is right here at the..."

Reilly: ".....White."

Speaker Ryan: "In his chair."

Reilly: "Representative White is here?"

Speaker Ryan: "He's here. Yes."

Reilly: "I'm sorry. I'm sorry. Ewell."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Ewell. Representative Ewell in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Reilly: "No further questions."

Speaker Ryan: "On this question there are 79 voting 'aye', 83 voting 'no', and the Gentleman's Motion fails and the Amendment is lost. Representative DiPrima, would you come to the podium please? Representative DiPrima in the Chair. Would you take House Bill 588 out of the record for now, Mr. Clerk?"

Speaker DiPrima: "Alright, Ladies and Gentlemen,...I elected him. Well, anyway, I want to thank the Speaker for allowing us to go through our Poppy Day program. This is an annual affair that Senator Bob Mitchler and I started about 10 years ago, and it is getting bigger and better every year. And I have with me today Frank Rice from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, a past State Commander and State Legislative Chairman. And I would like to have him by my side. Frank, will you come up here please? Frank Rice. Alright, now, number one, we're going to dedicate this program to our late and beloved colleague, Senator Mary Lou Kent. As most of you know, when Mary Lou was one of our more industrial workers here, she took it upon herself to get involved with the old Soldiers' and Sailors' Home back in Quincy. And

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along with Representative Mike McClain they did a terrific job over there. In the past what had happened, monies would be appropriated to take care of the rehabilitation of the plant over there and everything, but yearly all the monies that would be appropriated would be thrown back into the general fund, and there was no monies being spent out there, and the place was being neglected. But...due to Mary Lou Kent's perseverance along with Mike McClain, they've made that one of the best state homes for the Veterans in the country. And that is why we're dedicating this program to our late and beloved colleague, Senator Mary Lou Kent. Now for those of you that are new here, back in the 20's there was a preacher or a minister by the name of Billy Sunday. And after he gave his sermon at his church, what he would do, he would have the fellows go around with tin plates, and this was during the 20's I want you to know, and he would say to the crowd, 'I don't want to hear a sound.' You know, in other words, don't drop a quarter and take a poppy because number one, these poppies are made at the Veterans' hospitals by the Veterans themselves. It acts as a rehabilitation program. And in addition to that, they are paid about 15¢ for making up each of the poppies, and then there is the containers. So...and the advertising, and what have you. By the time all is said and done it is going to cost close to half a dollar for a poppy, and then the containers and everything. So don't...don't be bashful. Throw in at least a dollar. And if you throw in in the excess of five dollars you will be given an honorable mention...honorable mention. Alright, we're going to start the program off with our own Gordon Ropp who passed the Bill making it a pleasure for us every morning to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. And here's Gordon Ropp. Will all of you join us

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in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag?"

Ropp et al: "I Pledge Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Speaker DiPrima: "Thank you. Thank you, Gordon. Now I want to introduce Larry Bullock for a little recitation. Larry. An added runner. You know, a late starter."

Bullock: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, 113 years ago our nation observed its first Memorial Day. This observance came in recognition of the sacrifice made by some 360,000 men who died during the Civil War. With this program today we are honoring our war dead from coast to coast and around the world. I am indeed delighted, I am indeed pleased to have this honor to be a part of the program. Memorial Day is a little different this year, for the killing has stopped, and we feel relieved knowing that our young men will not be called to face the supreme sacrifice. More than 1,000,000 men died in war since our country was founded and had its beginning. And more than 29,000,000 living Americans have served in our armed services. Recognition must be given to our veterans by upgrading the quality as well as the quantity of care that they receive. I, for one, will assist in honoring our dead by serving the living with my legislative ability. Thank you."

Speaker DiPrima: "Thank you, Larry. That is the...what the Veterans of Foreign Wars stress their program. We serve the dead by helping the living. Alright, now we'll have a little recitation of 'Your Land and My Land' by Representative Craig Findley. And as you know, his dad is Congressman Findley from this area and a loyal supporter of veterans' programs in Washington. And I am happy to have Craig here and join our ranks and herein recite this little

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pro...recitation of 'Your Land and My Land' by Craig Findley. Proceed."

Findley: "In the end, more than they wanted freedom, they wanted security.' More than 200 years ago Edward Given wrote these words about the demise of the Roman Empire, but he could have been speaking about our nation only yesterday. Whenever people decide it is better to depend on others rather than being independent, they are actually throwing away their freedom. And it seems to be a complication of freedom which causes so many people to deny the love of liberty and yield to total dependence. We're descended from rugged men and women who had a fierce love of liberty and a burning desire to be free and independent of all incumberances. But have we learned that it is harder to hold what we have gained than it was to have gained it? And are we willing to give up security to help recapture beliefs in the traditional values of our heritage? How would our ancestors have survived without integrity, honor, a concern for the other person, and an intense love of God, home, and country? We are all aware of a recent revival of the spirit of patriotism in this country. To keep it growing, everyone in the United States must be willing to endure the necessary hardship so that once again with concerted hard work and with God's help, America will recapture the spirit which made this country a shining example of freedom and democracy."

Speaker DiPrima: "Thank you, Craig. Alright, now we'll hear from Susan Anthony Catania. The Anthony comes from that coin that was minted by the name of Susan Anthony...no, this is no joking matter. Susan is the one that passed the legislation or the Resolution here in the House that helped eventually make this thing possible. And now we have the Susan Anthony coin. But anyway, Susan Catania will honor

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us with her recitation of 'In Flanders' Fields the Poppies Grow'. Susie."

Catania: "In Flanders' Fields the poppies blow between the crosses row on row that mark our place. And in the sky the larks, still bravely singing fly scarce heard among the guns below. We are the dead. Short days ago we lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, loved, and were loved. And now we lie in Flanders' Fields. Take up our quarrel with the foe. To you, from failing hands, we throw the torch. Be yours to hold it high. If ye break faith with us who die, we shall not sleep, though poppies grow in Flanders' Fields."

Speaker DiPrima: "Thank you, Susie. Alright, now we will hear a President John F. Kennedy remembrance given by Jim Kelley. Jim."

Kelley: "In 1962, President John F. Kennedy was reminded during a public address of the old verse scrolled on a sentry box more than 300 years ago. It goes, 'God and soldier all men adore in times of trouble and no more. For when war is over and all things are righted, God is neglected, the old soldier slighted.' Recently events bear out the late President's belief that the more distant time moves from the sound of battle, the more dim public memory becomes of sacrifices exacted at the price for victory. And the greater the inclination to challenge veteran's programs once accepted as just and reasonable."

Speaker DiPrima: "Thank you, Jim. This is very true today, Ladies and Gentlemen. Alright, now we're going to have a version of the song 'My Buddy' given by Carol Braun. Carol, make the best of it."

Braun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (Sings) Days are long since you went away. I dream about you all through the day, My Buddy. My Buddy, no buddy quite so true. I miss your

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voice, the touch of your hand. Just long to know that you understand, My Buddy, My Buddy. Your buddy misses you."

Speaker DiPrima: "Thank you, Carol. That was wonderful. Judy, did you get your stuff together? Okay, now we will hear from Judy Topinka who will recite a poem by Springfield's own Vachel Lindsay titled 'Abraham Lincoln Walks at Midnight'. Take it away, Judy."

Topinka: "It is portentous and a thing of state that here at midnight in our little town a mourning figure walks and will not rest near the old court house, pacing up and down. Or by his homestead or in shadowed yards, he lingers where his children used to play. Or through the market on the well-worn stones he stalks until the dawn stars burn away. A bronze, lank man, his suit of ancient black, a famous high top hat and plain worn shawl make him the quaint brave figure that men love. The prairie lawyer, master of us all. He cannot sleep upon his hillside now. He is among us, as in times before. And we who toss and lie awake for long, breathe deep and start to see him pass the door. His head is bowed. He thinks on men and kings. Yea, when the sick world cries, how can he sleep? Too many peasants fight, they know not why. Too many homesteads in black terror weep. The sins of all the warlords burn his heart. He sees the dread nots scoring every main. He carries on his shawl-wrapped shoulders now the bitterness, the folly, and the pain. He cannot rest until a spirit dawn shall come. The shining hope of Europe free, the league of sober folk, the workers earth bringing long peace to corn land, Alp, and sea. It breaks his heart that kings must murder still, that all his hours of travail here for men seem yet in vain. And who will bring white peace that he may sleep upon his hill again?"

Speaker DiPrima: "Thank you, Judy. As you will all recall,

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Vachel Lindsay was often quoted in Washington by our late and beloved Senator Everett Dirksen. He was...Vachel Lindsay was one of his favorites. And Judy comes from a very proud heritage of veterans over in that area there. I know my Legion post is in that area, and they have some big posts. The Cicero post of the American Legion, and the Berwyn post of the American Legion, two of the biggest posts in the state. And Boucek is from that area, too, and John Kociolko, and that is former, our late and beloved friend, Joe 'Subsalaria' and the new Mayor of Cicero, Henry Klosak. He gets me at the race track whenever I go to the race track. Alright, now we're going to have a recitation by Barbara Currie of what Memorial Day means to us. Barbara."

Currie: "This is a statement found by our own Mr. Memorial Day, our own Mr. Veteran, Representative Larry DiPrima: 'Memorial Day is an all American holiday. It is a day when the normal pace of American life slows briefly as the Nation pays tribute to the men and women who gave their lives that we might breathe the sweet air of freedom. The meaning and purpose of this day are clear. It is a day of remembrance. For many, the memories are bittersweet. Memories of loved ones who gave their lives for their country and for freedom. Memories, too, of those who served and came home from war to live out their lives among their loved ones. Their service and sacrifices were essential to the preservation of freedom just as were the sacrifices of those who died on the fields of battle. This day holds special meaning for the Gold Star Mother as she fondly remembers a son who died for his country. This day holds special meaning for the Nation's 30,000,000 military veterans as they remember their former comrades in arms. And this day holds a special meaning for all of us, for all

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Americans. We have not forgotten."

Speaker DiPrima: "Thank you, Barbara. Alright, now we were going to have the Oreo trio comprised of Margaret Smith, Jill Zwick, and Judy Koehler. But I understand there was a death in Jill Zwick's family, so instead of a trio we're going to have a duet comprised of Margaret Smith and Judy Koehler who will give their rendition of the song, 'Trees', which was composed by Joyce Kilner who was killed in action in World War I. Judy and Margaret with the song, 'Trees'."

Koehler and Smith: "(Sings) I think that I shall never see a poem as lovely as a tree. A tree whose hungry mouth is pressed against the earth's sweet flowing breasts. A tree that looks at God all day and lifts her leafy arms to pray. A tree that may in summer wears a nest of robins in her hair, upon whose bosom snow has lain, who winter mainly lives with rain. Poems are made by fools like me, but only God can make a tree."

Speaker DiPrima: "Thank you, Margaret and Judy. Alright, now we're going to have Taylor Pouncey acting as Chairman of the Democratic side. Eugenia Chapman, Laz Murphy and Bob Pechous go around with the poppies. Now as I said, you know...well, see, they beat me to the punch. They should have waited till I gave the word. And on the Republican side we will have Jack...Jake Wolf, Phil Collins, Ray Hudson, and Ben Polk. Now we'll close the program by all of us singing the song, 'America'. How does it start? I kind of forgot."

Chamber: "(Sings) Oh beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountains majesty above the fruited plain. America, America, God shed His grace on thee and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea."

Speaker DiPrima: "Thank you. I just want our past State

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Commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Frank 'Brice', to say a couple of words before we close. Go ahead, Frank."

'Brice': "One thing I want to say, I am sure glad that Larry don't handle our veterans' Bills like he sings. No, in behalf of our State Commander, Jim 'Pelton', he wished to express his thanks for your taking your time out from what I know a busy schedule to pay tribute to those of the veterans who have passed away and are now lying in graves all over the world. Thank you very much."

Speaker DiPrima: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Thank you. Well done, Colonel. The next part of the program will be conducted by Representative Davis. Representative Jack Davis will be in the Chair. Representative Davis."

Speaker Davis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Beautiful presentation, Larry, as always, but now to the lighter side to the Order of Special Order of Resolutions. Move to that Order, Mr. Clerk. Will you read House Resolution 335?"

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution 335, whereas Mike Royko has called for war beteen Chicago..."

Speaker Davis: "Royko."

Clerk O'Brien: "...And the rest of the state to settle all outstanding disputes; and whereas the downstate and suburban Legislators have formed a Continental Congress to plan for the possibility of war with Chicago; and whereas the Continental Congress has commissioned two selective service units to draft men and women for the Army of downstate yokels and polyester suburbanites; and whereas the Continental Congress has asked all downstate and suburban farmers to embargo all grain shipments to Chicago; and whereas the Continental Congress has commissioned commando units to blow up gas lines and for Chicago to mine the Chicago harbors when ordered; and whereas the State of

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Illinois is faced with the greatest threat to its peace and tranquility since the war between the states; and whereas the continuing deterioration of the situation has brought us to the brink of confrontation with the forces of the city that works as represented by the Chicago Corporal Irregulars, and the Gold Coast Gunnies, and the most terrifying guerrilla force of all that is named appropriately for its leader, Royko's Rummies Regular Marching, Crying, and Boozing Corps; and whereas the above named forces are posed for a swift and terrifying mechanized thrust into suburban snobbery territories with the eye towards quick capitulation of the manicured and peaceful terrain and then on to the rolling farmlands and towns that house the notorious and feared country bumpkins and dung-spotted hillbillies; and whereas the forces of the suburban snobs and the downstate bumpkins have mutual defense interests to protect their lives, property, and most importantly their ewes, and cows, and female donkeys from the invading forces. Therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the 82nd General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that former State Representative Ronald Griesheimer, Commander in Chief of land forces of the State of Illinois in the recent economic wars, he brought from his retirement and commissioned the Field Marshal of the snob bumpkin forces to lead us into combat in the conflict that is certain to come. And be it further resolved that Field Marshal Griesheimer's forces be joined by Illinois Naval Auxiliary Defense Corps commanded by Commander Jack Davis and Commander Jake Wolf in support and in the event of water barn shortage by the dreaded Royko Rummies."

Speaker Davis: "As usual, fine job, Mr. Clerk. Will the doorkeeper clear the center aisle, please? Commander Wolf,

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will you lay up to the bridge? Side boys, lay up to the quarter deck rail. The Chair...you've heard the Motion. You've heard the Resolution. All in favor of Resolution 335 signify by saying 'aye', 'aye', all opposed 'nay'. The Motion is carried. The Resolution is adopted. The Chair recognizes the doorkeeper, Ivan Petefish."

Doorkeeper: "Mr. Speaker, the Honorable Field Marshal, Ronald Griesheimer, former Representative and his Party wishes to be admitted to this chamber."

Speaker Davis: "Thank you, Mr. Doorkeeper. The Chair recognizes Lieutenant Commander Reed in charge of honors and morale for the Defense Corps."

Reed: "Mr. Speaker,..."

Speaker Davis: "Hit the music, Betty. Right-hand salute, left-hand salute. Commander Wolf, pipe the Field Marshal aboard the bridge. Left-hand salute. Welcome aboard, Field Marshal Griesheimer."

Griesheimer: "Thank you, Admiral. Mr. Speaker, fellow Americans, a great American in December 23, 19...1776, said, 'These are the times that try men's souls.' The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will in this crisis shrink from the service of his country. But he that stands it now deserves the love and thanks of men and women, especially if the men and women are from downstate and suburban Cook County. I come before you today asking you to come to arms to preserve the union of Illinois. A fearsome, I may add, fearsome anarchist by the name of Czar Michaeloffski Roykovich has championed a dogma of city secession through the new rebel group known as, and mark this, mark this well, the Radical Terrorist Anarchists; also known as the RTA. Czar Royko has insulted and held up to scorn each and every good suburbanite and downstate Legislator. He has referred to those Legislators as, and I will quote,

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small-town bumpkins,...simple-minded rustics, and has stated further that they talk funny, eat greasy food, and are nothing more than hillbillies. More than insulting, more than insulting, he has declared war of a city secession. He has suggested disconnecting suburban bus service. He has further suggested stopping the trains at the city limits. He has suggested toll booths, toll booths would you believe, at the entry of all streets going into the City of Chicago. He has suggested that every Chicago resident should have an I.D. card, and the I.D. card would be used for preferential treatment in restaurants, theaters, and of course, men's washrooms. Downstate Legislators and suburban Legislators, are we going to stand for this? I call upon you, then, to join the Grand Army of Royal Yokels and Snug Suburbanites. Having recently been released from a Wisconsin POW camp where I've been for the last year, also the reason, I may add, that I didn't campaign very well, I will lead the attack on four fronts. The fronts will come from Lake County on the North, DuPage County on the West, and of course, Will County on the South. But we shall also have another front that they never thought of. We shall have a front from the water, led by our two great Admirals, Black Jack Davis and Jake, The Big Bad Wolf. We would point out that they will come in by silt through the affluent left by the Gary overflow. They will not even be noticed until the wind changes. We will destroy nothing but rather bring hope and prosperity to this besieged and beleaguered city. We will offer a new transportation system called walking, bike riding, and horseback riding. The old RTA system will be captured in its entirety and will be removed to a new place in Illinois and become under the great leadership of our great Legislator, Clarence Neff, the Stronghurst Transportation

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Authority. I would point out to you further that only old Buicks will be used in this system. We'll bring culture to the City of Chicago with the opera and the symphony from Springfield, Champaign, and Decatur. But most importantly we will bring back competitive sports to Chicago by selling the Chicago Cubs and moving the Moweagua Little League to the City of Chicago. Great Americans, as calling upon you today, I want you to know that while there will be no death and no destruction, there will be prisoners. Mark my word, there will be prisoners. All elected city officials...city officials, Gentlemen. Feel safe down there. I see Representative Yourell a little nervous. All city officials will be placed in a new POW camp in Rosiclare, Illinois to be known as Winchesterville. All RTA employees shall be assigned to pig farms under the directorship of General Monroe Flinn and General Glen Bower. But last and most importantly, the great culprit Czar Michaeloffski Roykovich shall be sentenced to life imprisonment under the control of General Tim Bell. And worse than that, he will be sentenced to Moline. Moline. But peace be with you. We found out it only costs 25¢ a day to keep a prisoner in a prison in Moline. Indeed, we will conquer the towering buildings of Chicago through the assistance of the person who has been able to conquer the tallest building. Yes, Spiderman has joined our efforts, and I have hot news for you. Spiderman is really a Gentleman from Kankakee, yes, he is the Speaker. Able to leap tall buildings in a single bound. Ladies and Gentlemen, I stand before you today and plead with you, give us freedom from RTA or give us death. I salute you all."

Speaker Davis: "Thank you, Field Marshal. Mayor Wolf, pipe the Field Marshal over the side. Commander Reed, honors.

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Left-hand salute. Ladies and Gentlemen, that concludes. The enlistment officers will be around to talk to you a little bit later. There are Commissions available for everyone because we're very fair downstate. Everybody is going to be at least a Lieutenant Commander, so come and see us all."

Speaker Ryan: "The House will be in order. The Members will be in their seats. Mr. Doorkeeper, would you clear the chamber? House Bill 588. Amendment #45. Read the Amendment, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #45, Steczo - Margaret Smith, amends House Bill 588 as amended in Section 6 by deleting and so forth."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Steczo on Amendment #45. Put #45 on the Board, would you, Jack, please?"

Steczko: "Mr. Speaker, I ask leave to withdraw Amendment #45."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw #45. Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #46, Braun, amends House Bill 588..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Braun on Amendment #46."

Braun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. After that bit of frivolity that we all enjoyed, I would like to call your attention to a very serious matter and to the issue presented by Amendment #46. Right now in the State of Illinois, we are providing to the poor an average of 47¢ per meal per day to live on. That is \$1.41 a day for food for the members of a family of four. Broken down, that is 47¢ per meal. For that reason, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I have filed Amendment #46 which seeks to give a modest increase in the level of grant assistance to public aid recipients. It is only a five percent increase, and further still, this increase presented in this Amendment is delayed until

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January 1 which represents only half of a year. I want to point out, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, that the grant levels for a family of four in public aid has increased by only 16% in the last several years while the cost of living has risen dramatically. Even more troublesome, and I do wish you'd hear me out on this, even more troublesome is the fact that the medical costs in the public aid budget have increased some 63%. Now, we have a situation here in which I fear the cart has gotten before the horse. We are providing astronomical amounts of money for medical care and yet not providing adequate levels of grants for people to provide for all the other basic necessities, food, housing, clothing, shelter, and transportation. The amount that I quoted to you, 47¢ per meal per day, includes grants for food stamps as well as the basic grant. I do wish you would listen carefully to these figures, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, because what we are facing in Illinois is a scandal in our public aid system which says to people, 'We will give you 47¢ a day per meal to eat on, but we will pay to others astronomical amounts for medical care'. I submit to you, Ladies and Gentlemen, that that is counter-productive. That is not fair. That belies the whole purpose of public assistance. We should be providing basic levels of grants as our first priority. Health services are but a part of the needs of the poor. They have to buy clothing. They have to have housing. They have to ride transportation if they are even to look for work. They have to be able to provide for the basic necessities of life. And we have a situation in the State of Illinois in which those expenses, all of those expenses have risen again only by 16% in the last few years, whereas the medical costs alone have risen 63%. Right now the total grant level for a family of four

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when combined with food stamps per month is \$368. So we are...see a budgetary breakdown again, of a \$1.41 a day for food, \$3.00 a day for all other expenses. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I believe that is an intolerable situation. We have...we are all familiar with the cost of living, how it has risen for us all. And even though we are in these belt-tightening times and in recognition of the fact that we are in belt-tightening times, I submit to you that the poor have no more tightening. There is no more tightening they can do, That we should rearrange and readjust some of these allocations. I have an Amendment that will follow this that will roll back the increase that was given in physician reimbursements over the summer quietly - most of you didn't even know about it or vote on it - roll back the physician increase in an effort to provide the dollars to fund this cost of living for public aid recipients without going over the Governor's budget. I call for your consideration and your favorable response to Amendment #46."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion? The Gentleman from Marion, Representative Friedrich."

Friedrich: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Ryan: "Indicates she will."

Friedrich: "How does the present rate of payment for this...for food and so on compare to Missouri, Kentucky, Indiana, the neighboring states here?"

Braun: "I have that, Representative, and I am glad you asked that question. The neighboring states, I have the figures for 1979, the neighboring states are all...Wisconsin is...Illinois is 21.7%...the monthly grant of 350 was 21.7% of the state median income. Everybody else..."

Friedrich: "No, let's talk about dollars."

Braun: "Okay, well, \$350 a month for a family of four in

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Illinois. Okay, Rhode Island, \$359..."

Friedrich: "Let's talk about the neighboring states. That was my question."

Braun: "Michigan, \$531. Wisconsin, \$492. What else...Iowa, \$395..."

Friedrich: "How about Missouri, Kentucky, and Indiana. That is the ones I asked about."

Braun: "Well, Representative, I am giving you the figures. I mean, it takes me a minute to look. You want specifically what states now?"

Friedrich: "Missouri, Kentucky, and Indiana. That is the area that is surrounding the area where I live."

Braun: "Wait, I have to look for those...I don't have Indiana here. I have Michigan, Wisconsin, those neighboring states. Iowa. Iowa is \$395. Michigan, \$531. Wisconsin, \$492. I don't have Indiana on this particular chart. I..."

Friedrich: "Or Missouri or Kentucky. You don't have any of those?"

Braun: "Kentucky I believe I do have. One second. No, Sir. I don't have Kentucky. Do you know, if you know the figures..."

Friedrich: "Well, I can tell you...I can tell you we're already higher than they are."

Braun: "Well, Representative, in response to that, again, I say to you that we are familiar, all of us in this room, with Illinois cost of living and with the facts and circumstances in this state. And in this state there is not a person in this room, I think, who would countenance 47¢ per person per meal which is what we're giving poor people in this state to live on."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? The Lady from Cook, Representative Stewart."

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Stewart: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Many of us complain that we can't meet our daily expenses on the current per diem of \$36 a day which would allow X...you know, dollars for meals. But I wonder if we had a per diem of 49 or 47¢ for each meal, perhaps it would be pretty good because I would think that a lot of us would lose a lot of weight. I think that the question is not 'What does Missouri provide for their poor?', but 'What are we in Illinois going to provide for our poor?'. At the cost of 49¢ per day for per meal, we all know that that is inadequate. The Sponsor is simply requesting a modest increase, and I would urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? The Gentleman from Morgan, Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just briefly in opposition to the Amendment. The bottom line here is plain and simple, 24 1/2 million dollars. There is again discussion of some offsetting cuts, but again, they don't exist. There is indeed a later Amendment that would cut \$9,000,000 from the physicians' line, but as you will notice, that is less than half the amount, and...and that is followed up by an Amendment that adds 14 1/2 million dollars to the medical line item. There simply are no offsetting cuts. If you want a Roll Call, if you want your name on a Roll Call that adds 24 1/2 million dollars to the public aid budget, whatever Party you're from, fine. I think most of us know that money doesn't exist, and we're holding out a false promise to people of money they're not going to get. We should vote 'no' on this Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Ewell."

Ewell: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, I think you ought to put it in perspective. When you talk about 47¢ a meal, you have to remember that some of us have a hog support price

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that is better than 47¢ a meal."

Speaker Ryan: "Any further discussion? Representative Conti."

Conti: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, just roughly speaking, I am looking at the next four Amendments, Amendment #46 through 49. We are just short...if we pass those four Amendments we will be short \$8,000,000 to \$100,000,000 that we're adding on to the budget with these next four Amendments. \$91.2 million dollars for these next four Amendments. Keep that in mind."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? The Gentleman...The Lady from Cook, Representative Braun, to close."

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

Speaker Ryan: "Just a minute, Representative. Representative Younge, did you want to...before she closes?"

Younge: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wanted to ask the Sponsor a question."

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

Younge: "Representative Braun, would you describe for us something of the mental and physical effect on a child that is undernourished, that is consistently over...throughout their childhood who receives less than an adequate diet?"

Braun: "Thank you, Representative. I...without going into all of the social and psychological and physical effects, I can say to you all, Illinois has one of the highest infant mortality rates in this country. Babies dying...Chicago, in fact, has an infant mortality rate that exceeds 'Batswana', for that matter. But I submit to you that with 47¢ per person per meal, I was stunned. I've got to tell you, I've been doing these public aid budgets, working with the public aid budgets for some time. But 47¢ per person per meal indicates the gravity of this situation.

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It...yes, it is going to cost money, but I submit to you that if we are appropriating money for the doctors and money for the hospitals and money for everything else, the roads and bridges and dams, the least we could do is feed those among us who cannot feed themselves. And we're talking about children in the main. Over 80% of the people who are affected by this budget are children. With regard to the budgetary constraints, I respond to Representative Conti and Representative Reilly by pointing out that neither of them mentioned that Amendment #50 which Representative Reilly is going to offer, adds \$80,000,000 to this budget. Well, it is in there. It is filed. It is an \$80,000,000 add on. And it seems to me appropriate, and I hope it seems to all of you, not only appropriate, but essential, that we undo some of the terrible, terrible neglect that we are foisting on the people of this state by limiting them to this kind of an allowance without providing for an increase to...it won't even keep up with inflation, an increase that will at least begin to ameliorate some of the problem. This increase, 5%, is not going to even take them to the 50¢ per person per meal level. Now, I can't...I can't make a stronger argument than that. We're talking about basic necessities of life. We're talking about food. We're talking about shelter, transportation, clothing, the basics that we all have to provide. And if there is a one of you, a one of you in this Legislature, and including myself, who can live on 47¢ per person per meal, then I would like to have that person volunteer to go with me on a welfare diet for the next month...till the end of this Session. I think we won't very well be able to survive the rest of this process if we do that. I encourage your 'aye' vote for Amendment #46."

Speaker Ryan: "The Lady moves for the adoption of Amendment #46"

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to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Pouncey, one minute to explain your vote. Representative Pouncey...no, he doesn't seek recognition. Representative Younge, for what purpose do you rise?"

Younge: "Mr. Speaker, I want to very briefly explain why I am voting green or 'aye' for this."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative, I believe you spoke in debate."

Younge: "No, I asked a question."

Speaker Ryan: "Same thing. Representative Leverenz, one minute to explain your vote."

Leverenz: "Well, Mr. Speaker, it is very interesting and hopefully we can get a few more green votes up there. Earlier a Gentleman tried to show the surrounding states being lower. I don't think we can get much lower than we are already. A person that applies can't even keep at a subsistence level, let alone exist. And it is, as the Sponsor of the Amendment pointed out, a disgrace and probably the next big scandal for Illinois. I would urge more green votes."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman from Chicago, Representative Epton."

Epton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentleman. It is with great relucta predecessor, Bob Mann, was down here for many years and fought extremely hard and extremely well for the poor, the disabled, and the needy, just as my colleague is presently doing so. There is no question that her argument is valid. These people cannot...are unable to subsist on these sums. However, there is something even more terrible, and that is making a promise which will not be kept. There is absolutely no way in which the Governor will sign this Bill, nor will his veto be overridden. It's simply a shame to promise these poor people who have so

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little to hope for to suggest that they will get additional funds when they will never, never receive this money. And for that reason, I reluctantly vote 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Jones. One minute to explain your vote."

Jones: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise in support of this Amendment. Though we on this side of the aisle realize that we are facing a financial crunch in the State of Illinois, but we do not intend to place all of the burden on the persons who can least afford it, and that is the poor of the State of Illinois. Sure, Representative Epton, we know about the people in your Legislative District who need these monies. Sure we know that the Governor of the State of Illinois doesn't care about the poor, but we are a Legislative Body. It is our responsibility to look out for those who can least afford to take care of themselves. So if we do pass this legislation and the Governor does veto it, it is our duty as Legislators to override that veto if necessary to see that those people who cannot help themselves, those persons who are on the bottom of the rung, those persons who are only getting 47¢ per meal, it is our..."

Speaker Ryan: "Proceed for another..."

Jones: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. That was a little short of time. But it is our moral responsibility as Legislators to help those who cannot help themselves. I know we, the Democrats, have always prided ourselves in helping those who could not help themselves, and I wish the Gentlemen on the other side of the aisle would do likewise and help the poor."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bullock, one minute to explain his vote."

Bullock: "Mr. Speaker, I'll take about 30 seconds explaining my

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'aye' vote. At about 14 counties in the southern part of the State of Illinois, 45% of the people who live in those counties over age 65 are not only poor, but they are senior citizens. I think they need this Bill for those of you who live in those areas. I think you'd do yourselves and your constituents a great service by assisting them."

Speaker Ryan: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Currie. One minute."

Currie: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. Explaining my 'yes' vote. Popular these days to talk about safety nets, to talk about how we are, in fact, going to take care of those who are most in need, those who are least able to take care of themselves. I don't think anybody in this House of Representatives can go home and talk to his or her constituents and use that kind of language, suggest that we are, in fact, providing any kind of safety catch for the people who are poor and needy if they are not voting green on this critical Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Representative Braun."

Braun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would like to respond a bit about the Governor's role and to respond to Representative Epton's comments. The Governor has seen the need in the past. I think if we send him a message that we would like to see a readjustment in this budget to provide for these basic needs, that he will respond. I know that the Governor is as aware of this problem, of this scandal, of this situation in Illinois, as much as we are in this room. And I submit to you, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, that with the sufficient votes on this Bill...I am confident. I have not talked to the Governor, and I don't want to make any representation, but I am confident that at least the Governor will hear out the call and the cry of those who want to see some modest

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increase in the grant levels for the most needy in this state. I believe particularly with the other reductions in this budget, that we will be able to fiscally handle...We will be able to fiscally handle whatever addition to the budget this Amendment will make."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there is 72 voting 'aye', 84 voting 'no', none voting 'present'. Representative Braun."

Braun: "I would like a Poll of the Absentees."

Speaker Ryan: "Poll the Absentees, Mr. Clerk. Representative Braun, is Senator Totten working the floor on this issue for you?"

Braun: "I wish."

Clerk O'Brien: "Poll of the Absentees. Barnes, Capparelli, Garmisa, Hanahan, Keane, Kosinski, Kustra, Macdonald, Margulas, Martire, McGrew, Oblinger, Redmond, Robbins, Slape, Irv Smith, Stearney, Telcser, Terzich, Van Duyne, and Zwick."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any changes? On this question there are 72 voting 'aye',...Representative Braun."

Braun: "Mr. Speaker, a verification of the negative vote please."

Speaker Ryan: "The Lady has asked for a verification of the negative. Poll the negative."

Clerk O'Brien: "Abramson, Ackerman, Alstat, Barkhausen, Barr, Bartulis, Bell, Bianco, Birkinbine, Bluthardt, Boucek, Bower, Collins, Conti, Daniels, Davis, Deuchler, Deuster, Donovan, Jack Dunn, Ralph Dunn, Ebbesen, Epton, Ewing, Fawell, Findley, Virginia Frederick, Dwight Friedrich, Grossi, Hallock, Hallstrom, Hannig, Hastert, Hoffman, Hoxsey, Hudson, Huskey, Johnson, Karpiel, Jim Kelley, Klemm, Kociolko, Koehler, Leinenweber, Mays, McAuliffe, McBroom, McCormick, McMaster, Ted Meyer, R.J. Meyer, Miller, Neff, Nelson, O'Connell, Ozella, Pechous, Peters,

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Piel, Polk, Pullen, Rea, Reed, Reilly, Rigney, Ropp, Sandquist, Schraeder, Schuneman, Stanley, E.G. Steele, C.M. Stiehl, Stuffle, Swanstrom, Tate, Topinka, Tuerk, Vinson, Watson, Wikoff, Winchester, J.J. Wolf, Woodyard, and Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any questions, Representative Braun?"

Braun: "Yes, there are, Mr. Speaker. Representative Bell."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bell is in his seat. Hello."

Braun: "Representative Bianco."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bianco. Representative Bianco back there? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Braun: "Representative Birkinbine. Oh, I'm sorry."

Speaker Ryan: "In the aisle."

Braun: "Representative Bluthardt."

Speaker Ryan: "In his chair."

Braun: "Representative Conti."

Speaker Ryan: "We have an agreement, Representative Braun, that Representative Conti would not be verified. I am sure he is here. Do you persist?"

Braun: "Alright...No. Representative Daniels here? Yeah, there he is. Alright, Representative Davis."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Davis. Representative Davis. Is the Gentleman in the chamber? Has he been captured? How is the Gentleman voted?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Braun: "Representative Dunn."

Speaker Ryan: "Which Dunn?"

Braun: "John."

Speaker Ryan: "Ralph..."

Braun: "John."

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Speaker Ryan: "John Dunn. How is Representative Dunn? He's here..."

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

Braun: "Oh, I'm sorry. Jack Dunn."

Speaker Ryan: "Jack Dunn is here also."

Braun: "So many Dunns. We've got three of them up here."

Speaker Ryan: "Alright, and Ralph Dunn is here. So you can cross all the Dunns off."

Braun: "Representative...Representative Ewing."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Ewing is in his chair."

Braun: "Where? Oh, okay. Representative...Representative Findley. Oh he's...sorry."

Speaker Ryan: "He's at his desk."

Braun: "Representative Grossi."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Grossi is on the...in the aisle."

Braun: "Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Hoffman. Representative Hoffman in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Braun: "Representative Keane."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Keane."

Braun: "Oh, sorry. Sorry. Representative Klemm."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Klemm. Representative Klemm. In the back of the chamber."

Braun: "Representative Koehler."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Koehler, right down here in front of you."

Braun: "Oh, alright. Representative Leinenweber."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Leinenweber. Representative Leinenweber. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

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Braun: "Representative Meyer, Ted."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Meyer. Representative Ted Meyer.

How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him. Representative Meyer. Add
Representative Hoffman back on."

Braun: "Representative Miller."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Miller is in his seat."

Braun: "Representative Pullen."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Pullen. Is she back there? I
can't see. She's in her chair."

Braun: "Representative Rea."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Rea. Representative Rea. Is the
Gentleman in the chamber? Where? Oh, he's in the back.
Return Representative Ted Meyer to the Roll Call."

Braun: "Representative Hannig."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Hannig, right there."

Braun: "Representative Ropp."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Ropp. Representative Ropp. Is the
Gentleman in the chamber? How is he recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Braun: "Representative Stuffle."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Stuffle. Representative Stuffle.
Is the Gentleman in the chamber? How is he recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Braun: "Representative Kosinski."

Speaker Ryan: "Kosinski. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman's not voting."

Braun: "Representative Topinka."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Topinka is in her chair."

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Braun: "Representative, I think Representative Vinson just came back."

Speaker Ryan: "I can't hear you, Representative."

Braun: "Representative Vinson... No. There he is. He just came back."

Speaker Ryan: "Vinson is here."

Braun: "No further questions."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Robbins. Record Representative Robbins as 'no'. Representative Kustra 'no'. Representative Macdonald 'no'. Return Representative Stuffle to the Roll Call. Return Representative Leinenweber to the Roll Call. Return Representative Davis to the Roll Call. Representative Van Dwyne. 'Aye'? Record Representative Van Dwyne as 'aye'. Are there any other changes? Representative Barnes 'no'. Alright. Are there any other changes? Representative Martire 'no'. Any other changes? What's the count? There are 73 voting 'aye' and 87 voting 'no', none voting 'present' and the Lady's Motion loses and the Amendment is lost. Representative Daniels, do you have an announcement?"

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, for the Members of the House you may be interested to know that Rita Redmond, the wife of Speaker Redmond, has been admitted to the Memorial Hospital of DuPage County. She is in serious condition. She is diagnosed as having viral hepatitis and obstructive jaundice. At the present time she is in surgery. If you want to jot this down for cards or messages. The name is Rita Redmond, Memorial Hospital of DuPage County, 200 Berteau B E R T E A U, Elmhurst and that's 60126 is the Zip Code. It's room 4106. Memorial Hospital of DuPage County, 200 Berteau, Elmhurst, Illinois, 60126, room 4106. The hospital has told me that they will call when they receive the word from surgery, but it

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doesn't look good for the time right now. Those of you that love and admire Speaker Redmond as I do and as Representative Hoffman does, I'm sure he would appreciate receiving a note from you and we'll keep you advised as soon as we hear."

Speaker Ryan: "Thank you, Representative Daniels. Representative Robbins, do you seek recognition? No. Just to point out to you, Representative Kulas, in case you ever ask anymore questions about the schedule. It looks like it's going to be a long day, maybe a long week. If we proceed at the pace we are, we'll be here this weekend. I had intended to adjourn fairly early, late this afternoon or early this evening. We haven't moved the first Bill. We're on Amendment 46 to this Bill and there are 70 filed. So I think you can plan on sticking around for awhile today and the rest of the week and I wouldn't make any great plans for the weekend. Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #47, Braun, amends House Bill 588 as amended by deleting Section..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Braun on Amendment #47."

Braun: "Represent... Mr., Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Amendments 47, 48 and 49 have really been covered, I suppose, by this last vote. It raises the issue of whether or not we want to give physician providers an increase in the budget while we fail to give any increases for people to have basic needs provided or subsidized. So, since we've already had a debate on that and a Roll Call, I will withdraw, Mr. Speaker, Amendment 47, Amendment 48 and Amendment 49."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw Amendment 47, 48 and 49. Further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #50, Reilly, amends House Bill 588 as amended on page 22, line 24 and so forth."

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Speaker Ryan: "Representative Reilly on Amendment #50."

Reilly: "I withdraw Amendment #50."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw 50. Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #51, Matijevec, amends House Bill 588 as amended on page one, line 15 and so forth."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevec on Amendment #51."

Matijevec: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Amendment #51 to House Bill 588 is a reduction in the amount of 592,700 dollars. This is a reduction of 29 vacancies in the Department of Children and Family Services, 11 vacancies in the Central Support Division in the amount of 202,600 dollars, 2 in the Governor's Youth Service Initiative, 7 in the electronic data processing, 8 in state central registry and 1 in training and education for a total reduction in the amount of 592,700 dollars. Again, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, this is an Amendment where we can make reductions in vacant positions. It's my feeling that these are positions that we can go throughout the fiscal year without, and I think it is a responsible Amendment and move for its adoption and ask for your support."

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

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise briefly in opposition to the Gentleman's Amendment. This cuts all the vacancies in the central registry. This is a division that runs the child abuse hotline and we need more people there, not less. Amendment #16 made a rational cut. It's not as if we're not making any cuts here. We made three. The next part of the Amendment cuts two positions from the Youth Services Initiative. This program has been widely praised and places children who have nowhere else to go. And the third part cuts all the remaining vacancies in electronic data processing. Again, by a previous Amendment, by, as I

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recall, bipartisan agreement we've made some cuts. It's not as if there are no cuts being made here. I think the cuts that are proposed in this Amendment are wrong headed and I would ask for a 'no' vote on Amendment #51."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich, to close."

Matijevich: "Woody Bowman..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to point out, since Representative Reilly seems to be doing yeoman service here trying to fight off all these Amendments to make cuts which were not recommended by the Governor. Let me just point out one thing. The Governor has told us that we need to cut 200 million dollars out of the budget. We've got to cut 200 million dollars out of the budget. Well, let me point out to you that the Amendments which the Governor arranged to have adopted in Committee and the Amendments which are here as he's promoting here on the floor cut only 149 million dollars out of the budget. Now, the Governor is going to leave us holding the bag if we don't do something. What's going to happen is this; we might very well wind up giving the Governor the budget exactly the way he wants it, which is 50 million dollars out of balance, and then he's going to call us back into Special Session and say those big spending Legislators did it again. It seems to me that if we're going to be responsible about this budgetary process that we ought to be looking for some other responsible ways of dealing with the problem and not let the Governor put some phony label on us again. So, if you want to forestall a Special Session this summer, I would urge an 'aye' vote on this Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Braun."

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Braun: "Thank you, very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. You know, I think I have to start off by saying that every single one of us was elected as an individual Representative of the people in our districts. We were not elected because we were Republican automatons or Democratic automatons. We were elected to represent the people in our district. Now, you can turn your ears off and turn your heart off to 47 cents per person per meal per day, but I submit to you that you can't do that and consistently pump money into this budget for more jobs for filling up vacancies for equipment, data processing and the like that far exceeds the cost of providing basic services to people. That's what we're looking at here. You know, I... if you hear a little excitement in my voice, it's because I am excited. I've gone through this Public Aid battle every time, but Lord knows that when you talk about Public Aid we have to ask, where are our priorities? Are we going to provide a subsidy for the poor? Are we going to fatten government? Are we going to keep the bureaucracy afloat? Are we going to keep these positions in, hire more data processers and buy more computers? Ladies and Gentlemen, I submit to you that the times and the message that we got from the American people does not say turn your back on the poor and the helpless and the children and the blind and the old. It says, cut the bureaucracy where you can and do what you can by us without raising our taxes. I submit to you, Ladies and Gentlemen, that that's what this Amendment does and I encourage your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Matijevich, to close."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, this is very minimal. It's a total amount of 592,700 dollars. I think the Department can stand this cut and I would urge the

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Members to support Amendment #51."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #51 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 77 voting 'aye', 77 voting 'no' and none voting 'present' and the Amendment... and the Gentleman's Motion loses and the Amendment's lost. Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #52, Bowman-Braun, amends House Bill 588 as amended by deleting Section 11 and inserting in lieu thereof the following."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Amendment #52 and 53 were offered predicated on the assumption that other prior Amendments would be adopted and since they were not adopted, 52 and 53 are out of order. I do have another Amendment which will do what I want to do here, but will do it correctly. So I withdraw Amendments 52 and 53 and will take up the issue later with Amendment 66. Watch for 66."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw #52. Withdraw #53. Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #54, Fawell, amends House Bill 588 as amended on page..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Fawell on Amendment #54."

Fawell: "Mr. Speaker, I would like to withdraw both Amendment 54 and 55."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw 54 and 55. Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #56, Steczko-Margaret Smith, amends House Bill 588 as amended in Section 47 by deleting and so forth."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Steczko on Amendment #56."

Steczko: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. Amendment #56 to House Bill 588 seeks to restore 464,000 dollars in

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home service grants to the Department of Rehabilitation Services. This Department last year requested 7.9 million dollars for this line item. The request for the upcoming fiscal year was 7.7 million dollars which is a decrease in itself of 200,000 dollars. The Committee reduced the line item by 464,000 dollars. To explain what this line item does, the in-home service care program was transferred by the last General Assembly to the Department of Aging and the Department of Rehabilitation Services. The program that we're dealing with here is the program for disabled people and for the blind. We know that the program will lapse 600,000 dollars this year, and we also know that last year they came to us and they said they requested extra money to raise their case load to over 3,000. The number of cases they actually were able to take care of last year was 2,122. At the level which we are seeking in this appropriation, it would raise that appropriation to a level where the Department of Rehabilitation Services could maintain their current case load. If the cut of the Appropriation Committee is maintained, it would force the Department to reduce their case load by some 200 clients. If that happens and if these clients have to be institutionalized instead of receiving in-home care, the approximate cost of institutionalization would be approximately 1.5 million dollars. So by restoring this 464,000 dollars, we, in effect, can save the state in excess of 1.5 million dollars that would have to be used for institutionalization. I would like to repeat again that this is for blind and disabled people to provide in-home care services, and I would ask for your favorable support."

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

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Briefly in opposition to the

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Amendment. The Director testified that he would be perfectly able, with this reduction, to continue servicing the present case load. The case load during the year, during the current fiscal year simply didn't develop as fast as we thought it would. This really is not going to be a hardship. It's simply a matter of adjusting the budget figures to the realities of the case load. I would ask for a negative vote on Amendment #56."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion? Gentleman from Cook, Representative Steczo, to close."

Steczko: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just a brief closing statement that presently the Department is handling 1,914 cases. They estimated in their proposed budget to increase that to a level of 2,122. The restoration we're seeking by Amendment 56 is just to restore the money that was in the Governor's original budget request which reflects a 200,000 dollar decrease from last years appropriation. I think it's fair and I think it's fair to all the disabled and blind people in this state and would reiterate that it would cost us much more if these people had to be institutionalized, and I think it's a necessary Amendment and would request your favorable support."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #56 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Representative Matijevich, one minute to explain your vote."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, in one of his addresses to us and it may have been his State of the State or the budget message, the Governor said that no one will be lacking as far as human services. Here we have an Amendment that goes to the heart of human services, the disabled and the blind. I don't know how anybody can vote

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against an Amendment that provides home services that, if we don't provide it, are going to be institutionalized at much higher the cost. You're not saving a buck. You're wasting a buck, and I would urge your support. In fact, you would be supporting the Governor's own words here on the House floor."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Representative Smith, one minute, to explain your vote."

Smith: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and to the Ladies and Gentlemen assembled here this afternoon. I'd like to explain my vote please. I'd like to share with you something from a publication from the Department of Rehabilitation Service and I quote. 'The home service program has brought a new dimension to the Department of Rehabilitation Services in serving disabled citizens of Illinois. It is designed to serve severely disabled individuals under age 60 who are threatened with institutionalization. The home service program prevents or delays institutionalization of these individuals by providing them with needed services in their homes for an indefinite period.' unquote. The home service program, Mr. Speaker and to my colleagues, is threatened today with a loss of over 400,000 dollars by our Governor who, and I'd like... (cut off)."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. Were you through, Representative Smith? I'm sorry. I'm sorry, continue. Your minute was up, but we'll give you another one."

Smith: "I merely wanted to reiterate to our colleagues on the other side that our Governor says he is committed to the prevention of institutionalization, and I believe that his commitment should be judged by the funding levels he proposes for the program he is supposedly committed to. So, in voting for this Amendment, I am saying to all of my

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colleagues that I urge your support for this Amendment 56 on House Bill 588. Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Ryan: "Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question.. Representative Pierce, do you seek recognition? Record Representative Pierce as 'aye'. Representative Steczo."

Steczko: "Mr. Speaker, may I have a poll of the absentees, please?"

Speaker Ryan: "Poll the absentees."

Clerk O'Brien: "Poll of the absentees. Brummer. Capparelli. Deuster. Farley. Garmisa. Hanahan. Jackson. Jaffe. Keane. Dick Kelly. Laurino. Levin. Margalus. Oblinger. Redmond. Sandquist. Schneider. Slape. Irv Smith. Stearney. Terzich. Tuerk. Younge. Yourell and Zwick."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Younge 'aye'. Record Representative Younge as 'aye'. Representative Levin."

Levin: "Mr. Speaker, despite a potential conflict of interest, I will vote 'aye'."

Speaker Ryan: "In spite of a conflict of interest, you vote 'aye'? Record the Gentleman as 'aye'. Representative Smith."

Smith(Irv): "I want to vote 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Record the Gentleman as 'no'. On this question there are 75 voting 'aye', 80 voting 'no', none voting 'present' and the Gentleman's Motion loses and the Amendment is lost. Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #57, Daniels-Johnson-Vinson, amends House Bill 588 as amended on page 28 by inserting between Section 18 and 19 the following."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Representative Johnson came over to me after the lengthy debate on the child restraint system and suggested that we might want to place a small appropriation through the

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Department of Public Health for the purpose of conducting an educational program regarding the use of child passenger restraint systems for children under five years of age while being transported in a vehicle. The appropriation amount of 50,000 dollars and it's for the purpose of an educational fund to assist people in learning about the importance of using child restraint procedures. I'm joined with Representative Johnson and Vinson in this Amendment and I would urge your favorable support."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Schraeder."

Schraeder: "Mr. Speaker, it appears that we defeated that Bill last week and now the other side of the aisle has come out with an appropriation for 50,000 dollars. There's a little irony in this. All morning long and all day long we've sat here and we've killed Amendments to take care of the poor and the needy. The last Bill would take care of the blind and the disabled and there was no support on the other side of the aisle for that and now, lo and behold, we come up with 50,000 dollars to blow money. It's a dastardly thing to do, Representative. You should be ashamed."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Johnson."

Johnson: "As you know, Mr. Speaker and Members, I opposed it very strongly because of the way it was done. Representative Daniels Bill required criminal penalties for failure to use these devices. It seems to me that it is a serious problem that ought to be addressed and the best way to address it is to educate people as to the potential problems. The Department felt this was a small sum but sufficient to conduct a reasonable education program for the public. We're talking about a small amount of money, something that was supported by a substantial number of people here in the other form. And those who supported it there plus some others I hope will join with Representative Daniels and I

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in seeking this appropriation in order to prevent, or at least direct ourselves towards some of the crippling injuries that are caused by failure to use these devices. I think it's an intelligent way to go about solving a problem. The other way I didn't agree with. I think this is the best way to do it."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I had another commitment and was unable to be here the day that we voted on that issue. I rise and support this Amendment. Over the Memorial Day weekend I heard where a child four months old was killed in a motor vehicle accident in Illinois, and I don't know what the circumstances were of that death. But I would guess that it may be that some sort of a restraint may have saved that child's life. If an educational program saves one life, that's 50,000 dollars I think is well spent, and I would urge the Membership to support Representative Lee Daniels in this Amendment. I think we can save lives with it."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Vitek."

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

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman moves the previous question. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the previous question passes. Representative Daniels, to close."

Daniels: "Representative Schraeder, if you had listened to the debate when we discussed the child restraint Bill, you would know that child restraints have been proven to save 90% of the fatalities for children under five and 67% of the permanent injuries. And if you cared about the children as you say you care about the poor, you would gladly join in this educational program, for it's not just the lives we're talking about. It's the 4,383 children that in the

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year 1979 suffered permanent injuries as a result of not being in child restraint systems. And you too would join in the support of this Amendment for the educational purpose to protect these children and to help them in their lives so that, yes, some of them do not become public charges because of the large amounts of money that the public will have to pay to sustain them in life support systems as we have in several of our hospitals and rehabilitation institutes throughout the State of Illinois today. So, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'm asking for support of the system and I'm asking for an 'aye' vote on this Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #57 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Representative Leverenz, one minute to explain your vote."

Leverenz: "All due respect to the Sponsor of the Amendment and certainly for the tremendous service that government provides, I think we could accomplish the same goal with weekly public service announcements and utilize IIS to its fullest and would think that there would be a better use for 50,000 dollars. Not only do we have to watch the millions, but watch the nickels and we're not getting a good return on the investment that we make in IIS which could publish weekly public service announcements to accomplish this same goal. You cannot force people to do things. You must sell them on the idea. Therefore, I vote red."

Speaker Ryan: "Any further discussion? Explanation of vote. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 98 voting 'aye', 33 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present' and the Gentleman's Motion carries and the Amendment's adopted."

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Further Amendments."

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #58, Daniels-Johnson-Vinson..."

Speaker Ryan: ""Representative Daniels on Amendment #58.

Representative Johnson on Amendment #58."

Johnson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members. This Amendment 58 is sponsored again by Representative Daniels, Vinson and myself and also, since then, a number of other Legislators in central Illinois and all of this portion of the state. The center for athletic injury research, INK, is a not for profit corporation operating in Mohammed, Illinois. It serves an area extending from Kankakee to Effingham and from Springfield to the Indiana line. It's at least a hundred mile radius around Mohammed. For two years now Doctor 'Graud' from Mohammed and a number of other physicians and nurses in the area and a number of public minded people all around this part of the state have donated time, labor and materials to create a center for athletic injury research the purpose of which is for the training of coaches and athletes in programs for the prevention of paralyzing athletic injuries and also to establish a building to house this particular facility. As I think many people are aware, athletic injuries are something that has become a major problem. This addresses itself to that problem. It has been created with a specific purpose of a training program to prevent wide spread athletic injuries for both men and women. It's supported all around the state by, I think, upwards of 200 high schools and 800 athletes who have taken advantage of this center. Karl Clinic in Champaign has donated 25,000 dollars to complete the new building at the Mohammed High School athletic field. This would simply provide a 25,000 dollar match in the absence of which the whole program will collapse. I think a 25,000 dollar investment in this sort

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of program is a reasonable and moderate one. My grandfather was, for a number of years in Decatur, in the same room with an individual who's become a very good friend of our family. His name is Mr. Grady, Vince Grady who was an athlete at Western Illinois University. And back when spear tackling was still allowed and encouraged, incurred a paralyzing injury through football for his life and he has indicated to me and shown me the number of other examples all around the state and the nation where a simple small investment in terms of training and in terms of facilities would prevent that sort of thing. Doctor 'Graug' and the other people have donated hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of time, labor and materials and this simply puts a small investment into something that's supported by over 200 high schools in the state, their coaches, athletic Directors and others. Doctor 'Graug' has indicated they're willing to serve people all around the state. It just so happens that this is located in Mohammed. And for those reasons, I urge a 'yes' vote on Amendment #58."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion? The Lady from Cook, Representative Smith. The Lady from Cook, Representative Alexander."

Alexander: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. May I ask the Sponsor a question? I did not get the amount this program would be costing."

Johnson: "Twenty-five thousand dollars."

Alexander: "Thank you, very much."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Darrow."

Darrow: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We've sat here this morning and we saw an Amendment that would allow more money for day care so that people would not have to give up their jobs and go on welfare. That was defeated. We next saw an

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Amendment that would provide 5% increase for those who have to be on welfare to care for their children and that was defeated. We then often hear that government should not do that. That the individual can do for themselves and we had an Amendment that would provide advertising for people who manufacture childrens' chairs. So we're doing free advertising for that group. Now we have an Amendment for 25,000 dollars, a pork barrel Amendment for the Representative from Champaign to provide a clinic for athletes. I think we have our priorities a little mixed up. If these people want this clinic, if they want to run an athletic clinic, let them do it on a funding basis. Let the people pay for it. Let them pay for their medical services. There's no reason why government has to intervene at this level and I'm surprised that the Republican Party is offering Amendments such as this. Thank you."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Ewell."

Ewell: "Would the... I would have a question as to the germaneness of this Amendment. I just want to know how far we can go and could I have a response from the Parliamentarian?"

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "It's been the standing precedent of this Body for a great number of years that any appropriation is germane to any other appropriation, and I believe that's the appropriate response."

Ewell: "I was just waiting for a response from the Chair because their might be future Amendments to other appropriations. And if that's the ruling that Mr. Vinson is making, but I was asking the Parliamentarian so I would be in order on later Bills."

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Speaker Ryan: "Parliamentarian informs me, Representative Ewell, that the Amendment is germane. It makes an appropriation to the Department of Health concerning health care and that's the ruling that the Amendment is germane."

Ewell: "Thank you."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Vitek."

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

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman moves the previous question. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Motion carries. Representative Johnson, to close."

Johnson: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, it's certainly not my intention, as Representative Darrow says, either to break the budget. This is 25,000 or to create a pork barrel project. This doesn't create a single job in our area whatever. It's simply provided by volunteer help all around central Illinois. As a matter of fact, the vast majority of the high schools that take advantage of this clinic are outside of the 52nd District. Only a small percentage are in our area. It's simply an effort to try to prevent people from being paralyzed for life because of their inability to be properly trained, individuals to be trained and how to prevent athletic injury. Representative Woodyard indicates to me that this is part of the Governor's task force on sports medicine and also that preliminary reports are that implementing this sort of a program could lead to between a 20 and a 30% decrease in insurance premiums for high schools for health insurance. If you took that 20% and only applied it to 200 high schools that would be affected here let alone others that could take advantage of the program, the savings would be vastly, vastly in vast multiples of the 25,000 dollar appropriation here. This is a program that's been

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provided, as I say, with hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of free time, labor and materials by individuals all around that portion of the state. It's of potential statewide significance. It's not a pork barrel project. It's not putting a single job into our district. All it's doing is trying to address itself in a very small way to a very big problem. And, for that reason, I urge a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #58 to House Bill 588. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. One minute, Representative Piel, to explain your vote. One minute for Representative Leverenz to explain his vote."

Leverenz: "Welcome General. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House."

Speaker Ryan: "...the Royko forces."

Leverenz: "Perhaps we might have a new member of the Century Club here. I think if the program receives voluntary help, it should receive voluntary funding. We cannot get a nickel more for people to receive an additional amount of food in a public aid grant, yet we can find money, 25,000 dollars, and the Gentleman speaks to it as if it were a mere pittance. It's still taxpayers money. We can't get a nickel more for a grant to a person on public aid, but we can find a way to fund an athletic program. I think the Gentleman deserves to be in the Century Club and I would encourage about 27 more red votes."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any... Representative Alexander, one minute to explain your vote."

Alexander: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to encourage those persons up there who are voting green on this Bill but voted red on the increase for welfare for 5% that you're doing the right thing. The needy won't live to play

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athletic games. They'll slowly starve to death."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Hastert, one minute to explain your vote."

Hastert: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think you ought to take another look at this Bill. This Bill addresses thousands and thousands of young men and women in Illinois who could go through life with injured knees, ankles, backs, head injury, neck injury and this addresses a problem that faces my children and your children and many, many children for generations to come. This is to make healthier and better young people. It's to save taxpayers dollars. It's to save insurance dollars, and it's to save and provide a better future for our young people in this country. I think this Bill should....your attention."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 36 voting 'aye', 105 voting 'no', 3 voting 'present' and the Gentleman's Motion fails and the Amendment is lost. Representative DiPrima in the Chair for some more introductions."

DiPrima: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. We have on my right and left arms here former Senator Bob Mitchler who now represents the Department of Veterans' Affairs and he's going to introduce some very important people, and I'll hope you'll give us your undivided attention. Thank you. Robert."

Mitchler: "Thank you, very much, Representative DiPrima and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I witnessed your Memorial Day program this morning and was very impressed and I also got a few kicks and laughs out of the program that followed with the Major or General or somebody coming in declaring war. We had a Memorial program in the Senate and we had some very distinguished people participating in

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that program. I want to thank Speaker Ryan for allowing them to appear on your podium. First of all I would like these Gentlemen and Ladies step forward when I introduce them. Brigadier General Ralph A. Busch is the Assistant Illinois Adjutant General heir. Rear Admiral Alban Webber, USNR retired Commander of the Illinois Naval Militia. And Navy Captain George Dutton, USNR retired who is the Commander of the Naval Order of the United States. Occasionally, in that Appropriations Committee when I get down to military and naval deal they want to know about the Navy. We brought them here today. You see we do have a Navy in Illinois. Lieutenant Colonel Carl O'Johnson, Director of Public Affairs in the Office of Adjutant General. No whistles. Staff Sergeant Cindy Stover of the Army National Guard of Camp Lincoln in Springfield. Now it's a pleasure to introduce to you one of our finest Americans from the military, a gentleman who was born in the City of Chicago, fellow Illinoisian who served his 30 years and obtained the rank of Major General, distinguished himself in leading the men and women in Vietnam for over five years during the Vietnam War. I'd like to introduce for a few brief remarks, Major General Michael Heeley, United States Army, Retired."

Major General Michael Heeley: "Thank you very much, Senator Mitchler. Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Illinois House. It is not without some trepidation that I even entered this chamber this morning, having recently experienced a trip through a mine field. I'm very cautious nowadays. But I'd like to tell you that the celebration that was held or the memorialization that was held in the other chamber was indeed a touching one and reflected, in my opinion, the greatness of the people of Illinois in a very positive manner. Because of the way Illinois has

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continuously, since the time of the first World War and even before, since the time of the Civil War, taken care of its veterans and honored them in the manner in which they should be honored. I'd like to first of all, if I could, just briefly say that my achievements are limited, in fact, to the privilege that I've had to walk among your sons and daughters who have come into the United States Army and have absolutely been the most gallant and wonderful people on the face of the Earth. And in this day of an all volunteer Armed Forces, they are the only people who have walked forward and raised their hand and sworn before God to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States on a battlefield. If I can be just in one more instance observant of what I see in both the upper and lower House, I would like that unto where the general staff sort of fights and it would be more appropriate for me to comment to you because this is the level corollary, of course, drawn. This is where the squad leaders fight. This is where the riflemen fight and the machinegunners and the people who get the job done, and I'd like to remind you that although we honor the dead veterans and their memory, there are a lot of live veterans out there in your state that need an awful lot of help and they came home after having accomplished their duties as citizens of this great and magnificent Republic to a rather insensitive population. They're reaching out and asking you to help them now and, if I was ever anything, it was an honor for me to be able to march among them and now I'm having the opportunity to talk to you and tell you they need your help and please don't forget them. God bless you and thanks for letting me be here."

DiPrima: "Thank you and I'd also like to introduce George Baley who is the Assistant Director for the Department of

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Veterans' Affairs."

Mitchler: "Thank you, Larry DiPrima, and thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you for allowing us to be in your chamber."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Davis, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Davis: "Mr. Speaker, the reputation of fighting Mike Heeley, the great General of the troops and he is, is not unknown to me and I'm honored to have him in our chamber today, but I can only tell you, after what happened earlier today, that if fighting Mike Heeley is with Royko and Chicago, then I intend... and I'm authorized by Field Marshal Griesheimer to immediately start peace negotiations."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Younge."

Younge: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It is an appropriate time now to introduce other people who are here visiting the House of Representatives. There are people from all over the State of Illinois that represent the poor, that represent people of our state that are having difficulty feeding their children, that represent people who are having difficulty getting clothes for their children, getting medical care. They represent people who are at the bottom round of our society and they are here because they want to move our hearts to hear them in their supplications. A government has a right to help its people and they're entitled to some help, and I ask all of them who represent the poor to stand up and address yourselves to this Body."

Speaker Ryan: "Welcome to the Illinois House. Representative Wolf, do you seek recognition?"

Wolf (J. J.): "I'd like to take this Bill out of the record at this time, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Take House Bill 588 out of the record temporarily. Representative Bowman, for what purpose do you rise?"

Bowman: "I'd just like to point out that the people in the

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galleries are waiting for Amendment #66 which is the Amendment that restores the Medicaid items and would urge Representative Wolf to reconsider. We're not very many Amendments away from Amendment #66 and I think that before these people go back home to their respective communities that they would like to see the House consider Amendment #66."

Speaker Ryan: "It's the intent of the Chair, certainly, to get back to House Bill 588 and to take all the Amendments that have been proposed. Representative Braun."

Braun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. We just underwent a very emotional time as the Republican Majority in the House defeated an Amendment to provide for a 5% cost of living increase. We did that with the galleries empty. I have filed yet another Amendment, #71, which seeks to give an increase for a shorter period of time in the year. The dollars are less and I would hope that in the presence of all of these people and in light of the crying need that we would not get caught up in partisan politics and that we would pass this increase that is so desperately needed. Thank you, very much."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, I honor what the Chair does and certainly I honor what Chairman Jake Wolf does. He and I get along so well on the Committee, but if the taking out of the record was for the purpose that we avoid discussion of this issue when people are here, I would surely ask that Representative Wolf reconsider taking the Bill out of the record. If there are other reasons, I certainly would not do this, but if that's the sole reason I would urge him to reconsider it, because I do think that people do have a right when they're here to listen. This is a very crucial

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issue to the people who are here. If anything we have an obligation to the citizens who come to Springfield for the express purpose to hear issues that are important to them. Again, I would plead with Representative Wolf, if that is the purpose, that we go on with the business that we started. If not, I could understand it."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bowman, do you seek recognition again?"

Bowman: "I just wanted to implore Representative Wolf to change his mind and proceed at least so..."

Speaker Ryan: "I think you've made that point once, Representative. Representative Braun, do you seek recognition?"

Braun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative Wolf, I would join Representative Bowman and Matijevich and the other Members of the House. We should finish 588 today. We worked on it yesterday. It was taken out of the record. We've gotten to the Amendments today that most directly affect poor people in this state. We have, from all over the state, representatives of those communities, people who are here to see government in action. I said earlier in our discussion, we are not elected as Republican automatons or as Democratic automatons. We are elected to serve the people in our respective district. There's not a district in this state that does not have people who fall...who are affected by this Public Aid budget. Many of those people with direct concerns in what happens with this budget, medical services, public aid subsidies and the like are here today. It would be inexcusable and even cowardly of us to pull this Bill out so that we can Act on it in the absence of the eyes of the people of the State of Illinois. I think we have to...I think, if you believe as some of you said you did, in the vote that was cast on the earlier

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Amendment, then I would ask you to stand up for that belief in front of the eyes of the people of the State of Illinois, in front of the people who are here today. But it would be cowardly, it would be dastardly for us to pull this Bill out of the record at this present time, in light of the pressing nature of this issue and the importance to the people who fill the galleries of this chamber. Thank you."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Wolf."

Wolf: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Mr. Speaker, I assure you that the reason I asked to have this taken from the record was not because of the gallery. If you want to play to the gallery, I'm perfectly amenable to it. The Speaker had asked me about two hours ago to take it out of the record for some other matters, but I will be very happy to do whatever the sense of the House is. We have a number of Amendments here. I'd be happy if you want to withdraw a lot of them and get to the one you want to get to. We'll vote it up or down."

Speaker Ryan: "Let's proceed with 588. House Bill 588. Amendment #59."

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #59, Braun, amends House Bill 588 as amended in Section..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Collins in the Chair."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Braun."

Braun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. In the earlier debate on the Public Aid increase Amendment or one of them, we pointed out that the grant levels in Illinois are a potential scandal for this whole country, that people... a family of four on public aid is given, right now, an average of 47 cents per person, per meal to live on. That comes to \$1.41 a day for food, \$3.00 a day for all other expenses. The Medicaid portion of the

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public aid budget is quadruple the grant portion of that same budget. So we have, in Illinois, a situation in which truly our priorities have gotten mixed up, in my opinion, in which we are funding a Medicaid program that's supposed to provide for one of the necessities of life and ignoring all the rest..."

Speaker Collins: "Excuse me, Representative Braun. For what purpose does the Gentleman from Morgan rise?"

Reilly: "On a point of order, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Collins: "State your point."

Reilly: "Both Amendments 59 and Amendment 60 are out of order because earlier Amendments either were not offered in one case or were not adopted, in the other. In either case, they're out of order."

Speaker Collins: "Will you both hold up for just one moment? We'll check that. Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "I withdraw the point. The Lady is right. The Amendments are in order."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady may proceed."

Braun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As I was saying, we have a situation in which our priorities are all mixed up. We're giving increases of 7.4% to physicians and not even allowing for a 5% increase for people who are public aid recipients. Something's wrong with that, I submit to you, Ladies and Gentlemen. In October of this last year, without any action by this General Assembly, the physician component of the Medicaid budget was increased by about 9.5 million dollars to provide a 7.4% physician rate increase. Now, there's no question but that we should adequately provide payment for medical services under the public aid budget. I have no quarrel with that and I'd be the first person to stand up and say medical services are a necessity, but I submit to you also that food, housing,

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shelter, clothing, transportation and the like are also essentials and should be funded at an adequate level, grant level before we allow for additional increases in the provider lines. It doesn't make any sense to give the doctors increases in the amount of money they make when we're not giving increases to public aid recipients who are getting 47 cents per person per meal under this budget. I encourage..."

Speaker Collins: "I would ask our guests in the gallery to refrain from the demonstrations. It's contrary to our rules."

Braun: "The Amendments..."

Speaker Collins: "Pardon me, again, Representative Braun. For what purpose does the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bowman, rise?"

Bowman: "I'd like to agree with the Chair. You know, I was one of the ones that urged Representative Wolf to, you know, continue with the Bill and I would like to point out to our guests in the gallery that I am as dedicated to securing these restorations as possible, but the rules of the House do not provide for demonstrations and I would like to expedite the work of the House by proceeding..."

Speaker Collins: "Thank you. Your point is well taken. Proceed, Representative Braun."

Braun: "Thank you, very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Again, Amendment #59 will roll back an increase that was given without legislative assent. We did not go through this increase as a matter of the budgetary process last year. It was kind of slipped on us in October of last year. This will roll back the 7.4% physician increase so that we can free up extra dollars so as to be able to provide an additional grant subsidy for Public Aid recipients. I think it is the fair thing to do. It is the

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sensible thing to do, and it keeps, I think, it will make the point that we can have dollars to provide for the basic necessities in addition to medical care in this budget, and I urge your adoption of Amendment 59."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady has moved the adoption of Amendment #59. Is there discussion? The Gentleman from Morgan, Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The rate increase was given to physicians in areas of practice where provider participation is low in order to encourage that participation. It was given in three areas, general practice, prenatal care and deliveries. Unintentionally and with the best of motives, this Amendment is a direct attack on medical care for poor people. It is precisely in these areas that they needed the rate increase in order to draw people into the program. The fact is that in a great many areas of the state, even with this increase and even... and certainly before this increase, you could not get general practitioners, people in prenatal care or doing deliveries to take part in the Medicaid program and that is the reason the rate increase was given. This is a bad Amendment, albeit with very good motives. I would ask for a 'no' vote. We must continue to provide these services of medical care for poor people."

Speaker Collins: "Is there further discussion? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Griffin."

Griffin: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I voted for Representative Braun's last proposal out of a humanitarian conscience, but in looking at any of the legislation that's being posed today I hope that we'll all take responsibility on both sides of the aisle for the plight of the people that are sitting in the galleries and a lot of people who can't be here. We all bear some

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measure of responsibility because of actions we, or the people that have backed us, have taken. First, the private sector, the industries of the state sometimes have brought people into our state, exploited them for low wages but also some of the politicians of our state, on both sides of this aisle, have exploited some of the same people for votes. We heard this in testimony at Cabrini Green in Chicago. There is kind of a slavery, a new slavery of the welfare state that has been imposed upon some of the people that most suffer from it. So I think we have to weigh very carefully every single action we take, not only with regard to the state budget, but with regard to how do we get out of the system that is keeping the people who are in the gallery today coming back to Springfield year after year with the same problems and the problems going worse. In order to help them and help our whole society, we have to think about the economic impacts of these programs. The question is, what is truly the humane humanitarian approach to take? I think we need, as Representative Currie said, some kind of safety net, but I can't, in conscience, continue to vote a lot of taxpayers money without hope that we'll break this terrible welfare state cycle. I think we on the Republican side have said this was our philosophy for years. I think we have a chance to practice it. It's hard facing the voters with it, but I'm going to have to weigh very carefully every decision to see that we can break this terrible dependency which we in the Legislature have heard first hand from people like the people in Cabrini Green. Let's stop exploiting them. Let's start trying to save this economy for all of us. So I tell you that I think people over here have a heart and have a conscience and that's part of the reason we're voting as we do on some of these measures. Thank you."

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Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Braun, to close."

Braun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. In response to both Representative Reilly and to Representative Griffin, again, the... I cannot emphasize too strongly. If, in the State of Illinois, we are providing only three dollars a day for all of the basic necessities, 47 cents per person per meal for food allowances, then it does not make any sense to continue to pump money into the Medicaid end of this budget. The Medicaid end of the budget has quadrupled in the last few years, whereas the grant levels, the amount that's actually given for subsistence to people, has only gone up by modest increments and only then after a fight. I submit to you, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, that poor people not only need medical services. I know of the need for medical services and you will hear me later on some of the Medicaid Amendments. But the need is also there for the other basic necessities in life. What this Amendment does is says to the people of the State of Illinois, yes, we are going to be consistent with our priorities. Our priorities first are to provide a subsidy for those people who are in need of it and then to provide them with other services including medical services. I think that this roll back makes the point, that it does not make sense to allow increases to physicians and to the other providers in the Medicaid line while we are denying even modest increases in the amount that people have to live on. I encourage your vote on Amendment 59."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady moves the adoption of Amendment #59. All those in favor will signify by voting 'aye', the opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Lady from St. Clair, Representative Younge, to explain her

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vote."

Younge: "I think that we have to exercise here a matter of common sense. In a time of very tight budgets, in a time where we have to make some very careful decisions, would it make more sense to make money available to provide money for people for food and clothing and housing or for medical care? I believe that many people end up at the doctors office because they are improperly fed, and what we're saying here in making the decisions between how we will spend limited funds, it would be a better decision to leave it and put it in the column where it would be food for the poor rather than in a column where it would be payment for a physician. I believe that that would be the consensus of feeling of not only of those persons who are on public aid, but in addition to that the consensus of feeling of those who provide medical services for the public aid. We have a situation in which most of the doctors that are practicing with public aid clients have many, many, many clients. Because the way our state is set up, our Public Aid people are congregated in very specific areas. In a time when we have to budget more carefully, it just makes good sense to not to give an increase in the payment to medical providers and to leave and make that money available for aid recipients. And, therefore, I'm voting 'aye' on this Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Ewell, to explain his vote. One minute."

Ewell: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, this is a classic confrontation between the needy and the greedy. The physicians that you're talking about reimbursing makes sometimes in excess of 340,000 dollars from public aid. There are many of them who make 200,000 dollars and 100,000

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is not an uncommon figure. I suggest if we have any compassion at all or any understanding at all of the problem, you would not be voting for the people in this bracket, but you would rather hope to retain the money for the people who truly need it. And again, I see we are beating upon deaf ears and again the greedy are surviving over the needy."

Speaker Collins: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 74 voting 'aye', 82 voting 'nay'. The Lady from Cook, Representative Braun. And the Amendment is lost. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #60, Braun, amends House Bill 588 as amended in Section 11 by deleting the following and so forth."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Braun."

Braun: "Thank you, very much, Mr. Speaker. I would point out that Amendment #60 is very much like Amendment #59 only it would save even more money, 11 million dollars as opposed to only the 10 million dollars that was saved in the last. I want you to keep those figures in mind, Ladies and Gentlemen, when we get to Amendment #71 because that is the critical issue to be decided here today and I would hope that we would have a better response given the fact that Amendment 71 is different than the previous Amendment from both sides of the aisle. I withdraw Amendment 60."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady withdraws Amendment #60. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #61, Matijevich, amends House Bill 588 as amended on page 40 by deleting line 11 and so forth."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Lake, Representative Matijevich."

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Matijeich: "Mr. Speaker, leave to withdraw Amendment #61."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman withdraws Amendment #61. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #62, Bowman, amends House Bill 588 as amended on page 69, line 19 and so forth."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Well, I'm sure that everyone will be pleased to know that Amendment #62 doesn't make any dollar change. There's no change in the bottom line. Now, the Governor told us that he didn't care what the middle lines looked like, only the bottom line was of concern to him. In fact, all it does to the middle lines is it simply makes some line item allocations. The problem is that in the Department of Rehab Services they lump a lot of programs together, programs for the blind, programs for the deaf, programs for the ambulatory disabled and so forth and the blind and deaf are concerned that they're not getting a fair shake. So, what we did is we went to the Department of Rehab. Services and said, well, how much do you think you're going to spend on blind and deaf next year, and we got a number from them and so we wrote that number right into the Amendment here to line item and earmark funds for blind and for deaf. There is no dollar change. It simply earmarks money for the blind and deaf individuals. It's something that's supported by the both major blind organizations and the major deaf organizations of the state. They testified in subcommittee and in full Committee. They've been down to Springfield on several occasions to lobby for this and I think, since there's no dollar change that we should adopt this fine Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment

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#62. Is there discussion? The Gentleman from Morgan, Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, in opposition to the Amendment. Bear with me for a second so I can make this clear. These people did come to us and in Committee we responded to part of their concern. We did line item the operations so that they know how much is going to be spent on people who are going to be doing these services. We oppose, I oppose, the Department opposes line iteming the rest for a couple of reasons. Number one, it ties the hands of the Department. If it happens as it has happened in many cases and specific examples were given in Committee where the spending plan is exceeded for services to the blind. If we have this line item, they will not be able to make those transfers. They don't have transfer ability in the grant lines. That's why we did not line item them. Second thing that's going to happen is, not only may we very well end up operating against the best interests of the blind themselves, but the obvious thing that's going to happen and I've already had deaf people, for example, call. Every single problem, every single handicap that the Department of Rehabilitation Services deals with is going to be in and we're going to have a budget line item for each one of those. That will destroy our ability to meet the case load as it arises and all those different handicaps. It will end up hurting the handicapped and I think it's a bad Amendment, and I would ask for a 'no' vote on Amendment #62."

Speaker Collins: "Is there further discussion? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bowman, to close."

Bowman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I don't know which deaf people called Representative Reilly. I speak to a lot of deaf people but none of them ever call me. I can say quite unequivocally that I don't know of any deaf or blind

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individual who is opposed to this Amendment. Representative Reilly filled you in on some of the details with respect to our Committee hearings. The blind and deaf individuals representing the major organizations did sit down with the Director to discuss breaking up the grant line, and the Director told them everything that Representative Reilly just got through telling you. And they said that they would prefer to persist with this Amendment. They wanted to persist because it is their feeling that they are getting in on the short end of the stick. They are a minority of the handicapped community and I think if they feel that they are getting the short end of the deal and that they feel that this would correct that problem and they are prepared to live with it and indeed they want it, then I think that the House should line item this particular grant budget and, if we subsequently, there are other groups that would like to be earmarked then I think we ought to consider that. Because, frankly, what we're talking about is meeting the needs, the specific needs of handicaps, and each handicap is different. Blind have different problems from deaf people and the both of them have different problems from developmentally disabled and ambulatory handicapped. I think if we're going to be meeting the need, the Legislature should set priorities and should target the money to those needs. That's what this Amendment does. That's all it does, and I urge you to support it."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #62. All those in favor will indicate by voting 'aye', those opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Peters, to explain his vote."

Peters: "Mr. Speaker, just to join with Representative Reilly in

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making the argument that many times our best of intentions oft times go astray. There are a number of people serviced by the Department of Rehabilitative Services. If we are to break out in the budget each of the services that we provide to the multitude of people that Department serves based on handicap, you can end up looking forward to a problem in terms of expending totally certain grant line items. The Department coming back for continual transfers and supplementals. You can look forward to each of the groups that's out there to ask for the same thing which has to end up with more and more bureaucracy in order to keep the paperwork and the various grant line items straight and a bigger problem for the various private agencies that may contract with the Department to provide some of these services. It sounds good up front, but it causes, in my estimation and I think that of Representative Reilly and I agree with him, an awful lot of problems in the long run. I would urge defeat of the Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 67 voting 'aye', 78 voting 'no' and the Gentleman's Motion is lost. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #63, Fawell, amends House Bill 588 as amended on page 37, line 30 and so forth."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from DuPage, Representative Fawell."

Fawell: "Mr. Speaker, you will be happy to hear I would like to table Amendment 63 and 64."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady withdraws Amendment #63 and Amendment #64. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #65, Matijevich, amends House Bill 588 as amended on page 40 by deleting line 18 and so forth."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Lake, Representative

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Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Amendment #65 to House Bill 588 was introduced by me to... as my feeling with regards to an Amendment that we placed on as Committee Amendment #19. Committee Amendment 19 eliminated all of the regional offices. Committee Amendment 65 restores regional offices in the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities and the Community Care Management Staff that were transferred to the central offices when the regional offices were eliminated in Committee Amendment #19. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, when I, in the Committee we had agreed to Committee Amendment #19 but we had some reservations about it and we did so state when we voted 'aye' on that Committee Amendment. After some discussion in the Committee when the Director and the regional staff Director came to our Committee, some of the people that were in the audience came to me afterwards and said we appreciate the fact that you have made some statements in defense of the regional concept. Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I'm talking about also professional people who called me up afterwards. I think we have a danger, Members of the House. The Department of Mental Health historically has been a Bill, the appropriation Bill that has always been one of the last to leave the Conference Committee and I think we have a danger if we remove the regional offices concept. That we are not doing the best for the mentally ill and the developmentally disabled. I had a woman come up to me who was in the audience who represented the parents of children who are developmentally disabled and she had tears in her eyes after talking to me, saying that I did the right thing by defending that concept. I think we have a danger if we are

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to allow either political considerations or those who are not the professionals to run the Department of Mental Health. I have offered this Amendment because I believe that Illinois happened, some years ago, to be the model that other states followed in mental health. They followed the regional concept in other states. We were the leader in changing the whole process, and I don't think that we ought to take a step backwards and we will take a step backwards if we remove the regional concept that has done so much, I think, to put Illinois in the lead. I would ask that Members on the other side of the aisle, too, join me because this isn't a political Amendment. This is not an Amendment that was drafted with the Democratic task force who had a budget review Committee and looked at all of the Amendments. This is my Amendment because I believe that, if we do not pass this... adopt this Amendment, we are taking a step backwards in the mental health field. I don't think any of us want to do that, whether we be Democrats or Republicans. I would offer and move for the adoption of Floor Amendment #65."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #65. Is there discussion? The... 65. The Gentleman from Kankakee, Representative McBroom."

McBroom: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, I was sitting here attentively some time ago when I heard the Sponsor of this Amendment refer to fat cats in a rather derogatory manner. I assumed he meant it then. I'm rather shocked. I'm dismayed. I'm appalled that this Amendment would even be offered. It would take up three minutes time of this Body. Just the other day, Mr. Speaker, I had the pleasure and the opportunity to visit and have a cup of coffee with the Gentleman's whose political philosophy is the same as the Sponsor of this Amendment, a man who, in my judgement, was

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a giant in the field of mental health in this state, former Governor Samuel Shapiro. Governor Shapiro said, this is something that should have been done a long, long time ago. I heard comments just a minute ago about professional people calling him up saying that this Amendment should be attached. In other words, the regions should not be eliminated. I assume that probably and I'm only familiar with Region II. I've spent a great deal of time on that. I assume that probably some of those people were one of the 25 administrative assistants who provide no direct patient care that average over 37,000 dollars a year. I have their names here and their titles, Mr. Speaker. They're right here in front of me. I'm not going to read them off, but I imagine if I were administrative assistant making 37,000 dollars a year and having no direct contact with the patients, with the residents, that I wouldn't want this Amendment either. There's no reason. There's only 26 facilities in this state. There's no reason in the world that each of these can't report directly to the Director of the Department of Mental Health. I want to tell you, I heard a comment about tears in their eyes. I know many of the parents of the residents in the Shapiro Developmental Center and they had tears in their eyes, too. They were pleased that this Amendment was put on in Committee. They're hoping that this money will go back into direct patient care instead of having 25 bureaucrats averaging almost 40,000 dollars a year. If your arithmetic is the same as mine, Mr. Speaker, that converts into almost a million dollars a year in nothing but sheer nonsense. This Amendment should absolutely not receive one green vote and I would solicit a 'no' vote from each and every Member."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Champaign, Representative Satterthwaite."

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Satterthwaite: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I rise in support of this Amendment. The system of service delivery to our mentally ill and developmentally disabled persons has purposely been decentralized. We have tried to build up community services to keep at a minimum the numbers of people who are hidden away in large state institutional care. The method by which we are able to give some monitoring to those community services is through the regional offices. It is those staff people who are, on a daily basis, in some of the service centers throughout our state looking at the quality of service that is being provided. It is also the regional staff that is responsible for helping to match up the client with the appropriate service for them in the community. I do not see how we could proceed with the current administrations plan for deinstitutionalization of developmentally disabled people, how we could possibly take patients out of Dixon and some of our other state facilities in compliance with plans that the administration wants and for which they have sought approval of the Federal Government. Without people working in these regional offices, it is almost impossible to match a client with the appropriate kind of community care. It is a vital part of our system that we have these regional offices and staff people available to do exactly what we have been trying to do and what this administration continues to say that it wants to do. I think that we would be very much amiss if we do not approve this Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from DuPage, Representative Fawell."

Fawell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I rise in opposition to this Amendment. I have been trying to deal with this Department since last January. DuPage County is in Region II. Region two does not seem to want

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to acknowledge that DuPage County even exists. Our Director of our Mental Health Department of Dupage County sent five letters that desperately needed answers to to the region last year and never even got a phone call, much less a letter in reply. He has been the Director of DuPage County for eight years. For the first time in that period he met the Director of Region II and spoke to him. He has never seen him, heard him or talked to him in the entire eight years that he has been Director of DuPage County. We finally met the other day for the first time and it turns out that the Director of Region II also lives in DuPage County and yet did not seem to care to acknowledge that our county exists. Region two gets approximately one-half of the funding for mental health. DuPage County consists of 10% of that region and yet our county gets one-fiftieth of the money. I have heard horror stories from our judges, from our Department of Mental Health, from our systems that deal with our patients. We have not received any help whatsoever from this Department and I; therefore, feel there is no reason for its existence and I ask for your support to defeat this Amendment. Thank you."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from DeWitt, Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I think there's probably no matter in appropriations Bills this year that I feel more strongly on than this particular Amendment. What this Amendment would seek to do is to recreate the regional system in the Department of Mental Health. A regional system that in the past I had questions about whether it was good or bad. I've resolved those questions about regionalism in this sense because what regionalism does is to frustrate accountability. You've heard Representative Fawell's

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comments about how it frustrates accountability in DuPage County. You've heard Representative McBroom's comments about how it frustrates accountability in Kankakee County. It does the same thing in the area that I am from. As a matter of fact, one particular aspect of regionalism in my area, they have even gone to the extreme of taking money away from institution..institutional care to fund ghost employees at the regional level, employees who are supposed be caring for patients at Lincoln Developmental Center and are not, but are rather on the regional staff. It erects, regionalism erects a barrier between the people who are supposed to be accountable, who are elected, and between the people who deliver the care. Now, one of the things that it does, this Amendment would restore 4.7 million dollars to the budget. It would do that eventually, as we all recognize there has to be a bottom line on the budget, it would do it by either depriving community care or institutional care. I'm one of the people who happens to believe that in some cases community care is the best possible way for caring for the mentally ill and the developmentally disabled. I'm not a total institutional advocate because in many cases those people can be best served at the community level. But why not put that money into direct care at the community level rather than into a group of bureaucrats at a regional level who do nothing to facilitate care at the community level. Why take that money away from institutional care when you've already got understaffed wards? Everybody's seen the horrors at the Dixon Center and at the Reed Center in Chicago on television. Those horrors result because we don't have enough people on wards and because we don't have enough money for community care. Why put money into bureaucracy when you can put it into direct care? Again, I would urge

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you to reject this 4.7 million dollar Amendment which would do nothing to care for the mentally ill or the developmentally disabled. I would urge a 'no' vote on this Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "Senator Grotberg, have you checked in with Representative Sandquist? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Vitek."

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

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman has moved the previous question. The question is, 'Shall the main question be put?'. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Gentleman from Lake, Representative Matijevich, to close."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, with regards to the Floor Amendment #65, first let me say about Governor Shapiro, who we like to call 'Senator Sam' around here, I know Sam Shapiro well enough that he agreed with everybody, whoever he talked to. If I had a cup of coffee the next day with Sam Shapiro, he'd agreed with me, too. You know that, Ed. Sam liked everybody. He agreed with everybody. He never had an enemy in the world and that's the reason he didn't, because he agreed with everybody. Now, as to my Amendment. Believe me, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, if you do not adopt this Amendment, we are taking a step backward. We, Illinois has been the leader in the mental health field. Now when we talk about the matter of the salaries in the region, I had my staff look up right off the ISL forms NR-10, not 20 some as Ed McBroom said, in that region. But that doesn't make any difference to me because I've been in the Legislature long enough to know that in all of the states of the United States it has been very difficult to recruit people in the mental health field. Illinois had some difficulties

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because of the high cost of recruiting professionals in the mental health field. We all know that. That should not be an issue in discussion of Committee Amendment...Floor Amendment #65. What should be discussed is, what is the best for the mentally ill and the developmentally disabled? I don't want to turn the Department of Mental Health to politicians. I don't want to do that. I wanted to keep it in the hands of professionals. That's what I want to do because I know it's best for the ..for the kids who are developmentally disabled. I think I know enough about the Department of Mental Health and the developmentally disabled to know that if we vote against this Amendment, we are turning the department over to politics. I don't want that. And I don't think a majority of you want that either. I think you ought to adopt a Committee...a Floor Amendment 65 now. There's some time...It will be the last Bill I'm sure that will come up on the floor of the House on June 30th. It always is and one of the reasons it always is it's the subject of so much politics. And I don't think it ought to be. And one way to remove some of the politics is by supporting Committee..Floor Amendment 65 and I urge its adoption."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #65. All those in favor will indicate by voting 'aye', those opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from Morgan, Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Just briefly, in explaining my vote. Let me make clear this Amendment does not, does not take out of the field the people out in the field who are helping the community agencies. It does not do that. What we've done is make a cut in the middle level of bureaucracy and I wish Representative....I should have recorded some of John's earlier speeches. You've got a choice here. You can

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either put your money in that level of bureaucracy, not the level that's helping community agencies, not the level that's providing direct care, or you can put money in areas that are providing direct care. We made the draw in Committee and I thought by agreement at that time to take the money out of this middle level of bureaucracy and put it into direct care, that's what this is all about and this Amendment should be opposed."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Macon, Representative John Dunn."

Dunn: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I disagree with the previous speaker. If this Amendment is not adopted and if what the other side of the aisle wants to happen does happen, what we are going to find is there may be a little more money in direct care, but there will be much less, much, much less money in regional supervision so that the supervision of your local community mental health agencies for the mentally ill, developmentally disabled will be supervised by remote supervision in Springfield rather than by someone who knows and understands your local problems. You should vote green to keep these people on the job so that they can do the job that they were hired to do and continue to provide the kind of close supervision that we require and need at the local level, both for the development of understanding of what services are needed and for the supervision of delivery of those services. A green vote is a good vote... (Timer)"

Speaker Collins: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 59 voting 'aye', 91 voting 'nay'. And the Gentleman's Motion is lost. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Floor Amendment #66, Bowman-Braun, amends House Bill 588 as amended by deleting Section 11 and inserting in

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lieu thereof the following."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This is the moment you've been waiting for. After many false starts, withdrawing Amendments that were not in order because of prior Amendment's success or failure, we now get to the question of the optional medical services to the 'Mang GA and AMI Programs'. Let me give you a little bit of background on the issue. The Governor, in an attempt to save some money proposed in the Committee that we take out 14.3 million dollars from the various optional programs. He argued it on the basis that although eligible for reimbursement under federal Medicaid programs, the states do not have to offer these programs and so in a period of retrenchment he thought that this would be a good place to cut. However, there are some other items in the Public Aid Medicaid program that are not optional. For example, hospital in-patient care is not optional. We don't have any choice about that. And I would submit to you that if you cut in the optional out-patient area that people instead of having their ailments treated on an out-patient basis will begin to use the emergency room as their..as their primary physician. And they will begin to be entered into the hospital and stay overnight in the hospital for minor kinds of treatments, elective ...surgery for example in certain cases that could very well be done in a doctor's office but now they have no choice because they have no money. And if they're going to get treated they have to get treated the only place they can get treated and that is in a hospital. And that, there is no backing away from. Now, the Governor did a very interesting juggling act when in his cutting when he cut

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out-patient he did add in a bit in the in-patient area. But the add in was a pittance by comparison to what was cut out. It was a pittance, Ladies and Gentlemen, and we all know that in-patient care is much more expensive on a per person or per unit basis. We have no reason to believe that the numbers that were cut out of the hospital in-patient lines are valid at all. You know what happens when you go to a used car salesman to buy something. You get a low ball estimate and then when you're hooked suddenly you wind up paying twice what you thought you were going to have to pay. Well, I think we got low balled on the Governor's projection of where he was going to cut hospital in-patient and other items in order to try and compensate for the cuts in the optional area. So I think we're...we really have to take a hard look at these optional programs. Okay, they may be optional, but they're not unnecessary. Let me point out to you a couple of things. First of all, these ..the restorations I'm seeking to make here will cover GA cases, General Assistance cases. Now, let me point out to you that the average monthly General Assistance grant is \$171.00. One hundred and seventy-one dollars a month is the average GA grant. Now where are these people going to get the money to pay for the so-called optional services? If they need the services they will have to go to the hospital and it will be very much more expensive. Let me also point out that the additional population affected by these cut backs includes approximately \$145,000 persons who are elderly, who are blind, who are disabled and they're not on welfare, but with medical bills high enough to require state assistance. These programs...These persons will be forced to pay for their own medical care, if they can, or they will be forced to use services still covered by the medical assistance

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program again including the in-patient hospital services, physician services rather than podiatrists or chiropractic care, laboratory services and so forth. So, we're really not saving any money at all if we persist in upholding the Committee's action. I'm seeking by this Amendment to make restoration of 14.3 million dollars, mostly in the hospital out-patient area, but other areas that are going to be affected by this Amendment are clinics, optometrists, podiatrists, chiropractors, dentists, all of those. All of those are affected by this Amendment. We will be able, if this Amendment is adopted, to afford adequate dental care, chiropractic care, podiatric care and optometric care in addition to hospital care if this Amendment is adopted. That is why I'm urging the House to adopt Amendment 66 to House Bill 588."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Morgan, Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to the Gentleman's Amendment. This Amendment is brought to you by the same party that not half an hour ago held forth on the floor about how we had to cut money out of the medical lines because doctors were so greedy and we shouldn't be feeding that greed. Now they're back with an Amendment that adds 14.3 million dollars to the medical lines. The point is we have to make a draw somewhere. The Governor has tried to make and the Committee made and I hope the House will make some cuts in these lines in order to take care of expected increases in case load and other things that are going to cost money in Public Aid. The Amendment ironically would cut money for some things. It would cut money for nursing homes. It would cut money in many areas while adding money back in others. It's a bad Amendment. It's a net increase of 14 and a half million dollars. I

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still question how many of you want to have on your record a Roll Call making that kind of increase in the Public Aid budget. The cuts were fully justified and I ask for a 'no' vote on this Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Braun."

Braun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. In response to Representative Reilly, I submit there's a big difference between giving a rate increase to physicians and telling a poor person that no, you can't have a cane and no, you can't have a walker. And no, you can't have a pair of glasses for your children who need to be able to see to go to school and no, you can't have dental care. And no, you can't go to the podiatrists and no, you cannot have out-patient services in the clinic. That is what this ..this particular cut does. It is probably the most egregious of all of the recommendations. We are submitting and suggesting that we restore these specific items, these specific items, in an effort to minimize the impact of the Governor's budget revisions on the people who are most in need of these services. It is not inconsistent, Representative Reilly, to suggest that we can put this 14 million back into the budget and trim somewhere else in the budget as we have already started to trim. We've managed so far. I think the total number is about six, seven million dollars in reductions just in the action of this Legislature today. Hopefully, hopefully we will see some other adjustments in the Public Aid budget. But I submit to you, Ladies and Gentlemen, again this is not a partisan issue. This is an issue about whether or not people who are in need of health care services will have those services available to them. If this Amendment fails, you will have a denial of specific services to people most in need. I want to read the list

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to you of services that will be cut: hospital out-patient. Out-patient services will be discontinued. Clinics will be discontinued. Under the category of appliances that means your canes and your walkers and your wheelchairs. Nonemergency dental care; well that's dental care period unless you're, you know, dying with peritonitis or something. Podiatrists, chiropractors, optometrists, other medical services. It is unconscionable for us to say to the poor, 'You cannot have these services at all. If you are sick, you have to go into a hospital to get any treatment at all. You cannot go to a clinic. You cannot go to an out-patient'. I submit to you that what we will see are the political ramifications of the worst kind because when these clinics close up and people are not...and the services are not available, we will...we will have in Illinois probably a scandal that we have never...like we have never seen. I encourage your vote for Amendment 66. It will make this modest restoration in the budget, in the Medicaid program, where it is needed most. I encourage your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Bluthardt, would you come up here please? We've asked our guests in the gallery before to please refrain. That is against our rules. The Gentleman from Macon, Representative Tate."

Tate: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise in opposition to this Amendment. We've been debating and discussing the merits of cuts and we're all concerned about the needy and poor. And, I, too, am very concerned about the needy and poor and the welfare of the citizens of Illinois and I would just like to share with this House a little information that I just requested earlier to put in perspective for many of our Members here where different Members are coming from in this House. In FY '82, in the

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General Assistance program, the State of Illinois spent 159 million dollars in General Assistance. One hundred and forty-three of those...one hundred and forty-three million dollars went to the County of Cook. In 1980, in June of 1980, just to take one month out, we spent two million dollars, two million, five hundred and seven thousand dollars in the state in General Assistance, six hundred and thirty-six thousand dollars went to downstate Illinois. And I think that gives you a good explanation of where many of the Members are...their concerns are."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Vitek."

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

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves the previous question. The question is, 'Shall the main question be put?'. All those in favor will indicate by saying 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bowman, to close."

Bowman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, do not be misled by labels. Just because we're dealing here with optional medical services does not mean that they are unnecessary. They are necessary. It is necessary to have podiatric work done. It's necessary to have dental work done. If people cannot get the basic work done by the specialists in the clinics, if they can't get them done in the out-patient facilities, they will have to go the hospitals. The Gentleman from Morgan spoke earlier of being penny wise and pound foolish. Well, let me tell you, Ladies and Gentlemen, if this Amendment does not pass, we will have to come in in six months with a supplemental appropriation to the Department of Public Aid to pay the hospitals for all of the new in-patient care that they will be giving. This is a responsible Amendment. This is financially responsible and it will pay for much needed,

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necessary medical services. I urge your support."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman has moved the adoption of Amendment #66. All those in favor will indicate by voting 'aye', those opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from Lake, Representative Matijevidh, to explain his vote."

Matijevidh: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the reason that we have to even vote on this Amendment is because the chiropractors and those others who provide the optional services don't have the political clout. That's really why we have to even vote for this Amendment. If they had the clout that the Medical Society has then we wouldn't be voting on this Amendment. We would include the optional services. I would urge the Members to support this. It is a matter of need and I think there's such a myth as to where the money goes with regards to medical assistance. The hospitals and the physicians are really the ones who have made out and they have taken really advantage of the poor. They are the ones that have made out. In the last five fiscal years hospital costs have risen 174%. So many vote against medical assistance thinking they're.... (Timer)."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bullock."

Bullock: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. It is at the appropriation process in the Legislature that the fundamental distinction between the Republican party and the Democratic party becomes most clear. It is in the Thompson budget cuts companion to the Reagan budget cuts that we find human service being placed in secondary position. I think it's equally important that we have seen Republican proposals here to reduce local revenue exceeding \$312,000,000.00, that these very people

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now would vote 'no' on a human service measure and at the same time expect units of local government to fulfill their obligation. I think, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, that we're going to find that 1982...."

Speaker Collins: "...Excuse me. Representative Bullock, excuse me a moment. The cameramen, our rules prohibit filming during explanation of vote. The T.V. light is off. Please proceed, Representative Bullock."

Bullock: "Well, Mr. Speaker, that's why I was speaking. You took away my thunder.."

Speaker Collins: "I surmised as much, Sir."

Bullock: "I'd ask for everyone to vote 'aye' on this measure."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Stewart, to explain her vote."

Stewart: "Well: it looks as though asking for green votes automatically gets one red. However, I think that most of us have no quarrel with the fact that resources are limited, particularly financial resources. However, the mark of a great people is how we spend the priorities by which we spend our resources. Certainly spending our money to take care of human need to meet human need first should be our first priority. When you start talking about cutting prophylactic programs, those programs that would help prevent health..future health care problems, which are of course going to be more costly, it simply does not make good sense in human terms. It makes no sense in economic terms. I would urge the House to certainly be a bit more compassionate for those of us less fortunate and to give those of us less fortunate a chance for a better quality of health life. And I would ask a few more green votes. Quite a... (Timer)."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Macon, Representative John Dunn."

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Dunn: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. To echo what a number of people have said here, we talk a lot about priorities and bottom lines and balancing budgets and fiscal restraint. Well, we're down right here to this Amendment where we've got to make a choice. This Amendment would restore funds for wheelchairs and walkers and canes, things badly needed by the elderly, the blind and the disabled. We're down right now with this Amendment to a choice that this chamber must make and that choice boils down very simply to this, for example, with dental care. Do we want to tell the people of the State of Illinois, 'You can't go in and have a cavity fixed.'? Do we want to tell them, 'Let your teeth rot.'? And when they're rotten, then we can pay to extract them. Or do we want to pass this Amendment so they can get decent dental care, decent hospital care, walkers, canes, wheelchairs, the things the poor need? Vote....(Timer)"

Speaker Collins: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 80 voting 'aye', 81 voting 'nay', 1 voting 'present'. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "That's close enough. I would like a verification of the Negative Roll Call."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman has asked for a verification of the negative vote. The Gentleman also..."

Bowman: "...But first I would like a poll of the absentees..."

Speaker Collins: "...Asks for a poll of the absentees."

Clerk Leone: "Poll of the absentees: Barnes. Garmisa. Hanahan. Keane. Margalus. Oblinger. O'Connell. Redmond. Reed. Slape. Stearney. Telcser. Terzich. Zito. And, Zwick."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Lake, Representative Reed, for what purpose do you arise?"

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Reed: "Vote me 'no' please."

Speaker Collins: "Record the Lady as voting 'no'. Have you completed a poll of the absentees? All right. Proceed with the verification of the Negative Roll Call."

Clerk Leone: "Abramson. Ackerman. Alstat. Barkhausen. Barr. Bartulis. Bell. Bianco. Birkinbine. Bluthardt. Boucek. Bower. Collins. Conti. Daniels. Davis. Deuster. Jack Dunn. Ralph Dunn. Ebbesen. Ewing. Fawell. Findley. Dwight Friedrich. Griffin. Grossi. Hallock. Hannig. Hastert. Hoffman. Hoxsey. Hudson. Huskey. Jackson. Johnson. Karpiel. Jim Kelley. Klemm. Kociolko. Koehler. Kustra. Leinenweber. Macdonald..."

Speaker Collins: "May I caution the cameraman that the T.V. light is off?"

Clerk Leone: "Martire. Mays. McAuliffe. McBroom. McCormick. McMaster. Ted Meyer. Miller. Neff. Nelson. Ozella. Pechous. Peters. Piel. Polk. Preston. Pullen. Reed. Reilly. Rigney. Robbins. Ropp. Schraeder. Schuneman. Irv Smith. Stanley. E.G. Steele. C.M. Stiehl. Swanstrom. Tate. Topinka. Tuerk. Vinson. Watson. Wikoff. Winchester. J.J. Wolf. Woodyard. And, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Collins: "Are there questions of the Negative Roll Call? Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Bartulis?"

Speaker Collins: "Bartulis is in his seat. Representative Deuster, for what purpose do you arise?"

Deuster: "I would ask leave to be verified."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman asks leave to be verified."

Bowman: "Okay."

Speaker Collins: "Leave is granted."

Bowman: "Jackson."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Jackson? Is Representative Jackson in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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Clerk Leone: "The Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Collins: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Bowman: "Johnson."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Johnson? Is the Gentleman in the chamber? He's...How is the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "The Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Collins: "Remove him. Further questions?"

Bowman: "Kustra."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Kustra? Representative Kustra in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "The Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Collins: "Remove him."

Bowman: "Macdonald?"

Speaker Collins: "Representative Macdonald is in the aisle."

Bowman: "McAuliffe."

Speaker Collins: "Representative McAuliffe? Is Representative McAuliffe in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "The Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Collins: "Remove him and restore Representative Jackson to the Roll Call. Further questions?"

Bowman: "Miller."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Miller. Representative Miller in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "The Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Collins: "Remove him."

Bowman: "Ozella."

Speaker Collins: "What was that?"

Bowman: "Ozella."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Ozella. Is the Gentleman in the chamber? How is he recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "The Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Collins: "Remove him."

Bowman: "Stanley."

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Speaker Collins: "Did you say Stanley?"

Bowman: "Right."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Stanley. Is the Gentleman in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "The Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Collins: "Remove him."

Bowman: "E.G. Steele."

Speaker Collins: "E.G. Steele is in his seat."

Bowman: "Pechous."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Pechous? Representative Pechous in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

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

Speaker Collins: "Remove him and restore Kustra to the Roll Call."

Bowman: "Okay. Bower?"

Speaker Collins: "I didn't hear you, Sir."

Bowman: "Bower."

Speaker Collins: "Bower. Representative Bower is in his seat."

Bowman: "Okay. Vinson?"

Speaker Collins: "Representative Vinson is right over here in the well."

Bowman: "No more questions."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Miller, return him to the Roll Call. What is the count, Mr. Clerk? Representative Reilly, for what purpose do you arise?"

Reilly: "I ask for a verification of the Affirmative."

Speaker Collins: "If that's the prevailing side, that will be granted. Right now the count is 80 'aye', 77 'no'. And Representative Reilly has asked for a verification of the Affirmative Roll Call. Call the Affirmative, Mr. Clerk. Restore Representative Johnson to the Roll Call. Representative Martire, the Gentleman from Cook, for what purpose do you arise?"

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

Speaker Collins: "How is the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "The Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Collins: "He has not been...That's the way he desires it.
Proceed with the Affirmative."

Clerk Leone: "Poll of the Affirmative: Alexander. Balanoff.
Beatty. Bowman. Bradley. Braun. Breslin. Brunner.
Bullock. Capparelli. Carey. Catania. Chapman.
Christensen. Cullerton. Currie. Darrow. Deuchler.
DiPrima. Domico. Donovan. Doyle. John Dunn. Epton.
Ewell. Farley. Flinn. Getty. Giglio. Giorgi.
Greiman..."

Speaker Collins: "Return Pechous to the Roll Call, the Negative
Roll Call."

Clerk Leone: "Continuing with a poll of the Affirmative:
Hallstrom. Henry. Huff. Jaffe. Jones. Kane. Katz..."

Speaker Collins: "Excuse me, Mr. Clerk. For what purpose does
the Lady from Cook, Representative Hallstrom arise? Record
the Lady as voting 'no'."

Clerk Leone: "Continuing with the poll of the Affirmative: Dick
Kelly. Kornowicz. Kosinski. Krska. Kucharski.
Kulas..."

Speaker Collins: "Mr. Clerk, hold on for a moment.
Representative Reilly, for what purpose do you arise?"

Reilly: "Well, if..."

Speaker Collins: "Return Stanley to the Negative Roll Call."

Reilly: "The..It's my understanding...I certainly don't want to
withdraw my request for a verification if needed. But it's
my understanding that the Negative is now the prevailing
side and it's been verified. So those votes can change.
If I am correct and I think the Clerk...the Speaker could
just declare the result and we wouldn't have to take up the
time with a further verification."

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Speaker Collins: "It is presently 79 'aye', 81 'no'. Representative Meyer, 'no'. That's 78 'aye'...82 'no'. Representative Frederick, the Lady from Lake. Record the Lady as voting 'no'. There's 79-83 currently, 78-83. Representative Preston, the Gentleman from Cook. All right. On this question there are 78 voting 'aye', 83 voting 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And the Gentleman's Motion is lost. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #67, Fawell, amends House Bill 588 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from DuPage, Representative Fawell."

Fawell: "I'd like to table....I'd like to..."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady withdraws Amendment #67. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment 68, Leverenz, amends House Bill 588 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Leverenz. Is he on the floor? There is an indication that...Yes. No. We have a note here from Representative Leverenz that he wishes to withdraw this Amendment. Thank you, Representative Matijevich. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #69, Fawell, amends House Bill 588 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from DuPage, Representative Fawell."

Fawell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. This is the moment you've all been waiting for. This one I'm not withdrawing. This is an Amendment to try and help solve our problem in DuPage County with our crisis that has been mitigated in DuPage County with our mental health patients. As I mentioned before in one of the other Amendments, DuPage County at present is only receiving one-fiftieth of the amount of money, rather than

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one-tenth..."

Speaker Collins: "Could we have order please?"

Fawell: "Rather than one-tenth which our population would demand. We have been told some real horror stories by our police departments about how we have to drive our DuPage citizens around in squad cars and they are placed in our county jails while awaiting treatment at 'Madden'. This is to set up an emergency care unit at one of our local hospitals so that our people may be properly taken care of. I would urge your support for this Amendment and if there's any questions, I would be glad to answer them."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady moves for the adoption of Amendment #69. Is there any discussion? The Gentleman from Sangamon, Representative Kane."

Kane: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Fawell: "Yes."

Speaker Collins: "She indicates she will."

Kane: "Have you talked with the Governor's Office about this?"

Fawell: "Yes."

Kane: "What was the response of the Governor's Office to this addition to his budget?"

Fawell: "He agreed that this Amendment must be....must be necessary."

Kane: "Was another part of your conversation have to do with his Executive Order?"

Fawell: "No. This was in...after we talked to the Director of the Mental Health, plus we also talked to the Regional Director. We had our Director of our Mental Health Department come down and explain our situation along with the President of the Mental Health Association and the Director of our Mental Health Association. They are the ones that came down and explained what the situation was."

Kane: "I see. And there was no discussion about how DuPage

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Representatives are going to vote on the Executive Order?"

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman should direct his questions to the Bill."

Kane: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would suggest that this additional money that is being earmarked for DuPage County has got to come from somewhere. And the only place that it can come from is from the other 101 counties around the state. And I would suggest that if DuPage County is going to get this additional money, that the rest of us should get it also. And until or unless we do, we should vote 'no' on this until we're all cut into this deal and I would urge a 'no' vote on this Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "The ...Gentleman from ...Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'm at the very least concerned about the comments of the previous speaker, a man who represents a county who's been getting it since the time of Abraham Lincoln. I mean, they've got mental health centers; they've got new revenue buildings; they've got the State Capital; they've got half of his family probably and everyone else's family in town on the pay roll. In fact, it's a tradition in this town that you make sure that you get, in fact, you make sure that you are over represented in this Body and they have done well. They have done well. And we're asking here not for our share, not even a small portion of what we deserve, just a little consideration and we would ask for an 'aye' vote on this small Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "I would ask all the speakers to direct their remarks to the Bill. The Gentleman from Lake, Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Well, I'm speaking to the Amendment, but the

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Sponsor's enlightened us to the fact that the Governor supports this Amendment and I, for the life of me, cannot understand how the Governor can support an Amendment when he says we don't have these funds, this \$250,000.00, for start up costs and ..and evidently, Representative Kane has enlightened us to the fact that there must have been a deal with this Amendment and Executive Order #1. There are many of us who strongly oppose Executive Order #1 and if that's the only way that the Governor can ..can adopt..."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative Davis, for what purpose do you arise?"

Davis: "Well, a point of order, Mr. Speaker. He's not addressing the Amendment, nor is he addressing Executive Order 1. He'll have plenty of ample time to discuss that particular issue later this week and it's a corollary issue apparently to the other side of the aisle for this particular Amendment. It has nothing to do with the Amendment, absolutely nothing. Representative Favell has answered that charge that was made against her and against the Governor. So I suggest that the Gentleman confine his remarks to the Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "Well, your point is well taken and the Lady has replied to that question in the negative and I'd ask the Gentleman not to belabor this point."

Matijevich: "Well, I'll do my best. I still can't understand, really I cannot understand how the Governor can support it because he took \$300,000.00 out of that line item and now for him to agree that \$250,000.00 should be put back into it? I can't understand that unless there was something..some other unforeseen circumstances that have developed. Now, we've all been here long enough to know that quote, 'Deals are made around here'. And I don't want to be one to say that any deal has been made. All I'm

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doing is standing up here saying that it's very..I just can't understand how the Governor could now, all of a sudden, support these additional funds. But the other matter is, you know, I think I've supported localities no matter where it is, DuPage County, or where it is. But I don't think that we ought to single DuPage County out when there are other counties that probably could use such a facility in their area too. So, I would...I hate a gang up against DuPage County, but I think if you're going to protect the budget, if you are going to stand here and say that your county is just as good as DuPage County, that the only way you can do it is by voting against this Amendment. And I would urge you to do so. We'll get the Executive Order #1 in due time and let's vote on that on our consciences."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "The previous speaker, being from Lake County, certainly can sit there and rest assured that he's getting his fair share of grants in aid. Ladies and Gentlemen, the grants in aid line item for region 2, which is what this Amendment addresses itself to, states in the amount of 27 million 38 thousand 300 dollars, 27 million 38 thousand 300 dollars. This Amendment increases it by 250 thousand dollars to 27 million 288 thousand 300 dollars. Representative Fawell, as a freshman Legislator, looked at this area and dug in with great interest into the problems that have been created because DuPage County was not receiving its fair share of grants in aid based upon its population and incidents to mental treatment. She has talked with the Governor's Office and worked out an arrangement, a compromise, on what would be a fair share of those grants in aid. And certainly, out of the 27 million dollars

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that's handed out in region 2, this is a reasonable compromise and a reasonable Amendment. And I think Representative Fawell deserves a great deal of credit for her efforts in this regard and I think that those people, like the previous speaker, that have been getting their fair share, it's no wonder they're going to stand up here and say we want to keep more than our fair share. I'd ask you to support this Amendment. It's certainly reasonable and when you're talking over all 27 million dollars, it's a fair sum based upon its population in DuPage."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bullock."

Bullock: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I was wondering if Representative Fawell would yield for a question?"

Speaker Collins: "The Lady indicates she'll yield."

Bullock: "Representative Fawell, the esteemed Leader on your side of the aisle from DuPage cited some statistics which would lead this Body to believe that the only amount in region 2 that DuPage receives is 200 thousand dollars. Is that in fact correct? Is that all that you will receive out of the 25 million dollars? (sic, 27 million)."

Fawell: "No. Under our present funding, we will be receiving about 350 thousand dollars. This is ... This 250 thousand dollars will be in addition to that 350 thousand dollars. That still leaves us very, very short in the funding pattern. Region 2 gets half of the money that the Mental Health Department gets. DuPage County is the second largest county with close to 700 thousand people. For 700 thousand people we have been under the original allocation allotted approximately 49¢ per capita to help our people. That is the low man on the totem pole by far. Some counties get as much as \$8.00 and 36¢ per capita."

Bullock: "Representative Fawell, did you say that this quarter of

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a million dollars will be used for hospital construction?"

Fawell: "No. It will be used for emergency care. We cannot get 'Madden' to accept our patients. We bring them there with court orders and 'Madden', for some reason or another, does not seem to care for DuPage people. Therefore, even with court orders in hand, they are either refused admittance or they are told after a 24 hour period without any diagnostic treatment, that they must go home. We are not getting the care. This is a very serious problem.."

Bullock: "So this is for direct service purchase of care..."

Fawell: "Right..."

Bullock: "Not construction.."

Fawell: "No. No construction site."

Bullock: "Well, Mr. Speaker, I've been enlightened by the speakers from DuPage and I guess it's an idea who's time has come that this mean and vicious Republican machine in the State of Illinois is recognizing that the bells toll in DuPage also and I want to commend Representative Daniels and Hoffman and all of the Members of that great Republican machine who are trying to reinstitute raw, pure, unadulterated political patronage in this state. I think he should be ashamed of himself for asking the Members of this House to support his precinct captains. Representative, you ought to be ashamed. Not you, Representative Fawell, but the Junior Leader. I know he doesn't believe in patronage and I know that he did not strong arm the Governor for this patronage army."

Speaker Collins: "The T.V. light is on again, you may have noticed. The Gentleman from Peoria, Representative Tuerk."

Tuerk: "I move the previous question."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves the previous question. The question is, 'Shall the main question be put?'. All those in favor will indicate by saying 'aye', opposed 'nay'. The

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'ayes' have it. And the Lady from DuPage, Representative Fawell, to close."

Fawell: "I merely ask for a favorable vote. I know nothing of any political machine at all, nor of any deal, because I'm just a freshman Legislator, Sir."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady has moved the adoption of Amendment #69. All those in favor will indicate by saying 'aye', opposed 'no'. All those...All those in favor will indicate by voting 'aye', those opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from DeKalb, Representative Ebbesen, to explain his vote."

Ebbesen: "Well, Mr. Speaker, I just think there ought to be a lot...maybe the Century Club up there. This freshman Legislator, it would really be a vote against Representative Hoffman and Daniels for being down here all these years. She comes down here in six months to figure this out that they weren't getting their fair share."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Wayne, Representative Robbins."

Robbins: "I think there should be some green votes up there too. I believe downstate should have a little patronage along with Cook County's RTA."

Speaker Collins: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 61 voting 'aye', 94 voting 'no' and the Lady's Motion is lost. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #70, Currie, amends House Bill 588 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. Amendment #70 would restore a few dollars to the Medicaid cut items in the Health Department of Public Aid budget. Under the Department of Public Aid proposal, Chicago

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teaching and research hospitals, particularly those on the south side, would be not just hard pressed, but disasterously affected by the caps on out-patient and clinical services the Governor's budget recommended. We would be asking if we were to accept the budget as given to us by the Department of Public Aid as it came through the House Appropriations Committee, we would be asking to put an excessive burden on precisely those institutions that have been most willing to accept the public responsibility to serve the very poor in this state. 'Michael Reese', the university of Chicago, Osteopathic, and most particularly Cook County Hospital, will not be able to continue to serve the health needs of the poor if we do not take some action to restore dollars in these particular line items. The proposal that I'm making in Amendment #70 would not be to restore all of those dollars. In fact, it would give those hospitals and those institutions the kind of push, the kind of nudge that perhaps they need in order to curtail costs under the Medicaid program. On the other hand, if we don't do something to restore, we know, we should know, that the poor people in the city of Chicago whose health depends upon those very institutions will no longer be adequately served. We cannot blame those institutions when they close their out-patient clinics, when they refuse to see people in their emergency rooms. We will only have ourselves and our administration to blame when the people of the state in the city of Chicago who are already poor only become more the poor and more the ill. I would ask for adoption of Amendment #70."

Speaker Collins: "Is there discussion? The Gentleman from Morgan, Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to the Lady's Amendment. What's involved here is 18 million

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dollars for hospitals in Cook County. I'm sure that they need it, just as I'm sure that the hospitals in Jacksonville, in Springfield and every other place in the state need it. We simply don't have the money. We've already made excruciatingly difficult judgments already today cutting out money for people in various ways to now ask that we come up with 18 million dollars for hospitals in Cook County when we have said 'no' to so many others to whom we would like to have said 'yes', is a mistake. I would ask for 'no' votes. I would ask that Amendment #70 be defeated."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Braun."

Braun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise in support of Amendment #70. Again, we are going to be faced with a situation in which these cuts will most dramatically impact those hospitals that are currently providing most of the services, particularly within the city of Chicago. The need is tremendous. We have debated this issue earlier, but I think that if we take a serious look at what will happen in the absence of reimbursement, when these hospitals start closing their doors, we will really have a problem on our hands in Illinois. I submit to you, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, that it is unconscionable to pass a budget of this magnitude and to, at the same time, cut out services for the poor and close the doors of the hospitals that serve them. I, therefore, encourage your affirmative vote on Amendment #70."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Currie to close."

Currie: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm surprised Representative Reilly arose to oppose this Amendment. As I remember it, he was very anxious to retain the physician increase that was the subject of an earlier Amendment this afternoon. His concern at that point was that without that physician

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increase, we could not count upon adequate service for the health needs of the poor. The point of Amendment #70 is to recognize precisely that same issue and that same point. I am not in this Amendment trying to restore all the dollars that the major teaching and research institutions in the city of Chicago will lose under the present budget. I am saying that if we're not to destroy those institutions, we must restore some of the dollars. What this Amendment would do is to say that those hospitals for whom a large portion of their client population is not on the Medicaid card, there will be some extra burden. For those hospitals that are already accepting the public responsibility to serve this population, the burden that will be placed upon them will not be absolutely devastating. The House must recognize that there should be different levels of support for different kinds of institutions which serve different kinds of needs. I urge support for House Amendment #70. Without it we will deny the health needs of the poor, close the finest teaching and research medical institutions the state now enjoys and give a very substantial shot in the arm to the Medical mills."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady has moved the adoption of Amendment #70. All those in favor will indicate by voting 'aye', those opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 63 voting 'aye', 77 voting 'no'. Representative Turner, for what purpose do you arise?"

Turner: "Can I be recorded as voting 'aye', Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Collins: "Record Representative Turneras voting 'aye'. There are 63..64 voting 'aye', 77 voting 'no'. Representative Hastert votes 'no'. McCormick, 'no'. Is that...On this question there are 64 voting

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'aye'...Representative Bradley, 'aye'. Sixty-five voting 'aye', I believe, 79 voting 'no'. And the Lady's Motion is lost. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #71, Braun, amends House Bill 588 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Braun."

Braun: "Microphone..oh.. Okay.. Now it's on. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. We've been through this earlier. We have discussed this issue earlier. This Amendment, Amendment 71, does provide for a 5% cost of living increase. It differs however...for Public Aid recipients. It differs from the previous Amendment in that it only makes the increase effective April 1, 1982, Ladies and Gentlemen, and therefore has a lower bottom line for the Governor's budget than did the previous Amendment. I think that given the impact of this Amendment, particularly in light of the reductions such as we've been able to pass so far today, that the case is more strongly made for those of you who were concerned about the fiscal implications of..that this Amendment should be passed. I submit further that again, I can't use that figure too often enough and I don't just say it to make an hysterical statement. But I think that under the circumstances if we're talking about 47¢ per person, per meal, it is only right, it is only right that we provide for some modest 5% increase in the Public Aid grant lines. This Amendment will defer, will defer any increase until April of 1982.. It will have a less dramatic fiscal impact and I therefore encourage your support for Amendment 71."

Speaker Collins: "Is there discussion? The Gentleman from Morgan, Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "...The Membership will be surprise to know I rise to oppose the Lady's Amendment. Representative Braun, would

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you yield to one question? I understand this is like for a third of a year or a fourth of a year. What's the amount? Just yell."

Braun: "Mr. Speaker, thank you. The...This is for...The effective date is April 1. The amount is 12 million. It's an increase of 12 million."

Reilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I rise, as I say, in opposition to the Amendment. I commend the Lady for trying to do what she thinks is necessary. But we've voted on this basic issue twice before, first at a half year then it was withdrawn for a full year and now we're at a 12 million dollars. We don't have the money for this anymore than we had for the other issues. I would ask for a negative vote, a 'no' vote, on Amendment #71. The Membership will be entertained and glad to know that there is only Amendment 72 and then we can quit."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from DeWitt, Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Leave..Will the Lady yield for a question please?"

Speaker Collins: "She indicates she will."

Braun: "She will."

Vinson: "Is there any connection in your timing on April 1st on this Amendment with the Bill that we passed out of here to change the primary election to a date.....therefore, Representative."

Braun: "Obviously not, Representative Vinson. I do appreciate your humor. We are all tired. This has been a very difficult budget to consider and there's no doubt emotionally involved every Member of this House. No. The April 1 date was simply chosen to respond to the fiscal concerns that have been raised. It is the absolute minimum amount for providing for a modest cost of living increase. Again, I would point out to you, this won't go into effect

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if passed until April 1, 1982. We are faced with a situation. The dollars have to be large. As to the average family, we may go from 47¢ per person per meal to something a little better than that. But, in light of the plant closings in the state, in light of what we've seen in terms of the effect of the recession, even assuming we can turn the economy around, I submit to you that between now and April 1st of 1982, the needs will be there and the needs ought to be met by the Members of this Legislature. So I encourage your vote, Representative Vinson, in favor of this Amendment, as well as any other Members of the House. Thank you."

Speaker Collins: "Does the Lady desire to close or have you?"

Braun: "Well, I...In closing, I would just say, again, this is the absolute least that we can do. We've got in this...We've seen the Amendments which would have rolled back fat increases for physicians go down in flames. We've seen the Amendments which would have provided additional hospital services or reopened hospital services made ..go down in flames. We've seen the part of this budget that most directly touched human needs go down in flames. And that's really the problem we have here. We have this huge budget for Public Aid. It's taken care of everybody's needs, but the needs of the people who it's supposed to be there for. These people are in dire need. You cannot live on \$3.00 a day for all of your expenses. There's...It's just almost humanly impossible. And I would submit to you that we buy into other problems. We buy into high infant mortality. We buy into child abuse. We buy into homicides. We buy into a host of problems when we fail to provide for basic needs. We're talking primarily about children. These are not people who just chose not to work or are too lazy to work. You're talking about children in

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the Public Aid budget. Those are the people who are most directly affected. There's Public Aid in every single county in this state. It doesn't impact any one county any more than it does the others. As a matter of fact, I didn't do it this time, but two years of ago many of you who were around will remember, I came to most of the Representatives from downstate districts and suburban districts with a sheet that indicated how many recipients of Public Aid lived in their district. If you're talking about the aged, the blind and the disabled, if you're talking about the children, that's a statewide issue. It's not just a matter of local...local political concerns. And I would...I would urge all of us to put partisan, you know...it almost sounds strange after all the fights on 588, but seriously, put patianship aside just for a minute and consider how grievous these needs are, how much we need to have something in this budget, even a little bit. The Governor can play with it. The Governor can veto it out or he can increase it or whatever. I submit that the Governor of this state has so far responded to this issue, but only after being encouraged to by the Legislature. We've seen in the last three years three..the other Public Aid budgets since I've been here, the Public Aid budgets almost never have a cost of living increase for Public Aid recipients built into them. It is only by dent of legislative initiative that gets into the budget. And I encourage you in this instance to speak out with one voice to the Governor and suggest to him that this is an area in which we don't want to compromise. We don't want to cut back. We want to provide that the budget priorities be directed to respond to human needs. And that's all this Amendment does and I encourage your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady has moved the adoption of Amendment

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#71. All those in favor will indicate by voting 'aye', those opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Leverenz."

Leverenz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I certainly appreciate an 'aye' vote. You know, I think we've tried to give a 5% increase in Public Aid for six months. The Lady now rises and asks for a 25% of a year increase. The fact of the matter is, because you're denying this time and time again, those that are voting red, I think, are directly contributing to the crime rate in the State of Illinois. If they can't get help legitimately, they're going to take it away from somebody else."

Speaker Collins: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On this question there are 67 voting 'aye', 87 voting 'no'. And the Lady's Motion is lost. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #72, Bowman-Karpiel, amends House Bill 588 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this amends the Children and Family Service day...I got cut off. Oh. There it is. Okay. Now I'm cut on again, okay. This amends the Children and Family Service Day Care Program. It adds \$400,000.00 back in to the GRF line and \$600,000.00 back to the local effort line. Local effort, by the way, I would point out is federally reimbursable under Title 20. We're dealing only here with the \$400,000.00 in GRF. This is unlike Amendment 38 which I offered and was defeated. In Amendment 38 we added back in a total of 1.6 million dollars. This is two-thirds that amount. Normally, when I'm being on an Amendment in this appropriations process, I don't change...reduce the number

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and then come back in with another Amendment. But day care, I think, is something that is special in a couple of respects. First of all, day care is a necessity for certain people who have to work and if we don't fund this program, their only alternative is indeed the Public Aid rolls. By putting money in here, we save substantially greater amounts of money in the Public Aid budget. Moreover, most of this money is federal money and granted, well, it's local money..it's local money which is used to match federal dollars. But it's local money. Six hundred thousand dollars that we're putting back in is local money. This is the stuff that the United Ways have put up, the stuff that units of local government have put up. This is money up front that those people have out of their own pockets put up for this program. And I think if they have gone to that extent and put themselves on the line, we ought to back them up, especially when people's jobs are at stake. I think this is a responsible compromise to the proposal offered in 38 and I urge its adoption and I would respectfully ask that the Chair recognize my Cosponsor, Representative Karpel, to close on this Amendment following the debate."

Speaker Collins: "Is there discussion? The Gentleman from Morgan, Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "For the last time today, I hope, Mr. Speaker, I rise to oppose the Amendment. We've beat this once in Committee. We've beat it once already today on the floor. The issue is just the same. The fact that you change the amount from one point seven or one point eight million to a one million dollar increase doesn't change anything. We responded to these people in Committee. We increased the amount in Committee. We don't need to do it twice. We shouldn't need to beat this Amendment a third time. But apparently

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we do. I would ask for a negative vote. All we're talking about here is in effect a negotiating position in terms of the Senate and the ultimate process in Conference Committee. It seems to us it's best to come in with a 'no' vote on this and I would so ask the Body."

Speaker Collins: "Is there further discussion? Does Representative Karpiel chose to close? The Lady from DuPage."

Karpiel: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would appreciate an affirmative vote on this Amendment because while we have been defeating a great many Amendments today that would place more money in Public Aid and other programs such as that, I think this is one area that we really have to consider funding because if we are to keep a lot of our one parent families afloat and these are mostly young women with small children that have to work, we do have to provide some kind of day care for them that they're able to afford so they can be out there working and not being on Public Aid. So I would ask for a 'yes' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady has moved the adoption of Amendment #72. All those in favor will indicate by voting 'aye', those opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 86 voting 'aye', 61 voting 'no'. And the Lady's Amendment is adopted.."

Bowman: "Thank you.."

Speaker Collins: "No, it's adopted. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk O'Brien: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Collins: "Third Reading. For what purpose does the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Wolf, arise?"

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Wolf: "Did you move this Bill to Third Reading?"

Speaker Collins: "Yes, I did."

Wolf: "That's a shame. I thought maybe we could hold it here for a day or two and get another 100 Amendments put on it."

Speaker Collins: "We could take it back. On the Calendar, page four, Senate Bills, Second Reading. Senate Bill 125, Representative Leinenweber. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "Senate Bill 125, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Regional Transportation Authority Act. Second Reading of the Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker Collins: "Are there any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Amendment #1, Ted Meyer, amends Bill..Senate Bill 125 by deleting the Title and inserting in lieu thereof and so forth."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Meyers. For what purpose does the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Madigan, arise?"

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, have all of the Amendments filed to this Bill been printed?"

Speaker Collins: "Has Amendment #1 been printed and distributed? One and two are printed and distributed."

Madigan: "There are more than one and two. How many Amendments are filed, Mr. Clerk?"

Speaker Collins: "I don't know. The Clerk advises me there are seven."

Madigan: "Seven?"

Speaker Collins: "That's what the Clerk advises me."

Madigan: "And are Amendments three through seven printed?"

Speaker Collins: "Three though seven are not printed."

Madigan: "Is it your intent to consider two Amendments and then leave the Bill on the Order of Second Reading?"

Speaker Collins: "For what purpose does the Gentleman from Marion, Representative Friedrich, arise?"

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Friedrich: "Well, I want to respond, Mr. Speaker, to the Minority Leader. If you have to wait until every Amendment is printed, I can introduce an Amendment every day and we'll never get to hear a Bill."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Madigan."

Madigan: "A question of the Clerk. When were Amendments three through seven filed?"

Speaker Collins: "The first one, I am told, was filed sometime this morning. And I think this whole discussion is out of order. Right now, we are on Amendment #1. And we'll proceed to Amendment #1 and 2 and dispense with other matters when we get to them. Representative Meyer. For what purpose does Representative Kane arise?"

Kane: "Mr. Speaker, we suspended the rules yesterday to put this Bill on Second Reading, Second Legislative Day. And, most of us went along with that, with the clear understanding that the Amendment stage would be delayed until we knew what was going on. And I think that with that commitment that was made yesterday, I think that it should be incumbent on the Leadership to let the Members see all of the perspective Amendments before we have to start voting. I think, in order for you to say that, well, the Amendments have not been printed yet and therefore we can't see them and the Bill may go to Third or not, I think that we ought to have a chance to see everything ahead of time so that we know, you know..we might like Amendment #5 better than Amendment #2."

Speaker Collins: "Well, I didn't say any such thing. But I did say that Amendment #1 was in order and was before us to be considered. And that's the...that's the Order of business we're on right now. Representative Meyer, Amendment #1."

Ted Meyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Amendment is offered by myself,

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Representatives Stuffle, Ewing, Davis and Vinson. This is an identical Amendment to the Amendment that this House adopted to Representative Roger Stanley's RTA Bill last week. Representative Stanley's Bill is presently floundering in Senate Committee with the Senate Sponsor pleading for a hearing. But the Democratic Leadership of Senator Philip Rock refuses to post the Bill for a hearing in spite of the RTA and CTA crisis. The Amendment splits the CTA from the RTA..."

Speaker Collins: "Excuse me, Representative Meyer. For what purpose does the Gentleman from Sangamon arise again?"

Kane: "Point of order, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Collins: "State your point."

Kane: "Under Rule 34-D, I would ask that if this Amendment is adopted, that the Bill be sent back to Second Reading, First Legislative Day as it does amend the Title."

Speaker Collins: "For what purpose does the Gentleman from DeWitt, Representative Vinson, arise?"

Vinson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would just urge that the Chair might rule in this particular case that the only change in the Title is a change in Section numbers and the Gentleman's privilege is not exercisable when there's just a change in Section numbers in the Title."

Speaker Collins: "Well, I think the query is premature at best. Let's see what happens to the Amendment."

Ted Meyer: "May I proceed, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Collins: "Proceed."

Ted Meyer: "This Amendment splits the CTA from the RTA. It creates a suburban transit authority to run the suburban bus lines and the commuter rail lines. It cuts the sales tax presently in suburban Cook County by the RTA in half. Yes, Ladies and Gentleman, a fifty percent reduction, that's right, fifty percent. It gives accountability by

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electing the Board Members who will run the suburban authority. The authority will consist of suburban Cook County and the outlying collar counties of Will, DuPage, Lake, Kane and McHenry who will continue to pay the same rate of sales tax of one quarter percent. It frees the CTA from the restraints of the RTA and permits the mayor and the city council to run the CTA and raise the necessary revenues if they decide that additional revenues are needed to supplant the fare box. This is a good Amendment and I urge its adoption."

Speaker Collins: "Is there any discussion? The Gentleman from Rock Island, Representative Darrow."

Darrow: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Collins: "Indicates he will."

Meyer: "Yes, Sir."

Darrow: "Have you discussed this proposal with the Governor?"

Meyer: "No, Sir."

Darrow: "Do you feel that he would be in favor of this program?"

Meyer: "I haven't any idea, Sir. I haven't discussed it with him."

Darrow: "What affect would this have on the areas outside of the RTA region, for example, in Rock Island, Sangamon and the other downstate counties?"

Meyer: "None."

Darrow: "Thank you."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Getty. Well, I beg your pardon. I didn't see your light, Representative Madigan."

Getty: "Mr. Speaker, for the purposes of the record, I'd like to make it clear that on May 15, 1981 when the House was considering House Bill 829, a Bill creating the Suburban Transit Authority, Amendment #2 was offered which amended various existing Acts. The Chair ruled over my dissent

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that that Amendment was germane. Since the Chair has already ruled that that Amendment is germane and since Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 125 is substantially the same Amendment as Amendment #2 to House Bill 829, and since Senate Bill 125 amends the Regional Transportation Authority Act, I will consider the question of germaness to be stare decises and thus will not further question the germaness of this Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "Thank you, Representative Getty. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, maybe you could recognize Representative Levin first."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Levin."

Levin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, will the Sponsor of the Amendment yield?"

Speaker Collins: "Just a moment, would you wait just a moment, Mr. Levin?"

Speaker Collins: "We've had a chance to examine House...or Senate Bill 125 and Amendment #1, in response to Mr. Getty, it is clear that there is no question of germaness as to Amendment #1 to the Bill, and it is germane. Representative Levin, Levin."

Levin: "Okay, would the Sponsor of the Amendment yield?"

Ted Meyer: "Yes, Sir."

Levin: "Let's see, Representative, I have a couple questions for you. The first is, does the Senate...the main Senate Sponsor of the Bill, have you talked to him about this Amendment?"

Ted Meyer: "It's her."

Levin: "Pardon?"

Ted Meyer: "Oh, pardon me. The Senate Sponsor?"

Levin: "Yes."

Ted Meyer: "No, Sir."

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Levin: "So, in another words, we could have the situation that if we put this Amendment on, goes back to the Senate and there's a nonconcurrence and we're...you're right back where we started from."

Ted Meyer: "I have not been...I have not talked to Senator Sangmeister, the Senate Sponsor, but I am informed that he has told other people that he will except this Amendment."

Levin: "Now, but you don't know yourself, you haven't talked to him?"

Ted Meyer: "I have no personal knowledge of it."

Levin: "Okay. On page 80 of your Amendment, this is a rather long Amendment, I think we all agree. By the way, I compliment you for having...getting it printed as quickly as you did. We filed an Amendment at 9:00 a.m., this morning, Amendment #3, which is yet to be printed and distributed but your Amendment is out..."

Ted Meyer: "Sir, this Amendment was filed last night with the Clerk's Office."

Levin: "Okay, Representative, you stated that this Amendment is the same as House Bill 829?"

Ted Meyer: "Substantially the same."

Levin: "Now, there appears to be a few changes which we can...which I consider to be significant changes which are on page 80. I just want to clarify that you agree with me that these are changes. House Bill 829 did not, if I recall, sell the City of Chicago with the debt, operating debt, of the RTA. This Amendment does, is that correct?"

Ted Meyer: "Yes, Sir, it does."

Levin: "That is...that is found on page 80. Now, in part (c) on page 80, the Amendment appears to go a step farther, again, I just want a clarification. In that it saddles the...saddles the City of Chicago and the CTA not only with the operating debt..."

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Ted Meyer: "Excuse me, Representative. I can't hear. Please go ahead, I didn't hear the greater part of what you said."

Speaker Collins: "Please give the Gentleman some attention, this is a very important issue."

Levin: "Okay, Representative, you know, I'm seeking at this point clarification."

Ted Meyer: "Yes, Sir."

Levin: "I think we both agree this goes beyond House Bill 829, in that it saddles the CTA with the measure part of the operating debt of the RTA, that is what was...that was not in 829. Now, I perceive an additional financial burden that is found in Section (c), and that is saddling the CTA with the responsibility for the bonded indebtedness, referred to on line 25, Section 4.04 of the Regional Transportation Authority Act, is that correct?"

Ted Meyer: "I believe so."

Levin: "So, that you...under this Amendment, the CTA would be paying for the major portion of the debt of the RTA, in terms of operating debt, and in addition would be paying for the major portion of the bonded indebtedness of the RTA?"

Ted Meyer: "Only in direct proportion to the amount of benefit that they've received. They also get the assets."

Levin: "Now, that isn't...the formula in Subsection 4, doesn't talk about benefit. It talks about a ratio to subsidies over sales tax collections.."

Ted Meyer: "Sir, if you would read Section 5, it says the 'other assets'."

Levin: "Okay but what...what is the formula in terms of...what percentage?"

Ted Meyer: "Three to one."

Levin: "Pardon?"

Ted Meyer: "Three to one."

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Levin: "Three to one?"

Ted Meyer: "Yes, Sir."

Levin: "So in terms of operating debt the CTA is going to be paying under this Amendment three quarters of the operating debt of the RTA?"

Ted Meyer: "Yes, Sir."

Levin: "And under this Amendment the CTA is going to be paying three quarters of the bonded indebtedness of the RTA?"

Ted Meyer: "Yes, Sir."

Levin: "Now, do you know how much operating debt the RTA has currently?"

Ted Meyer: "I believe it's about 200 million."

Levin: "Pardon?"

Ted Meyer: "Pardon me, I'm told the operating deficit is 80 million."

Levin: "And do you know who that 80 million dollars is owed to?"

Ted Meyer: "Now this is the RTA debt we're talking..."

Levin: "That's right, the operating debt. Do you know who it's owed to?"

Ted Meyer: "No, Sir."

Levin: "Is it not correct, it's owed to..."

Ted Meyer: "The RTA Board refuses to disclose who they...I don't think that you do either."

Levin: "Thank you, Representative Matijevich. I think we do know and I think it's been talked about on the floor over the last couple of weeks. Now, in terms of bonded indebtedness, do you know how much is owed?"

Ted Meyer: "Short term bond of seven million dollars."

Levin: "As far as other bonded indebtedness under 4.04, local share, do you know how much?"

Ted Meyer: "About 180 million."

Levin: "What is that for?"

Ted Meyer: "Capital assets."

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Levin: "Capital assets that went in what proportion, to who?
What percentage of the capital assets..."

Ted Meyer: "I don't know, Sir."

Levin: "...Went to the CTA as opposed to the Chicago Northwestern
or as opposed to..."

Ted Meyer: "That's irrelevant, Sir, because according to the
language of the proposed...of the Amendment, it's divided
according to...if 80% of it went to the Northwestern then
20% of it would go to the CTA..."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Epton,
for what purpose do you arise? Excuse me, Representative
Meyer."

Epton: "Mr. Speaker, thank you. As a point of order, this is
really not a court of law. I think that we've heard enough
of these questions. If the interrogator has any comments
relative to the Bill, I would appreciate you asking him to
speak to it."

Speaker Collins: "I think your point is well taken.
Representative Levin, confine your remarks to the
Amendment, if you will."

Levin: "Well, I think I am addressing it. I think this is
probably the most important issue that we're going to be
dealing with. When I was home over the weekend, every
single constituent came up to me and I had a book sale in
my service office and a lot of people came through it.
Everybody that came up to me was concerned about this
issue. So, I...you know, the newspapers are talking about
it. The whole economy of the State of Illinois is in
jeopardy and I think it's an important issue. Let me just
ask one other question, Representative, and that is, do you
retain, in your Amendment, authority for the City of
Chicago or the CTA, to impose or to continue to impose the
1% sales tax. I can't find that authority in your

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Amendment? It appears to be deleted."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Meyer."

Ted Meyer: "The CTA can impose a sales tax, not a use tax according to this Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "Now, Representative Matijevich and Giorgi, I wish you'd give the Gentleman some attention. Representative Levin."

Ted Meyer: "Mr. Levin, they can enact any tax.."

Speaker Collins: "Just a minute, Mr. Levin. Representative Meyer, we're getting into a dialogue. For what purpose does the Gentleman from Peoria, Representative Schraeder arise?"

Schraeder: "Mr. Speaker, a point of order. It seems to me that we got a Bill...Amendment this morning with 96 pages in it, it come sometime late this morning, around noon, and now we get another Amendment, #3. It's 196 pages long and the question was raised, ask questions that only pertain to the Amendment. Well, how in the world can we discuss an Amendment with 96 pages, or 196 pages when just having received them and we haven't been off the floor to even study them. I think this subject matter ought to be put over at least one day until such a time that we can look at the Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "Well, Representative Levin has given you ample time to read it. Continue, Representative Levin."

Ted Meyer: "Mr. Speaker, if I may interrupt, seeing that my microphone is still open, Mr. Levin, the Board can enact any tax that a homerule unit can enact. They cannot levy an income tax."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Levin."

Levin: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise in opposition to this Amendment. This Amendment is not House Bill 829. This Amendment goes far...much farther than

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House Bill 829 in its vindictive and punitive nature. We have a crisis, a real crisis. We've already seen the first shutdown in Joliet. There are other shutdowns that are coming and it seems to me that we need to be looking for a viable solution at this point. We had a lot of rhetoric on both sides of the aisle and it seems to me this is not a viable solution. This goes beyond 829 in that it would be, it would critically bankrupt the transportation system in northern Illinois. It would impose the CTA the operating debt of the RTA in at least a three to one ratio and it would, in addition, impose upon the CTA the bonded indebtedness in a three to one ration. Not based how much of the capital expenditures went to the CTA but based on some other fixed formula. As a matter of fact, if you look at the amount of money that was spent that went for bonds, the vast majority of it went to the Chicago and Northwestern which was...the assets for which were purchased through the RTA and it went for the purchase of 210 'Greiman' flexible buses. The very buses that are currently out of service. This in a ratio of about three to one outside of the City of Chicago and yet under this Amendment, the City of Chicago would have to pay the purchase of equipment for the Chicago and Northwestern and for these flexible buses and the other capital assets which did not benefit in any way, shape or form the people that ride the CTA. Let me also point out that there is no authority for the city or the CTA under this Amendment to impose a sales tax or retain the 1% sales tax that currently exists in the City of Chicago. The result is that if we go to the kind of homerule tax authority that the City of Chicago has, that what we're going to have to do is to impose a property tax. Now, according to the Civic Federation for a \$60,000 home in the City of Chicago,

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this would require a property tax increase of \$357.70. For each property in..."

Speaker Collins: "Will the Gentleman please bring his remarks to a close?"

Levin: "...The City of Chicago. I suggest that this is not a viable solution. I think we have tried to meet with Republican Leadership to talk about compromise solutions. This is not a viable solution. This is not the basis for compromise. It is vindictive and punitive against the city and I would urge a 'no' vote. I think there is a basis for compromise. There's a basis for discussion. There's a basis for coming up with a viable solution but this clearly is not that basis."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative Davis."

Davis: "Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. The previous speaker is wrong except on one small point. One small point that he said, that Amendment #1 goes far beyond the Amendment to 829 last week and it does that for a very good reason, the prior speaker comments notwithstanding. The reason is there were questions raised on the other side of the aisle and yes, indeed, on this side of the aisle regarding the labor language that was in the RTA Act which has now been incorporated in Amendment #1 to solve that particular concern that was evidenced by those who voted for the Amendment on 829. Secondly, let me tell you that the line of questioning you just heard from the former speaker of Representative Meyer indicated that there was something basically unfair about the capital debt following where the capital purchases went and I don't think there's anything unfair about that at all, nor is there any unfair, or untoward kind of activity in having the operating expense debt also follow where the operating deficits occurred, and that was in the City of Chicago and it was in

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the CTA. So, I suggest to you this Amendment goes beyond it. Yes, it goes beyond it to correct the obvious deficiency that we had left out of the first Amendment and we've tried to address to the betterment of everybody who's concerned about this problem. And as far as the property tax in the City of Chicago or its homerule powers, since this Amendment does give as the one on 829 did, does give the authority to City Council and the Mayor of Chicago to tax under its homerule powers for this particular mass transit endeavor in the CTA, I suggest to you that it's a very good idea. That they can reform the CTA and there is no operating deficit. That they can combine that with a tax source where there is no operating deficit. That they can have mass transit, and I also suggest to the former speaker that if he was paying attention to the news media today that the Mayor of the City of Chicago said this morning, the City Council is going to put a tax on the business community surrounded by North Avenue, the West side of the Loop and Roosevelt Road on the South. So, they're already talking about, the Mayor is already...by defacto words out of her own mouth, endorse this proposal. Saying, 'we will tax the business community in the Loop for mass transit'. And that's precisely what the fifth floor should do and the City Council should do if they don't reduce their operating deficit. I suggest to you the Mayor is already endorsed this program. I would also suggest to you that the Senate will concur and that the Governor will endorse this program. We will move to the area of interim financing. We will move to those other areas in a Conference Committee. You all know it and we all know it but this Amendment should be adopted to this Bill. It's in keeping with all of the things we discussed on 829 and it goes far beyond that particular Amendment on 829 and

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corrects the deficiencies that were in that. Vote 'yes'."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Huff."

Huff: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'm a little lost with this dialogue to who we're talking about horseshoes perhaps this conversation would have some relevance. But I'm rising on a point of inquiry, Mr. Speaker. I already know you ruled as to the germaness but I'd like to raise the question as to technicalities. This Amendment, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 125 states in its prologue that is seeking to amend the Sections of 125 but yet it goes on to introduce a whole new Act and it also has in this Act, Amendment to the Election Code. And I'd like to get a ruling from the Chair as to my inquiry over the, what I perceive to be a technical flaw in Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 125. Did the Amendment...the Amendment says it's going to amend Sections but it introduces two new Acts."

Speaker Collins: "What purpose does the Gentleman from DeWitt, Representative Vinson arise?"

Vinson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I would just suggest that what the original Bill did was to amend the RTA Act. What the Amendment does is to amend the RTA Act but that's within the scope of the original, the title of the original Bill and the Amendment is germane for that reason."

Speaker Collins: "Well, I'm not certain what the inquiry was but we have already ruled that the Amendment is germane and that ruling will stand."

Huff: "No, no, no, Mr. Speaker. I'm not talking about the germaness. I'm talking about a technical flaw in the Amendment itself. The Amendment proclaims to amend Sections but introduces a whole new Act and another Act on top of that. That impacts on the Election Code. Where is

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the germaness of that, Sir? I read the Amendment, 87 pages of it. I don't have it with me right now, but it's in there. What in the hell is the Election Code doing in the Transportation Act?"

Speaker Collins: "We have ruled and I rule the Gentleman's point is not well taken. The Amendment is germane and in order. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Cullerton."

Cullerton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have a question? I know we have a Parliamentarian who makes over 50,000. There's a man next to you who makes a certain amount of money. I have a question, is Representative Vinson being paid anything to give his advice on these parliamentarian inquiries or is he getting the same salary that we all get."

Vinson: "I get exactly the same as Representative Getty."

Speaker Collins: "And worth every penny of it. The Gentleman from Sangamon, Representative Kane."

Kane: "Mr. Speaker, a question on the Amendment. Is..if this is all new language under the RTA Act as is purported by the title, why is not all of the new language underlined as required by Statute and by rule? And since it is not underlined as new language to an existing Act, I would suggest that the Amendment is out of order."

Speaker Collins: "For what purpose does Representative Meyer arise?"

Ted Meyer: "I would suggest to the Parliamentarian that it strikes everything after the enacting clause and that if you do that, you don't have to underline the new language. You've created a new Act."

Kane: "Mr. Speaker, what I'm talking about it after striking the enacting clause, he has a new title in it. The new title says that it amends certain acts or certain portions of the RTA Act. I'm talking about the Amendment, itself, and not

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the striking, and if this Amendment amends portions of the RTA Act, all of the new language should be underlined. In fact, none of the new language is underlined and I would suggest that the Amendment is out of order."

Speaker Collins: "The point is that to the extent that a new Act is created that does not require underlining and to the extent that existing language is being amended the Amendment has properly either underlined or stricken the language in the Bill or in the Act, and the Amendment is in order and again, is germane."

Kane: "And then I would renew my request earlier than then under Rule 34(d) if this Amendment is adopted then it would have to go back to Second Reading, Legislative Day."

Speaker Collins: "Well, I already stated that that was premature and we'll speak to that issue when we get to it."

Kane: "Well, however, that rule requires that the request be made before the Bill is advanced to Third Reading and I would ask that you allow that question prior to moving the Bill."

Speaker Collins: "You shall be recognized for that purpose."

Kane: "Thank you."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Madigan, you have been deferring to your Members, do you want to continue that or would you seek recognition?"

Madigan: "I seek recognition to speak in opposition to the Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "Proceed."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise in opposition to the Amendment offered by Representative Meyer. The Constitution of the State of Illinois is ratified by the people of this State in 1970. Specifically provides that public transportation is an essential public purpose for which public funds may be expended. And it further provides that the General Assembly may provide for

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that public support for public transportation. In Illinois, in Northeastern Illinois, in Central Illinois, in Southern Illinois we have established a tradition of public support for public transportation. All throughout the State localities contribute to the support of public transportation and the State of Illinois at the same time contributes to the support of public transportation. Given that tradition, given that practice, the question then becomes, who shall contribute how much to the support of public transportation in Northeastern Illinois? Today, in the case of the RTA, all of the public subsidy, all of the public support is supplied from a regional tax, so that the taxpayers of Northeastern Illinois are the only ones who contribute to the public support of the RTA and the mass transit in that area. This Amendment, if adopted, would provide that that regional support would be reduced and that in the future the public support for a mass transit system that serves six counties would come from one section out of that six counties, from one city within those six counties, the City of Chicago. The Amendment would say that the support of public transit in Northeastern Illinois not a concern of suburban Cook County. It is not a concern at all of the collar counties. It is the concern only of the City of Chicago and what that says, is that the large employers in downtown Chicago, employers such as the Standard Oil Company, employers such as the Sears and Roebuck Company who probably have a majority of their employees living outside of the City of Chicago, will be the only ones that will contribute to the support of mass transit throughout the entire region. This approach, I suggest to you, is not fair to the survival of mass transit in this region which serves the entire region. It is short-sighted. It is ill-founded and it should be rejected

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by this Body because if it is adopted by this Body and if it's signed by Governor Thompson, then we will add one more burden upon the economy and the commerce of the City of Chicago, which we already know is not in the best shape possible. And for those reasons, I would recommend a 'no' vote."

Speaker Madigan: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative Leinenweber."

Leinenweber: "I don't really care to comment on the Amendment, as such, other than to say that the Senate Sponsor does support the Amendment and I would also point out to Representative Levin, the city's name is Joliet, not Joliet."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Yourell."

Yourell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Is it too late to ask the Sponsor of the Amendment any questions?"

Speaker Collins: "No, proceed."

Yourell: "Representative Meyer, I haven't had opportunity to read the Amendment but I was the target of a dial-a-minute press release over the weekend in my district by one of my distinguished colleagues and I'm glad to see he's awake now. I would like to ask you if we adopt this Amendment, is an RTA board constituted, appointed or just how does that take place?"

Ted Meyer: "In the next general election the RTA board will be elected by the..by the electorate general election running in districts. In the Interim the Members of the General Assembly shall elect those Members of the board. The Members of the General Assembly in the effected area."

Yourell: "You said elect, now do you mean elect or appoint?"

Ted Meyer: "Elect."

Yourell: "How do Members of the General Assembly elect?"

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Ted Meyer: "They get together in a convention and elect the 11 directors."

Yourell: "But the citizen of the district don't have anything to say about that, is that correct?"

Ted Meyer: "Not until 82, the next general election. We are not calling for it in special election."

Yourell: "Does this board that's constituted have the authority to levy any taxes?"

Ted Meyer: "Yes, Sir."

Yourell: "Well, what taxes?"

Ted Meyer: "Sales tax up to a half percent which is reduction of 50% from the present 1% that they can levy now."

Yourell: "Are there any other taxes that they can levy?"

Ted Meyer: "No, Sir."

Yourell: "I thought I heard you say that they have the same authority to levy any taxes that a homerule unit..."

Ted Meyer: "That's only the CTA, Sir."

Yourell: "It's not the..."

Ted Meyer: "The City of Chicago, it's not the Suburban Authority. We limit and restrict the Suburban Authority to only enacting a sales tax up to one-half of one percent."

Yourell: "Well, how can you do that, Si, separate one homerule unit from another in the State of Illinois and suggest that the homerule unit, commonly known as the City of Chicago, can exercise its authority as a homerule power to levy any initial taxes that they might need to make the CTA work and deny that same privilege to a homerule unit, such as Oaklawn, Evergreen Park, Blue Island, some of the Suburban Authority is not being given to the various municipalities to run. So the only tax that they would be allowed to authorize, to enact, would be a one-half of one percent sales tax?"

Ted Meyer: "For the Suburban Authority, not for the CTA."

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Yourell: "I understand that. Does that include the collar counties as well as suburban Cook County outside the City of Chicago?"

Ted Meyer: "Suburban Cook County is limited to one-half percent. The remaining collar counties can enact a one quarter percent tax."

Yourell: "How much would that one-half of one percent sales tax generate in revenue?"

Ted Meyer: "Just a moment, Sir."

Yourell: "Pardon me?"

Ted Meyer: "One moment and I'll get you the answer. I'm told 70,000,000."

Yourell: "\$70,000,000 for the outside of the City of Chicago inside Cook County."

Ted Meyer: "Yes, Sir."

Yourell: "Well, what was there operating budget last fiscal year?"

Ted Meyer: "I'm told that this will provide more than ample funds to run the Suburban authority and the commuter rails, both."

Yourell: "Would you like to tell us who told us that fairy tale?"

Ted Meyer: "My staff."

Yourell: "Can you tell me, Sir, the figure that was used to fund the RTA outside the City of Chicago inside of Cook County last fiscal year?"

Ted Meyer: "About 113,000,000 I'm told."

Yourell: "113,000,000 and you tell me now that one-half of one percent would generate 70,000,000, is that correct?"

Ted Meyer: "Yes, but out of that you've got the collar counties, too, Sir."

Yourell: "Well, I ask you specifically, Sir...."

Ted Meyer: "I don't have suburban Cook broken out from the rest of the RTA region. I'm sorry."

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Yourell: "Well, how can you tell me that the \$70,000,000 generated by one-half of one percent of a sales tax levied in suburban Cook County...?"

Ted Meyer: "Sir, I can tell you, you don't have to believe me."

Yourell: "Well, you didn't tell me, Sir. You didn't tell me and that's what I'm asking for, if don't know the answer say so."

Ted Meyer: "I told you."

Yourell: "I ask you and I'll ask you once again. How much revenue was used to fund the RTA outside of the City of Chicago, outside of the City of Chicago in suburban Cook County?"

Ted Meyer: "I've already told you, Sir. I do not have that figure split out."

Yourell: "Thank you. Then you're saying, you do not know? The...are you...."

Speaker Collins: "Finished, Representative Yourell?"

Yourell: "When I get finished, Sir, I'll let you know. Is my time up?"

Speaker Collins: "No, you paused for quite some time. I though you..."

Yourell: "Do you want me to be finished?"

Speaker Collins: "I wish you were finished but you can continue."

Yourell: "Well, thank you, Sir. I'm glad for that courtesy. I think that's the problem with the Chair. The dialogue gets going the other way, they want to cut you off. But I've heard all I want to know. This is a very ill timed Amendment. It doesn't mean a thing because it doesn't deal with facts and figures. It deals fairy tales and should be defeated."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative Vinson."

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

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House. As I said several times in discussion of this Amendment, the options available to us for solving the problem are to enact a statewide tax to subsidize CTA, to adopt a regional tax to subsidize the CTA or to separate the CTA from suburban transportation and to let the local officials in the City of Chicago make the hard decisions about how much inefficiency, how much waste they want to subsidize from the taxes and about how high they want fares to go. I think that's the preferable conclusion to the problem. One further thing this Amendment does that I think is very important, is that it enacts into law the labor protections that we had some dialogue on on the floor on 829. At that time we indicated that we had no intention to remove any labor protections from the Regional Transportation employees. This Act explicitly spells those out and replaces those subjects. Labor protections are fully guaranteed. Now in the last time that we spoke on this subject on the floor, in response to a question posed by Representative Madigan, I asked Representative Madigan where was the mayor. It would appear to me that the mayor has finally come down and she's come down on our side of the issue. The mayor has said, as I understand it from WBBM today, that she believes the CTA should secede from the RTA and that she believes that homerule taxes should be enacted to pay for the CTA. I believe that's a posture we can all agree on. I believe more than that, that turning this problem over to locally elected officials, both in the city and suburbs, gives us the final protection we need for the service and that protection is the accountability of locally elected officials. That's something guaranteed in this thing and I think that's one of the most important things it does. Finally, the combination of this with Amendment #2, will it absolutely insure that the trains

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will roll. It will keep the trains rolling, the suburban trains rolling into the city and substantially improve public transportation in the event that people try to close it down. For that reason and that reason alone this is an attempt to deal with an emergency, an emergency of very substantial proportions to the entire State. Everybody in the State, Chicago, suburban, downstate, should be supporting it because this will keep the trains rolling."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Coles, Representative Stuffle."

Stuffle: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Members, since this entire debate has begun some time ago, some months ago, and since this impending crisis has occurred, many people on our side of the aisle and many people in organized labor have questioned why downstate Democrats, in particular, have been a party to what is gone on with regard to the CTA and RTA. The columnist, that we all know about, who has referred to us as hayseeds and hicks and yokels and bumpkins and probably rightfully so and is probably why some of us are elected knowing our constituency but aside from that, he suggested that we get downstate subsidized for our transit programs and he's right, we do. I think it important on this particular Amendment to note, we're asking the CTA to stand on its own two feet in the city. We're asking the suburbs to stand on theirs, I think as Representative Meyers indicated. The reason downstaters are on this, I think at least in my case, is number one, because the labor protections are put back in this particular Bill with regard to the Federal standards. The existing State laws that incorporate those standards by reference and specifically by language, beginning on page 17 of this Amendment and because many of us downstate are in the position, in contrast to what Mr. Royko says, of

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being willing to let Chicago pay for Chicago, the suburbs for the suburbs and we are willing to support the elimination of subsidies for downstate mass transit in return for the ability of everyone to stand on their own two feet, for everyone to take a look at their own problems, fund their own problems. We would be willing to forego the subsidies that now flow to downstate in return for a consistent, an even handed policy, that I believe is incorporated in this Amendment and that is why name appears as the second principal Sponsor, that and because of the labor protections herein. The alternative, I believe, is so much worse for downstate, that is gross receipts tax, that is a tax even if imposed only in the six counties that will be definitely spread throughout this State with regard to consumer costs for gasoline and fuel, regardless of where it's imposed. For those reasons and the reasons cited on the other side of the aisle, I would hope that downstaters, particularly, on this side of the aisle and suburbanites would look at the problem with a view to its statewide impact and really consider that this is a serious measure, one that must be addressed and I believe, as others do, that his particular Amendment can and will be adopted, ought to be sent back to the Senate for their ratification and put on the Governor's desk. The Mayor today, in one hand, has proposed, I understand, economic warfare as others have against downstate and the suburbs but has, finally I believe, realized the necessity that the city will pay for its own transit program, the suburbs for theirs and as I said, we will be willing to forego the benefits that do flow to us, in some cases for downstate transit. For those reasons, I would urge an affirmative vote on this Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Topinka."

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Topinka: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I call the previous question."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady has moved the previous question. The question is, 'Shall the main question be put?' All those in favor will indicate by saying 'aye', opposed 'nay'? The 'ayes' have it and the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Meyer to close."

Ted Meyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is our 50th Legislative day. It's about ten minutes to four and the only thing I've heard from the Democratic Leadership from the City of Chicago is attack, complain, offer no solutions, attack, complain, gripe, scream, holler but no solutions. We've been here a long time, essentially this same Bill has passed the House. It's being strangled to death over in the Senate. I'm sure this Amendment will be adopted. The Bill will be passed and it'll be sent over to limbo, in the Senate. Mr. Madigan, it's time you accept your responsibilities and do something to try to solve the problem. I urge the adoption of this Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #1. All those in favor will indicate by voting 'aye', opposed by voting 'no'. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Epton to explain his vote."

Epton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen. I'm sorry that I didn't have an opportunity to speak earlier. Really it's unfortunate that I...I guess I've been in the General Assembly too long. I did not come down here to see a State divided; to see a wall built between the city and the suburbs and the precincts and the country towns. I didn't come down here to be guided by columnist. I don't question the motivation of any of my colleagues and their Amendments or their Bills but I suggest, even though I'm elected by people from the 24th District, I represent 12 million people and I will not allow anything to divide them to the

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best of my ability, at least. I think it's shameful that many of us here have been goaded into a position, perhaps have even begun the falsehoods that have fostered and fostered time and time again. Of course I'm against this Amendment. I'm against any Amendment that suggests that Chicago is a city that stands alone or the rest of the State stands alone. I represent 12 million people and I'll vote against a Bill that hurts...that helps my district if it hurts the rest of the State. And those of you who believe as I do, should bear that in mind. The City of Chicago and East St. Louis and Cairo and Carbondale and Joliet, all mean much to me and to have this division is a painful thing to see. I'm old and I'm bald and I'm tired and I'm getting a little fed up with hearing my own voice. I ask you to vote against this Amendment and any other Amendment that continues to pit us one against the other. And the media, I say, I want to thank you for helping screw this mess up completely. Royko and your colleagues have done a disservice to all of us. We're down here trying our best to solve a tough situation and you certainly have not made it any easier."

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

Lechowicz: "Well, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I couldn't agree with my distinguished colleague, Representative Epton, more. In the ten years that I've had in the General Assembly never has there been such divisiveness between various factions of this great State. I'd hoped that reason would prevail and millions of people will not be hurt and inconvenienced when a system which was provided by this General Assembly was put together to provide a coordinated transportation system for the six county area. Unfortunately, Amendment #1 does not address

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the whole problem and I'm sure if you took a look at the newspaper articles over the weekend it pointed out to you exactly where the money is raised and where the money is spent and as Representative Yourell pointed out and tried to bring to this General Assembly, that unfortunately for the commuter rails, the expenditure is approximately 198 million dollars; for the CTA it is approximately 559 million dollars and for the suburban buses it's 43 million dollars, and yes, the RTA Administration is 16 million dollars, fuel, insurance, this other is 12 million dollars. Debt payment is 20 million dollars. No where in this Amendment are these serious questions addressed. And what do we raise, 700 million dollars, when you have an expenditure of 853 that leaves you a deficit of 153 million dollars. Amendment #1 doesn't cure this and I want to apologize to my friends from all over this State for the type of items that have appeared the newspapers all over this State. The concerns of the people of Chicago are the concerns of the people in Illinois. They should be. If you can't have your checks processed through your largest financial institutions in this State, it's going to affect the farmers in downstate Illinois. When you can't have items processed in the normal way of doing business, it's going to affect all of us. It will effect the amount of money being raised in revenue in this State and you talk about inconvenience and a lack of understanding. When you have 250,000 people relying to go to work to pay their taxes, to pay their bills and we don't have the guts to put together a package and to my distinguished colleague, Representative Meyer, this side of the aisle put in a task force and had Amendments to be offered to the Speaker's Bill. We were never given an opportunity to have those Amendments offered. We will have that opportunity today.

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I may be a voice in the wilderness but, Ladies and Gentlemen, when this State ever realizes the tremendous compact the closing of the RTA will do, the Federal cutbacks in funds will be minuscule. And I vote 'no'."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Huskey."

Huskey: "Well, Mr., Speaker, thank you. I read the Chicago Tribune today and it's noted that they're going to close the Norfolk and Western run which runs through the length of my district. Now the Norfolk and Western Railroad is paying right around 81% of its...of its operating cost, around somewhere between 75 to 81% of its operating cost. The best run system in the State of Illinois. So they're going to close that, they're going to pick the one that they subsidize the least to close along with Joliet. This is...the people that are using these tactics should be tarred and feathered. I'll tell you what they're trying to do, they're trying to force a shutdown of the CTA and the RTA and that's going to be the only cure when you listen to the fancy soothsayers over on the other side,...want their dilatory matters to force the shutdown of the RTA and that's what's coming forth if this Amendment don't pass. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Macon, Representative Dunn. John Dunn."

John Dunn: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I think it would be kind of nice if we just move this Bill along and put some Amendment on it so we can send it back to the Senate and nonconcur and get it into Conference Committee and let it lie there until the real deal comes along. Maybe we could go on to other business of the House. So, I urge a green vote on this Amendment to get it out of here and until the deal is made."

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Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Livingston, Representative Ewing."

Ewing: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the..one of the prior speakers spoke very impassionately about fairness. I think we all want fairness but I ask, what movement has been made by the current RTA management to address the problems which have been acknowledged even by that same board. Problems of ineffective management, excessive labor costs, failure to curtail unneeded services, refusal to keep fares up with increasing costs. What have they done to address these problems? Unfortunately, all we've heard is, give us money to keep the RTA moving. When will we hear that the RTA is ready to put their house in order? As a downstate Legislator I can assure you on the other side of the aisle that our constituents are not going to stand for us to bailout the RTA until they do put their house in order. We all have to answer to our constituency and I think that has been made very clear...."(cut off)

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Barr."

Barr: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, I rise to associate myself most emphatically with the remarks delivered by my colleague from Chicago, Representative Epton. We face a tragic situation coming up within a matter of days if not hours in the northeastern part of the State of Illinois. Continued attempts made on both sides of this aisle, repeatedly over a long period of time divide the City of Chicago from suburban Cook County and the rest of the State of Illinois, do a serious disservice to all citizens of Illinois where ever they live. We must recognize that the various regions of our State are inter-independent, one upon the other. And we've got to rise above this bickering. We've got to put this public transportation

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system in northeastern Illinois which is so essential to all of us back together again. No one in their right..." (cut off)

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Hudson."

Hudson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. When we created the RTA we created at that time a monster of the Frankenstein mold. We knew we did it at the time. We now have something that we don't know really what to do with. This was really sophisticated technique to plow new tax fields wider and deeper, furrows of taxation into foreign fields, namely the collar counties. A point that should be made that hasn't been made here today is, as far as devisiveness or devisiveness is concerned, none of the collar counties wanted the RTA arrangements in the first place. None of them voted for it. They voted it down, 8 to 1, 3 to 1, 2 to 1, even suburban Cook County voters did not want this regional government. But they got it and efforts to disconnect..." (cut off)

Speaker Collins: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 93 voting 'aye', 66 voting 'no' and the Gentleman's Amendment is adopted. Are there...are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #2, Ted Meyer-Stuffle-Ewing-Davis-Vinson, amends House (sic) (Senate) Bill 125 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "Just a moment, please. The Gentleman from Sangamon, Representative Kane."

Kane: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, to renew the inquiry in the line of reasoning that we used before. I was listening very carefully to the Member from the other side of the aisle who sponsored this Bill. He very clearly said that there

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was a new Act, two new Acts involved in here and I would urge that under the provisions of rule 34 (d) that this Bill be returned to Second Reading, First Legislative Day."

Speaker Collins: "The Chair would rule that the original Bill amends Section 103 and 306 of the Regional Transportation Authority Act. The Amendment merely expands to amend certain Sections in addition to the original Act. Therefore, the original title is not stricken by the Amendment and under Section...or 34 (d) it clearly says that this Subsection does not apply to Amendments which amend the title of the Bill by adding or deleting Section numbers from the same Act that is amended by the Bill as this Amendment does in the opinion of the Chair, and that would be the ruling."

Kane: "Mr. Speaker, I would respectfully suggest that you can't have it both ways. Is that you have ruled that since the title, itself, is not changed therefore it does not apply or Rule 34 (d) does not apply. However, if you make that ruling then all of the new language in this Act or in this Bill should be underlined since it amends only the RTA Act. However, in fact, it purports to enact two new Acts which do not appear in the title and so I would suggest that the title does not reflect the Amendment. The Amendment does not reflect the title and you can't rule it two different ways on two different occasions when two different questions are raised. And I would suggest that the Amendment is out of order because the Amendment, itself, does not reflect its own title. And that constructively the title is changed and therefore comes under Rule 34 (d) and should be returned to Second Reading, First Legislative Day."

Speaker Collins: "Well, you have two separate questions but the language of 34 (d) is clearly operative in this issue and

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that is way the Chair has ruled."

Kane: "What about the previous question then, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Collins: "Representative Ewing."

Ewing: "Mr. Speaker, I agree with your ruling and...but I got so excited in my remarks I forgot to vote and I surely want to be recorded as 'yes' on this. As my seatmate said or one of them down the row, I show real class but I could I have leave to be voted 'yes'?"

Speaker Collins: "Record the Gentleman 'aye'. The...Does the Gentleman have leave? Does the Gentleman have leave to be recorded as voting 'aye'? Alright, unanimous consent has been denied. Yes, it is closed. I've already declared the Amendment as adopted. Representative Friedrich, for what purpose do you arise?"

Friedrich: "Mr. Speaker, I was going to raise that question, you have already ruled on this. Their right is to appeal the ruling of the Chair if they don't agree."

Speaker Collins: "That's correct. Your point is well taken. Representative Huff, for what purpose do you arise?"

Huff: "Well, Mr. Speaker, in making your ruling to Representative Kane, you stated that the Amendment did not strike the title and it does, right on the face of it, Mr. Speaker and you can't rule two different ways or do two different questions that are essentially the same. Representative Kane is raising the question of the two Acts that the title don't make reference to. I made the same inquiry and you ruled me out of order and now you're ruling Representative Kane out of order when the Amendment on its face tells you that it's going to strike the title of the Bill."

Speaker Collins: "I would suggest that the Gentleman read Section 34(d). The ruling has already been made. For what purpose does the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bowman arise?"

Bowman: "Mr. Speaker, I would, with respect to the Chair's ruling

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pertaining to moving the Bill back to Second Reading, First Legislative Day, I wish to appeal the ruling of the Chair of that ruling of the Chair. It's a very lengthy Amendment. It amends the Municipal Code, it amends the Election Code, it amends the RTA Act, it adds new Acts. And it seems to me that, I'll bet you that probably not more than four or five people on this floor have read the Amendment and I think everyone ought to have an opportunity to study it and perhaps offer additional Amendments, and for that reason I appeal the ruling of the Chair."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman has appealed the ruling of the Chair. The question is, 'Shall the ruling of the Chair be overruled?' Those voting in favor will indicate by voting 'aye', those opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On this question there are 68 voting 'aye', 78 voting 'no', and the Gentleman's Motion is lost. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #2, Ted Meyer-et al, amends Senate Bill 125 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Meyer."

Ted Meyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First, let me apologize to Mr. Madigan for mentioning his name in debate. I violated the rules. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Amendment #2 is...keep the commuter trains rail lines moving. It provides that in the event, and it amends the RTA Act, in the event that the RTA does not pay the subsidy to the commuter rails that the commuter rails have an opportunity to give one weeks notice and if the RTA doesn't provide the subsidy as provided by law the commuter rails are authorized to raise fares to cover 100% of the operating cost."

Speaker Collins: "Is there discussion? The Gentleman has moved

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the adoption of Amendment #....Representative Lechowicz, I didn't see your light, I don't know if you had it on. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Lechowicz."

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

Ted Meyer: "Yes, Sir."

Lechowicz: "Does that include the 4 million dollars that is owed to the suburban railroads now?"

Ted Meyer: "No. Current operating."

Lechowicz: "Current operating?"

Ted Meyer: "Yes, Sir."

Lechowicz: "Will that take care of the \$419,000 in debt for the entire system or will that be broken up by...just for the railroads?"

Ted Meyer: "Commuter rail."

Lechowicz: "And your intent then is to have this Amendment deal strictly with commuter rails, then if the money does not come from the STA, is it? Or is it the..."

Ted Meyer: "No, the RTA."

Lechowicz: "The RTA, the railroads, themselves, can impose a fare increase based upon what their costs are?"

Ted Meyer: "Yes, Sir."

Lechowicz: "Do you take into consideration the amount of Federal money that comes in? Is that also a factor in your Amendment?"

Ted Meyer: "It was intended, Sir. I believe it is in there. Yes, Sir."

Lechowicz: "Okay, thank you."

Speaker Collins: "Is there further discussion? Representative Levin."

Levin: "Would the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Collins: "He indicates he will."

Levin: "Representative, I think it's fairly well known that many

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of these commuter railroads are purchasing services and equipment from subsidiaries at cost which are higher than they could get in the outside market. Does your Amendment take that into account in determining what is an appropriate level of increase? Does it attempt to police that situation in any way, shape or form?"

Ted Meyer: "No, Sir. But, I mean, if you have information of price gauging I wish you'd bring it forward."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from DeWitt, Representative Vinson, I beg your pardon, your light was on. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Meyer, to close."

Meyer: "I urge the adoption on the Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #2. All those in favor will indicate by voting 'aye', opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 129 voting 'aye', 20 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present' and the Gentleman's Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #3, Madigan-Levin-McClainn, amends Senate Bill 125 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Madigan, deferring to the...Representative Levin."

Madigan: "Mr. Levin."

Levin: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the crisis' at hand as we've been talking about for the last couple of hours and I think everybody agrees we need a viable solution not in a month, not in two weeks but now. This Amendment, I think, provides the basis for such a viable solution, together with the Amendment to be offered subsequently by Representative McClainn which would provide for greater downstate road money. It's a balanced approach. It is one that has been arrived at in a very

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novel way on our side of the aisle. We put together task forces in which everybody was allowed to participate, everybody had input. It was an attempt to come up with a consensus to deal with everybody's problems. And I think Representative Madigan is to be commended for this approach. It is a unique approach in dealing with policy there is no backroom arrangement here. There was no one individual saying how this proposal should be put together. It's democracy at its very best and I think in a way we have not seen all the time in this Legislature and I hope we'll see it a lot more. This Amendment is offered in the spirit of compromise and it has been discussed at length with the Republican Leadership several weeks ago. And now, let me say this, there is nothing in this Amendment that is not open to further discussion. We have changes before a Bill passes on Third Reading. We can have changes if this Bill goes to a Conference Committee but we think this provides a fair and an equitable basis for finding the viable solution. What this Amendment does, very briefly, is to begin with the Governor's package which we think had very many good features and we built upon that package. Let me, very briefly, outline some of the provisions. I think there is a great deal of concern on both sides of the aisle about run away labor costs and we provide for the establishment in this Amendment of a TFA, very much as the Governor proposed which would have fiscal oversight, which would have bottom line responsibility for approving the budgets of the CTA and the various other operating entities, to force economies to force the elimination of what many feel are excessive labor contracts. In addition, the TFA board that we established would not have operating responsibility. I think that's pretty generally agreed that we don't want, we don't like what the RTA has been

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doing. We've been trying to tell local people how to run their own systems and we would do away with that. They were a fiscal oversight but the operating responsibility would be lodged in three separate operating authorities. The first is the CTA, the second is a suburban bus district and the third is a commuter railroad district which would each be locally operated and would relate to the new TPA. As important, in terms of the TPA board, there would be three from the city, three from the suburb, and a chairman who would be agreed upon by the Mayor of Chicago and the Governor. Now one of the things we discovered is that the suburban mayors are the ones that have the greatest concern about mass transportation. They're the ones that came down and testified. They're the ones that have been in communication with many of us on the floor here. And so what we would provide is that it would be the assembly of mayors, which is an existing group, that would make the nominations, the recommendations to the Governor as far as who would sit on the TPA board to represent the suburbs. We think this is a constructive approach. We think it's better than having the county board members do it who don't appear to be as interested in mass transportation. As I said earlier, we would set up three operating authorities, the CTA, the commuter railroads that would be dominated by the suburbs with a minimum of city appointments and a suburban bus district which would be totally suburban controlled, and again, the nominations for these various boards would come from the suburban mayors. They would be the ones that would be making the recommendations to the Governor. We further recognize that there is a great deal of unhappiness, particularly, in many of the collar counties. There is a desire to be able to opt out and we would provide that on a county basis. There can be an opt

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out, that a county board by Resolution can make the decision if they want to opt out and that that county would then have the authority if it would wish to, to reestablish the one quarter cent sales tax and to be able to join the downstate transportation program to be able to receive a one-third subsidy of operating expenses as to the current downstate systems. Another major provision, and I think, one that the Chicago Tribune found to be the most commendable was, we would provide for a formula for how the monies would be allocated. We except the Governor's proposal as far as a gross receipts tax but rather than having annual fights over appropriations which could mean that one year 90% of the money could go to the Chicago area, and the next year 10% to protect downstate as well as to protect the six county area. We would set up a formula so that one-third of the operating expenses for mass transit in the six county area would go into a fund as proceeds of the gross receipts tax and then that money in that fund would still be subject to appropriation by the Legislature but we would avoid the kind of fights that I think would otherwise would have occurred under the Governor's original proposal. In addition, we would provide for 200 million dollars in bridge loans which could be repaid over a ten year period. The system is close to bankruptcy now. It needs an infusion of working cash to be able to start out anew and we think the 200 million dollars which is what the Governor had proposed is absolutely necessary. As Representative McClain will discuss when we get to his Amendment later on the part of our proposal, of the Democratic Transportation Task Force, is to balance mass transit in northern Illinois with the needs of downstate for more roads, and what we'd do is we'd equalize the situation in terms of the amount of money made

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available for roads downstate and we would establish a construction account. We think that the Governor was correct in lumping together mass transportation for northern Illinois and roads. We have serious problems, in terms of mass transportation in our area, and we recognize there are serious problems downstate in terms of roads. We think that the two should be worked on together and we think this is a proper approach. Let me say in conclusion, I think this Amendment together with Representative McClain's Amendment represents a viable approach to dealing with mass transportation in this State. It's fair to downstate. It's fair to the suburbs, it's fair to the city and it is something that even the Chicago Tribune has editorialized in favor of. They think it's a good idea. Let me say in conclusion, this is offered in the spirit of compromise. There's nothing that's wetted in concrete. We can make changes, we think this however, is the basis to begin to start the dialogue which we really should have started several months ago."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative Leinenweber."

Leinenweber: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to Amendment #3 to Senate Bill 125. Amendment #3 which apparently is the Chicago Democrat transportation proposal is similar in form but not in content to the ill-fated program put forth by the Governor several weeks ago. It, if you thought that was good then you would probably think this is bad. If you thought the Governor's program was bad, you'd think this is awful. Essentially, the RTA is replaced with a transportation finance authority which is evenly divided between the appointments from the Mayor of Chicago and appointments by the Governor from names submitted by the presiding officers of the corporate

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authorities of the municipalities within the six county area. And I would just point out that this right off the bat would violate one man, one vote precepts which should indicate a division which would favor the five collar counties and suburban Cook as opposed to the City of Chicago. The CTA would be retained to run the transit system that it currently runs, however, its board would no longer be...have any appointees from the Governor of the Illinois. They would all be appointed by the Mayor of Chicago and would have power to set...the CTA could its own fare and service levels. The suburban transit district would be run by the members appointed by the Governor of the State as opposed to any direct appointments from the collar county suburban Cook area. The Commuter Railroad Corporation would also...would be appointed by four members from the Governor. Again, no direct appointments from anybody other than the Governor and two appointed by the Mayor of Chicago and a chairman appointed by the Governor. Budget review powers are limited to seeing that the budget is balanced and the power to withhold funds. The TPA has no power to review any labor contract prior to signing or to have any part in negotiating or any part in establishing the revenues included in the contracts. The collar counties would be allowed to opt out, which is probably the only provision that's meritorious in this entire package. This deal is to be funded by a 5% tax on gross receipts of oil companies and I might point out to those people downstate, this a 5% in the entire State and there are absolutely no exemptions. There are no exemptions for farmers using fertilizer in the fields, which we heard so much about from some of our constituents. There's no exemption, for example, of the Mobile Firm in Will County that manufactures cartons for MacDonal'd's hamburgers. So,

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I just wanted to point out the awesome breadth of this particular type of tax. There are many other problems with this particular proposal but I think the main problem is that it amounts to throwing a lot more money at the same problems we are currently having. It certainly would raise a tremendous amount of money for transportation from all of the citizens of the State who of course would have to pay this 5% pass-through tax on the gross receipts of all oil products manufactured in this State. This proposal deserves your resounding defeat, all 'no' votes if the 'right turn on red' got 148. This is far worse, this ought to get 175 or 176. It probably will get at least three because there are three Sponsors to it but I would urge everybody else, other than the Sponsors who are apparently committed to this proposal, to vote 'no'."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from McLean, Representative Bradley."

Bradley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I wonder if the Gentleman might yield to two questions? I was wondering, I think Representative Leinenweber cleared the air a little bit but, home heating oil and gas that people use to heat their homes, I assume, are going to be taxed, even our senior citizens who heat their homes with gas and oil are going to be included in the 5% increase and tax. That correct? What I'm wondering if there's no pas-through Amendment...?"

Levin: "Representative, there are no exemptions. Let me point out, however, that..."

Bradley: "What exemptions?"

Levin: "Okay, there are no exemptions."

Bradley: "That's all....that answered my first question so we don't take a lot of....Second question is, we're talking about three systems here, the CTA, the RTA and the

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downstate mass transit. Could you give me the figures on what amount of revenue you expect to generate? Just from my own information, in the, say the area outside of the CTA and the collar counties, how much money will be generated in the rest of the State of Illinois?"

Levin: "By the...? Okay, approximately...our projections and they're based on the Governor's projections, is about 40% of the revenue would come from outside of the six county area. Nobody really knows for certain."

Bradley: "Any then how much of it will be sent to the downstate mass transit system?"

Levin: "How much would go for downstate mass transit?"

Bradley: "On the percentage wise basis? How much...you say 40% will be... of the revenue will be...?"

Levin: "The money from the gross receipts tax would go for two purposes. One purpose would be mass transportation, both in the six county area and downstate, in terms of the two existing downstate programs. The other use of the gross receipts tax would be for roads and, you know, it would provide for increased funding for roads and for downstate would allocate a greater percentage of the road money that's authorized for downstate. So, it would go for both purposes; transportation and roads."

Bradley: "Mass transportation and roads for downstate?"

Levin: "That's correct."

Bradley: "What percentage of the total amount dollars that are going be raised in downstate will be allocated for downstate roads and mass transportation?"

Levin: "Representative, during the first year in which approximately 400 million dollars would be generated from this tax, 153 million would go for mass transportation and approximately 250 million would go for State highways and local highways."

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Bradley: "You still haven't given me the figure for the downstate area. Just break it out."

Levin: "Okay, I'm advised, Representative, that there is now way of allocating out...this is something DOT does annually and in terms of their road program and we're not in a position. We'll make an estimate of that. I would point out though that we do provide for a larger authorization for downstate roads then currently exist and that will be addressed by Representative McClainn because we recognize that downstate has not gotten its fair share and the needs to be equalized in terms of authorization for increased roads in the downstate, meaning non-six county area roads."

Bradley: "Well, if I might just very briefly address myself to the Amendment then. I don't think that we could really ask downstate people the legislation until we...I think there is some misgivings about just what the break-out is going to be. Evidently, Representative Madigan is going to explain it on another Amendment as to what we can expect for our downstate roads, for the downstate mass transit, for the bridge fund, et cetera. I don't see how you can expect us to raise a certain percentage of the money and then...with the possibility we might receive a lower percentage than is going to be collected for downstate. I think we ought to be looking at, also, as to, and I know this Amendment was just filed today but as far as I'm concerned I'd like to see which roads we intend to improve or resurface or widen or which bridges are intended to be reconstructed or new bridges constructed before you can ask for anybody to vote on such a comprehensive package as this. I remember the last road program that we adopted a year or two ago. It took over a three months period and every Member knew just exactly what was going to take place in his district. It seems to me that it's only the least

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we can ask as downstaters or suburbanites or Chicago Members as just what we can expect to be done and we're not getting those kind of answers so until we do I would suggest that we vote 'no'."

Speaker Collins: "Gentleman from Madison, Representative Everett Steele."

Steele: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to Amendment #3. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is the Amendment that we've all been warned about. This is the statewide oil tax. This is the tax that the people of my district don't want and I'm sure the people of your district don't want. If you vote for this Amendment, you're going to be voting for a statewide tax to support mismanagement, inefficiency, exorbitant salaries, excessive service on Sundays, excessive service at midnight and the wee hours of the morning of the CTA region. The people around the state certainly don't want to be voting for a statewide tax to support a system they'll never see and probably never use. I should like to point that at this time here in Illinois unemployment in our state is at an all time high. I'd like to point out that car repairs are at an all time high because people can't afford to buy new cars. I'd like to point out that even shoe repairs are at all time high in Illinois because people can't afford to buy new shoes. Now at a time like this, certainly it's not a time, it's not appropriate to be passing a new tax. It's not appropriate to be passing a new statewide tax around this state and I urge that you vote 'no' an Amendment #3."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Schneider."

Schneider: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Sponsor a few questions. For someone who's so upset about bureaucracy, I'd like to hear the justification for the formation of a

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TFA."

Levin: "The TFA, Representative, would perform two functions and two functions only; fiscal oversight and very limited, I think we would call reactive coordination. They're currently..."

Schneider: "What? Called what? Reactive coordination."

Levin: "Coordination."

Schneider: "I can't wait."

Levin: "They would oversee the budgets. They would have a staff we estimate of approximately 50 as opposed to the current 350 or more employees of the RTA. That would be their primary responsibility. It would be a substantially smaller staff than exists now. In addition, we do recognize there is a need for coordination and that a bus company, for example, may have a route which ends where there's a train and there's need for somebody to be able to say that the two should get together. So what we would provide in that situation is that any of the operating authorities may come to the TFA and say, you know, will you work out a coordination. Aside from that, we would eliminate by and large the planning responsibilities and all of the other functions that the RTA currently have. You know, we think this is a needless bureaucracy. It's costing both the residents of the city and the residents of the outlying counties in suburban Cook millions of dollars in unnecessary expenditures, and we think that this is something that could be done away with. And that's what is done in Amendment #3."

Schneider: "Tell me, again, another... this reactive coordination sounds like a nuclear power location. What does that mean? I'm not so sure I understand what you're talking about, Ellis, on reactive coordination. Reactive... If there's a bus accident, they send somebody out to react or what?"

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Levin: "No, we don't think that whatever you're going to call it, RTA, TFA, you know, any name you want to use that they should be continuing to spend the money they are on all of these five year plans and their comprehensive planning and telling the outlying suburbs they should have a busline where only one person takes that bus. On the other... So, we would do away with all that. On the other hand, we do recognize that you do need some coordination, that there are problems of two systems that need to get together, and so what we would provide is they could not initiate an action to provide coordination but if either an operating authority or a hundred citizens felt there was a need for coordination they could bring the question to the TFA and, at that point, the TFA would be authorized to take up the issue. That's what I mean by reactive coordination."

Schneider: "The RTA Board is going to dissolve under this Amendment?"

Levin: "Pardon?"

Schneider: "The TFA Board dissolves under this Amendment?"

Levin: "That's correct."

Schneider: "Then how long... why are we calling it a finance authority or an oversight. It has oversight over the functions but the Board is eliminated."

Levin: "The current Board is eliminated and is replaced with a new seven member Board; three from the City, three from the suburbs. As I said, nominated by the assembly of mayors and then the Chairman would be somebody appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Mayor."

Schneider: "One more question, Mr. Speaker. On the buses, when former Representative Shea and I think he was also involved in drafting this Amendment, talked about bus service in our task force meeting how did he envision or how do you envision that the suburbs which, when I voted for this

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originally in 1973, we anticipated bus services as well as rail services? None of the bus services really has materialized in our areas except for the morning and evening rush hours to and from the train station which, in all pragmatic sense, serves no function for a lot of citizens. Now, in his view or in your view, how does the bus service... how do you envision that taking shape in this new proposal separate from what it currently... how it currently acts?"

Levin: "Okay. Let me answer that in two ways. First of all by suggesting that we believe that the suburban mayors and village presidents are the ones that have been most concerned about mass transportation. They know where the routes are needed. They know which routes are unnecessary and they will be making the nominations to the suburban bus district and to the representation on the commuter railroad. It's our premise that the decisions should be locally made. The people locally have the best idea of what the needs are. That's the reason why we take planning responsibility away from the RTA, TFA whatever you want to call it and give it to these local entities, because the local people are the ones that know what's unnecessary and know what is currently not being provided that is necessary."

Schneider: "I think that's... On the Bill itself, Mr. Speaker and Members, that's the logic I heard in '73. I took a lot of heat for that in my county and I carried a lot of water along with one other Member from DuPage County for this Bill. If you think you're going to toss that issue back to us by the assumption that it's going to be a local controlled issue and that the mayors and managers who you presume have articulated a concern for transportation within the county, I think you're in error. This Amendment

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does not come close, I think, to solving our problem. I think the past Amendment at least guarantees that the rail service will continue, or past two Amendments, without the structure that it's presently hamstringing our counties. So, I am opposed to Amendment #3. Perhaps we're all looking for a vehicle and maybe this is the vehicle we want, but I believe 1 and 2 provide us with a better solution out in our area. I would ask that we oppose Amendment #3."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Livingston, Representative Ewing."

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

Speaker Collins: "Gentleman has moved the previous question. The question is, 'Shall the main question be put?'. All those in favor will indicate by saying 'aye', opposed 'nay'. The 'ayes' have it. The... The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Levin, to close."

Levin: "To close?"

Speaker Collins: "Please. Briefly."

Levin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This proposal, as I indicated earlier, comes as a result of many hours of work by a great many people, and while it's not perfect, I think it offers the basis for dialogue to come up with a viable approach. Let me suggest it is premised on the Governor's package which we think had an awful lot of very good points and, as the days have passed, that approach, the Governor's approach continues to look better and better everyday. In terms of some of the questions that were raised, the way we deal with teh CTA in terms of the appointments to the CTA Board. We picked up verbatim what the Governor had proposed with respect to the CTA. I would point out, in terms of representation on the TFA Board that currently 85% of ridership in the six county

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area comes from the CTA and yet we do not provide that 85% of the representation on the TFA Board should come from the City of Chicago. We recognize that there is a metropolitan light interest, a suburban interest that needs to be represented. We also recognize that there's going to be a number of counties that are going to opt out and that; therefore, the population from the outlying areas that's going to be involved in the TFA is going to be a lot smaller than was currently involved with the ETA. Finally, I would point out, in terms of what the tax would be used for, that it is not a gas tax. It is not a tax that you would pay when you go to buy gasoline. There is absolutely no tax on natural gas. So, if you heat your home with natural gas, you wouldn't be effected at all. The experience in Connecticut where they have a gross receipts tax is that very little of the tax is passed on. They have a 2% gross receipts tax and, in terms of their home heating bills where they itemize the tax, only three quarters of a cent is passed on through. This is because the oil companies are able to right off the bulk of this tax on their income tax and the result is it's not passed on. This, we think, is a fair approach. It's a viable approach. It's one that will keep the trains running and the buses running, and I urge your favorable consideration of this Amendment. Thank you, very much."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #3. All those in favor will indicate by voting 'aye', those opposed by voting 'no'. The Gentleman from Will, Representative Davis, to explain his vote."

Davis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I doubt the Amendment's going to win, but I can just tell you Representative Leinenweber was right. It's awful, but it's more than that. It's putrid. It's moldy. It's been hanging around here for eight weeks

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waiting for something to attach it to. It was a response to the Governor's program which this House responsdingly or overwhelmingly responded to by killing the whole package and now seeks to delete the enacting clause of House Bill 125 which this House has affirmed twice, twice in 829 and now in 125. I see the votes are there to kill. I'll shut up."

Speaker Collins: "Have all voted who wish? The Gentleman from Champaign Representative Johnson. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 54 voting 'aye', 105 voting 'no' and the Gentleman's Motion is lost. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #4, Ebbesen, amends House Bill 125 and so forth."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from DeKalb, Representative Ebbesen."

Ebbesen: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, first I'd like to ask if this Amendment is in order based on what the previous Amendments."

Speaker Collins: "Gentleman's questioned the germaneness of his own Amendment. The Gentleman's point is well taken and the Amendment is out of order. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #5, Huff-Henry, amends House.. Senate Bill 125 on page one, line one and so forth."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Huff."

Huff: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I would like to withdraw Amendment #5."

Speaker Collins: "Gentleman withdraws Amendment #5. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #6, Huff-Henry, amends Senate Bill 125 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Huff."

Huff: "Yes Mr. Speaker, Amendment #6 to House...Senate Bill 125

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would simply complete what Amendment #1 starts. In Amendment #1, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, it excludes Chicago from the Suburban Transit Authority. What Amendment #6...6 to do, is to provide the provision upon which Chicago will be excluded from the new Act. This Amendment allows Chicago to opt out through a proclamation of the City Council. It provides Chicago with its own bonding authority and it allows Chicago to retain the one cents sales tax. I'm open for question."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #6. Is there discussion? The Gentleman from Will, Representative Leinenweber."

Leinenweber: "The Gentleman would yield to a question or two?"

Huff: "Yes."

Speaker Collins: "He indicates he will."

Leinenweber: "Did you say that your Amendment #6 allows Chicago to opt out based upon the framework of Amendment #1?"

Huff: "No, yes, except that it gives clarification of how this should be done, Representative Leinenweber."

Leinenweber: "Well, as I recall Amendment #1, it in effect, opts Chicago out."

Huff: "Amendment #1, Representative Leinenweber, excludes Chicago all together. The only way Chicago could participate in the new Suburban Transit Act is through a referendum of the voters in Cook County."

Leinenweber: "Chicago is not a suburb though."

Huff: "Well, that's what I'm saying all along."

Leinenweber: "Alright, the..it seems to me, the meat of the Amendment involves a quote, "1981 interim financing note issuance". Is that correct?"

Huff: "Interim financing, that's right."

Leinenweber: "Alright, and that's a total of 400 million?"

Huff: "That's right."

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Leinenweber: "Now, what is the interim? There's a beginning, presumably, when the Bill becomes law but what's the ending date when that 400 is to be used in?"

Huff: "I think it's open ended."

Leinenweber: "In another words, just 400 million. How do they pay it back?"

Huff: "The same way you're going to pay back your notes in Amendment #1."

Leinenweber: "Who would buy the notes?"

Huff: "The same people that's going to buy them in Amendment #1."

Leinenweber: "Who backs these notes?"

Huff: "The same people that's going to back them in your Amendment #1, Representative Leinenweber."

Leinenweber: "Alright, that wasn't my Amendment. Who are they?"

Huff: "Well, it's in that Amendment that was adopted. It's the same thing, Sir. You answer me that question, then I can answer your question."

Leinenweber: "Alright. Members of the House, Mr. Speaker, as the Sponsor, the House Sponsor of Senate Bill 125, I would urge the defeat of Amendment #6. No one, including our staff, can figure out what it says or what it does, other than it talks about 400 million dollars of notes which apparently the CTA is going to be authorized to issue and sell, and we're not sure who backs them, who's going to buy them or what's going to be done with the money. So, I would urge that we adopt Amendment #6...or..."

Huff: "Thank you. Thank you."

Leinenweber: "Or oppose Amendment #6."

Speaker Collins: "Is there further discussion? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Henry."

Henry: "Yes, thank you. Yes, thank you Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I think Representative Huff did a human job on presenting the Amendment. I'd like to deal with just

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another short aspect of it. It appears to me that this House and this government want to see a shutdown of the CTA and other mass transit. I can assure you that the working people in Chicago and outside the city of Chicago do not want a shutdown. Now, I hope that the Members of the House, as they returned home over the last weekend, I hope you did not picnic and play. I hope you had the time to listen to your constituency. Today we've voted on cutbacks that mean that the working poor, Ladies and Gentlemen, will not be able to lose not one minute, not one second from their jobs because if they lose their jobs, you have reduced the appropriations from social service agencies that mean that they will have to either turn to crime or starve to death. If we allow the transit system to close in this State and in the Northeast Region of Illinois, we stand to lose, and I don't have to quote the figures to you, but we stand to lose 126 million dollars a day in manufacturing, sales and services, personal income, state income tax and sales tax, and this is a human loss. And it's a state loss that you know we cannot afford. These senior citizens in my district and across Cook County cannot and will not be able to attend to the medical facilities that they must attend now. They will not even be able to go to church. The students will not be able to go to school. The unemployed will not be able to seek unemployment. Now, we could, we could request several things from the State of Illinois. We could say, stop building and stop funding the Capital Development Board and we could say, just two blocks from here, to stop building the brand new 40 some million dollar building of the Revenue Department to move in to collect some taxes that we may not be able to collect, and we could stop the Road Fund that I hear people refer to, a billion dollar road fund.

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We could talk about all those things, Mr. Speaker, but I think it to be fair to the people of Illinois and to be fair to the people from Chicago and the people of Cook County that we ask you to support this Amendment. Because you are not only doing my constituency a favor but you're doing all the people in Chicago, Cook County and Illinois a favor and I ask you, and I ask you to help, help us save the shutdown in Chicago and Cook County by supporting this Amendment."

Speaker Collins: "Representative Huff to close."

Huff: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The realities of these, the RTA has caught the sniffles and the commuter lines are dying of pneumonia. Just simply look at this situation, look at these facts, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Chicago is still operating. I represent the 667 million rides that they have annually. They are still carrying on their payrolls. They are still meeting their supply costs. Chicago and this Amendment 1 is, in my opinion, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, is nothing more than RTA all over again. You can create the Transit Finance Authority. You can create the Suburban Transit Authority but that's not going to put one extra rider on those suburban buses that don't carry anybody today. That's not going to put one additional rider on the commuter rails then there are today. The reality is that Chicago will be better off as we already are in Amendment #1. We are out of the transportation system. This simply recognizes that fact. Leave Chicago out but also provide Chicago with the wherewithall to stay out. I think this is a good Amendment and I solicit your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #6. All those in favor will indicate by saying 'aye',

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opposed 'no'. The 'nos' have it and the Amendment is lost. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #7, Ebbesen, amends Senate Bill 125 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from DeKalb, Representative Ebbesen."

Ebbesen: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I have had something..."

Speaker Collins: "For what purpose does the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Levin, rise?"

Levin: "I would question whether or not Amendment #7 is in order."

Speaker Collins: "Let me have the Amendment, Mr. Clerk."

Levin: "Line three and four, Mr. Speaker, refer to inserting 2.04 after 1.03."

Speaker Collins: "Gentleman's point is well taken and the Amendment is out of order. Are there further Amendments?"

Ebbesen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #8, Deuchler-Murphy, amends Senate Bill 125 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady from Kane, Representative Deuchler."

Deuchler: "Mr. Speaker, I would like to present Amendment 8 to Senate Bill 125 as amended. I believe you will find this Amendment on your desk. It includes some simple wording changes to be inserted on page 79 including the wording, 'and excluding revenues from gasoline taxes not collected in the City of Chicago'. My reason for presenting this Amendment arises out of concerns..."

Speaker Collins: "Excuse me, Representative Deuster (sic, Deuchler). For what purpose does the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Levin, rise?"

Levin: "Mr. Speaker, I think rule 34B provides that you cannot amend an Amendment without unanimous consent. Based on

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that, I would object to Amendment #8 which makes reference to page and line numbers in House Amendment #1, on page 79 in line 33 by inserting, etcetera."

Speaker Collins: "It's the ruling of the Chair that this Amendment is not amending an Amendment, but is amending Senate Bill 125 as amended and the references merely made in the Amendment to Amendment #1. Proceed, Representative Deuchler."

Deuchler: "... that this Amendment has been drawn arises out of some very serious concerns from my own area of Kane County. For about four years, RTA has held six million dollars on deposit, as it were, from gasoline taxes collected and earmarked for our county. These monies were set aside for us as they were in other collar counties to be used for capital improvement projects. The projects have not been as yet determined and we are very anxious to have it stated explicitly in any new legislation that these monies are indeed to be reserved and set aside for future use of Kane County."

Speaker Collins: "Is there any discussion? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Levin."

Levin: "Would she yield for a question?"

Speaker Collins: "She indicates she will."

Levin: "Representative, when was the last time that the RTA levied a gasoline tax?"

Deuchler: "I believe it was several years ago, Representative."

Levin: "Does the RTA currently have the authority to levy a gasoline tax?"

Deuchler: "No, it does not. I did check with Michael 'Folts', the treasurer of the RTA, about a month or slightly more in regard to this matter and he said yes, indeed, in answer to my question. Your entitlement to the six million dollars, of course, is in existence although we, at time time, have

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removed the money that we had set aside for you that was on deposit in Kane County banks due to our cash flow problems."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative Leinenweber."

Leinenweber: "I think it's a fine Amendment and I would urge its adoption."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Kane, Representative Murphy, agrees with you. Is there any further discussion? The Lady from Kane, Representative Deuchler, to close."

Deuchler: "Just to ask for your affirmative vote, please."

Speaker Collins: "The Lady moves the adoption of Amendment #8. All those in favor will indicate by saying 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Amendment is adopted. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #9, Huff-Henry, amends Senate Bill 125 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "Have these Amendments been printed and distributed?"

Clerk Leone: "Amendment #9 has not been printed and distributed as of yet."

Speaker Collins: "It cannot be considered at this time. The Gentleman from Will, Representative Leinenweber."

Leinenweber: "Yes, I would ask, is Amendment #9 printed and distributed?"

Speaker Collins: "I just announced that it had not been."

Leinenweber: "Alright. Then I would move to table Amendment #9."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman moves to table Amendment #9. All those in favor will indicate by saying 'aye', ... the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Huff."

Huff: "I move that that Motion lie on the table, Mr. Speaker. I'm entitled to have as much to say about my Amendments as Mr. Leinenweber has."

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Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Will, Representative Leinenweber, has moved that Amendment #9 be tabled. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Huff, has moved that that Motin to table be tabled. All those in favor of Representative Huff's Motion to table indicate by saying 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'nos' have it and we revert to the original Motion. Representative Leinenweber moves that Amendment #9 lie upon the table. All those in favor will indicate by saying 'aye', opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and Amendment #9 is tabled. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #10, McClain, amends Senate Bill 125 as amended."

Speaker Collins: "The Gentleman from Adams, Representative McClain. He's in the center aisle and he would like to withdraw Amendment #10. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Collins: "Third Reading. Speaker Ryan in the Chair."

Speaker Ryan: "On the Calendar on page two on the Order of House Bills, Second Reading appears House Bill 589, Representative Wolf. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 589, a Bill for an Act making appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of Law Enforcement, the Department of Insurance and Military and Naval Department, State Fire Marshall, Local Governmental Law Enforcement Officers Training Board, the Illinois Racing Board and the Illinois Historical Library. Second Reading of the Bill. Amendments #1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 were adopted in Committee."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any Amendments filed with respect to the Amendments... Any Motions filed with respect to the Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Motion: 'I move to table Amendment #1 to House

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Bill 58... Pardon me. No Motions filed."

Speaker Ryan: "No Motions filed? Are there any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #13, Terzich, amends House Bill 589 as amended."

Speaker Ryan: "Amendment #13, Representative Terzich. Representative Terzich on the floor? Representative Lechowicz on the floor? Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, Representative Terzich has been detained and could I have leave to handle this Amendment #13 to House Bill 589 for Representative Terzich? This... Yes, he's had a death in the family. This Amendment appropriates 363,540 dollars to the Office of the State Fire Marshall for maintenance of the Chicago Fire Department Training Program and the related expenses, facilities and structures. This is a needed program and this Amendment is for the necessary funds so that program can be maintained, and I would offer and move the adoption of Amendment #13 to House Bill 589."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion?"

Matijevich: "By the way, these are funds of the Fire Prevention Insurance Premium Fund collected between July 1, 1980 to December 31, 1980."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion to the Gentleman's Amendment? Amendment #13. Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This Amendment... Question of the Sponsor, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "He indicates that he'll yield and try to answer."

Vinson: "Is this the 10% that is automatically suppose to go to Chicago under the Fire Prevention Fund?"

Matijevich: "Yes, Representative Vinson. This is at no cost to the state taxpayers. This is the funds coming to them by

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statute, the 10% that you've mentioned."

Vinson: "And this is not provided for any place else in appropriation Bills."

Matijevich: "No, Sir."

Vinson: "Is the amount sufficient? It's suppose to be, as I understand, 10% of an amount collected."

Matijevich: "This is half year funding and this is actual receipts for that half year."

Vinson: "No objection to the Amendment. I would urge its adoption."

Matijevich: "You must have a couple coming up, Sam. Move for the adoption, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich moves for the adoption of Amendment #13 to House Bill 589. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed by saying 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #14, Matijevich, amends House Bill 589 as amended."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich on Amendment #14."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Amendment #14 is an Amendment to reduce the Department of Law Enforcement's appropriation by a total reduction amount of 655,200 dollars. This eliminates new and vacant positions in the agency, reduces consultant contracts by 50% and new equipment by 25% as per the Governor's recommendations. I move for the adoption of Amendment #14."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Amendment would eliminate entirely the Hazardous Waste Enforcement Program under the Department of Law Enforcement. The purpose of the Hazardous Waste

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Enforcement Program was to try to keep, to try to prevent, to try to enforce the law as it relates to hazardous and toxic wastes in this state. It's to try to keep the problems of midnight dumpers dumping in sewers of illegal disposal which can threaten millions of people. It's to try to avoid the situations like Loves Canal that have occurred in the past in other states. This is a first effort. Now the subcommittee, in a bipartisan fashion, somewhat reduced the cost of the program. We did that because it is a year of fiscal austerity, but does it make sense I would ask you to competetly eliminate any hazardous waste enforcement program in this state? Does it make sense to recreate and to invite midnight dumpers to come in to proliferate the Loves Canal kind of situation? This is a bare bones level for hazardous waste enforcement. It's a clear matter of environment. It's one of the few things that people across the spectrum seem to be able to agree on that we need to be going forward with in the environmental field these days, and it's to try to combat something that can create birth defects, mutance and every other possibility. I would urge defeat of the Amendment because the Amendment would completely deprive us of our ability to prosecute hazardous waste dumpers."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich, to close."

Matijevich: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. The Gentleman is correct. This does eliminate the funding for the Haz-men program. I might tell them we do have the Haz-mad, I do believe, program they call it where we have 80 persons within the state police enforcing the hazardous waste transportation of it. I think, in this matter of fiscal constraints that there are some things that we have to withhold as far as new initiatives. I think the Attorney General has been taking credit all over the State of Illinois in the matter of

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environmental problems and I remember when he was in Committee with regards to some consumers services unit within the Governor's budget that some of the Committee Members argued against duplication of services. So I think this is a matter, because of our fiscal constraints, that we can withhold for a year to determine where we are and by that eliminate some new and vacant positions and still serve the purposes of law enforcement. Also, because the Department of Law Enforcement has been holding back on support services that it means so much to local police departments and local fire departments. That, I think, ought to be their first priority. They evidently have stepped and wiped that aside in support of the Haz-men program which I think is a sense of mixed priorities, and I would urge and move the adoption of Amendment #15(sic, 14)."

Speaker Ryan: "Quest... The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #14 to House Bill 589. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed 'no'. The 'nos' have it and the Amendment loses. Further Amendments."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #15, Matijeveh, amends House Bill 589 as amended."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijeveh on Amendment #15."

Matijeveh: "This is an Amendment in the State Fire Marshalls Department where in we reduce in the amount of 201,900 dollars from the Fire Prevention Fund. This also is elimination of new and vacant positions, reduction of consultant contracts and in equipment in the amount of 25%. Frankly, I've offered this Amendment because we feel that we can reduce the Department by that amount and still support Amendment #16 which is being offered by Representative Saltsman and Domico which will restore monies that we feel are so important for reimbursements to

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local government for fire training programs. This is a vital program to the locals and we feel, by the adoption of Amendment #5 we can eliminate some unnecessary funds because positions are vacant. I move for the adoption."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. One of the things that this Amendment would delete is positions involved in boiler safety inspection. Now, I think it's important for you to realize what that means. The Auditor General has criticized the Fire Marshall because he has not been able to statutorily ... to perform the statutorily mandated duties of boiler inspection. These positions were put in the budget because of the serious threat to health and safety resulting from his lack of enforcement of those mandated responsibilities. What the Amendment seeks to do is to put the Fire Marshall in the position where he cannot provide critical health and safety needs. I would urge its rejection for that purpose. In addition, in the fire prevention area and in the support services area, the Amendment would cripple effective operation of the Fire Marshall's Office. I would urge rejection of the Amendment, a 'no' vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative McAuliffe."

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

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman moves the previous question. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Gentleman's Motion prevails. Representative Matijevich, to close."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, this is a reduction in nine personnel and these are positions that even the Governor didn't exempt from his freeze so there's no reason why we have to fund them for this fiscal year. I

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would offer and move the adoption of Amendment #15."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #15.

All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed 'no'. The 'nos' have it and the Amendment loses. Further Amendments."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #16, Saltsman, amends House Bill 589 as amended."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Saltsman on Amendment #16."

Saltsman: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, this is a very important issue. This cutback of 436,000 dollars in the Fire Marshall's budget would put us back to fiscal year 1980. I think, if you look at our small communities around the State of Illinois that have really benefited from the training that has been shared with them with the bigger communities. Half of this money in the Fire Marshall's budget does go to Chicago which is our bigger city in our training programs and our downstate communities, with volunteer fire departments also receive quite a bit of funding from this budget. This cut here would hurt the small communities who sometimes depend on the larger urban areas for their training. This money is needed very much in firefighting. It's spread our training throughout the state. It's professionalized the services of smaller departments, and it's really helped to communicate in our aid from mutual aid from other departments that have standardized the departments throughout the State of Illinois. I would urge for the adoption of this Amendment."

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

Vinson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. What the subcommittee and the full Committee ratified was to eliminate 1.265 million dollars from the Fire Marshall... the Office of the State Fire Marshall for

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this reimbursement program. We didn't do that without serious thought about it. We did it primarily because it's unlikely that the local agencies are going to be able to utilize this money. They can't utilize the money in all likelihood because of the reduction in the number of new firemen being hired throughout the state. It's a year of fiscal austerity for everybody involved, be it federal, state and local. There are far fewer new firemen being hired. The claims for the training coming through this program as a result as likely to be decreased. It was an Amendment adopted with the approval of the Fire Marshall. He felt that it was a reasonable Amendment, and what the Sponsor of the Amendment would be suggesting would be that we ought to waste 1.265 million dollars on something that just can't be used. I would urge rejection of the Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "... previous question."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman moves the previous question. All in favor signify by saying 'aye', all opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Gentleman's Motion prevails. Representative Saltsman, to close."

Saltsman: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, the training is needed. This is a budget that should be increased and not decreased. It's very important to our small communities. It's very important to our volunteer firefighters as well as our urban communities. I think that instead of cutting from this budget it should be added to and I'd like to have a Roll Call vote on this please."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman asks for the adoption of Amendment #16 to House Bill 589. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Representative Matijevich, one minute to explain your vote."

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Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, in explaining my 'aye' vote. This is monies that ought to be committed to the local governments. The State of Illinois has had that commitment to help in funding for police training and fire training. We all talk about professionalism in police departments, professionalism in fire departments and I think that the state has an obligation, as it's had in the past, to continue that obligation. If we don't provide this amount of support, again, we'll fall back on local property taxpayers and I don't think you want that. That's the reason I'm voting 'aye'."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 77 voting 'aye', 78 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present' and the Gentleman's Motion fails. Further Amendments. Amendment's lost."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #17, McClain, amends House Bill 589 as amended."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative McClain on Amendment #17."

McClain: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I think the Gentleman from Peoria was trying to reach your attention."

McClain: "Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Ryan: "Yes."

McClain: "Mr. Saltsman..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative McClain, you're up on Amendment #17."

McClain: "Mr. Saltsman was trying to get your attention."

Speaker Ryan: "Mr. Saltsman."

Saltsman: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I'd like to poll the absentees on Amendment #16."

Speaker Ryan: "On Amendment 15?"

Saltsman: "16, Mr. Speaker. Amendment 16."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative, we've already declared that lost

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and moved on to Amendment 17. Is this..."

Saltsman: "I was trying to get a Roll Call vote, Mr. Speaker, but you didn't catch my attention."

Speaker Ryan: "I gave you a Roll Call vote, Representative. You lost, 77-78 to 2. I looked. I didn't see your light on, but since...What do you want, John? What can I do for you?"

Matijevich: "I just wanted him to have his right. That's all."

Speaker Ryan: "We're giving him his rights. By all rights, the Amendment should be declared lost. Yes, because we moved on to Amendment #17."

Matijevich: "Oh no. We know you're trying to rush things. We know you're calling on McAuliffe for the previous question. We have a right..."

Speaker Ryan: "He's a Member of this Body too, Representative."

Matijevich: "So is Saltsman. He has a right to poll the absentees and that's all I was rising for is to protect his rights."

Speaker Ryan: "He would probably done a lot better without your help. Poll the absentees. We'll take the Bill back. Poll the absentees for Representative Saltsman."

Clerk Leone: "Poll of the absentees. Bell. Capparelli. Deuster. Garmisa. Hanahan. Huskey. Jackson. Keane. Koehler. Krska. Margalus. Ted Meyer."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Meyer. Record Representative Meyer as 'no'. Capparelli as 'aye'. Proceed."

Clerk Leone: "Oblinger. Redmond. Robbins. Stearney. Stuffle. Terzich. Yourell and Zwick."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Stuffle. Stuffle."

Stuffle: "Yes, record me 'aye', please."

Speaker Ryan: "Record the Gentleman as 'aye'. Representative Krska. Record the Gentleman as 'aye'. Representative Polk."

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Polk: "Mr. Speaker, please change me from 'present' to 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Change the Gentleman from 'present' to 'no'.
Representative Bell."

Bell: "Mr. Speaker, please change me to ... put me as 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Record the Gentleman as 'no'. On this question
there are 80 voting 'aye' and 81 voting 'no'.
Representative Rea, do you seek recognition?
Representative Rea."

Rea: "Mr. Speaker, I yield my recognition to Representative
Saltsman."

Speaker Ryan: "Pardon? Representative Saltsman."

Saltsman: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, my light keeps going off. I'd like
to poll the negative vote, please. Verify the negative."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman asks for a verification of the negative
Roll Call. Poll the negative vote, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Leone: "Abramson. Ackerman. Alstat. Barkhausen. Barnes.
Barr. Bartulis. Bell. Bianco. Birkinbine. Bluthardt.
Boucek. Bower. Catania. Collins. Conti. Daniels.
Davis. Deuchler. Jack Dunn. Ralph Dunn. Ebbesen.
Epton. Ewing. Fawell. Virginia Frederick. Dwight
Friedrich. Griffin. Grossi. Hallock. Hallstrom.
Hastert. Hoffman. Hoxsey. Hudson. Johnson. Karpiel.
Jim Kelley. Klemm. Kociolko. Kucharski. Kustra.
Leinenweber. Macdonald. Martire. Mays. McAuliffe.
McBroom. McCormick. McMaster. Ted Meyer. Roland Meyer.
Miller. Neff. Nelson. Peters. Piel. Polk. Pullen.
Reed. Reilly. Rigney. Ropp. Sandquist. Schuneman. Irv
Smith. Stanley. E. G. Steele. C. M. Stiehl. Swanstrom.
Tate. Telcser. Topinka. Tuerk. Vinson. Watson.
Wikoff. Winchester. J. J. Wolf. Woodyard and Mr.
Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Huskey."

Huskey: "Vote me 'no', Mr. Speaker."

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Speaker Ryan: "Record the Gentleman as 'no'. What's the count, Mr. Clerk? Representative Saltsman, you're starting with 80 voting 'aye', 82 voting 'no'. Do you have any questions?"

Saltsman: "Yes, we have some names I'd like to verify, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Pardon?"

Saltsman: "It's 82 to 80?"

Speaker Ryan: "Yes there's 80 voting 'aye', 82 voting 'no'."

Saltsman: "I'd like to verify some names, please, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Proceed, Representative."

Saltsman: "Representative Bower."

Speaker Ryan: "Is his chair."

Saltsman: "Barr."

Speaker Ryan: "Barr or Bower? They're both here."

Saltsman: "Bianco."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bianco's in his seat."

Saltsman: "Boucek."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Boucek. He's on your side."

Saltsman: "Daniels."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Daniels. Representative Daniels. The Gentleman in the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "The Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Saltsman: "Representative Deuster. Representative Deuster."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Deuster. Representative Deuster. How is the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "Gentleman is not recorded as voting."

Speaker Ryan: "He's not voting, Representative."

Saltsman: "Representative Ewing."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Ewing. Representative Ewing. Representative Ewing in the chamber? How is the Gentleman

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recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Saltsman: "Representative Fawell. Fawell."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Fawell. She's back over here,
Representative."

Saltsman: "Representative Hastert."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Hastert. Representative Hastert in
the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call. Return
Representative Daniels to the Roll Call."

Saltsman: "Representative Hoffman."

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

Saltsman: "Representative Johnson."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Johnson. Representative Johnson.
Is the Gentleman in the chamber? How is the Gentleman
recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Saltsman: "Representative Kucharski."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Kucharski. Representative
Kucharski. The Gentleman in the chamber? How is he
recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Saltsman: "Representative Martire."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Martire. Representative Martire in
the chamber? How is the Gentleman recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him."

Saltsman: "Representative Roland Meyer."

Speaker Ryan: "In the aisle over here in the back of the

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chamber."

Saltsman: "Representative Nelson."

Speaker Ryan: "Nelson is in the back of the chamber."

Saltsman: "Representative Piel."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Piel. Representative Piel. Is the Gentleman in the chamber? How is he recorded?"

Clerk Leone: "Gentleman's recorded as voting 'no'."

Speaker Ryan: "Remove him from the Roll Call."

Saltsman: "Representative Stanley."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Stanley. In his chair."

Saltsman: "Representative ... Representative Schuneman."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Schuneman. Right here."

Saltsman: "Can we have the count, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Ryan: "Have you completed your verification?"

Saltsman: "Yes."

Speaker Ryan: "Return Representative Piel. Representative Madigan, do you wish to be recorded on this issue? On this question there are 80 voting 'aye', 77 voting 'no' and the Gentleman's Motion prevails and the Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #17, McClain, amends House Bill 589 as amended."

Speaker Ryan: "Are you ready now, Representative McClain?"

McClain: "Yes, Sir. I was trying to take care of my Membership, you know. Probably that's true. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Amendment #17 increases the budget one million dollars. Right now, the sworn officers of the Department of Law Enforcement have 5% raises on the... after five years in the Corp, 10 years, 15 and 20 years. What this Amendment would provide is at the year 17 and a half and 25 years they would also get an increase. What's happening for the sworn officers is the longer they stay in the service, the more they get penalized with monies. So

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all this would do is help those officers, those sworn officers that spend a great deal of time in the Department of Law Enforcement to receive adequate raises, and I would move for the adoption of Amendment #17."

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

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I would object to the Gentleman's Motion on the grounds that it legislates in an appropriation Bill the pay plan for the Department of Law Enforcement as adopted by regulation pursuant to statute. This Bill would attempt to change that. To do that it would be appropriate to place it in a substantive piece of legislation,, not in an appropriation Bill."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative McClain."

McClain: "Thank you, very much, Mr. Speaker. That is sort of untrue, Mr. Vinson. Right now, in the legislation you have raises for 5, 10, 15 20 years. All those would add is 17 and a half and 25. So it's not really substantive just an appropriation Amendment. And the statute does not limit it to those 5, 10, 15 and 20 years."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative McClain, your point is well taken. The Amendment is in order, Representative Vinson. Representative Winchester."

Winchester: "Would the Gentleman yield for a question?"

Speaker Ryan: "Indicates he will."

Winchester: "Is this... Is there any monies coming from the Road Fund or any diversions in this Amendment from the Road Fund?"

McClain: "Yes."

Winchester: "Well, to speak to the Amendment. I stand in opposition to the Amendment, and I'm surprised that the distinguished Gentleman from the Quincy area would be sponsoring this type of an Amendment because I think he

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campaigned on the issue that we shouldn't be diverting monies from the Road Fund to operate State Government. And as I puruse the Amendment I see that it's going to be an additional 767,000 dollar loss to the State Road Fund. For that reason, I would ask all of us to not support Amendment #17. Shame on you, Representative McClain."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative McClain, to close."

McClain: "Thank you, very much, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Mr. Winchester and I know that everytime I have the Bill in with Clarence Neff to prohibit diversions, we don't get the required votes. What this Amendment does to House Bill 589 is it provides for an increment salary hikes for sworn officers with the state policemen that are in 17 and a half years or 25 years. As I said in my opening statement, for those officer that are in over 20 years they actually lose money by being sworn officers in the Department of Law Enforcement. This Amendment is supported by the sworn officers in the Department of Law Enforcement and I would ask for the adoption of Amendment #17."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #17 to House Bill 589. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed by saying 'no'. The 'nos' have it and the Amendment's lost. Further Amendments."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #18, Wikoff-Winchester-Davis, amends House Bill 589 and so forth."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Huff on Amendment #... Wikoff on Amendment #18."

Wikoff: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Amendment #18 is a non-controversial Amendment that is a result of our actions taken earlier today. This appropriates the sum of 100 million dollars or so much

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thereof that may be necessary to appropriate to the Military Naval Department to purchase military hardware such as rifles, ammunition, missile destroyers, A-wax, planes, bombers, submarines, tanks and so on and so forth and any other military hardware that might be necessary to form a staging army for downstate and suburban Illinois to engage in gorrilla warfare within the City of Chicago."

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

Bullock: "I was wondering if Representative Wikoff was really serious or he going to withdraw the Amendment. Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bullock."

Bullock: "I was wondering if Representative Wikoff would yield to a question."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Wikoff, will you yield?"

Wikoff: "Of course."

Bullock: "Representative Wikoff, are you going to withdraw this Amendment?"

Wikoff: "Well, there's two other Sponsors on here with me and I can't unilaterally withdraw it without their consent."

Bullock: "I was wondering does Governor Thompson support this Amendment?"

Wikoff: "I'm sure he does. I'm sure he would. We really intended to amend this on the face so it wouldn't be from GRF, to take it out of the RTA fund, but I hadn't gotten around to that yet."

Bullock: "Well, I must give you credit, Representative Wikoff. There's a new one born every minute."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Wikoff, to close."

Wikoff: "I think the... Representative Winchester is one of the Cosponsors. Let him close."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Winchester."

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

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the House. In answer to Representative Bullock's comment, does Governor Thompson support this? Governor Thompson has nothing to do with that. Governor Thompson is not recognized as the Governor of the State of Illinois by the Continental Congress of the downstate and suburban Legislators. But we felt that because Mr. Royko has criticized us and called us bumpkins and accused us of walking around with cow dung on our shoes and all kinds of other things that we thought that we ought to get us some money for downstate and suburban Illinois. So, we come up with the idea of a hundred million dollars, and we are serious about this. We want the money because we do see this as a serious threat. So, I think, on behalf of Representative Davis and myself and Wikoff, we would ask for a favorable vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Vinson. Representative Vinson, do you seek recognition?"

Vinson: "Yes, Mr. Chairman (sic, Speaker), I would urge that we defeat this Amendment because I think we can effectuate this purpose of the Sponsors better by cutting money than by spending money."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "I was going to say that maybe we ought to finally have a truce with Royko. In reading his columns through the years, he's been a softball advocate and maybe we ought to invite him down for the House-Senate Softball Game and maybe we'll all enjoy that evening. I think he'd probably come down and enjoy it and maybe after that we'll all get along much better and really put up a truce and get to the work of the business of the House."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Kulas, I would like to tell you that, at this point, I can't tell you what the schedule is so you can keep your Members informed. Representative

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Meyers. Representative Kulas."

Kulas: "Mr. Speaker, the Members have been converging upon my person like a pack of hungry wolves demanding to know what the work schedule is going to be, and it distresses me not to be able to give them an answer, Mr. Speaker. So I'd like it publicly and officially known that I am resigning my job as work schedule spokesman because the pressure is just too much and would you please advise the Membership not to come harrassing me with questions, but go see the Speaker straightly. Thank you."

Speaker Ryan: "You have a recommendation for your replacement, Representative? ... DiPrima. Alright. I rule this Amendment out of order. Representative Wikoff, to withdraw Amendment #18."

Wikoff: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, since this Amendment has been presented, we have just received notice that we are getting much more of that in contributions from all over downstate so we can fund our war on volunteer contributions. I would withdraw the Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw #18. Further Amendments."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #19, Watson, amends Hosue Bill 589 on page one, line..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Watson."

Watson: "I'd like to withdraw Amendment 19."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw Amendment #19. Further Amendments."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #20, Watson, amends House Bill 589 on page..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Watson on Amendment #20."

Watson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Amendment #20 adds 1.396 million dollars to the Department of Law Enforcements requested appropriation. This increase gives the sworn personnel, state police of Illinois additional funding necessary for time and a half

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compensation for overtime. Currently, the sworn officers receive regular time for any overtime work that they do. Most state employees receive time and a half and I feel that we should just bring the state police in line with other state employees. I'd appreciate... I'll answer any questions at this time."

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

Vinson: "Yes, will the Sponsor yield for a question, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Ryan: "He indicates he will."

Vinson: "Are any funds appropriated by your Amendment from the Road Fund, Representative?"

Watson: "Yes, there is."

Vinson: "How much?"

Watson: "Approximately 780,000."

Vinson: "Do you think that that might more appropriately be spent on saving roads?"

Watson: "Well the state police are out there working everyday on the state highways and I feel that the Road Fund would be a good fund to tap for their services."

Vinson: "No further questions."

Speaker Ryan: "Any further discussion? Representative Telcser."

Telcser: "Will the Gentleman yield, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Ryan: "He indicates he will."

Telcser: "Is there any cost borne by the local governments in your Bill, Representative?"

Watson: "No."

Telcser: "Why not?"

Watson: "I don't believe so."

Telcser: "How come?"

Watson: "They're employees of the State of Illinois."

Telcser: "How do you account for future increased labor costs? Are we going to have to appropriate more money every year

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for that?"

Watson: "No, we're just trying to bring the state police in line with most other state employees."

Telcser: "Do all state employees get time and a half?"

Watson: "No."

Telcser: "Why should the state police get time and a half and not other employees?"

Watson: "The state police, they're out there putting their life on the line for us day after day, night after night. They're there working for the people of Illinois and protecting our interests and I feel..."

Telcser: "How do they put their life on the line? With traffic summons that they issue. I just ne..."

Watson: "I'm sorry, I didn't hear."

Telcser: "Isn't the state polices' principle function traffic violations? They don't...or meeting the quote as somebody says? I mean, how would they... How are they risking their lives?"

Watson: "They protect the citizens of Illinois in everyday work."

Telcser: "Don't you think other state employees then should get time and a half?"

Watson: "They do... some state employees do get it. In fact, most state employees do get time and a half..."

Telcser: "Shouldn't the state police then form a union and bargain that way?"

Watson: "No."

Telcser: "Really? You really believe that?"

Watson: "I believe that."

Telcser: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, let me speak to the Gentleman's Amendment. Let me first of all say that I know that the Gentleman is indeed sincere in what he wants to do. His entire record in the General Assembly has been one of concern for law and order and protecting citizens

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lives and properties, and his Amendment is certainly well intentioned. However, Mr. Speaker and Members, I rise to point that, in my opinion, the Gentleman sets a very bad precedence because while the state police may indeed deserve their time and a half for all the extra time they put in out on the highway on the roads and protecting the citizens, you can depend that the next ones coming in will be other state employees and other unions bargaining on behalf of the state employees to insure that everyone gets time and a half. After that it will be double time for Sundays and holidays and it will just be contributing to the runaway costs of State Government and personnel in State Government which probably will take the lion's share of the General Revenue Funds. That's for personnel. So, Mr. Speaker and Members, for that reason I rise to really question the Gentleman's Amendment and ask that, as Members vote on the question of Amendment #20 to House Bill 589, they really take a good, hard look at it."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Watson, to close."

Watson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to have a Roll Call on this if I might. I personally feel that a 1.4 hundred thousand is not too much to ask to bring state troopers in line with other state employees. I believe that they ought to have proper compensation for the work that they perform. As I've mentioned, they put their life on the line for the citizens of Illinois and I feel that they should be compensated as such, and I'd appreciate a 'yes' vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #20 to House Bill 589. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Representative Ronan, one minute, to explain your vote."

Ronan: "In explaining my 'aye' vote, let's all rush to get on this Roll Call. This is the type of legislation, the type

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of Amendments we should be voting for. The state troopers are out there protecting us. They're protecting the people of the State of Illinois. They're patrolling these highways days and nights, weekends. It's ridiculous that we don't give them the kind of attention and the kind of justice that they deserve. I urge all the Members of the General Assembly to get on this fine Amendment and support are colleague on the other side of the aisle to give some guys who are doing a great job exactly what they deserve, this type of support. Thank you, very much."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 90 voting 'aye', 35 voting 'no', 5 voting 'present' and the Gentleman's Motion prevails and the Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments."

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #21, Fawell-J. J. Wolf, amends House Bill 589 as ..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Fawell on Amendment #21. Representative Matijeovich."

Matijeovich: "Has this Amendment been distributed?"

Speaker Ryan: "I believe it has. Yes. Representative Fawell on Amendment #21."

Fawell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I am offering this Amendment so that we can have... so that... so that we can have a crisis center set up so that people will no longer end up killing themselves in the county without getting any proper help towards..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijeovich, for what purpose do you rise?"

Matijeovich: "Only to officially make the point of order, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. Amendment #21 is exactly the same as an Amendment that the Sponsor offered on House Bill 588 just about an hour ago and under Robert's Rules it is the same subject matter that has been determined and the

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decision made by this House, and; therefore, offering it on this Bill is dilatory under Robert's Rules..."

Speaker Ryan: "What's the other Amendment number you compared it with, Representative?"

Matijevich: "69. That's a good round number."

Speaker Ryan: "We didn't have Amendment 59 (sic, 69) on this Bill."

Matijevich: "69 on House Bill 588. 64. No, it was 69."

Speaker Ryan: "Which one? Bingo."

Matijevich: "It was 69. I was right the first time. I remember it. It was defeated quite handsomely as I recall. 69."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative, that Amendment that you spoke of, 54 or 59 or 69 whatever it was..."

Matijevich: "69."

Speaker Ryan: "...was attempted I think on House Bill 588."

Matijevich: "Yes, Sir."

Speaker Ryan: "We're now on House Bill 589."

Matijevich: "I'm aware of that, too."

Speaker Ryan: "So, your point is not well taken. Representative Wolf."

Wolf: "I was just going to rise in support of it. If she's finished making her presentation, Mr. Speaker, I'd like to rise in support of this Amendment. Let me say this, in all seriousness. Now, you know, a number of people talked about interjecting patronage and things like that. Back when the Appropriation Committee was meeting, Representative Fawell came to me way ahead and she asked when we were going to consider the Mental Health budget and that she had a serious problem in her area and that they were only getting a very small percentage of the money for a long time. She came to me. She even sat in on the Appropriations Committee. We put her in contact with people from the Department that they agreed that they were

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getting shortsuited over there. When asked why this happened all these years all the answer was nobody ever asked us before. Well, Representative Fawell has taken the time to ask and to try to do something for the people in her district. I think she deserves some support on this Amendment and I would everyone to support it and vote 'aye'."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any other discussion? Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I really can't buy that rationale. What the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee is saying that if each one of us went to whom ever is responsible and asked for certain amounts of monies for facilities in our particular area, that we're going to have this automatically adopted. I still say that what we said when we defeated Amendment #69 to House Bill 588 still holds true that this singles out this county, and if we were going to treat her county in this way then we are jeopardizing the rest of the State of Illinois. There's nothing different happened an hour and a half ago than right now. This is a dilatory matter. I don't know what happened. Now, I'm sorry that I... I apologize with regards to the Governor's deal, Representative Fawell because I heard the deal was on a different Bill. It wasn't Executive Order #1. It was on a different Bill. So I apologize for that. However, I don't know what other deals have been made since an hour and a half ago. We defeated this Amendment handsomely and we ought to do it again."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Representative Fawell, I think, has brought before us something of sincere import and of great magnitude.

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Now, I happen to know a little bit about this from my district. The...we have gone in to try to get increased alcoholism and mentally ill facilities in our district at the community level, particularly in the alcoholism problem. The...what we have discovered, and it was admitted by the Director of the Department in open Sessions in the House Appropriations Committee, was that his alcoholism division has absolutely no bed methodology, no way of allocating the money. They simply give it to the regions, and the regions do with it what they will. That, in no way, directs it toward the need. It in no way directs it toward resolving the serious problem of alcoholism. Now she has recognized this problem in DuPage County. She has worked hard on it. The Department refuses to respond to her. They won't even answer telephone calls. And I think it is thoroughly appropriate that this Legislature say as a matter of policy that when an agency refuses to respond to a Member, when an agency totally refuses to recognize a Member on a legitimate point of service, that we ought to say to that agency that they are wrong and that we ought to appropriate the money, and I would urge an 'aye' vote on this Amendment. It is absolutely essential that we do this."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Tuerk."

Tuerk: "Move the previous question."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman moves the previous question. All in favor signify by saying 'aye', all opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Gentleman's Motion prevails. Representative Pawell to close."

Pawell: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I, too, am a politician like you are. I know what is going on in this House. I am appealing to your better nature. People in my district are killing themselves because we cannot get the

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help for them. I know you people are the kind who, if you understood this situation that we are facing in our community, you would vote 'yes'. Former Speaker Redmond told me that he would come and speak for this Bill. Unfortunately, his wife is ill. He, too, knows of the situation. I can only ask you please to vote 'yes' for this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Ryan: "The Lady moves for the adoption of Amendment #21 to House Bill 589. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Ryan: "Third Reading. House Bill 624, Representative Huff. Read the Bill."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 624, a Bill for an Act making appropriations to the Chicago Schools Study Commission, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendments #1 and 2 were adopted in Committee."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Huff on House Bill 624."

Huff: "May I have a little order, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Ryan: "A little order for Representative Huff. Proceed, Representative."

Huff: "House Bill 624 provides for the ordinary expenses and contingency for the Chicago School Study Commission. This is an amount of \$10,000. I solicit your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion? The Gentleman moves...Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #3, Henry, amends House Bill 624..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Henry on Amendment #3."

Henry: "I would like to...Mr. Speaker, I would like leave of the House to withdraw Amendment #3."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw #3. Further Amendments?"

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Clerk Leone: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Ryan: "Third Reading. House Bill 805, Representative Peters."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 805, a Bill for an Act making appropriations to the Secretary of State, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #3 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any...any Motions filed with respect to Amendment #3?"

Clerk Leone: "No Motions filed."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Greiman, for what purpose do you seek recognition?"

Greiman: "I rise, Mr. Speaker, on a point of personal privilege or a point of order, whichever you might like to classify it as."

Speaker Ryan: "What do you classify it as, Representative?"

Greiman: "Well, I'll speak and you can classify it any way you like, Mr. Speaker. The...the request for a Roll Call in this House is in our rules, but forget about the rules. It was in a matter of such importance that the right to a Roll Call was placed in the Constitution. Section 8 of the Legislative...of the Legislative Article of our Constitution provides that any...that a record vote may be taken on any occasion at the request of five Members. That is in the Constitution, Mr. Speaker. That is not the rules. You may want to trample the rules. You may want to ignore them. You may not want to listen to me, but you ought to respect at least the Constitution of this state. It was put in, Sir, for a very important purpose. I think you should respect the request of a Roll Call vote when you receive it. When sixty Members are here screaming for a Roll Call, we're entitled to that Roll Call, and we should get it."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any Amendments from the floor?"

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Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #5, Lechowicz, amends House Bill 805 on page one line 22 and so forth."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Lechowicz on Amendment #5. Representative Kulas. Where is Representative...we still haven't got a decision, Representative. It would be the intention of the Chair to attempt to move the remaining Bills on Second Reading to Third Reading and adjourn for the evening. However long that takes is up to you folks. Representative Lechowicz on Amendment #5."

Lechowicz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Amendment #5 reduces the Secretary of State's office executive division's travel request from \$118,400 to \$48,120. The executive division is requesting a 195% increase over Fiscal '81 estimated expenditures of \$40,100 in the area of travel. Now, I believe that this Amendment is quite germane and is really right in line because if you have an anticipated expenditure of \$40,100 and you were providing an increase of \$8,000 to \$48,120 I personally would believe that is was never justified in reference to the Secretary of State's request. May I read into the record the reason why they are requesting this dollar amount. The executive group is requesting \$118,400 or a 195% increase over Fiscal '81 estimated expenditure of \$48,200. \$108,150 is requested for in-state travel only. \$9,650 will be spent for travel expenses for the internal audit function, the legislative division, the budgeting division and the purchasing division. \$98,000 or 82% will be spent by the administrative office. According to Tom 'Herden', the Fiscal officer, Secretary Edgar's philosophy is different than the former Secretary of State, Alan Dixon. Edgar anticipates becoming orientated with the office by personally visiting the different drivers' license stations throughout the state rather than

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contacting the stations by telephone or visiting or having the people come in and see the Secretary of State and discussing the respective issues. A detailed breakdown of both in state and out of state travel has been requested by the staff. Tom 'Herden' noted...stated, 'Normally it has been the legislative policy not to request detailed travel information from other Constitutional officers'. Therefore, he did not provide this information as requested. In addition, 'Herden' stated that Joan 'Schliff', an administrative assistant for Edgar indicated that detailed travel information cannot be provided for out of state travel because out of state travel is difficult to predict. And that it was the intent of the Secretary of State to go in and testify before...in front of Congressional Committees in reference to the amount of money that comes into the State of Illinois for libraries. May I point out to you that normally when a Congressional Committee requests another elected public official to come in and testify...in Congress their travel is reimbursed by the federal government. So I would think that Amendment #2 is quite...Amendment #5 is quite in line. We did not provide the same dollar amounts as was contained in last year's fiscal appropriation. We provided for an \$8,000 increase in travel from \$40,000 to \$48,000, but I personally believe in a time when everybody else has been asked to curtail their respective expenses, that it is not...not now the time to provide an increase of 195% or a travel request of \$118,000. I don't believe that the Governor appointed this Gentleman to provide for an area where he can go out with the respective downstate areas and travel and say, 'Yes, I am going to be attending a drivers'...driving facility in Schaumburg but in all reality I am going to be sitting down and discussing my

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political future at the expense of the taxpayer'. I believe that what happened to Dave O'Neal in his campaign for the U.S. Senate will come back and haunt this Gentleman in the Secretary of State's office if this House does not provide the leadership in providing the necessary money as was really requested and really expended in the last year. I personally believe Amendment #5 is totally in line and should....deserves this entire House's support."

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

Huskey: "Mr. Speaker, would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Ryan: "He indicates he would be delighted to."

Huskey: "Representative Lechowicz, you indicated that the Secretary of State should call his drivers' stations rather than visit them personally?"

Lechowicz: "No, I don't believe that...how the Secretary of State wants to visit his drivers' license facilities should be able...entitled to do so whether he wants to call them, have the respective people that are in charge of the facility come and visit him, have it scheduled whether it is announced or unannounced that he is going to be dropping in and seeing the facilities. How he runs that office is his prerogative. But I think it is the prerogative of this General Assembly to say that, 'You had spent \$40,000 last year in travel for the executive branch, and we are going to provide you \$48,000 not \$118,000 or 195% increase in travel.' I think that is outrageous. I think that the taxpayers of this state don't expect that, and I don't believe that this House should provide that type of money for that type of folly."

Huskey: "One more question, Representative Lechowicz. Aren't you kind of trying to mislead this situation? Isn't he pooling his travel over...rather than itemize it and is he pulling it together over what last year's was? He actually isn't

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raising it any...."

Lechowicz: "I wish that was the case."

Huskey: "Isn't he putting...putting his whole department in one travel package?"

Lechowicz: "No, I wish that was the case, but unfortunately it's not. And I don't want to go into the other details of the Secretary of State's budget, but I am sure during the course of the summer and in the fall, not only I, but other people will probably be presenting to this General Assembly and to the public over all as far as what the hiring practices have been presently under this administration. And I wish to God some of the former Members of this House who we put in the categories where they would be raised from their respective salaries that they are receiving now to what is being done in the Secretary of State's office...If you want to go into specifics in that area, I will be more than happy to detail it, but I don't believe that is germane to Amendment #5."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I have a drivers' facility in my district in the City of Waukegan, and the Secretary of State being a new one and one who served with me in the Legislature, I talked with some people that worked in the drivers' license station. They naturally asked me what kind of a person he was, and I said I think he is a very decent individual. And I do. And they said, 'Well, we'll probably be meeting him. He's coming to Lake County.' So that day after that I was having a cup of coffee with the people...some of the people from the drivers' license training facility and I said, 'Well, what did you think of your boss? Was he a nice fellow like I said?', and they said, 'No, we didn't see

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him.' Now what happened was he gave a speech, I believe it was to the Lake County Republican Federation or one of the Republican arms of Lake County, and I think he met with some of the...either the radio station or the editorial board, and we know that always exists with public officials, but Representative Lechowicz is on point when he says that this is outrageous. This is a very important Roll Call, I think, to show the people around the State of Illinois that...are we going to stand for a 195% increase in travel in one year, at a time when we're talking about fiscal integrity, about fiscal constraint, fiscal restraints? I think that we ought to be telling the new Secretary of State, 'You've got to hold the line'. Just like what we're telling everybody else. You, if you are a good administrator, can do it within a reasonable increase in travel allowance. We think you can do it. You have to do it, if we are going to live up to budget restrictions like we're telling everybody else. We all know what is going to be done if we allow this 195% increase. The Secretary of State will be travelling all over the state not to meet the people in the drivers' license station, not to lift their moral, but to try to get votes for himself. If he wants to do that, use his political fund for that purpose, but not the funds of the taxpayers of the State of Illinois, and I urge the support of Representative Lechowicz's Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: Representative Davis."

Davis: "Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I was the Chairman of the Subcommittee that heard this Bill in Subcommittee and then again in full Committee, and I might point out that the Minority Members of the Subcommittee in the Subcommittee and the full Committee raised this same issue. And it had serious political

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overtones, and I think those are cropping up here today. I certainly don't question the integrity of anybody that wants to cut a budget. And I would simply point out to you that it was amply explained by people working in the Secretary of State's office and the Secretary himself, that under the previous administration of that office, Senator Dixon who was then Secretary of State, for reasons known only to him chose to travel about the state at his own expense. And I think that was very fiscally responsible of Senator Dixon to do that, but I would suggest to you that...that he did that at his own expense. He carried on an aggressive visiting program himself at his own expense. But I can only tell you because of that, he tried to keep that travel line in some...some kind of shape for whatever his motivations were, and maybe those were political as well. But I can only tell you this, that this is reasonable even though it looks like a whopping increase because that travel line was never increased in the past three or four years under Secretary Dixon, that Secretary Edgar now seeks that to continue the kind of hard hitting traveling campaign and investigation into the abuses of the drivers' license systems and...well, campaign is the operating word when you're trying to fare it out the fraud, and the deceipt, and the larceny that has been going on in a lot of the drivers' license stations around this state. Secretary Edgar has been deeply involved in it. He is going to continue to be involved in it, and I can only suggest to you that the political overtones coming from the other side in that Subcommittee and in that full Committee are now apparent here today again in th prior speaker's speech. So I would only suggest to you it is a reasonable request even though the percentage looks out of line, and I respectfully request that you vote 'no' on Amendment #5."

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Speaker Ryan: "Representative McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Move the previous question."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman moves the previous question. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, and the Motion prevails. Representative Peters to...no, Representative Lechowicz to close."

Lechowicz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to have a Roll Call vote on Amendment #5. Basically, Ladies and Gentlemen, I believe that the issue is quite clear. I believe that the Membership of this House is sophisticated to know a tremendous increase in travel when they see it. There is no way and no reason that anyone could justify to themselves, to their constituents, to any taxpayer in Illinois, requesting an increase of 195% in travel alone in one budget. Now, we've heard...we've heard criticism of the Membership of the General Assembly in many areas. Probably the two severest critics have been in salaries and in travel. I personally believe that when this budget was reviewed, and yes, there is an increase in head count, I believe that the distinguished colleague from the other side of the aisle who just spoke made mention of the fact that former Secretary Dixon may have traveled out of his own pocket expenses, but I think the important bottom line was that Alan Dixon never came in for one increase within his operating budget in four years. An increase and a record that he could go back to the people in Illinois and justify his operating procedures within that office. Now maybe the additional personnel are required. Maybe the additional salaries are required. Maybe it is justifiable when a person was making \$10,500 and then turns and comes into the Secretary of State's office and is making \$41,000. Maybe that is justifiable. Maybe you could justify that in your own heart that a person within a very short period of

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time deserves that tremendous increase in salary and maybe responsibilities. But there is no way you can justify 195% increase in travel supposedly to visit the respective stations in this state. The Secretary of State has probably one of the second best police forces in this state given to them by this General Assembly. Are you telling me that he can't ride down with a respective person from his office and in turn visit the facilities? Are you telling me that every one of these stops is what you say a personal visit to inspect these facilities? Well, Ladies and Gentlemen, there is no way you're going to go back and justify to the people in your area or in the Secretary of State's office because there is an awful lot of good employees there, Democrats, Republicans, and independents, that make that office go. And I for one believe that the very small amount of people that caused the embarrassment to that office have been rooted out. And I personally believe you can travel this state from now until the next election, but the important thing is that there are people doing that job. I believe that Amendment #5 is totally in line. You're still providing an \$8,000 increase in lieu of \$118,000 travel request. Mr. Speaker, I humbly ask a Roll Call vote on Amendment #5 and strongly encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #5 to House Bill 805. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Representative Peters to explain his vote."

Peters: "Well, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I too join with the Gentleman from the other side in asking for a Roll Call vote on this. Because like the...our predecessor in that office, I am sure the present Secretary will be as interested as the former Secretary and those

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individuals who were interested in the proper functioning of government and the proper functioning of the offices of government. The overall budget is a five point eight percent increase. I am not running for Secretary of State. I think the Amendment is a bad one. We should vote 'no', and it should be defeated soundly."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Friedrich to explain his vote."

Friedrich: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, the Sponsor of this Amendment got my attention a while ago when he mentioned the hiring practices of the Secretary of State. As far as I know there hasn't been any because he hasn't hired anybody in my district, and he talks about the Republicans on the payroll, we don't have any of those either. So I am going to have to talk to the Sponsor and see if I can find out what is going on."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Conti to explain his vote."

Conti: "Well, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I served with Alan Dixon in the House and everything that Representative Lechowicz said about the Gentleman is absolutely true. He was a good Secretary of State, and fortunately, I read the papers a couple of weeks ago, there is a Millionaires' Club in the United States Senate, and Alan Dixon, God bless him, he was among the ones...millionaires that were in there. And he did try to do a good job. He did take a lot of money out of his own pocket to do a lot of travelling, but you've got a young fellow in politics that we're trying to encourage people to get into politics today. But unfortunately, he doesn't own any stock in any big companies and he can't take this money out of his own pocket. This reminds me a little bit about myself when I first took office. The first 14 years I did not take a salary as Mayor of Elwood Park. Now, when you say I took my office after 15 years, I took maybe a 1000%

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increase. But I gave my money back the first 14 years. Unfortunately we don't have people in public office that can run for public office, say, and take out of money...pockets to run through the state. Jim Edgar wants to do a good job. He is the head librarian besides being the head of the security division, besides the Sec...besides the license plates, and he is going to travel the state from Cairo to Lake County, and he is going to do it...a good job, and let's encourage these young people that don't have the funds, that don't belong to the Millionaires' Club, to go ahead and do the job that he was going to be elected to do for the next four years. He deserves this...every penny that he is going for travel expenses. Those of you who fly back and forth from Chicago know that we used to fly back and forth for a \$25 round trip ticket. Today it is \$158 to fly back and forth to Chicago. To fly the state is almost 460 miles long, and to be around the state, this man is going to need every bit of \$100,000 for traveling expenses."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Ropp."

Ropp: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. I also want to commend former Secretary Dixon. However, in our own community in the drivers' license bureau for many months, one of the employees whenever the request for a driver's license was issued in the form of cash, portions if not all of that was left in her own pocket. And I think that there needed to be more inspections from time to time by the Secretary of State's office including the Secretary of State, and I hope with this money that Secretary Edgar will be able to do that. Sure it is an increase percentage, more than I normally would like to support, but I think we need to have the indication and the leadership that these drivers' license bureaus are being observed very closely

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so that these things don't really happen and citizens lose money by someone else profiting."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 61 voting 'aye', 79 voting 'no', and two voting 'present'. Representative Lechowicz asks for a Poll of the Absentees."

Clerk Leone: "Poll of the Absentees. Bower, Bullock, Capparelli, Carey, Christensen, Deuster, Epton, Ewell, Flinn, Garnisa, Hanahan, Henry, Huff, Jones, Keane, Dick Kelly, Leverenz, Margalus, Mautino, McGrew, Oblinger, Redmond, Rhem, Richmond, Margaret Smith, Stearney, Stewart, Terzich, Tuerk Turner, Vitek, White, Winchester, Sam Wolf, and Zwick."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any changes? Representative Bower. Record Representative Bower 'no'. Representative Carey. Record Representative Carey as 'aye'. Representative Leverenz, record the Gentleman as 'aye'. What is the count, Mr. Clerk? On this question there are 63 voting 'aye', 80 voting 'no', and the Gentleman's Motion fails and the Amendment is lost. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Ryan: "Third Reading. House Bill 830, Representative Wolf."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 830, a Bill for an Act making appropriations for certain continuing Boards and Commissions, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendments #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 11, 12, and 13 were adopted in Committee."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any Motions filed with respect to the Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Motion. I move to table Amendment #8 to House Bill 830, Representative Leverenz."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Leverenz on your Motion."

Leverenz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I filed the Motion to table Amendment #8 because of problems in start up. We did lower

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it by \$50,000. I think there is good cause for the one position to be there. I think that the money represents money needed because they did not have a up and operating operation. I would move that we table Amendment #8."

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

Sandquist: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I join with Representative Leverenz in his Motion to table Amendment #8 to House Bill 830. It is very true that the Sunset Commission when we started up last year, we did not have a full year of operation. In addition, we had to borrow space to use for our staff. We did not have hearings throughout the state like we should have had, and I think this money is very much needed. We have a lot more work to do this year, and I would urge an 'aye' vote on the Motion to table."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Davis."

Davis: "Well, yes, Mr. Speaker. The reason the Amendment was put on in Subcommittee, and I respect Representative Leverenz's desire to table it, the Sunset Committee, in my opinion, is doing a terrific job. It is the Legislature that is not paying any attention to what they are telling us since there has been a Bill in for almost everything they have recommended to be sunsetted, a Bill in to reverse that. However, in the Committee, notwithstanding the prior speaker's comments, we asked the Sunset Commission and Mr. Stratton to furnish us with a chart of their druthers and where they would like to be. They told us that they could get by in fiscal year 1982 with a budget of \$215,000. We wound up even with the Amendment at funding them at \$235,000, or \$20,000 over what they said they could by with on a bear bones maintenance budget in FY '82. So we took Chairman Stratton at his word, and we put the Amendment on."

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Now, if it is the will of this General Assembly or this House to go ahead and add back \$50,000, that they say out of their own mouth that they don't need, then you should support Representative Leverenz's Motion to table. If you believe Chairman Stratton and the Commission themselves, then you would vote 'no' on this tabling Motion."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, only to confirm what Representative Davis has said as Subcommittee Chairman that Mr. Stratton did say that they could live with this amount. Therefore, I think the additional amount is not needed. I, too, agree that they have done a good job, and we ought to listen to what they are saying. But the Committee testimony was that they could live within the budget or the appropriation with this reduction."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Leverenz, do you care to close?"

Leverenz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Again, the line items that were cut, I think, are most needed to be restored. With good purpose in talking with Stratton, I understand it to be different than what we heard in the Subcommittee. I would move for your 'aye' vote to table Amendment #8."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman moves to table Amendment #8 to House Bill 830. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed by saying 'no'. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Representative Currie."

Currie: "To explain my 'aye' vote, Mr. Speaker. I was, until recently, a Member of the Sunset Committee. I think we are all aware that that Committee started off with very little in the way of financial support from this Legislature, and while it may be, as Representatives Davis and Matijevich

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say, that the Sunset Committee says it can live within the dollar amount the Appropriations Committee authorized, I support Representative Leverenz's Motion to table that Committee Amendment on the grounds that it isn't just a question of living and surviving, it is a question of doing the work of the Sunset Committee well. Even on the reduced budget from last year, the Committee was able, if we follow their recommendations, to save the state over \$300,000 during the next several years. I think that if they are going to do that kind of job with the new responsibilities they face next year, we ought to make sure they have the money to do it."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 90 voting 'aye', 42 voting 'no', and none voting 'present'. The Gentleman's Motion prevails, and Amendment #8 is tabled. Further Motions?"

Clerk Leone: "No further Motions."

Speaker Ryan: "Further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #14, Wikoff, amends House Bill 830 as amended."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Wikoff on Amendment #14."

Wikoff: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, I would like to have leave to withdraw that Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw #14. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Amendment #15, J.J. Wolf, amends House Bill 830..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Wolf on Amendment #15."

Wolf: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This appropriates \$19,400 in federal funds for the Legislative Council. The Council anticipates receiving a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the U of I as a land grant college during FY '82 to continue a study of grain elevator and warehouse bankruptcies in the United States which began

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under a non-appropriated grant received from the U.S. DA through the Department of Agriculture in fiscal '80. It is all federal funds. Will be a grant. There is no state money. I would move for its adoption."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #15 to House Bill 830. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed by saying 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #16, Schneider, amends House Bill 830 as amended."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Schneider on Amendment #16."

Schneider: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, this Amendment is agreed upon. I spoke with the Chairman and the Spokesperson from the Democratic side. It merely is a \$2,000 addition for a long suffering, hard working employee who has accumulated some vacation pay, and this would allow us for...to pay for those various days. I would move its adoption."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion? The Gentleman moves the adoption of Amendment #16 to House Bill 830. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed by saying 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, and the Amendment is adopted. Further Amendments? Nobody cares."

Clerk Leone: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Ryan: "Third Reading. House Bill 852, Representative Wolf."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 852, a Bill for an Act making appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Attorney General, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted previously."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any Motions filed with respect to the Amendment?"

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Clerk Leone: "No Motions filed."

Speaker Ryan: "#1. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #2, Bowman, amends House Bill 852 on..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Bowman on Amendment #2 to House Bill 852."

Bowman: "Leave to withdraw Amendment #2."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw Amendment #2. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Ryan: "Third Reading. House Bill 939, Representative Matijeovich."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 939, a Bill for an Act making appropriations to the Chain of Lakes - Fox River Commission, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendments #1, 5, & 6 were adopted in Committee."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any Motions filed with respect to Amendments 1, 5, or 6?"

Clerk Leone: "No Motions filed."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #7, Leverenz, amends House Bill..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Leverenz, on Amendment #7. Representative Leverenz. Representative Leverenz, you're on Amendment #7 to House Bill 939."

Leverenz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. In line with the Bill we passed that explains non-public funds and public funds, this Amendment would appropriate money for the Judicial system for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Board of Law Examiners and \$677,000 for the Attorney's Registration and Disciplinary Commission for a total appropriation of \$890,000. I would move for the adoption of Amendment #7."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion? The Gentleman moves for the adoption of Amendment #7 to House Bill 939. All in

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favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed by saying 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Amendment's adopted. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Ryan: "Third Reading. Representative Ronan, on House Bill 1128."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 1128, a Bill for an Act making appropriations to the Commission on Gang Crime Activity, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any Motion filed with respect to Amendment #1?"

Clerk Leone: "No Motions filed."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #2, J.J. Wolf, amends House Bill..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Wolf on Amendment #2."

Wolf: "Leave to withdraw Amendments #2 and 3."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw Amendment...withdraw Amendments 2 and 3. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Ryan: "Third Reading. House Bill 1891, Representative Stanley. Read the Bill."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 1891, a Bill for an Act making appropriations of the Urban Task Force, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in Committee."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any Motion filed with respect to Amendment #1?"

Clerk Leone: "No Motions filed."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #2, Stanley, amends House Bill 1891..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Stanley on Amendment #2."

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Stanley: "Yeah, Mr. Speaker, Amendment #1, Floor Amendment #1 and 1 were inadvertently filed, and I would like to withdraw those Amendments."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw Amendment #2 and withdraw #3, Mr. Clerk. Are there further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Ryan: "Third Reading. Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "Could I have leave to table House Bill 61? We do have 494 yet we've got to call, but I would like to have leave to table House Bill 61."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman asks leave to table House Bill 61. Is that right, Representative? Are there any objections? Hearing none, leave is granted. House Bill 61 is tabled. Do you want to call House Bill 494, Representative? House Bill 494, Representative Matijevich."

Matijevich: "House Bill 494, a Bill for an Act making appropriations for the grant and aid State Board of Education, Second Reading of the Bill. Amendments #1, 6, 7, and 8 were adopted in Committee."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any Motions filed with respect to Amendments #1, 6, 7, or 8?"

Clerk Leone: "No Motions filed."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any Amendments from the floor?"

Clerk Leone: "Floor Amendment #9, Braun, amends House Bill 494 as amended."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Braun on Amendment #9. Representative Braun on Amendment #9. Representative Matijevich, do you know if there is anybody to handle Representative Braun's Amendment?"

Matijevich: "Floor Amendment #10...or 9 by Braun restores \$5,000,000 for the assistance to desegregation districts. I don't see Representative Braun here, but that is what the

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Amendment does. I would, for her, move for the adoption of it."

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

Wikoff: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker. In the absence of Representative Braun, I would move that this Amendment be tabled, but I would explain what it is. This Amendment adds \$5,000,000 for support of activities to desegregate school districts. The State Board of Education originally asked for 7.6 million. Appropriations Committee has recommended no appropriation..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Matijevecich."

Matijevecich: "Speaker, could we have leave to withdraw that?"

Speaker Ryan: "Representative, would you like to move it to Third Reading and bring it back tomorrow if you need?"

Matijevecich: "Reilly, is he going with Floor Amendment #13 or not? Schneider is withdrawing his Amendments, and the only one I have here on my record is Reilly."

Speaker Ryan: "I didn't hear you, Representative."

Matijevecich: "Schneider is withdrawing Amendments he has, and then I have a record of Reilly having an Amendment."

Speaker Ryan: "Is somebody attempting to get ahold of Representative Braun? Representative Schneider."

Schneider: "Mr. Speaker and Members, I think I have three Amendments which I will withdraw."

Speaker Ryan: "What are the numbers, Representative?"

Schneider: "Tony, you want to...#10 is one of those."

Clerk Leone: "We have Amendments #10 and 12 filed by Representative Schneider."

Schneider: "Those two only. Okay, I withdraw those, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman withdraws Amendments #10 and 12. Representative Reilly."

Reilly: "Mr. Speaker, I would withdraw my Amendment which is

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#13. Is that correct?"

Speaker Ryan: "Is that right, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Leone: "Amendment #13..."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw Amendment #13."

Clerk Leone: "The Amendments that remain are Amendments #9 and 11 with Representative Braun."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Alexander."

Alexander: "Mr. Speaker, with leave of the House, I have just talked to Representative Braun, and she desires that Amendment to be withdrawn."

Speaker Ryan: "She has two. Both of them, Representative?"

Alexander: "Yes."

Speaker Ryan: "Withdraw Amendments #9 and 11. Further Amendments?"

Clerk Leone: "No further Amendments."

Speaker Ryan: "Third Reading. On the Calendar...Messages from the Senate. One quick message from the Senate."

Clerk Leone: "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 titles, passage of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives to wit: Senate Bill 1023, passed the Senate May 27, 1981. Kenneth Wright, Secretary."

Speaker Ryan: "On the Calendar on page two under the order of House Bills Third Reading appears House Bill 108. Representative Ronan."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 108, a Bill for an Act making appropriations to the State Scholarship Commission, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Ronan on House Bill 108."

Ronan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 108 is a Bill that I am proud to say has not received one opposing vote this

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Session so far. We got out of Committee unanimous, and we're looking for that kind of support on the floor. Just to quickly describe what it does, it grants \$447,000 to nurses who are presently in the nursing profession to continue their education so they can become Licensed Registered Nurses. This is not a scholarship program. It is a loan program so that actually the money is merely being set aside so they can have loans to continue their education and do something about the severe nursing shortage we have in the state. I would be glad to answer any questions before you get an opportunity to vote for this fine Bill."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion? Representative Alexander, do you seek recognition on House Bill 108?"

Alexander: "Yes, I would like to ask the Speaker a question. Is this the appropriation for the.....agreement, Representative Ronan?"

Ronan: "Yes, it is, Representative?"

Alexander: "Alright, thank you so kindly."

Ronan: "This is the one the nurses have been contacting me about all Session."

Speaker Ryan: "Are there any other commercials, Representative?"

Ronan: "No, I have no other commercials."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? Do you care to close, Representative Ronan?"

Ronan: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, this is a fine Bill. It is bipartisan. I have worked very hard this Session and so that we can help the poor little nurses in our district, I urge everyone in the General Assembly to hop on this fine piece of legislation so you can do something finally for those poor little nurses in your district. I move for the favorable adoption of this fine piece of peoples' legislation."

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Speaker Ryan: "The question is 'Shall House Bill 108 pass?' All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 147 voting 'aye', one voting 'no', and two voting 'present', and this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. House Bill 302, Representative Topinka."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 302,..."

Speaker Ryan: "Out of the record, Mr. Clerk. House Bill 420, Representative Hallock, out of the record. House Bill 427, Representative Donovan. House Bill 427, Representative? Do you want the Bill called? Read the Bill."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 427, a Bill for an Act making an appropriation of the Department of Agriculture, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Donovan on House Bill 420. Change the Board, would you, Mr. Clerk? On House Bill 427."

Donovan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 427 is an appropriation of \$536,000 from the ag premium fund, not the general fund, to complete and continue the self survey program that we started two years ago in the state. This is....this Bill is a continuation of the program that we started. It has the backing of agriculture, the Department of Agriculture. It is on a 25% state funding basis. I know of no opposition. I've had support on Committee, in Subcommittee, full Committee, and I ask for your favorable vote on House Bill 427."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any further discussion? The question is 'Shall House Bill 427 pass?' All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 126 voting 'aye', 19 voting 'no', two voting

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'present', and this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. House Bill 437, Representative Leverenz. Representative Leverenz, you want to hear the Bill? Read the Bill."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 437, a Bill for an Act making appropriations to the office of Auditor General, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Leverenz on 437."

Leverenz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 437 provides for the total budget of the office of Auditor General. We did bring it in line with the 8% solution. The total is \$9,000,000. I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion? Representative Brummer. Representative Wolf."

Wolf: "Yes, Mr. Speaker and Members. I support the Bill, but I resent using the term 8% solution. That is one of the Senate's terminologies there."

Speaker Ryan: "The question is 'Shall House Bill 437 pass?' All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 136 voting 'aye', six voting 'no', two voting 'present'. Representative Brummer, do you seek recognition now?"

Brummer: "After you announce the Roll Call."

Speaker Ryan: "This Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. Now, Representative Brummer, for what purpose do you rise?"

Brummer: "Yes, Representative Kulas' fans are wanting to know why we're on Third Reading while we're..."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative, your point is...you're out of order, Representative. Representative Kulas has

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resigned, and until you find a new Chairman, your point is not well taken. Representative McGrew. Representative McGrew, do you seek recognition? For what purpose? You don't? Good. House Bill 447, Representative Telcser. Read the Bill."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 447, a Bill for an Act to provide for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Office of State Appellate Defender. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Telcser, on House Bill 447."

Telcser: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, House Bill 447 is an appropriation for the State Appellate Defender's Office. The Appropriations Committee reduced their request by \$85,789. It now stands in the amount of three million and sixty thousand dollars. I would appreciate a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Ryan: "Is there any discussion? The question is, 'Shall House Bill 447 pass?'. All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 109 voting 'aye', 36 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. ...Back on the Calendar pick up House Bill 302, Representative Topinka. Read the Bill."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 302, a Bill for an Act making appropriations of the Environmental Protection Agency, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Topinka on House Bill 302."

Topinka: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I think this does not come as a surprise to you since all of you have known of the great sewer Bill. You've gotten your rocks. You've read all the information that I have sent you. The rocks from the sewer, of course. It is a very

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serious type of thing. Just to give you an example, the other night we had a major fire out in Brookfield, and the entire fire department had to sit on that sewer for a length of time that no one could predict and everybody just sat and panicked waiting for the thing to go. It will wipe out 80% of the population's health situation in the Village of LaGrange as well as 12% of the population in the Village of Brookfield. It covers two Legislative Districts. It is a problem that we have incurred because of the state. This does not touch the general fund in any way and will incur no new money. It will be bonding from the IEPA bond fund. I would ask for your favorable vote. Thank you."

Speaker Ryan: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative O'Connell."

O'Connell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise to support the Gentlelady's Bill, House Bill 302. I encourage Members of this side of the aisle to vote 'aye' for this Bill. It is a very unique situation. It is the only sewer situation of its kind in the State of Illinois. As the Lady said, it is not coming out of the general fund, and I would request your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Leverenz."

Leverenz: "The Representative respond to a question?"

Speaker Ryan: "She indicates she will."

Topinka: "Yes."

Leverenz: "When the fire department was sitting on the sewer, the sewer did collapse or did not collapse."

Topinka: "No, it did not, but we don't know that it would not have. Everybody was concerned because it would have wiped out two fire departments had it gone down. It...as I use the comparison when I ran through with House Bill 301, the enabling Act, it is much like sending up the DC10 that ultimately fell at O'Hare with a great resulting loss to

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life. We know the break is there just as they knew there was a problem there. But you kept sending up until it crashes. And this is where that situation is. In some cases there are no walls and in some cases no ceiling on the sewer. The only thing that is holding it now is just the force fit of the dirt around it. And that can go in one big good rain. And when that will occur...every report that we have gotten and is very well documented, says this is eminent."

Leverenz: "Does the appropriation cover all of the Xerox material that we received with regard to the sewer also?"

Topinka: "No, it doesn't. That came out of my office fund."

Leverenz: "If that was sitting on the sewer, guaranteed the sewer would collapse. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Schneider."

Schneider: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members. I think Representative Topinka has a great career ahead of her, but mostly as a science fiction writer or as someone who is spreading the caution about the Bubonic Plague. It is either going to be the total collapse and the loss of Brookfield if you don't vote for this, or we'll be ravaged by the diseases of sewage flowing into the drinking supply. I keep hearing that. It, of course, does not happen. I am hopeful it will not happen. I would just remind the Members, however, on another note, that these kinds of projects have a priority listing. What this Bill does is leaps over those kinds of project priorities that are set in place for your district determined by the Environmental Protection Agency and the appropriate bonding people. So when you vote for this, you leap this one into position number one and you back yours up accordingly. So if you have commensurate kinds of problems, you might not get the Bubonic Plague, you might not lose that fire truck, but the

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fact remains is that once you make this kind of an exception, and it has been the basis of my opinion on this Bill in general to look at it as an exception, you've got to decide what you want to do. Do you want to knock your project down one notch, let the Department make those decisions, or do you think we ought to be making those kinds of decisions. I think that is what is in front of you. I respect the problem. My own feeling is, as I did in Committee, I voted against it. I intend to do that tonight."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Topinka to close."

Topinka: "Basically I think everybody knows the seriousness...seriousness of this and that all of the fresh water supplies go through that sewer as do the gas company lines, as do the telephone company lines. When that goes down, it will take all of that down with them. It is not Bubonic Plague as the good Representative from Naperville would say, but among other things because of nearby neighboring hospitals, we do have live polio virus in there and miscellaneous other things that would go into the drinking water. It is a serious problem, and I would call for a favorable vote."

Speaker Ryan: "The question is 'Shall House Bill 302 pass?' All in favor will signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Representative Pierce to explain his vote."

Pierce: "Mr. Speaker, I heard Representative Leinenweber say earlier today that the downstate will take care of downstate problems and the suburbs will take care of the suburban problems. I didn't vote for this because here is a case where the suburbs are taking care of suburban problems with state money from Chicago and everywhere else in the state, and I vote 'aye' if that is the way we're going to take care of our problems."

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Speaker Ryan: "Representative Ronan."

Ronan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative Schneider gave me all the reasons in the world why I am voting for this legislation. It is about time, if a Legislator wants to take the time to worry about her district and to go in and pass legislation that is going to help the people of that district, that is what the process is all about. Let's take these decisions out of the hands of the bureaucrats who make it based on their whims and fancies, and let's put it where we have elected accountability which is in the Illinois General Assembly. Thanks to Representative Schneider, we ought to have a perfect reason to vote for this fine piece of legislation where legislation goes on the part of Legislators and out of the hands of bureaucrats is one of the things that is destroying this country today. Thank you very much."

Speaker Ryan: "Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 114 voting 'aye', 21 voting 'no', 6 voting 'present', and this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. Representative Hallock, do you want to hear your Bill? Read the Bill."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 420, a Bill for an Act making appropriations to the Capital Development Board, Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Hallock on House Bill 420."

Hallock: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Bill 420 appropriates \$175,000 to the Regional Academic Center in Rockford, Illinois for purposes of renovation and development of a regional academic facility. I move its adoption."

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

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Matijevich: "I am going to support John, but I have been watching up on the Board, and I've noticed some of the Bills we've been passing here that are appropriations Bills, and it looks like we're playing the same game we've played a few Sessions in a row where there is about 20 Republicans that refuse to vote for any appropriation Bill. And I think, you know, we're going to get to some big money pretty soon, and I think if you want to play those games, some of the Democratic downstate Members ought to look at the Board, too. After all, you're in the Majority over there. You ought to be providing the votes on so many of the administration Bills. I am going to support John Hallock, but I am going to keep looking at that Board, and if there are those 20 Members that keep voting red, we can hold the whole process down and vote red, too."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Hallock, do you care to close?"

Hallock: "I would just ask for your favorable support."

Speaker Ryan: "The question is 'Shall House Bill 420 pass?' All in favor signify by voting 'aye', all opposed by voting 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question there are 100 voting 'aye', 19 voting 'no', 14 voting 'present'. This Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. Approval of the Journal."

Clerk Leone: "House Journal, 34th Legislative Day, Tuesday May 5, 1981. One o'clock p.m. The House met pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker in the Chair. Prayer by Reverend M.C. Johnson, Calvary Temple Church Springfield, Illinois. Representative Turner led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance by direction of the Speaker. A Roll Call was taken to ascertain the attendance of the Members as follows: 171 present. By unanimous consent, Representative Margalus and McGrew were excused from

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attendance because of illness, and Representative Redmond was excused because of illness in the family. Report."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Collins."

Collins: "Mr. Speaker, I couldn't hear the name of the Minister. Would the Clerk please inunnciate a little clearer."

Speaker Ryan: "Well, let's move on here with it."

Collins: "I move...Mr. Speaker, I move that we dispense with the reading of the Journal and the Journal approved."

Speaker Ryan: "You heard the Gentleman's Motion to dispense with the reading of the Journal. All in favor signify by saying 'aye', all opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it, and the Journal is approved. Back on House Bill 420 I understand I didn't announce the results. On House Bill 420 there are 100 voting 'aye', 19 voting 'no', 14 voting 'present', and this Bill having received the Constitutional Majority is hereby declared passed. Does that make you happy, Elmer? Alright. Death Resolution of former Members. Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Leone: "House Resolution 301, Slape - et al, whereas the Honorable Don E. Brummet, former State Representative of the 55th District passed away May 11, 1981 in Vandalia, Illinois at the age of 66; and whereas, Mr. Brummet was first elected to the House of Representatives of the 77th General Assembly and served his constituents in the state with great distinction for four terms, retiring in 1978 as Majority Whip of the House; and whereas, Mr. Brummet, a Democrat, was respected by his colleagues on both sides of the aisle for his sensitive response to constituents problems, his common sense approach to all matters, and his tenacious work as a Member of the House Agricultural and Insurance Committees; and whereas, Don Brummet was born in Dow Green, Illinois, graduated from Southern Illinois University, faithfully served his country in the Merchants

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Marines during World War II, and returned to make Vandalia his home; and whereas, an accomplished and successful entrepreneur, Mr. Brummet, over the years, managed the Vandalia Coca-Cola bottling plant, operated the Vandalia Flying Service, and organized Superior Fertilizer Incorporated; and whereas, beyond enriching the business community of Vandalia, Don Brummet actively participated in its management and development being elected twice to the Vandalia City Council and presiding over the Chamber of Commerce as well as directing the City Planning Commission and serving on the Fayette County Mental Health Board and Illinois Tourism Commission and the Farmers' Union; whereas, Mr. Brummet's civic interest extended to involving in many philanthropic and fraternal organizations including the Lions Club, the Moose Lodge, the Masons and the Shriners, and he was a devoted member of the Vandalia First Baptist Church; therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the 82nd General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that we mark with profound sorrow the death of former Representative Don Brummet, that the loss of this fine man will be sorely felt by his community, Vandalia, and the entire State of Illinois and that we wish to convey our deepest sympathy to the grieving family of this outstanding and beloved citizen; and be it further resolved that suitable copies of this Resolution be presented to his widow, Willamette Donaldson Brummet, and to each of Mr. Brummet's children, Don C. Brummet of San Antonio, Texas, 'Tonia Braun' of Vermillion, Illinois, and be a further token of our respect that this House now stand adjourned."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Slape."

Slape: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. As the Resolution says, Mr. Brummet was involved in many endeavors during his life, but the one that he spoke

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of the most and the one I think he enjoyed the most was the eight years he spent here in the Illinois General Assembly. He brought from Southern Illinois the common sense, and the decency, and the respect to the General Assembly, and that decency and respect was returned to him. It was a pleasure of me and several other Members of this House through an arrangement made by the Speaker, the good offices of the Speaker, to attend his funeral. And his family related to us his pride that he had here in the Illinois House and he was very happy that the General Assembly had thought enough of him to send a delegation. I would now at this time move for adoption of Resolution 301."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I was privileged to serve with Representative Brummet as part of Speaker Redmond's leadership team for the years that Mr. Brummet served in the Democratic leadership. I always found him to be a very decent man, honest, forthright, and of extreme integrity, a man that was sensitive not only to the needs and problems of his particular district, but to the needs and problems of the entire state. He brought great credit to his family. He brought great credit to his district and to this House of Representative. On behalf of the Democrats in the House, I wish to extend our sympathy to his family and friends."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Friedrich."

Friedrich: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, Don Brummet served from the same district as I did, and I was his running mate, and many of you had the privilege of knowing him. Don was a man of great faith in his maker. He loved his country and did a lot of things to make it a better place to live, and he really was fond of his great family. All I can say is that this land is better off for Don

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Brummet having been here."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Telcser."

Telcser: "Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, just as the Minority did...the Minority Leader did, I had the privilege of serving with Representative Brummer (sic) for those eight years in which he served. He was indeed a conscientious, sensitive Legislator who knew not only his responsibility to his Party, but more importantly, his responsibility to his constituency and to the people of the State of Illinois generally. And, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, I know that all Republican Members would also like to be added as Cosponsor on this Resolution - those of us who served with Don who remember him long and will be very mindful of all of the fine contributions he made to the citizens of Illinois."

Speaker Ryan: "Representative Slape moves for the adoption of House Resolution 301. All in favor will signify by saying 'aye', all opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The House now stands adjourned until the hour of 9:30 tomorrow morning with ten minutes for perfunctory for the Clerk."

Clerk Leone: "Senate Bills First Reading. Senate Bill 1023, J.J. Wolf, a Bill for an Act amending certain appropriation Acts and making certain appropriations, First Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Ryan: "Mr. Petefish, are you in the chamber? Would you come to the podium please?"

Clerk Leone: "Messages from the Senate. 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 titles, the passage of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representative to wit: Senate Bill 791, 794, 798, 801, 808, 817, 820, 828, 837, 848, passed the Senate May 27, 1981."

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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 passed Bills of the following titles, passage of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives to wit: Senate Bill 815, 819, and 941, passed the Senate May 27, 1981 by three-fifths vote. Kenneth Wright, Secretary.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Wright, Secretary. Mr. Speaker, I am idirected to inform the House of Representatives the Senate has passed Bills, the following titles, the passage of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives to wit: Senate Bill 876, pardon me. Senate Bill 867, 882, 883, 903, 912, 920, 922, 924, 925, 926, 929, 930, 934, passed the Senate May 28, 1981. 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 passed Bills of the following titles, the passage of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives to wit: Senate Bills 935, 939, 940, 954, 957, 968, 982, 999, 1005, 1008, 1012, 1015, passed the Senate May 27, 1981. 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 passed Bills of the following titles, the passage of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives to wit: Senate Bill 1007, passed the Senate May 27, 1981 and and by a three-fiths vote. Kenneth Wright, Secretary. Senate Bills...Senate Bills First Reading. Senate Bill 14, Zito - Bower, a Bill for an Act to amend the Pharmacy Practice Act, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 51, Cullerton, a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code Procedure, First Reading of the

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Bill. Senate Bill 60, Krska, a Bill for an Act to amend an Act to legalize the validated appropriation Bills and the tax levy ordinances of certain counties, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 65, Birkinbine, a Bill for an Act to amend the Medical Practice Act, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 67, Braun, a Bill for an Act to authorize the public hospital and to levy taxes and issue bonds therefore, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 98, Giglio, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 118, Bullock, a Bill for an Act to amend the Governmental Ethics Act, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 127, Van Duyne, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Municipal Code, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 134, Pechous, a Bill for an Act creating the Illinois National Guard Study Commission, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 137, Bullock, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Banking Act, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 144, White, a Bill to require hotel - motel to post in their rooms floor plans and showing exits, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 150, Cullerton, a Bill for an Act requiring all owners of high rise apartment buildings to post appropriate instructions relating to fires, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 166, Getty, a Bill for an Act relating to the prescription and dispensation of drugs and medicine, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 169, Cullerton, a Bill for an Act to amend an Act to revise a law in relationship to clerks of the court, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 180, Ropp, a Bill for an Act to amend the Uniform Commercial Code, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 184, Darrow, a Bill for an Act designating the state animal, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 197, Huskey, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle

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Code, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 202, Hastert, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 205, Lechowicz, a Bill for an Act in relationship to the creation of centers for the treatment of child sexual abuse and exploitation, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 209, Piel, a Bill for an Act to amend an Act in regard to judgments, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 211, Sandquist - Slape, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and Pharmaceutical Practice Act, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 215, Deuster, a Bill for an Act to amend the Civil Practice Act, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 227, Preston, a Bill for an Act to amend the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 245, Jones, a Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 246, Dick Kelly, a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 250, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Emergency Services and Disaster Agency Act of 1975, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 254, Karpiel, a Bill for an Act to amend the Public Building Commission Act, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 286, Huff - Kornowicz, a Bill for an Act creating the Chicago Community Schools Study Commission, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 293, Kornowicz - Conti, a Bill for an Act to create the Land Resources Management Study Commission and the Ethnic Heritage Commission, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 295, Reed, a Bill for an Act to amend the Snowmobile Registration Act and an Act in relationship to state finance, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 376, Nelson, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Municipal Code, First Reading of the Bill. Senate Bill 391, Giorgi,

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Clerk Leone: "Being no further business, the House now stands adjourned till 9:30, May 28, 1981."

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