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Speaker Mautino: "The hour of 12:00 having arrived, the House will be in order. We shall be led in prayer today by Reverend Adam Cruse, who is the Pastor of First Baptist Church of Mount Zion in Mount Zion, Illinois. Reverend Cruse is a guest of Representative Flider. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones and pagers, and rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance."

Reverend Cruse: "Shall we pray? Father, we just come before You, and we acknowledge that You are our Creator. You are the source of life, and breath, and everything. And we just acknowledge this afternoon Your rule and Your sovereignty over us. Father, I thank You for each person here. I thank You for their service to our state. We thank You for the sacrifices they make, and the energy they give to...to represent us and to serve us as citizens of this state. And Father, I just pray today that You would help them as the... in the decision making processes. Help them to do what is best for... for the people of this state. And we just pray that You would bless their work today. Father, I pray these things in Your Son's name, Amen."

Speaker Mautino: "We'll be led in the Pledge today by Representative Black."

Black - 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 Mautino: "Roll Call for Attendance. Mr. Clerk. Representative Currie."

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Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record show that Representative Chapa LaVia is absent today.. excused today."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Jackson. From Jackson, Representative Bost."

Bost: "Representative Jackson, I like that. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representative Dan Brady is excused today on the Republican side of the aisle."

Speaker Mautino: "Mr. Clerk, take the record. 115 Members having answered the roll, a quorum is present and we are prepared to do business of the House. Representative Beiser. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Fritchey, is seeking recognition."

Fritchey: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Mautino: "State your point."

Fritchey: "Ladies and Gentlemen, we all know the importance of future leadership in this state, and having kids involved in understanding the process down here, how the process works, the importance of what it is we do, and how it affects them. I... I'm proud to have a group of talented and gifted students from my district. If they could stand up here in the corner in the green, the students from Lincoln Park High School. If we all just give them a warm welcome. Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "Welcome to Springfield. The Gentleman from Madison is seeking recognition, Representative Beiser."

Beiser: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to move that we suspend the posting requirements in order for House Bill

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2359 to be assigned to Transportation Regulation
Accountability Committee."

Speaker Mautino: "The Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative
Black."

Black: "Yes. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I'm not aware
that our spokesperson or our staff has been talked to about
the waiver of this posting requirement. My spokesperson
isn't here on the floor right now. Staff doesn't know
anything about it. I serve on the committee, and I
certainly don't know anything about it. Could we hold this
in abeyance until we can find out if, in fact, anybody on
our side of the aisle was asked about waiving the posting
requirement?"

Speaker Mautino: "The Gentleman from Vermilion."

Black: "Yes, thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. And thank you
for your indulgence. We've had an opportunity... there was
an e-mail transmission that somehow didn't get back to
everybody. Our spokesperson is in agreement with the
suspension. We're fine with it. Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank you, Sir. Seeing no objections, the
posting shall be waived. Representative McCarthy. The
Lady from DuPage, Representative Bellock, is seeking
recognition."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. A point of
personal privilege."

Speaker Mautino: "State your point."

Bellock: "I just wanted to remind all those who are in the
Capitol Capers production that the dress rehearsal is
tonight at 5:00 or anytime thereafter at the Hilton Hotel.

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And then to all those who have been so supportive, tomorrow night will be the actual Capers presentation at the Hilton at... I think the show is at 6:00. Thank you very much."

Speaker Mautino: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Durkin."

Durkin: "Inquiry of the Chair."

Speaker Mautino: "State your inquiry."

Durkin: "You know, I've been around here for about 12 years, and kinda curious as to how one gets a Bill posted for committee after it's been sent out of the Rules Committee. Who makes the decision on whether a Bill will be posted?"

Speaker Mautino: "Let me take that under advisement, and I will get back to you shortly."

Durkin: "Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "Mr. Durkin. Thank you for your patience."

Durkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I made a... thought a very straightforward, simple... you know, request... if you... about 15, 20 minutes ago. I want to know if I'll get that response before we break for committee?"

Speaker Mautino: "Oh. Absolutely. The... to your question, once a Bill is posted, it goes from Rules to a standing committee. How is that Bill posted?"

Durkin: "I want to know... of... how does a Bill become posted?"

Speaker Mautino: "And that..."

Durkin: "I mean, here's the situation. We have Bills that are... that are finally seeing the light of day in the substantive committee after dying in the Rules Committee for years. But they sit in... in a standing committee and they're not posted. So, they die in that other committee. So, it's a

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bit disingenuous to have these Bills kicked out of Rules, but they're just dying a slow death in a standing committee. And I'll give you an example. House Bill 252, which is a Bill that will reform this ridiculous, childish compensation system that we have in the House of Representatives and the Senate. It sat in the Rules Committee for two years. It was finally sent to the Executive Committee this year. I made two requests to the Chair, and also to the staff member two weeks prior to the deadline of the committee to have it posted. And they stated they'll look into it. I showed up at committee both times. They said we're not calling your Bill because it's not posted. I'd like to know how you get a Bill posted. We've got three pages of Senate Bills, the Republican Sponsors that are now sitting in the Executive Committee. This is our deadline this week. None of them have been posted. So, I'd like to see how we can get these posted. What do we have to do to get them posted?"

Speaker Mautino: "Mr. Durkin. Could I get a copy of the list that you have posted as well? And I'll take a look... I'll make a copy of it. Do you have an extra copy of that list? Mr. Clerk. Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Bolin: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 334, offered by Representative Feigenholtz. House Resolution 335, offered by Representative Farnham. House Resolution 336, offered by Representative Farnham. House Resolution 337, offered by Representative Durkin. House Resolution 340, offered by Representative Bradley. House Resolution 341, offered by Representative Eddy. House Resolution 342,

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offered by Representative Eddy. House Resolution 344, offered by Representative Crespo. House Resolutions 345 and 346, offered by Representative Reboletti. House Resolution 347, offered by Representative Coladipietro. House Resolution 348, offered by Speaker Madigan. House Resolution 349, offered by Speaker Madigan. House Resolution 350, offered by Representative Rita. And House Resolution 353, offered by Representative Brady.

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Currie moves adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All in favor say 'aye'; opposed 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black."

Black: "Mr. Speaker, I'll follow up in a little bit. Representative Durkin and I are just seeking a response. And it's... it's a simple answer, you know. I... I... I'm in the same position. I just want to know how I get a Bill posted. Got one to committee last week and was told by a Democrat staff person, no, Bill isn't posted, will not be posted, and will not be heard. I'm an elected official. I'm not sure the rules allow for a staff person to tell an elected Member of the Illinois House of Representative that the Bill is not posted, will not be posted, and will not be heard. That sounds a little strange to me. And Mr. Durkin and I just can't find these capricious and arbitrary rules in the rule book. We're just trying to figure out how we can do our job. These Bills don't benefit me. The Bill I have was brought to me by a constituent. I just want to know what to tell the constituent. He wants to know if he can come down and testify. What am I going to tell him?"

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Don't waste your time? Then he's going to want to know why. Well, maybe he'll get an answer. I can't get an answer."

Speaker Mautino: "Gentleman from Bond, Representative Stephens."

Stephens: "Maybe I can help. I think there's a simple answer. I think... I don't know what the... what the delay is. Are we... is our parliamentarian checking into the rules? Are you re-reading the Constitution? Or... how are we going to determine the answer to the question?"

Speaker Mautino: "I'm seeking further inquiries as well. However, the... the structure is the Bills are posted, sent to standing committee, and then the posting is structured and... and set by the Clerk's office. And I'm looking for the requests now."

Stephens: "Well, we... we appreciate that. I... I wonder if Leader... Leader Currie is on the floor. Maybe she can help us. I know she was very helpful last week. As a matter of fact, my... my bride and I were reading the Sunday papers and we were looking at the Chicago Tribune and lo and behold, much to my surprise, Leader Currie was quoted as to why we couldn't follow current rules. And the problem was... the problem is Mr. Cross just needs to elect more Republicans. If you want transparency in government, if you want to talk about the issues important to Illinois, Leader Currie had the answer. Elect more Republicans."

Speaker Mautino: "Ladies and Gentlemen, would you please be in your seats. I would ask staff to retire to the rear of the

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chamber. We have a Death Resolution... two Death Resolutions before the House. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 268 offered by Representative Sacia.

WHEREAS, The Members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of U.S. Army Specialist Norman Cain III of Mount Morris, formerly of Freeport, who was killed in action in eastern Afghanistan on March 15, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Spc. Norman Cain III was born on October 23, 1986 in Madison, Wisconsin; he was the son of Norman L. and Lisa Wise Cain; he married the love of his life, Brigette Peterson, on July 3, 2008 in Mount Morris; and

WHEREAS, He was a graduate of Freeport High School; after high school, he attended the Highland Community College Auto Mechanics School; and

WHEREAS, He joined the Illinois National Guard on July 27, 2007; after completing basic training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he served his country with pride and distinction as a member of Company D, 1st Battalion of the 178th Infantry Division based out of Woodstock; he was mobilized with the 1st Battalion to Afghanistan on August 21, 2008, where he served with the SECFOR Platoon in support of the Provincial Reconstruction Team in Nangarhar; and

WHEREAS, He was well known by his fellow soldiers as the "spark" of his squad and a man who could always be counted upon; and

WHEREAS, He was the recipient of numerous awards and decorations for his meritorious service, including the NATO

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Medal, the National Defense Service Medal (with Bronze Star), the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with device, the Army Service Ribbon, and the Overseas Service Ribbon; and

WHEREAS, He enjoyed working on cars, playing darts, and picking on his brothers and sisters; he also enjoyed playing his special music tape, which included Montgomery Gentry's "Lucky Man"; his greatest joy in his life, however, was his family; and

WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Norman Cain Sr.; his paternal great-grandparents; and his maternal great-grandfather; and

WHEREAS, He is survived by his wife, Brigitte; his parents, Norman L. (Tina) Cain Jr. and Lisa (Mark) Otto; his son, Toryn Cain; his step-daughter, Fallon Spielman; his paternal grandmother, JoAnn Cain; his maternal grandmother, Pamela Wise; his maternal great-grandmothers, Delta Mooney and Reva Wise; his brothers, Zachery Otto and Michael and Andrew Bower; his sisters, Breeana Otto and Courtney Bower; and his nephew, Ayden Shores; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of U.S. Army Specialist Norman Cain III; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Specialist Norman Cain III and his willingness to serve our country, which led to him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Specialist Norman Cain III as an expression of our sympathy."

Speaker Mautino: "On the Resolution, Mr. Sacia."

Sacia: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, in my short seven years in the General Assembly, this is the fourth time I've stood before you with a fallen military person from the 89th District. And, many of you have experienced similar tributes. On March the 16th I received a call. And it was a lady. She said Representative Sacia, could you hold for General Celletti. General Celletti, as all of you know, is the Deputy Adjutant General of the Illinois National Guard. I knew immediately that it would not be good news. When General Celletti came on the phone he said, 'Representative, it is with great sadness that I must inform you that a constituent of yours has been killed in Afghanistan.' He went on to tell me that Specialist Cain, along with Specialist Weinger, led by Sergeant Abada, along with an airman were the lead vehicle in a convoy patrolling in eastern Afghanistan, when they struck a roadside bomb. All were immediately killed. I attended an unbelievable funeral on March the 27th, held in the gymnasium of Freeport High School. Also there was Governor Quinn. And, I think it would be appropriate at this time simply to mention that since the war began in 2003, then Lieutenant Governor Quinn, now Governor Quinn, has never missed a funeral for a fallen soldier, Marine, airman, or sailor. I spoke with him briefly at the Governor's Mansion recently

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simply to ask how many he has attended. He said 'Jim, now it's more than 250, but less than 300. I've lost count.' Norman Cain left an amazing legacy for such a young man. You heard in the Resolution that he was considered the spark of his squad. The other men and women of the 178th Infantry, headquartered in Woodstock, Illinois, all considered him an exceptional soldier. The tribute was amazing. The Governor spoke. Senator Bivens spoke. Mayor Galrap spoke. And I had the privilege as well. And it was a packed gymnasium. And among other things that occurred, two songs were played: I'm a Lucky Man, by Montgomery Gentry, one of Norman Cain's favorite songs, and A Simple Man, also one of his favorite songs. Norman was that kind of a person and I truly regret that I've only been able to meet him through his family since his sad passing. To die at such a young age, I'm reminded of words of a former United States President, who made the comment, 'nobody's remembered for what they got in life, they're remembered for what they gave.' Certainly, Specialist Norman Cain gave his all. Many times one wonders what happens following the loss of life of a soldier in a far-off land. I would encourage every Member of this Body to rent or find the movie Taking Chance. It is the story of a fallen service person and his trip home. It is extremely touching, and it shows the honor, and the dignity that is shown to our fallen service persons in defense of their country. We are joined in the gallery today by the extended family of Norman Cain, his lovely wife Brigette, and they have two young children, Toryn and a step-daughter,

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Fallon. They are behind me up here. And the remaining members of the family that are here are Deb Clagus, Sue Skofield, Lisa Otto, Mark Otto, Zachary Otto, Breanna Otto, Norman Cain, Jr., Tina Casten, Courtney Bower, Michael Bower, Andrew Bower, JoAnne Cain, Brigette Cain, Christine Blair, and Dennis Cain. And once again, Brigette is the widow of the late Specialist Norman Cain. I would ask all of you to join me in a moment silence in paying tribute to this tremendously fine young man who truly did what President Calvin Coolidge said again, 'no one's remembered for what they got; they're remembered for what they gave.' He was a proud young man. He was proud to be an infantryman. And we mourn his loss. Thank you."

Speaker Mautino: "I would ask that all Members of the House bow their heads in a moment of silence. Representative Sacia moves adoption of House Resolution 268. All in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'yesses' have it and the Resolution is adopted. I ask all Members to remain standing. Mr. Clerk, place House Resolution 292 on the board. Representative. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 292, offered by Representative Cole.

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of United States Army Sergeant Robert M. Weinger of Round Lake Beach, who gave his life to his country in Afghanistan on March 15, 2009; and

WHEREAS, He was born on December 22, 1984; he enlisted in the Illinois Army National Guard in January of 2006; and

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WHEREAS, He graduated from Round Lake High School in 2003; and
WHEREAS, He enlisted with 1st Battalion, 178th Infantry
Regiment, 33rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Woodstock;
Sergeant Weinger had been deployed in Iraq for one year for
Operation Iraqi Freedom and was one of the soldiers chosen
to guard Saddam Hussein; after returning from Iraq, he
volunteered to deploy with an infantry unit to Afghanistan
for Operation Enduring Freedom; and

WHEREAS, He and his unit were in Afghanistan helping train
local police and the Afghan army; he was promoted
posthumously from specialist to sergeant; and

WHEREAS, He was awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star, and
Combat Infantry Badge during his years of service; and

WHEREAS, Robert put his heart and soul into whatever he did,
whether it was in the United States Army, where he was his
unit's weaponry expert, or at home, where he and his
brother, Paul, shared a love for cars and skating at the
local roller rink and were members of the wrestling team in
high school; and

WHEREAS, Robert Weinger is survived by his father and mother,
Howard and Susan; his brother, Paul; the love of his life,
Tanya Colatori; and two of his best childhood friends, Jack
Pryde (United States Navy) and Bill Coots, who along with
Robert, were often referred to as "the Three Stooges";
therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Sergeant Robert M. Weinger and his willingness to serve his country, which led to him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Sergeant Robert Weinger as a symbol of our sincere sympathy."

Speaker Mautino: "Please recognize the Lady from Lake, Representative Cole."

Cole: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And thank you, Jim, for your comments. I'll try to make this short. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives, it is my honor to welcome to our chambers the family and friends of Sgt. Bob Weinger. I have heard so many wonderful stories about Bob for the past month, from the newspaper, and from all the wonderful comments by his family, friends, and acquaintances on Facebook. He was a friend, a loving son, a big brother, and a prankster. I... I've kind of found out about that today when I met his little brother who certainly is not little. He traveled through his life with a great sense of humor and a tremendous sense of duty. He loved his country, and he put his heart and soul into whatever he did. I am very deeply honored to stand here and in Bob's absence to thank those that he loved, who have traveled here to Springfield to accept our condolences. His mother Sue is here. His dad Howard is at home recovering from pneumonia and I'm sure he's listening. His little brother, Paul, is here. And certainly the love of Robert's life, Tanya Colatori. Please join me in a moment of silence."

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Speaker Mautino: "Representative Cole now moves adoption of House Resolution 292. All in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'yesses' have it. The Resolution is adopted. Representative Osmond is seeking recognition."

Osmond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Republicans will caucus in Room 118."

Speaker Mautino: "Mr. Clerk, committee changes."

Clerk Mahoney: "The following committee adjustments have been made for today. The 3 p.m. committee... two of them... rooms have been switched. Financial Institutions was to meet at 3 p.m. in Room 118, is now meeting in Room 114. Financial Institutions is meeting in Room 114. Healthcare Availability and Accessibility that was to meet in Room 118... correction, to meet in 114 is now meeting in 118. Healthcare Availability and Accessibility is meeting in room 118 at 4 p.m. Tomorrow, Judiciary-Civil Law was to meet at 8 a.m., and has been changed to 10 a.m. in C-1. Tomorrow, on Wednesday, Judiciary... Jud I-Civil Law is to meet at 10 a.m., not 8 a.m."

Speaker Mautino: "Representative Durkin."

Durkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. About 45 minutes ago I made a request, and I still haven't received a response yet on that inquiry I made. And I'd like to hear the response prior to our going to caucus and then going off to committee."

Speaker Mautino: "The Bills once placed to a standing committee are posted by the Clerk. I've requested a listing of the Bills that you had concern on, which you delivered those to

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me. And... and we will review those... those Bills for posting."

Durkin: "You still haven't answered my question. How do you get a Bill posted? We have Bills that are sent out of the Rules Committee. They're sent to a substantive committee. I've checked through the House Rules. It says that the Chairperson shall post those Bills within six days of the hearing. How does the Chair decide which Bills are going to be posted and which ones aren't? The Rules do not give unbridled discretion to the Chairs of those committees to decide whether or not a Bill is going to be posted. I'd like to know how does a Bill get posted?"

Speaker Mautino: "In response to the question, as far as the process, I've explained the process, and I would have to seek further consultation on... on what the process is outside of what's stated in the rules already. Representative Durkin."

Durkin: "Well, I appreciate your willingness to look into it, but I don't feel that I've been given an appropriate response. And I'll make this request every day for the balance of this week. We have committee deadlines, and we did give you just a sheet of some Bills that have been assigned to committee, but are not posted. But there are a number of other committees that have the same problem. And I don't see anywhere in the rules where it states that once a Bill is sent to committee that it is going to sit and die. It should be posted. I want to know who decides whether or not a Bill is going to be posted. And I'll make that request every day. I'll give you... your... your

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parliamentarian time to ponder it, but I'll make that same request tomorrow."

Speaker Mautino. "Thank you, Sir. Representative Howard."

Howard: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I rise on a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Mautino. "State your point."

Howard: "We have with us today a person who I have long admired. She is a retired Circuit Court Judge and just coincidentally, she is the mother of one of our colleagues, André Thapedi. Please help me to welcome to Springfield, Judge Llwellyn Thapedi."

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

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thought it'd be just a lot in... lot easier if you would just answer the Gentleman's question straight out. You're in charge. You make the decisions, and whenever it gets posted, it gets posted. Be honest with the people of the State of Illinois. Tell them you have total control and that's the way it's going to be. Everybody understands and everybody knows."

Speaker Mautino: "Further questions? Representative Mulligan."

Mulligan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If your staff and your committee Chairman are having a really hard time doing this, we have some crack staff that would be happy to assist, and also some spokesman for committees that could sit down with your Chairs and explain to them how it's done."

Speaker Mautino: "Thank you. I always appreciate the Chairs working together. Representative Currie now moves that the

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House stand adjourned until Wednesday, May 6, at the hour of 12 p.m., allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk. All in favor say 'yes'; opposed 'no'. The 'yesses' have it and the House stands adjourned."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative May, Chairperson from the Committee on Environmental Health, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 05, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass as amended Short Debate' Senate Bill 1690 and Senate Bill 1919. Representative Nekritz, Chairperson from the Committee on Elections & Campaign Reform, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 05, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass as amended Short Debate' is Senate Bill 146, Senate Bill 1662; 'do pass Standard Debate' Senate Bill 283; 'do pass Short Debate' is Senate Bill 1799 and Senate Bill 2022. Representative McAuliffe, Chairperson from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 05, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass as amended Short Debate' is Senate Bill 2148; 'do pass Short Debate' is Senate Bill 1493. Representative Brosnahan, Chairperson from the Committee on Financial Institutions, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 05, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass Short Debate' is Senate Bill 229, Senate Bill 253, and Senate Bill 1422.

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Representative Froehlich, Chairperson from the Committee on Cities & Villages, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 05, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass Short Debate' is Senate Bill 328. Representative Phelps, Chairperson from the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 05, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass Short Debate' is Senate Bill 1413; 'recommends be adopted' is House Resolution 275. Representative Collins, Chairperson from the Committee on Public Utilities, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 05, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'do pass Short Debate' is Senate Bill 2150; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' is Senate Bill 82 and Senate Bill 1140. Representative Beiser, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation, Regulation, Roads & Bridges, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on May 05, 2009, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'recommends be adopted' is Senate Joint Resolution 2 and Senate Joint Resolution 12; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' is Senate Bill 414. Referred to the House Committee on Rules is House Resolution 338, offered by Representative Mitchell. House Resolution 339, offered by Representative Wait. House Resolution 343, offered by Representative Coulson. House Resolution 351, offered by Representative Saviano. House Resolution 352, offered by Representative Mendoza. House

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Joint Resolution 53, offered by Representative Verschoore.
House Joint Resolution 54, offered by Representative Soto.
And Senate Joint Resolution 36, offered by Representative
May. Introduction of reading of House Bills-First Reading.
House Bill 4448, offered by Representative Cross, a Bill
for an Act concerning elections. First Reading of this
House Bill. Senate Bills-First Reading. Introduction and
reading of Senate Bill 240, offered by Representative
Mautino, a Bill for an Act concerning insurance. Senate
Bill 256, offered by Representative Walker, a Bill for an
Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 420, offered by
Representative Walker, a Bill for an Act concerning
finance. Senate Bill 612, offered by Representative Jerry
Mitchell, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate
Bill 1715, offered by Representative Miller, a Bill for an
Act concerning government. And Senate Bill 1739, offered
by Representative Currie, a Bill for an Act concerning
revenue. There being no further business, the House
Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."