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Speaker Daniels: "House will come to order. Members please be in their chairs. And those not entitled to the Floor, please retire to the gallery. Speaker Daniels in the Chair. The Chaplain for the day, is Pastor Tom Gerdts, of the Lincoln Christian Church in Lincoln. Pastor Gerdts is the guest of Representative John Turner. Guests in the Gallery may wish to rise for the invocation. Pastor Gerdts."

Pastor Gerdts: "Shall we pray? Oh God, our help in ages past, our hope in years to come. We honor and worship You today, because You alone are worthy of our worship. We give You praise for the power in wisdom that You alone possess. And we acknowledge that all the things we hold dear, our homes, our freedom, our very lives, all these are loving gifts that You have given. May we be wise and responsible stewards of these gifts, knowing that we will one day give an account of our stewardship. Thank You for the men and women here, who have taken upon themselves the mantel of public leadership and service. Father God, they invest much of their time and energy in this work. Will You honor that investment by giving them an extra measure of wisdom from Above for their deliberations and decisions this day. May all that is said and done in these Chambers be in keeping with Your will and if any decision is made in conflict with Your will, may that decision come to naught. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be pleasing in Your sight. Oh Lord, our Rock and our Redeemer, with grateful hearts we pray. Amen."

Speaker Daniels: "Thank you, Pastor. We will be lead in the Pledge of Allegiance by Representative John Jones."

Jones, J.: "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

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all."

Speaker Daniels: "Roll Call for attendance. Representative Currie is recognized to report any excused absences on the Democratic side of the aisle."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker, please let the record reflect that Representatives Morrow and Martinez are excused today."

Speaker Daniels: "With leave of the House, the Journal will so indicate. Representative Cross is recognized to report any excused absences on the Republican side of the aisle. Representative Wennlund."

Wennlund: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative Poe is excused as a result of the tornado."

Speaker Daniels: "With leave of the House, the Journal will so indicate. Mr. Clerk, take the record. Record shows that 115 Members answering the Roll and a quorum is present. Committee reports."

Clerk McLennand: "Committee reports. Committee report from Representative Krause, Chairman from the Committee on Health Care and Human Services, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken on May 10, 1995, reported the same back with the following recommendations; 'do pass' as amended, Senate Bill 358, 'do pass' Short Debate, Senate Bill 331 and 562. Committee report from Representative Saviano, Chairman for the Committee on Registration and Regulations, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken on May 9, 1995, reported same back with the following recommendations; 'do pass' Short Debate, Senate Bill 398, 910, 282, 216, and 766, 'do pass' as amended, Short Debate, Senate Bill 442, 452, 225, and 534. Committee report from Representative Deuchler, Chairman for Committee on Financial Institutions, to which the following Bill was referred, action taken on May 9, 1995, reported

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the same back with the following recommendation; 'do pass' as amended Senate Bill 440. Committee report from Representative Noland, Chairman for the Committee on Agriculture and Conservation, to which the following Bill was referred, action taken on May 9, 1995, reported the same back with the following recommendations; 'do pass', Senate Bill 454, 299, and 451, 'do pass' as amended Senate Bill 448, 43, and 324. Committee report from Representative Stephens, Chairman for Committee on Executive, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken on May 10, 1995, reported the same back with the following recommendations; 'do pass', Senate Bill 1780, 643, and 857, 'do pass' as amended Senate Bill 567, 1039, 'do pass' Short Debate, Senate Bill 1152."

Speaker Daniels: "Supplemental Calendar announcement."

Clerk McLennand: "Supplemental Calendar #1 is being distributed."

Speaker Daniels: "Mr. Clerk, House Resolution #45."

Clerk McLennand: "House Resolution #45, offered by Representative Churchill, Ryder. Resolved by the House of Representatives of the 89th General Assembly, State of Illinois, to pursuant to House Rule 3-7. The following legislative measures are recommitted to the Rules Committee; House Bills 802, 808, 1009, 1077, 1082, 2478, 2479, 2482, 2484, 2485, 2486, 2487, 2488, 2489, 2490, 2491, 2492, and 2495."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Ryder moves for the adoption of House Resolution 45. Representative Ryder."

Ryder: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. These were the Republican Third Reading Appropriation Bills that were on the Calendar, after the deadline. I would move to clear the Calendar of these Republican Appropriation Bills."

Speaker Daniels: "You've heard the Motion on that issue. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'no'."

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The 'ayes' have it. Resolution is adopted. Committee Reports."

Clerk McLennand: "Committee Report from Representative Cowlshaw, Chairman for Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken on May 10, 1995, reported the same back with the following recommendations; 'do pass' Senate Bill 52, 'do pass' as amended, Senate Bill 164, 'do pass' Short Debate, Senate Bill 535."

Speaker Daniels: "House Bill's Second Reading. House Bill 122, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. Excuse me, Senate Bill, Second Reading. Senate Bill 122. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 122, Bill for an Act that amends the Illinois Vehicle Codes. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee, no Floor Amendments. A State Mandates Note and a Fiscal Note and a Home Rule Note have been requested on the Bill as amended by #1. And the State Mandates and the Fiscal Note have been requested. A Home Rule Note has not been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Take that Bill out of the record. Leave it on Second Reading. House Bill 157, read the Bill, Mr...Senate Bill 157, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 157, Bill for an Act that amends the Illinois Vehicle Code, Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. A Correctional Budget Impact Note and a Judicial Note have been requested on the Bill and have not been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Leave it on Second Reading. Senate Bill 160, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 160, Bill's been read a second time, previously. Committee Amendment 1, failed. No Floor

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Amendments. State Mandates Note and a Fiscal Note had been requested and they have been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 226, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 226, Bill for an Act to repeal the Capitol City Railroad Relocation Authority Act. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. The Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill and it has been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 395, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 395, Bill for an Act that amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted. No Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note and a State Mandates Note have been requested on the Bill and they have been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. Senate Bill 453, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 453, Bill for an Act that amends the State Employees Group Insurance Act, Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, No Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill and has been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 459, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 459, Bill for an Act relating to common carriers by pipeline, Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendment 1, failed. Floor Amendment 2, is in Rules. No note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 533, read the Bill."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 533, Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Insurance Code, Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendment 1, failed. No Floor Amendments. No note requests."

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Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 539, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 539, a Bill for an Act concerning motor vehicles, Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill and has been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 736, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 736, a Bill for an Act that amends the Illinois Insurance Code, Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments, no note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 818 read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 818, a Bill for an Act to...Bill for an Act in relation to emergency telephone systems. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment 2 is in Rules. A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill, has not been filed. Fiscal Note has been requested on Senate Bill 818 and it has been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 836."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 836, Bill has been read a second time, previously. Fiscal Note and State Mandates Note have been requested on the Bill and they have been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 977."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 977, Bill for an Act concerning the liability of insurance producers, limited insurance representatives, and registered firms. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted. No Floor Amendments, no note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 1078."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 1078, Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Fiscal Note, Correctional Budget Impact Note, and Judicial

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Note have been requested on the Bill. The Fiscal Note has been filed. The Correctional Budget Impact Note and Judicial Note have not been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Biggert?"

Biggert: "Mr. Speaker, I would move that the Correctional Note and the Judicial Note are inapplicable."

Speaker Daniels: "You've heard the Lady's request. Being no debate. The question is, 'Shall these be ruled inapplicable?' All in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'no'...you want a Roll Call on it? We're going to do it with Leave of the House, unanimous. Representative Granberg, we're ready to take the Roll on it, but go ahead. Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just had an inquiry of...of you, Sir. The Bill requires a mandatory fine and community service, so would it not therefore, have an impact on the judicial system by its very nature?"

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Biggert."

Biggert: "Mr. Speaker, I don't think that, that's quite correct. It is a mandatory fine or community service."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Well, I think, Representative, that in either case, whether it's an and/or, it has...it has the mandatory provision, so it has to have an impact on the judicial system. It's not discretionary that the mandatory or the community service. It is mandatory, either the fine or the community service, so it has to have an impact on the judicial system by it's very nature."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Biggert."

Biggert: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Under Section 61 of 25, every Bill, the purpose and effect, of which is to increase or decrease the number of appellate judges, circuit judges or

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associate, circuit judges of the state would require that. And I don't think that this would fit under that."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Granberg, this does not require Rule in the Chair. The Lady is within her rights to move that it's inapplicable and if the majority of the House deems it appropriate, then they may so waive it. So, Gentleman requests a Roll Call, which will be granted. The Lady has moved that the...that the Judicial Note and the Correctional Impact Note be deemed inapplicable. All those in favor, signify by voting 'aye'; opposed by voting 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question, there are 63 'aye', 47 'no' and the Lady's Motion prevails. Third Reading. Senate Bill 1081, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 1081, Bill for an Act that amends the Illinois Insurance Code, Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments, no note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, Senate Bill 1082, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 1082, Bill for an Act that amends the Health Maintenance Organization Act. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments, no note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. Senate Bills First Reading."

Clerk McLennand: "Introduction, First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 198, offered by Representative Schoenberg. Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. Senate Bill 434, offered by Representative Persico. Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. Introduction, First Reading of these Senate Bills.

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Attention Members of the House of Representatives. On pages 4 and 5, of today's calendar, there's several Senate Bills that need House Sponsors, so we could proceed with First Reading, Senate Bills. Members are encouraged to pick up Senate Bills. "

Speaker Daniels: "Resolution's Consent Calendar, fourth day, page 7. House Joint Resolution 6, read the Resolution."

Clerk McLennand: "House Joint Resolution 6, recommends that the Illinois Commerce Commission reopen proceedings on mandatory eleven digit telephone numbering policy. The Public Utilities Committee recommends it be adopted."

Speaker Daniels: "The Lady, Representative Cowlshaw, moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 6. All those in favor indicate by saying 'aye'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is adopted. Introduction, First Reading, Senate Bills."

Clerk McLennand: "Introduction, First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 32, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act to amend the Horse Racing Act of 1975. Senate Bill 143, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act amending the Illinois Public Aid Code. Senate Bill 198, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act to amend the Public Aid Code. Correction, Senate Bill 198, offered by Representative Schoenberg. Senate Bill 532, offered by... Senate Bill 538, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act that amends the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Senate Bill 582, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act that amends the Crime Victims Compensation Act. Senate Bill 698, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act that amends the Child Care Act of 1969. Senate Bill 753, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act concerning

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property taxes. Senate Bill 897, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act to require the chief judge of each circuit to adopt the system, the structured intermediate sanctions for violations of the terms and conditions of probation, conditional discharge and supervision. Senate Bill 983, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act concerning child support. Senate Bill 996, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal code of 1961. Senate Bill 1113, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act to amend the Public Aid Code. And Senate Bill 1173, offered by Representative Granberg, Bill for an Act to amend the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Introduction, First Reading of these Granberg Bills. Introduction, First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 532, offered by Representative Churchill, Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Pension Code. Senate Bill 620, offered by Representative Churchill, Bill for an Act to amend the Unemployment Insurance Act. Senate Bill 658, offered by Representative Churchill, Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Senate Bill 843, offered Representative Churchill, Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Lottery Law. Senate Bill 906, offered by Representative Churchill, Bill for an Act to amend the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Act. Senate Bill 944, offered by Representative Churchill, Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Senate Bill 956, offered by Representative Churchill, Bill for an Act to amend the Election Code. Senate Bill 1016, offered by Representative Churchill, Bill for an Act to amend the Unemployment Insurance Act. And Senate Bill 1019, offered by Representative Churchill, Bill for an Act to amend the

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School Code. And Senate Bill 1126, offered by Representative Churchill, Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Introduction, First Reading of these Senate Bills."

Speaker Daniels: "Senate Bills, Third Reading. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk. Senate Bill 185."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 185, a Bill for an Act that amends the Illinois Optometric Practice Act of 1987. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Daniels: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, those not entitled to the floor, please retire to the gallery. We need to move our caucuses back to the rear of the chamber. Those that are entitled to the floor. Mr. Doorkeeper, please remove those people that are not entitled to the floor. Ladies and Gentleman. Ladies and Gentlemen, Members of the House. Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentleman of the House. Senate Bill 185 has been around for a number of years. I think it predates my service in this chamber. So, it isn't anything new and I know that the controversy is certainly not subsided over the Bill. Very quickly, Senate Bill 185 amends the Optometric Practice Act, will simply permit optometrists to diagnose and treat the eye with drugs by changing the definition of the practice of optometry. It will permit optometrists to use diagnostic and therapeutic drugs or any other procedures taught in optometric schools and to treat patients. It will require a demonstrated competency in training as required by the Advisory Optometric Licensing and Disciplinary Committee. It establishes a therapeutically certified optometrists that can give non-surgical emergency eye care and remove superficial foreign bodies from the eye. There's no

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grandfathering in this legislation, 42 other states have it. In my hometown of Danville, an optometrist can already do this at the Veterans' Administration Medical Center which is in my hometown, my community. But they can't do it in their office located within the city limits of Danville. My neighbors in Indiana have had this law for a number of years, and as I said, 42 other states have it. I think the time has come for us to enact Senate Bill 185 into law. I would be glad to answer any questions that you might have."

Speaker Daniels: "Is there any discussion? The Lady from Sangamon, Representative Klingler."

Klingler: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to this Bill. But, I want to focus the attention not on the particulars of this Bill versus the optometrist which is considered optometrists versus ophthalmologists but I would like to look at the larger picture. I think what is being done here is, to try to achieve a political solution by legislation which I firmly believe should be established by professional boards and by credentialing committees. I think we have to consider very carefully the precedent that we're going to be under if we pass this Bill and what impact that could have in future situations. I don't think there's a single Member of this General Assembly that has training in ophthalmology or is trained in optometry yet we are here today to decide what those standards should be. If we do this, are we then going to have for instance a legal assistant Bill, or paralegal Bill establishing these people have sufficient training that they can write simple wills or do simple adoptions? Are we going to have a hygienist Bill indicating because of the familiarity and... the training

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that they have that perhaps simple cavities can be done? What about draftsmen being able to build bridges? What about bookkeepers being able to do certified audits? I think the list goes on and on, we simply should not be putting ourselves in the position whether be it the optometrist, or dentist, or engineers, or accountants, where we are establishing by legislation what a particular individual can do. This is beyond our expertise, this should be left to the bodies that are in charge and I oppose this Bill."

Speaker Daniels: "Further discussion? The Gentleman from Saline, Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise in support of Senate Bill 185, at one particular time I think I was chief hyphenated Sponsor or at least on the list but be that as it may, I want to raise the issue that, I know, Representative Black and many of us in the rural areas in downstate experience lack of access to basic primary care in all realms that's offered to other parts more prosperous... that are afforded that luxury. In my area, my district borders three states. In every state the optometrist is given this provision, this allows to practice in the ways which we're asking in this Bill and it, quite frankly, not only hurts the economy of those who go across state lines that then spend money in every other way while they're there. But also we do not have the ophthalmologists available in the ten counties in which I represent in southernmost Illinois. So, this is a good answer to opening an access and we appreciate your support."

Speaker Daniels: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Kubik."

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

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House. I too, rise in support of this Bill. There's been an awful lot of discussion about this Bill and frankly, I think there's been an awful lot of misinformation placed out on this Bill, particularly by the opposition. I'd like to respond to, in particular, to a comment that was made by a previous speaker, who said that this is a precedent setting Bill, that somehow by... by us enacting this Bill we inject politics of government into this process. Well, Ladies and Gentlemen, I've been here for ten years and we've gone through a revision of the Medical Practice Act and I guess we were okay, when we did that. We've done a revision of the Dental Practice Act and I guess we were okay, when we did that. And we've even addressed the issue of chiropractors and of course nobody on... from the medical community had any problems with that as well. So, I think that this is not a precedent setting incident, this is a reasonable logical type of legislation, makes a lot of sense. It's taken far too long to pass, we ought to pass it and bring some common sense and some... some good service to the people of Illinois. So, I support this Bill strongly."

Speaker Daniels: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Laurino."

Laurino: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. As you know, I recently went through surgery for my eyes because I was diagnosed as having cataracts and I was first examined by an optometrist and then referred for the particular decision to have this surgery done. An ophthalmologist did it. I think he's one of the finest surgeons that... and he's got a hell of a reputation. The fact is, they made him a honorary colonel because he's from, even though he's in Illinois he was one of the

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Gentlemen that did Colonel Sanders wife's eyes. What I would like to press further on is that, and give you a couple more facts relating to this subject. Is that a, 1) allow the optometrists to practice at the level equivalent to current education training levels. The 42 of the 50 states that have already updated their Optometric Practice Acts have included the therapeutic drugs. Older optometric practitioners who have not received or have not been able to practice at current level of the optometric education, will not be grandfathered into the Bill. The practitioners must be reeducated and pass the therapeutic drug courses to be relicensed. Number two, the optometrists are better equipped, and trained than general medical practitioners to handle primary eye care for patients. Number three, the patient accessibility to optometrists is greater than that of medical eye care practitioners hence treatment time is reduced and more cost effective. You've got to keep that in mind because, an ophthalmologist is more expensive than a optometrist because he is a surgeon. This is even more evident in rural areas of Illinois where optometric services are readily available compared to ophthalmological services. It also reduces health care cost by limiting unnecessary referrals. The bottom line is that this Bill provides patients with accessible, cost effective quality primary eye care. Health care in Illinois is definitely improved by this Bill. Let's move out of the Jurassic Park era and move into the 21st century by allowing Illinois to become the 43rd state state out of the 50, to have this type of license passed. Thank you very much."

Speaker Daniels: "Further discussion? The Gentleman from Washington, Representative Deering."

Deering: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of this

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legislation, let me give you an example of what this would do. In 1993, when the floods devastated the midwest, I had optometrists from my district that were active members of the National Guard that could go work on the front lines with the sandbaggers and support personnel that the National Guard did. And if a member of the National Guard had a superficial object get in his or her eye, this optometrist could have removed it. But the next day when he took off his uniform and went back to his private practice he could no longer do that under the current law. This Bill is a simple Bill, it provides access in a lot of downstate areas. It just says, that these doctors can perform procedures and utilize medication that they have been trained to do. I think it's common sense. It's not precedent setting and for those of us who represent downstate districts, I recommend that we vote 'aye' on this Bill."

Speaker Daniels: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Turner."

Turner, A.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Assembly. I, too, proudly stand in support of this legislation. I represent an area that is one of those that's considered medically under served, and... in my tenure here in the House, I stood before you many times speaking on behalf of that medically indigent community. And for those folks, who because of some reasons or other have not been able to have access to proper health care. I think this Bill addresses their concerns. This Bill, as stated by Representative Black..."

Speaker Daniels: "Excuse me, Representative Turner. Ladies and Gentlemen. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, now I see real quiet people on this side but, Representative Turner,

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your side of the aisle we've got to have them... okay.
Representative Turner."

Turner, A.: "...it's real important. We need all these 'aye' votes over here. Okay. Listen, this Bill as stated by Representative Black in his earlier comments will allow people who are trained and qualified to administer those services not only in downstate Illinois, but also in medically under served communities, many in the City of Chicago, and in particular as I say, the area that I represent. This is a good Bill. It is something that it's time has come. It is something that we've been looking for a long time in this state. Optometrists are people who are medically qualified, for those of you who may or who may not know, they receive the same training that your dentists receive. No more, no less. And so, if you think that your dentist is qualified to take care of your pearly whites and I have a lot of faith in my dentist. I also have that same faith in my optometrist. This is something that we've been looking for, for a long time. We need to be voting to make sure that the quality of health care in the State of Illinois is consistent for all the citizens of this state. And I ask all of you, everyone on this side aisle and on the other side who believe that it is our duty to represent the people of this state. That they should be given the best health care and have access to quality health care. Vote 'aye' on this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Daniels: "The Gentleman from Jackson, Representative Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also rise in support of this Bill. It is a Bill that will affect downstate. It is a Bill that will save people money, downstate. It only allows those people that have been trained and qualified

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and properly schooled and then adds to their schooling so that they can perform these acts under this Bill. It is a good Bill. I think that it, as Representative Turner said, it is not just a downstate Bill, it is a Bill that will help people all over the state and I just wanted to rise in support of it. And I want to encourage everyone to vote 'aye'."

Speaker Daniels: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Blagojevich."

Blagojevich: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise in opposition to this Bill. I understand the argument regarding access, I can't speak to rural areas but I can talk about my district. There is no shortage of optometrists or ophthalmologists in the district that I represent from the City of Chicago. The fact of the matter is, that 76% of the optometrists in the State of Illinois practice in large urban areas. They're not in rural areas. So, if we allow optometrists to perform a lot of the duties or a lot of the services that that ophthalmologists perform it's not necessarily going to address the access to rural areas, if those optometrists persist in being substantially in large urban areas. To me the real issue is the standard of care. Are we going to pass legislation that lowers the standard of care that we're providing for people who need proper medical treatment? Ophthalmologists have been trained medically, to look at things other than the eye. Optometrists, and I'm not suggesting they're not properly trained to do their jobs, weren't trained be able to diagnose systemic diseases such as syphilis, AIDS, gout, diabetes, or heart disease. If someone goes to an ophthalmologist, an ophthalmologist can look through the retina of the eye and determine whether or not those

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diseases exist in the body and then make a proper referral to a doctor to treat those ills. An optometrist hasn't been schooled to do those things. It seems to me that we should be elevating the standard of care and not lowering it. So, I urge a 'no' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Daniels: "The Gentleman from Winnebago, Representative Winters."

Winters: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise in opposition to this Bill. The comparison was made with the dental training, where dentists will go through four years of post graduate training the same as optometrists, however you have to realize and the point that I rise in opposition to this, is that a dentist is working on teeth that entire four years. An optometrist is doing prescriptions, he's doing eye glass care, is the primary focus. He is not dealing with diseases of the eye as a general practice. He may see a thousand patients, maybe 50 or 100 may actually have disease that he will be dealing with, he is not seeing the thousands upon thousands of patients that an ophthalmologist is. I think that as Representative Blagojevich mentioned, we are loosening up the standards in health care. In the downstate areas, the argument has been made that we are going to be providing better access in most of the downstate areas. People are used to going 40 or 50 miles in many cases out of county for all of their medical care. So, I don't see that as a major issue. I would urge a 'no' vote on this. Thank you."

Speaker Daniels: "The Lady from Cook, Representative Erwin."

Erwin: "Thank you, Speaker. I, too, rise to oppose Senate Bill 185. Many of the other issues that have been mentioned, many of the points I was going to make have already been

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made. Let me... let me address an additional one that I think should be of concern to all of us. I think that science and medical technology are changing at such a fast pace today, that it makes me very nervous to think that people who might not have adequate training in one's entire physiology, could be in a position of not being kept up on the newest scientific advances and indeed the research that physicians undergo. Let me suggest to you that fully medically trained physicians in ophthalmology as in many of the other disciplines do continue to be involved in research with the hospitals or the medical schools that they may be aligned with. I'm working, as many of you know with the oncologists in the State of Illinois on trying to improve better access to clinical trials. I happened to believe that supporting medical research is a way that we are going to indeed, provide a better health care service to all the people in this state and indeed improve accessed. So, I'm concerned that optometrists, as valuable as they are in, you know, my glasses came from an optometrist as well. As valuable as they are to our communities and indeed they are, that we need to make sure that physicians are in charge of those areas of practice where one's entire physiology could be involved. So, I do believe that physicians should be... have control over this area. I don't think that Senate Bill 185, while I appreciate the possible economic interest in all of this, I just think that 185 goes too far and I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Daniels: "The Gentleman from Kankakee, Representative Novak."

Novak: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I don't have any questions for the Sponsor but I would just like to make a few comments towards this Bill.

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Ladies and Gentlemen, this is a classic turf battle, and if... for those Freshmen Republican and Freshmen Democratic Legislators here, we often are confronted, as much as we don't like the idea of being confronted with turf battles, this is a classic turf battle. Now, we have much respect for the optometrists and the ophthalmologists in this state, they perform great services to the people as far as health care is concerned. But we don't like to see turf battles and whether if you speak to an optometrist or if you speak to an ophthalmologist they might tell you 'no', this is not a turf battle. This is obviously, the Bill was obviously filed for one reason or another but we see these battles occur all the time down here between the physicians and lawyers, between real estate people and appraisers, between all types of professions that have to be licensed by the State of Illinois and they come to Springfield and they maybe want to expand their realm of responsibility at the expense of some other profession. So, this is a turf battle. And that's not the reason why I oppose this Bill, I stand and oppose this Bill for one main reason. The issue of safety and training. The eye, the eyes that we see through that allows us to read and comprehend with our brain is probably one of the most sensitive organs in our body. I, for one again, underscore the fact that I have much respect for the optometrists and I realize they do have a lot of training. The ophthalmologists are doctors. They go through four years of medical school, just like a surgeon, just like a OB/GYN or just like any other physicians with certain specialities. We have to respect that physician, we have to respect that industry. So, that's the reason. It is an issue of safety and I believe we need to maintain the high level, quality level of care

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and for that reason, I oppose this Bill and urge my colleagues to oppose it also."

Speaker Daniels: "Further discussion? The Gentleman from Effingham, Representative Hartke."

Hartke: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. I stand in full support of this legislation. I don't want to be redundant and we've heard all kind of good ideas and suggestions on both sides why you should be for or against this piece of legislation. I am curious to know if the Sponsor will yield to a question?"

Speaker Daniels: "He indicates he will."

Hartke: "Representative Black, did I mention... did you mention something about your optometrist being able to go to a veterinary clinic to perform a minor surgery?"

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Black."

Black: "Thank you, Representative. If I heard your question right, my optometrist could currently do this procedure at the Veterans' Medical Center in Danville, federal property, but he can't do this in his own community."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Hartke."

Hartke: "Well, thank you. The noise in here, I misunderstood what you said. Yes, I agree and that's another reason why I support this legislation. As you look around the United States and accessibility and the depletion of medical care around in rural communities when someone has a simple foreign object in the eye. One naturally thinks to go to their optometrists, their eye doctor. And so for those simple things and simple prescriptions, I think that we should approve this legislation and I urge my colleagues to support it. Thank you."

Speaker Daniels: "Further discussion? The Lady from DuPage, Representative Cowlshaw."

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Cowlshaw: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. As I was trying to decide what was the correct vote on Senate Bill 185, I heard from one of my own constituents who told me his story. His name is Leroy Kellman and he lives in Naperville. He was a senior scientist at the Argon National Laboratories. When you hear him tell his story, it becomes clear that he was very badly injured by going to an optometrist instead of an ophthalmologist and as a result of that inadequate and bad treatment, he has now had to suffer three operations and still may lose his eyesight entirely. Mr. Speaker, we always can get, it seems, some substitute for things, other parts of our bodies..."

Speaker Daniels: "Excuse me, excuse me, Representative Cowlshaw. Our guests in the gallery are reminded that there will be no demonstrations inside the House. Representative Cowlshaw."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Kellman told me his story, he says that although there is really nothing now that can be done for saving his sight. I have thought about that, Mr. Speaker, and the eye is the one thing for which we really do not have any replacement. Once you are blind, you are blind. It is because of Mr. Kellman's story which he has told to me on the telephone in which I find to be a story of an absolute and abject tragedy, he says his only recourse now is to try to help others. It's too late to help himself. It is for Mr. Kellman that I stand in opposition to Senate Bill 185."

Speaker Daniels: "Further discussion? The Lady from Cook, Representative Schakowsky."

Schakowsky: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of Senate Bill 185, but I would like to ask the Sponsor a couple of questions because a number of issues were raised on the

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floor that I think need to be... to be addressed. There has been the suggestion that optometrists will be performing procedures that they are not, in fact, trained for. Could you respond to that?"

Speaker Daniels: "Will the Gentleman yield? He indicates he will. Representative Black."

Black: "Yes, thank you very much, Representative. I'd be more than happy to respond to that. Page 66 of the Bill, is the specific language, the human eye and its appendages without the use of surgery. Now some people have told me, oh it doesn't say laser surgery. Oh, it doesn't say Radial Keratotomy. As a earlier speaker said, technology is moving so rapidly, whatever you put into here may be obsolete in two or three years. But, it clearly says, without the use of surgery. That is specifically prohibited."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Schakowsky."

Schakowsky: "There's also somehow the implication that optometrists are not fully trained professionals. I myself accepted an invitation to visit the Illinois College of Optometry which by the way was extended to me not only by optometrists but ophthalmologists and I went there to observe the kind of training but I wonder if you could... could tell us how many years of training optometrists have?"

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Black."

Black: "Again, I would be more than happy to respond to that. I think it's very important that we understand that today's optometric student has four years of college, four years of optometric school and in that schooling he or she will receive approximately 60 hours of diagnostic testing and 110 hours of related training dealing with the use of

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therapeutic agents. I also find it interesting to note that optometrists have approximately 110 hours of training in pharmacology. A dentist has approximately 45 hours. And we could go on, but we're not here to debate who gets the most training. What we are here to say is, that today's optometrist is expertly trained and this Bill does not grandfather anyone who has not had that kind of training."

Speaker Daniels: "Excuse me. Guests in the gallery are reminded that there will be no demonstrations. Mr. Doorkeeper. The gentlemen in the gallery, you have high school students and grade school students watching you and your actions. You're not helping your cause. Mr. Doorkeeper, please remove those gentlemen. Representative Schakowsky, you don't have much time left so continue on."

Schakowsky: "Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker. To close on this, I would just like to address the Bill. And I would like to urge support for Senate Bill 185. Thank you."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Ryder.

Ryder: "Mr. Speaker, thank you for recognizing me. I begin by making a parliamentary inquiry and I would request a verification in the event the Bill, that this should receive the requisite number of votes."

Speaker Daniels: "Your request will be granted."

Ryder: "Thank you. It's unfortunate that we're having the distraction that we are because I intend to..."

Speaker Daniels: "Excuse me, excuse me. The gentlemen in the gallery are not helping their cause at all. Representative Ryder, wishes to address this important subject. Unfortunately we are going to be left with no choice but to clear the gallery. Representative Ryder, continue on."

Ryder: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I first

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rise to stand in praise of the Sponsor of this Bill. He's a long time friend of mine and he's a person that has Sponsored this Bill long before the politics of this Bill started. He believes in what it does and I believe that he has been forthright in his management of this issue. It is an issue however, in which reasonable people can disagree and on this situation they do. If it is an issue of access then why is it that there are not limitations on those that can practice? So that only in those areas where there is a need as described by the good Representative earlier, with this ability to use drugs in the treatment of a disease be made possible. In 1985, optometrists came to us and said, we just want the ability to use drugs for diagnostic purposes. That's all we want. And this Legislature saw fit to do that. Now, ten years later they suggest, now we just want the use of drugs for treatment of eye diseases and that's all that we want. I suggest to you that the four years of optometric school that Representative Black talked about, and the few hours of training in eye disease is not equivalent to four years of medical school, one year of internship, three years of residency training in eye diseases. Ophthalmologists in training see more diseased eyes in a day or a week than optometrists see during their entire training. Ophthalmologists are trained to be physicians who specialize in the ailments of the eye. As a result they're able to then assist when they see symptoms that may be present in the eye but have other... other problems with a human being such as, diabetes, and other kinds of diseases. We often times use the words of vision to sum up our being. When someone says, 'I see what you mean.' They mean, I understand. When someone says, 'I can see clearly.' They mean, now I know what you're talking

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about. Vision is precious to us. I believe that there are optometrists that are good and decent people who believe that they have the training to do some of the things that a physician does. But, I would suggest to you in this circumstance that a physician, a physician who is trained in medical school and medical training is better able to care for the diseases of the eyes. Who's better able to see a symptom for a symptom rather than something to be treated or fitted or refracted. And I simply wish to err on that of our most precious gift, the ability to see. I wish to err on the side of caution and training and medicine. And for that reason, I stand in opposition to my good friend, Representative Black on this Bill."

Speaker Daniels: "Further discussion? The Lady from Cook, Representative Wojcik."

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

Speaker Daniels: "The question is, 'Shall the main question be put?' All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Gentleman, Representative Black to close."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I think the Bill has been thoroughly debated. I would like to summarize, with your patience and try to get a point across as to why many of us think this is a good idea. There are educational safeguards in this Bill. Nowhere in this language will you see that optometrists are trying to be able to practice medicine. That argument holds no water. There are many other supporting factors in this legislation that would show to you what others have said is lacking and that is safeguards and that it isn't necessary or it isn't wise. When the State of Wisconsin passed their Therapeutic Act in 1990,

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they required optometrists to keep detailed records, they wanted records on 30,000 patients who went to optometrists with problems with the eye that would require therapeutic intervention. They found absolutely no serious complications whatsoever in all of this paperwork that they required. So, in 1994, Wisconsin dropped the reporting provision. They found that there wasn't any of the scare tactics that you've heard about happening, malpractice didn't increase, and in all due respect to someone it doesn't take an optometrist to damage an eye. I'm sure if case laws were complete with ophthalmologists who have had malpractice cases for horrible accidents, or difficulties that arise out of any surgical procedure that an ophthalmologist would perform, God only knows what could happen. Those accidents happen. To insinuate that an optometrist would make it happen more frequently is an argument that I think not only carries no water but is disingenuous at best. Time after time we've sat in this chamber and we've heard, you can't change the status quo. You can't change the status quo. Well, I would submit to you, if we hadn't change the status quo and you needed an ambulance, you would be picked up today by an ambulance owned and operated by the funeral home in your community who may or may not be trained in first aid. Who would pick you up, throw you on the stretcher and take you to the nearest hospital where there may or may not be a physician available because we had no trauma centers. We changed that. The General Assembly changed that and yet someone got up and said, 'Oh, we shouldn't get involved in this.' Why not? We pass the Medical Practice Act don't we? If we're good enough to decide who practices medicine in Illinois, are you telling me we're not good enough to

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decide what therapeutic drugs an optometrist can do? Oh, we can't change the status quo. Oh, no, we can't change the status quo. How many of you see a nurse practitioner when you go to your doctor's office today. If we hadn't change the status quo there'd be no nurse practitioners today. How many of you see a physician's assistant when you go to your doctor's office? And those of you who live in, where the population density is high, yes we know you have doctors. We... we're thankful that you do on every street corner and remarkable hospitals. But many of us in the State of Illinois don't have that luxury. We have changed the status quo, Ladies and Gentlemen on many occasions to reflect the diversity of this great state of ours. If you come into my district, you'll be picked up by an ambulance that is staffed by EMT's. Emergency Medical Technicians, trained volunteers for the most part because we have volunteer ambulance districts. You might be served by a paramedic, a volunteer who has taken hours of training. But, I remember when all of that started and we said, you can't put in an IV, you can't do an electrocardiogram and send it to the hospital, via of the high technology. You're not trained to do that. Well, where are we going to find doctors who will ride along on every ambulance call? We did change the rules and regulations. We have the EMT's. We have paramedics. We do regulate ambulances today, the funeral home director who is awakened from a sound sleep and goes to pick you up at a highway accident in his hearse. Those days are long gone. So, we have changed many, many items of the status quo, and it's all been designed to enhance the medical care that we can receive. And all the optometrists are asking is for primary care of the eye and they have the training. You're

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telling me, if I had an emergency, pressure building up on my eye that the optometrist on the street corner in my hometown can't treat that temporarily to relieve the pressure so that my eye doesn't burst? Until I can be stabilized and transported to a hospital? That makes no sense. It makes no sense whatsoever. The American Association of Public Health supports this legislation and they're made up of medical doctors and dozens of health related professions. I have two ophthalmologists in my district. Both of them support this Bill. In fact, I'll close by reading what my ophthalmologist told me in writing. 'As you well know, I have been a strong supporter of the profession of optometry. I know from personal experience, working shoulder to shoulder with optometrists in my ophthalmology practice, as well as in the community by their referrals to me, that properly trained optometrists are fully capable of diagnosing and treating ocular disease. Furthermore, while I operated a satellite office in a small rural community in western Indiana, our optometrist regularly prescribed medication as currently allowed by Indiana state law and 41 other states. This avoided unnecessary travel and expense for me to travel to my Indiana clinic. It avoided the cost to the patient for a consultation by me, and it avoided the unnecessary expense of me traveling to that clinic to write the prescription. There is no doubt that the delivery of primary eye care in this community and in the surrounding county will be improved in accessibility and cost effectiveness by this measure.' It's signed by David M. Dillman, medical doctor, my personal ophthalmologist. Ladies and Gentlemen, the time has come for this Bill to be passed into law. The time has come for Illinois to join 42

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other states and let primary eye care be delivered by... properly trained optometrists. I do not believe nor would I sponsor any Bill that I would think would endanger the health of my wife of my family or my children, and neither would any of you. It's been fully debated, you've read reams of material, it's time to vote and no pun intended. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Daniels: "The Gentleman has moved for the passage of Senate Bill 185. The Gentleman has moved for the passage of Senate Bill 185, all those in favor signify by voting 'aye'; opposed by voting 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. On this question, there are 64 'ayes', 44 voting 'no', 5 voting 'present'. And Representative Ryder, requests a verification of the Affirmative Roll. Read the Affirmative Roll, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Those Representatives voting in the Affirmative. Representatives Balthis. Biggert. Biggins. Black. Boland. Bost. Brady. Brunsvold. Churchill. Ciarlo. Cross. Currie. Dart. Deering. Durkin. Fantin. Flowers. Giles. Hannig. Hartke. Hassert. Hoffman. Holbrook. Howard. Johnson, Tim. Jones, John. Jones, Shirley. Kaszak. Kenner. Kubik. Lachner. Lang. Laurino. Leitch. Lyons. Madigan. Mautino. McAuliffe. McGuire. Meyer. Mitchell. Moffitt. Murphy, Harold. Myers. O'Connor. Pankau. Phelps. Poe. Pugh. Ronen. Rutherford. Schakowsky. Smith. Spangler. Stephens. Turner, Arthur. Turner, John. Weaver. Wennlund. Wirsing. Wojcik. Woolard. Zabrocki. and Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Ryder."

Ryder: "Is Representative Flowers in the chamber?"

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Speaker Daniels: "Representative Flowers. Representative Flowers is over here."

Ryder: "I see her. Representative Hannig?"

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Hannig is at his chair."

Ryder: "Can you tell me how Representative Kaszak is voting?"

Speaker Daniels: "Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Kaszak is voting in the affirmative."

Ryder: "Representative Kaszak, she's not on the Roll Call in the beginning, did she sign in?"

Clerk McLennand: "She was on the Roll Call."

Ryder: "Then I offer an apology, and is she present? There she is, thank you. Representative Mautino?"

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Mautino. He's in the rear of the chamber."

Ryder: "Representative Shirley Jones?"

Speaker Daniels: "Representative, Shirley Jones. Representative Shirley Jones. Is the Lady in the chamber? Is Representative Shirley Jones, is she in the chamber? How is she voting, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk McLennand: "She is voting in the affirmative."

Speaker Daniels: "Remove her from the Roll. Representative Ryder."

Ryder: "Just one moment, Sir."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Turner, for what purpose do you rise, Sir?"

Turner, A.: "I know that the House has been a little unruly, I should say the gallery but the front door is locked and so if Members want to get in they are to have a pretty hard time. So, I would at least allow your indulgence for Members to..."

Speaker Daniels: "The Door... the Doorkeeper is there, so any

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Member that needs to get in, can get in."

Turner, A.: "Two knocks, three knocks?"

Speaker Daniels: "Yes."

Turner, A.: "And what's the password here?"

Speaker Daniels: "Three knocks."

Turner, A.: "No peephole on that door, you know."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Ryder for further questions?"

Ryder: "Yes. Representative Wennlund?"

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Wennlund. Is the Gentleman in the chambers? Representative Wennlund. How is he recorded, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk McLennand: "Representative Wennlund is recorded as voting in the affirmative."

Speaker Daniels: "Remove him. Anything further, Sir?"

Ryder: "I have no further inquiries, Sir."

Speaker Daniels: "This Bill having receiving 62 'aye', 44 'no', 5 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Kubik for what purpose do you rise, Sir?"

Kubik: "Mr. Speaker, having voted on the prevailing side, I move to reconsider the vote."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Rutherford, for what purpose do you arise, Sir?"

Rutherford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I move to table the Motion to reconsider."

Speaker Daniels: "The Gentleman, Representative Kubik has moved to reconsider the vote by which the Bill passed. Representative Rutherford has moved to table it. All in favor of the Motion to table signify by saying 'aye'; opposed, 'no'. The 'ayes' have it and the Motion is tabled. Committee reports."

Clerk McLennand: "Committee reports. Committee report from

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Representative Cross, Chairman for Committee on Judiciary for Civil Law, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken on May 10, 1995, reported the same back with the following recommendations; 'do pass' Senate Bill 5, Senate Bill 64, Senate Bill 1203, Senate Bill 1204, and Senate Bill 995, 'do pass' as amended, Senate Bill 866 and Senate Bill 1140, 'do pass' as amended, Short Debate, Senate Bill 14."

Speaker Daniels: "Senate Bills, Second Reading. Senate Bill 122. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 122, Bill had been held on the Order of a Second Reading. The Bill had been held on the Order of Second Reading, pending a Home Rule Note."

Speaker Daniels: "For what purpose does the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Balthis arise?"

Balthis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would move that the Home Rule Note is inapplicable."

Speaker Daniels: "Any discussion? You heard the Gentleman's Motion. All those... Representative Granberg, did you want to discuss that? Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It's my understanding that this... to the administrative agency the Bill's... the Bill actually, in language itself, preempts home rule. So, why would Mr. Balthis say the Home Rule Notes or Home Rule Act is inapplicable?"

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Balthis, will you yield to that question? Indicates he will. Representative Balthis."

Balthis: "Mr. Speaker, I believe that the language would restrict the note from going... the ticket from going out if the Secretary of State cannot verify that the language is correct. So, I think the information restricts the part of process that the Secretary of State is involved in."

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Speaker Daniels: "Representative Granberg, any further?"

Granberg: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative Balthis, the Bill says that the City of Chicago has to dismiss the parking ticket. The City of Chicago has to, so that does preempt home rule. So, the Secretary of State's involvement I don't think, would supersede that request. Because the Bill says, the city has to do that and it being a home rule unit. So, I'm missing what you're attempting to do unless you're having a problem getting that note to have that complied with, Sir."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Balthis."

Balthis: "Representative, it says the Secretary of State shall only release the name and address of the alleged violator after verifying the state vehicle registration number and vehicle make are correct. So, if the Secretary of State does not rule that the information is correct, the City of Chicago cannot send out the report."

Speaker Daniel: "Representative Granberg. Good point. Representative Granberg."

Granberg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Representative Balthis, I understand I think where you're trying... trying to do because you say the Secretary of State has to certify but still, you're requiring the home rule units to take this action. So, unless you're having a problem trying to comply with the Acts, I don't know why you would move at this point in time that it's inapplicable because it clearly is. It says, the home rule unit has to do... has to take that course of action. I mean, it says, it has to do it. So, I'm not sure where your rationale is, you say the Secretary of State has to certify and I understand that, but you're saying the home rule unit has to take that action. So, how does that... how does that not force the

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home rule unit and you being a mayor, I'm sure you're very concerned with the rights of home rule units and municipalities. So I find this a little puzzling from you."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Balthis."

Balthis: "Representative Granberg, the City of Chicago is the only city affected by this. No other home rule community has to send their tickets to the Secretary of State for verification and this was done at the request of the City of Chicago, not this Bill but that the Secretary of State would verify. That was a specific request of the City of Chicago that they get that information from the Secretary of State. So, what we're doing is simply saying that the Secretary of State cannot release that information to them unless it is valid and coincides with the information they have sent down."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Granberg, do you still want to speak? Okay, you have just a short time left, Sir."

Granberg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Well, Representative, I... unfortunately I think it's clear now what is going on and this is another retribution retributive action taken by this Body with the third airport. If you were sincere in this, Sir, this would not preempt home rule or if it did we could go through the requirement of the statutes. But clearly this is what this is about. It's unfortunate that you would have this take place in this Body when this debate about a third airport is taking place. But, I see what you're trying to do so, if you want to penalize the mayor because he was trying to avoid a third airport at Peotone, I guess you can go ahead and do that. But, I as a downstater do not want a third airport at Peotone, because that is going to affect our road fund dollars. So, I would

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ask for a ruling of the Chair and a Motion to override, Mr. Speaker, and so we can get a Roll Call on this because I don't want my downstate road funds being taken away."

Speaker Daniels: "Further discussion on this issue? The Lady from Cook, Representative Erwin."

Erwin: "Thank you, Speaker. Representative Balthis, we debated this Bill and the Amendment in the Transportation Committee yesterday. I was somewhat flabbergasted that we are attempting here to micro manage the City of Chicago, only the City of Chicago's Parking Ticket Administration Program. If I drive to Oak Park or Schaumburg or wherever and I get a parking ticket, they have their own mechanism..."

Speaker Daniels: "Excuse me, Representative Erwin. We're on the Motion to have the Home Rule Note declared inapplicable. So, could you address that Motion, not the Bill itself?"

Erwin: "Thank you, Speaker. This clearly is a preemption of home rule and I just... I think that this, you know, you need to reconsider the whole issue and Representative, I strongly contend that this is a preemption of home rule, most specifically the City of Chicago, and I urge my colleagues to oppose this."

Speaker Daniels: "On this issue the Gentleman from Madison, Representative Stephens."

Stephens: "Not on this issue."

Speaker Daniels: "Okay. The Gentleman, Representative Balthis has moved that the Home Rule Note be declared inapplicable. All those in agreement signify by voting 'aye'; opposed by voting 'no'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. On this question, there are 64 'aye', 48 'no', 1 voting 'present'. And the Gentleman's Motion prevails. For what

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purpose does the Lady from... Third Reading, excuse me. Third Reading on Senate Bill 122. For what purpose does the Lady from Cook, Representative Shirley Jones, arise?"

Jones, S.: "Mr. Speaker, House Bill... I mean on... it was a House... Senate Bill 185, I was out in the lobby talking to some of the union people out there and I wasn't able to get back in the door because there was so many people out there. Will you please leave me on the Roll Call as a 'yes', please? Let the record show that I'm voting 'yes'."

Speaker Daniels: "The record will reflect that you would have voted in the positive, if you had been here. Representative Stephens, the Gentleman from Madison."

Stephens: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, are we on the Bill now?"

Speaker Daniels: "No, Sir, we are not. Supplemental Calendar announcements."

Clerk McLennand: "Supplemental Calendar #2 is being distributed."

Speaker Daniels: "Supplemental Calendar #1, Senate Bills Second Reading. Senate Bill 43, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 43, Bill for an Act concerning bees and apiaries. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. Committee Amendment 2 is referred to Rules. Floor Amendment 3 has been sent to Rules. No Motions filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. Okay, Mr. Lang, for what purpose do you imitate the crowd out in the pass?"

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

Speaker Daniels: "State your purpose, Sir."

Lang: "...Ladies and Gentlemen. Well, I guess it's a parliamentary inquiry, Sir. That Bill, Senate Bill 43, left the Hou... left the Agriculture Committee, yesterday. I sat on that Agriculture Committee yesterday, and they sent one or more Amendments from that committee on this

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Bill to Rules..."

Speaker Daniels: "State your inquiry, Sir."

Lang: "I'm getting to it. I have to give you the background, Sir."

Speaker Daniels: "No, I don't need it. Just state your inquiry."

Lang: "Well, if the Rules Committee hasn't met yet, and had an opportunity to review those very important Amendments. How can you send this Bill to Third Reading, Sir?"

Speaker Daniels: "Just like I did. All within the Rules, as you all know. Okay. Senate Bill 225, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 225, a Bill for an Act in relation to professional regulations. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted. No Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note and a State Mandates Note have been requested and have been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. Representative Hoffman, for what purpose do you arise?"

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would..."

Speaker Daniels: "You would?"

Hoffman: "I've... we've filed the proper written request to change the Order of Business to the Order of Motions to Discharge Committee. Part... and joined by the proper number of people. We would ask for a Roll Call vote on that. Yesterday, at the close of business, as a Point of Personal Privilege, the Speaker in the Chair was Representative Johnson and I properly filed this Motion. He indicated to me on the record, and I'll quote here, 'Just a moment, Representative Hoffman, we'll get right to you where attain your Motion. But if you... by following the rules, if you'd resubmit your request in writing today,...'"

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Speaker Daniels: "Gentlemen, Representative Hoffman has moved to discharge committee, pursuant to Rule 5-8 and change the Order of Business. All those in favor of Representative Hoffman's Motion, vote 'aye'; opposed to his Motion vote 'no'. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Clerk. Gentleman's Motion has 51 'ayes' and 64 'noes' and fails. Senate Bills Second Reading. Senate Bill 260, read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 260, Bill for an Act in relation to the licensing of respiratory care practitioners. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill. Has not been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Hold that on Second Reading. 282."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 282, Bill for an Act that amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments, no note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 299."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 299, a Bill for an Act amending the Fish and Aquatic Life Code. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill and it has been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 29... 398."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 398, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation of sales of hearing instruments by the Department of Public Health. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments, no note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 440."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 440, Bill for an Act that amends

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the Illinois Credit Union Act. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendment 1 was adopted. No Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill and has been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 442. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 442, Bill for an Act that amends the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendment 1 was adopted. No Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill and has been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 448."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 448, Bill for an Act concerning pesticides. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in Committee. No Floor Amendments, no Motions."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 451."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 451, a Bill for an Act in relation to firearm training programs. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill and has been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 452."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 452, a Bill for an Act that amends the Radiation Protection Act of 1990. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in Committee. No Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill, has not been filed. Fiscal Note was filed on 452."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 534."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 534, a Bill for an Act in relation to dental practices. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in Committee. No Floor Amendments.

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A Fiscal Note's been requested on the Bill and has been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 766."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 766, Bill for an Act to amend the Private Detective, Private Alarm and Private Security Act, 1993. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments, Fiscal Note has been requested and has been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 910."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 910, Bill for an Act that amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments. Fiscal Note has been requested and has been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. Representative Turner, for what purpose do you arise, Sir?"

Turner, A.: "Yes, Sir, Mr. Speaker. For purposes of an announcement, I'd like to remind the Members that Representative Stephens and myself are hosting a tennis tournament tonight at the Springfield Racquet and Tennis Club. All Members, legislatives, lobbyists and staff are invited to come out to the tournament, whether you play or not. Thank you. Starts at 8:30 tonight."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Younge, for what purpose do you arise?"

Younge: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm not recorded as voting on Senate Bill 185 and I'd like the record to show that I would have voted 'yes'."

Speaker Daniels: "Record will so reflect. Okay, Supplemental Calendar 2, Senate Bills Second Readings, Senate Bill 5. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 5, Bill for an Act that amends the

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Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments, no note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, Senate Bill 14, read the Bill. Senate Bill 14."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 14, Bill for an Act that amends the Code of Civil Procedures. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendment 1 was adopted. Committee Amendment 2 was ruled non-germane. No note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, Senate Bill 17."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 17, Bill for an Act concerning a pilot program of vouchers for educational expenses. Committee Amendments 1, 2, and 3 were referred to Rules. Floor Amendments 4 and 5 have been referred to Rules. No note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 52."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 52, Bill for an Act concerning school property and transportation. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendments 1 and 2 were referred to Sub-committee. Floor Amendments 3 and 4 have been referred to Rules. No note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 64."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 64, Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. No... Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments, no note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Hold that Bill on Second Reading, Mr. Clerk. Senate Bill 80."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 80, Bill for an Act to amend the Code of Civil Procedure. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note, State Mandates Note have been requested on the Bill and they have been filed."

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Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 164."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 164, Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendments 1 and 2 referred to Sub-committee. Committee Amendment 3 was adopted. Floor Amendments 4 and 5 have been referred to Rules. A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill, has not been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Hold that on Second Reading. 331."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 331, Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Senate Bill 331, Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments."

Speaker Daniels: "Hold that on Second Reading, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk McLennand: "A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill and has not been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "358."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 358, Bill for an Act in relation to nursing homes. Second Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Daniels: "Hold that Bill on Second Reading, Mr. Clerk. 535."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 535, Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 2 have been referred to Rules. No note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. 562."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 562, Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments. A Fiscal Note has been requested on the Bill."

Speaker Daniels: "Hold that on Second Reading, Mr. Clerk. 567."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 567, Bill for an Act creating the

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Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. 643."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 643, Bill for an Act concerning the Citizens Assembly. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments. Fiscal Note, State Mandates Note requested and have been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. 857."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 857, Bill for an Act in relation to hockey. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments, no note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. 866."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 866, Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendment 1 was adopted. Committee Amendment 2 has been referred to Rules. Floor Amendment 3 has been referred to Rules. No Motions requir... requested."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. 995." Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 995, Bill for an Act to amend the Statute on Statutes. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments, no Floor Amendments, no note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 1039."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 1039, Bill for an Act to amend the Toll Highway Act. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in Committee. No Floor Amendments. State Mandates Note, Home Rule Note, requested on the Bill and they have been filed."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. 1140."

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Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 1140, Bill for an Act to amend the Adoption Act. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendments 1, 2, and 3 have been adopted. Committee Amendment 4 has been referred to Rules. Floor Amendment 5 has been referred to Rules. No Motions have been requested on the Bill."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. 1152."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 1152, Bill for an Act to amend the Public Officer Prohibited Activities Act. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment 1 has been referred to Rules. No Motions."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 1203."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 1203, Bill for an Act to amend the Business Corporation Act of 1983. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Committee Amendment 1 is ruled non-germane. No Floor Amendments. Floor Amendment 2 has been referred to Rules. No Motions."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading, 1204."

Clerk McLennand: "Senate Bill 1204, a Bill for an Act concerning child support. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments, no note requests."

Speaker Daniels: "Third Reading. Gentleman, Representative Weaver for an announcement."

Weaver: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Due to the long hours and great work of the House Appropriation Committee on Education, there will be no meeting tomorrow morning. We will reconvene next week."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Biggert, for what purpose do you arise?"

Biggert: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Republicans would request an immediate caucus in Room 11... 114, for approximately an

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hour."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Granberg, you have a request for caucus... there being none. Representative Biggert has moved for an immediate Republican caucus in Room 114, immediately upon adjournment. For a period of one hour. So, committees will be delayed. Committees will be delayed until 3:00. So, upon adjournment, there will be a Republican caucus in Room 114. Representative Mulligan for an announcement."

Mulligan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In case it hasn't been previously announced, House Human Services will meet at 9:00 a.m... Appropriations will meet at 9:00 a.m., tomorrow, rather than the posted 8:00 a.m."

Speaker Daniels: "Representative Johnson, Tom Johnson."

Johnson, T.: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. The Judiciary Committee, Criminal Law will meet tomorrow morning at 10:00 a.m. instead of the 8:00 a.m. posted time."

Speaker Daniels: "Further announcements? Being none, Representative Black now moves that the House stand adjourned till Thursday, May 11, 1995, at the hour of 3:00 p.m. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And allowing for Perfunctory time for the Clerk, the House now stands adjourned until Thursday, May 11, 1995, at the hour of 3:00 p.m."

Clerk McLennand: "House Perfunctory Session will be in order. Introduction, First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 2505, offered by Representative Hannig, Bill for an Act to amend the Employee Arbitration Act. House Bill 2506, offered by Representative Coy Pugh, Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. Introduction, First Reading of these House Bills. Being no

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further business, the House Perfunctory Session stands adjourned. The House will reconvene on Thursday, May 11th, at the hour of 3:00 p.m."

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