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**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2026**

**12:00 O'CLOCK P.M.**

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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The House met pursuant to adjournment.  
Representative Lilly in the chair.  
Prayer by Representative Nicolle Grasse.  
Representative Syed led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.  
By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:  
108 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Faver Dias, Ford, Jacobs, Jones, Olickal, Reick, Sosnowski, Stephens and Williams, Ann were excused from attendance.

At the hour of 12:07 o'clock p.m., Representative Wilhour was excused for the remainder of the day.

### **REPORTS**

The Clerk of the House acknowledges receipt of the following correspondence:

2025 Angel Report, submitted by the DCEO on February 19, 2026

IDPH Semiannual Overdose Report, submitted by the IDPH on February 19, 2026

Illinois Domestic Violence Fatality Review Committee - 2026 Biennial Report, submitted by the Illinois Domestic Violence Fatality Review Committee on February 19, 2026

### **LETTERS OF TRANSMITTAL**

February 19, 2026

John Hollman  
Clerk of the House  
Room 420 Springfield, IL 62706

Mr. Clerk,

I am requesting that the quorum roll call for the House on February 19, 2026 be corrected to reflect my absence. I was erroneously marked present when I should have been recorded as absent.

I appreciate your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely

s/Blaine Wilhour  
Blaine Wilhour

### **TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Representative Mason replaced Representative Faver Dias in the Committee on State Government Administration on February 18, 2026.

Representative Kelly replaced Representative Ford in the Committee on Gaming on February 18, 2026.

Representative Morgan replaced Representative Williams, Ann in the Committee on Gaming on February 18, 2026.

Representative Mussman replaced Representative Mah in the Committee on Museum, Arts, Culture, and Entertainment on February 19, 2026.

Representative Crawford replaced Representative Ford in the Committee on Museum, Arts, Culture, and Entertainment on February 19, 2026.

Representative Stuart replaced Representative Olickal in the Committee on Counties & Townships on February 19, 2026.

Representative Didech replaced Representative Hoffman in the Committee on Counties & Townships on February 19, 2026.

Representative Vella replaced Representative Manley in the Committee on Counties & Townships on February 19, 2026.

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

Representative Didech, Chairperson, from the Committee on Gaming to which the following were referred, action taken on February 18, 2026, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and placed on the order of Second Reading -- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 4171.

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE BILL 4171 is as follows:  
15, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

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| Y Didech(D), Chairperson               | Y DeLuca(D), Vice-Chairperson |
| A Stephens(R), Republican Spokesperson | Y Cabello(R)                  |
| Y Croke(D)                             | Y Kelly(D)(replacing Ford)    |
| Y González(D)                          | A Gordon-Booth(D)             |
| Y Hernandez, Elizabeth(D)              | Y Keicher(R)                  |
| Y Rita(D)                              | Y Schweizer(R)                |
| Y Sheehan(R)                           | Y Spain(R)                    |
| Y Vella(D)                             | Y Walsh(D)                    |
| Y Morgan(D)(replacing Williams, Ann)   | A Williams, Jawaharial(D)     |

Representative Blair-Sherlock, Chairperson, from the Committee on State Government Administration to which the following were referred, action taken on February 18, 2026, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and placed on the order of Second Reading -- Short Debate: HOUSE BILLS 4261, 4309 and 4669.

That the resolution be reported “recommends be adopted” and placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 555 and 575.

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE BILLS 4261, 4309 and 4669; HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 555 and 575 is as follows:

9, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

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| Y Blair-Sherlock(D), Chairperson | Y Grasse(D), Vice-Chairperson |
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Y Rosenthal(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Coffey(R)
Y Crawford(D)	Y Davis, Lisa(D)
Y Mason(D)(replacing Faver Dias)	Y Ryan(D)
Y Swanson(R)	

Representative Du Buclet, Chairperson, from the Committee on Museum, Arts, Culture, and Entertainment to which the following were referred, action taken on February 19, 2026, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the resolution be reported “recommends be adopted” and placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 586 and 603.

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE RESOLUTION 586 is as follows:  
9, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Du Buclet(D), Chairperson	Y Hernandez, Norma(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Jacobs(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Ammons(D)
Y Chung(D)	Y Coffey(R)
Y Crawford(D)(replacing Ford)	A Grant(R)
A La Ha(R)	A Lilly(D)
Y Mussman(D)(replacing Mah)	Y Scherer(D)

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE RESOLUTION 603 is as follows:  
10, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Du Buclet(D), Chairperson	Y Hernandez, Norma(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Jacobs(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Ammons(D)
Y Chung(D)	Y Coffey(R)
Y Crawford(D)(replacing Ford)	A Grant(R)
A La Ha(R)	Y Lilly(D)
Y Mussman(D)(replacing Mah)	Y Scherer(D)

Representative Ortiz, Chairperson, from the Committee on Counties & Townships to which the following were referred, action taken on February 19, 2026, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and placed on the order of Second Reading -- Short Debate: HOUSE BILLS 4265, 4266, 4267 and 4361.

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE BILL 4265 is as follows:  
6, Yeas; 4, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Ortiz(D), Chairperson	Y Stuart(D), Vice-Chairperson(replacing Olickal)
N Halbrook(R), Republican Spokesperson	N Bunting(R)
Y Briel(D)	N Deering(R)
Y Didech(D)(replacing Hoffman)	A Vella(D)(replacing Manley)
N McLaughlin(R)	Y Ness(D)
Y Walsh(D)	

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE BILL 4267 is as follows:  
11, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Ortiz(D), Chairperson	Y Stuart(D), Vice-Chairperson(replacing Olickal)
Y Halbrook(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Bunting(R)
Y Briel(D)	Y Deering(R)

Y Didech(D)(replacing Hoffman)  
Y McLaughlin(R)  
Y Walsh(D)

Y Vella(D)(replacing Manley)  
Y Ness(D)

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE BILLS 4266 and 4361 is as follows:  
7, Yeas; 4, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Ortíz(D), Chairperson  
N Halbrook(R), Republican Spokesperson  
Y Briel(D)  
Y Didech(D)(replacing Hoffman)  
N McLaughlin(R)  
Y Walsh(D)

Y Stuart(D), Vice-Chairperson(replacing Olickal)  
N Bunting(R)  
N Deering(R)  
Y Manley(D)  
Y Ness(D)

**AGREED RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 673**

Offered by Representative Walsh:  
Commends David J. Silverman for his decades of dedication to his community, his determination to see those around him succeed, and his consistent, effective advocacy for those who need a voice.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 674**

Offered by Representative Lilly:  
Mourns the death of Lillian Drummond of Chicago.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 675**

Offered by Representative Hoffman:  
Mourns the passing of George A. Lanxon of Fairview Heights.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 676**

Offered by Representative Coffey:  
Mourns the death of William D. "Bill" Marass of Springfield.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 677**

Offered by Representative Hammond:  
Congratulates the La Harpe Junior High School/Dallas City Elementary School Co-op eighth grade girls basketball team, the Lady Eagles, on winning the 2025 Illinois Elementary School Association (IESA) Class 8-1A State Championship. Wishes its players and coaches continued success.

**HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 678

Offered by Representative Mason:

WHEREAS, The federal administration has reclassified architecture graduate degrees from "professional" to "non-professional" degrees under the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA); and

WHEREAS, This reclassification is a challenge to the integrity of the architect profession and to public safety; by stripping architecture of its professional status within the United States Department of Education's classification system, the federal government is disregarding decades of established standards and creating insurmountable financial barriers for the next generation of architects; and

WHEREAS, The primary justification for the opposition to this reclassification lies in the very definition of a professional degree; as established in the Higher Education Act of 1965, a professional degree signifies the completion of academic requirements for practice and a level of skill beyond a standard bachelor's degree, typically requiring licensure; and

WHEREAS, Architecture meets every one of these criteria; to earn the title of architect, individuals must undergo five to seven years of rigorous, specialized education, complete thousands of hours of supervised experience, and pass a series of demanding national examinations; classifying this path as "non-professional" is a factual error that dismisses the expertise required to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public; and

WHEREAS, The practical implications of this reclassification are devastating; starting in July 2026, new architect graduate students will be restricted to \$20,500 annually in federal loans, less than half of the amount available for professional graduate degree students, which is a level that is wholly inadequate to cover the cost of architectural education and will effectively place these graduate degrees out of reach for all but the wealthiest students; and

WHEREAS, This new policy ensures that the future of our built environment will be shaped only by those with independent wealth, effectively purging the architect profession of diversity and talent from middle and low-income backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, This reclassification will result in pushing students into riskier, higher-interest debt to fund their education and entirely price out certain students who simply have no access to private debt; and

WHEREAS, The consequences of this change will result in a depressive effect on the broader construction market such as fewer architects being available to provide needed services to projects; with a reduced competition among architects, the cost of design and construction services will be further driven up, increasing expenses for schools, municipalities, developers, and homeowners across Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The resulting reduction in the number of licensed architects will not be limited to major metropolitan areas but will disproportionately affect suburban and rural communities across Illinois, where access to architectural services is already more limited and where local schools, municipalities, and other institutions rely on licensed architects to maintain safe, resilient, and high-quality buildings and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, The consequences of this reclassification will extend beyond the classroom as a shortage of qualified architects will lead to a decline in the quality of our homes, buildings, infrastructure, and cities; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois must stand firm in its opposition to the reclassification of architecture degrees as architects are licensed professionals whose status must be properly recognized to ensure a safe and equitable future for the American public; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the United States Department of Education to reverse the reclassification of architecture graduate degrees from "professional" to "non-professional" degrees under the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA).

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 679

Offered by Representative Davis, Lisa:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Marquette Park March in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, August 5, 2026 marks the 60th anniversary of the historic 1966 march through Marquette Park, a pivotal chapter in the civil rights movement and the Chicago Freedom Movement led by Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Albert Raby; and

WHEREAS, Working with a coalition of civil rights organizations known as the Coordinating Council of Community Organizations (CCCO), educator and activist Albert Raby invited Dr. King to move to Chicago to help launch the Chicago Freedom Movement, a campaign to expand the Southern Christian Leadership Conference's (SCLC) civil rights activities from the South to northern cities; and

WHEREAS, Groundwork for the Chicago Freedom Movement began in the summer of 1965 when Dr. King was invited by civil rights activists to Chicago to help lead a demonstration against de facto segregation in education, housing, and employment; and

WHEREAS, In consultation with the SCLC, the CCCO decided this campaign should be geared specifically at achieving fair housing practices; and

WHEREAS, In January 1966, Dr. King moved into a third-floor apartment in the North Lawndale neighborhood of Chicago's West Side to draw international attention to the systemic disinvestment facing Northern urban centers, including shabby and dilapidated housing; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the spring and summer of 1966, Dr. King helped the campaign gain momentum through demonstrations and marches, even as he faced the organizational challenges of mobilizing Chicago's diverse African American community; and

WHEREAS, On July 10, 1966, over 30,000 people braved a 98-degree heat wave at Soldier Field to hear Dr. King declare that the movement was "tired of being lynched spiritually and economically in the North"; and

WHEREAS, On August 5, 1966, Dr. King led hundreds of demonstrators into the Marquette Park area to protest discriminatory real estate practices and to demand the right for African Americans to rent, own, and sell property on a nondiscriminatory basis; and

WHEREAS, The marchers were met by a mob of approximately 700 counter-protesters, who shouted racist slurs and hateful slogans while attacking marchers, legal observers, and police officers with a torrent of bricks, bottles, and rocks, including one of which that struck Dr. King and knocked him to one knee; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King stated after the attack, "I have never seen, even in Mississippi and Alabama, mobs as hostile and as hate-filled as I've seen here in Chicago"; and

WHEREAS, The courage displayed by these marchers led to a summit agreement with Mayor Richard J. Daley and real estate leaders, which Dr. King called "the most significant program ever conceived to make open housing a reality", eventually paving the way for the passage and enactment of the federal Fair Housing Act of 1968; and

WHEREAS, The seeds sown in Marquette Park contributed to the eventual election of Chicago's first Black mayor, Harold Washington, whose campaign was managed by Al Raby, in 1983 and to the election of Barack Obama as the first Black president of the United States in 2008 after he was inspired to move to Chicago by Harold Washington's election; and

WHEREAS, The legacy of the Chicago Freedom Movement lives on through the Martin Luther King, Jr. Living Memorial in Marquette Park; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Marquette Park March, and we honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Albert Raby; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we reaffirm our commitment to continuing the fight for fair housing and economic justice for all Illinoisans.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 55

Offered by Representative Harper:

WHEREAS, Illinois is home to some of the most productive and fertile agricultural land in the world, forming the foundation of the State's economy, food security, and rural heritage; and

WHEREAS, Agriculture remains a critical driver of employment, export revenue, and community stability across Illinois, supporting farmers, farmworkers, processors, and local economies; and

WHEREAS, Prime farmland and farmland of statewide importance are finite resources that, once converted to non-agricultural uses, are rarely restored to full agricultural productivity; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois has made significant public investments in strengthening local food systems, supporting emerging and family farmers, advancing agricultural equity, and promoting rural economic development, all of which depend on continued access to viable farmland; and

WHEREAS, Illinois has committed to ambitious clean-energy and climate goals through the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act, establishing the State as a national leader in renewable-energy deployment, emissions reduction, workforce development, and environmental justice; and

WHEREAS, Climate solutions must be implemented responsibly, equitably, and sustainably with consideration for land, water, food systems, and communities, according to the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act; and

WHEREAS, Agricultural land contributes to Illinois' climate resilience by supporting local food production, reducing transportation-related emissions, preserving carbon-rich soils, and maintaining working landscapes; and

WHEREAS, Large-scale solar, energy storage, transmission, and other industrial developments are increasingly sited on active agricultural land, raising concerns regarding soil health, drainage systems, long-term land productivity, farm viability, and local land-use authority; and

WHEREAS, The avoidable conversion or fragmentation of productive farmland may undermine long-term food security, weaken rural economies, and diminish the environmental and climate benefits associated with healthy agricultural soils; and

WHEREAS, Responsible land-use planning can advance clean-energy objectives while protecting farmland by prioritizing development on disturbed lands, brownfields, rooftops, parking facilities, rights-of-way, and other non-agricultural or previously developed sites; and

WHEREAS, Farmers, landowners, conservation districts, and local governments have a direct interest in decisions affecting agricultural land, soil resources, water systems, and rural infrastructure; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that it is of vital importance to protect Illinois farmland from irreversible conversion and fragmentation due to solar, industrial, and other large-scale developments; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we affirm that farmland protection is consistent with and complementary to the goals of the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act and should be considered in clean-energy planning and implementation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge State agencies, local governments, and developers to prioritize renewable-energy and infrastructure projects on non-agricultural lands whenever practicable and to minimize impacts on prime farmland and farmland of statewide importance; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we support renewable-energy siting practices that protect soil health, drainage infrastructure, and long-term agricultural productivity, including appropriate decommissioning and land-restoration standards; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we encourage transparent decision-making and meaningful community engagement to ensure that agricultural landowners and rural communities are protected from unintended long-term harm; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Governor, the Illinois Department of Agriculture, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, the Illinois Commerce Commission, county boards, and other relevant planning authorities.

### **ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

A message from the Senate by  
Mr. Anderson, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted the following Senate Joint Resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 54

**RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN,** that when the two Houses adjourn on Thursday, February 19, 2026, the Senate stands adjourned until Tuesday, February 24, 2026, or until the call of the President; and the House of Representatives stands adjourned until Tuesday, February 24, 2026, or until the call of the Speaker.

Adopted by the Senate, February 19, 2026.

Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate

The foregoing message from the Senate reporting their adoption of SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 54 was taken up for immediate consideration.

Representative Gabel moved the adoption of the resolution.

The motion prevailed and SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 54 was adopted.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate.

At the hour of 12:40 o'clock p.m., Representative Gabel moved that the House do now adjourn, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.

The motion prevailed.

And in accordance therewith and pursuant to SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 54, the House stood adjourned until Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at 12:00 o'clock p.m.

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
ONE HUNDRED FOURTH  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
QUORUM CALL

February 19, 2026

0 YEAS

0 NAYS

107 PRESENT

P Ammons	E Faver Dias	P Keicher	P Scherer
P Andrade	E Ford	P Kelly	P Schmidt
P Avelar	P Friess	P Kifowit	P Schweizer
P Benton	P Fritts	P La Ha	P Severin
P Blair-Sherlock	P Gabel	P LaPointe	P Sheehan
P Briel	P Gill	P Lilly	P Slaughter
P Buckner	P Gong-Gershowitz	P Mah	P Smith
P Bunting	P González	P Manley	E Sosnowski
P Cabello	P Gordon-Booth	P Mason	P Spain
P Canty	P Grant	P Mayfield	P Stava
P Cassidy	P Grasse	P McCombie	E Stephens
P Chung	P Guerrero-Cuellar	P McLaughlin	P Stuart
P Cochran	P Guzzardi	P Meier	P Swanson
P Coffey	P Haas	P Meyers-Martin	P Syed
P Crawford	P Halbrook	P Miller	P Tarver
P Crespo	P Hammond	P Moeller	P Tipsword
P Croke	P Hanson	P Moore	P Ugaste
P Davidsmeyer	P Harper	P Morgan	P Vella
P Davis, Jed	P Hauter	P Morris	P Walsh
P Davis, Lisa	P Hernandez, Barbara	P Mussman	P Weaver
P Davis, Will	P Hernandez, Lisa	P Ness	P Weber
P Deering	P Hernandez, Norma	P Niemerg	P West
P DeLaRosa	P Hirschauer	E Olickal	A Wilhour(REMOVED)
P Delgado	P Hoffman	P Ortíz	E Williams, Ann
P DeLuca	A Huynh	P Rashid	P Williams, Jawaharial
P Deuter	E Jacobs	E Reick	P Windhorst
P Didech	P Jiménez	P Rita	P Yang Rohr
P Du Buclet	P Johnson	P Rosenthal	P Mr. Speaker
P Elik	E Jones	P Ryan	
P Evans	P Katz Muhl	P Sanalidro	

E - Denotes Excused Absence

At the hour of 12:48 o'clock p.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

**REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES**

Representative Gabel, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on February 19, 2026, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

**LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:**

Ethics & Elections: House Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1936.

**LEGISLATIVE MEASURES APPROVED FOR FLOOR CONSIDERATION:**

That the Motion be reported “recommends be adopted” and placed on the House Calendar: Motion to concur with Senate Amendments Numbered 2 and 4 to HOUSE BILL 3772.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measure(s) is as follows:  
3, Yeas; 2, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Gabel(D), Chairperson  
Y Buckner(D)  
N Spain(R)

N Hammond(R), Republican Spokesperson  
Y Hernandez, Elizabeth(D)

**INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS**

The following bills were introduced, read by title a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules:

HOUSE BILL 5626. Introduced by Representative Buckner, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 5627. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5628. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5629. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5630. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5631. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5632. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5633. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5634. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5635. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5636. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5637. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5638. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.





HOUSE BILL 5694. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5695. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5696. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5697. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5698. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5699. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5700. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 5701. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS  
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS  
FIRST READING**

Representative Ford introduced the following:

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION  
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 26**

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Article IX of the Illinois Constitution by changing Section 3 and by adding Section 12 as follows:

ARTICLE IX  
REVENUE

(ILCON Art. IX, Sec. 3)

**SECTION 3. LIMITATIONS ON INCOME TAXATION**

(a) Except as provided in Section 12 of this Article, a tax on or measured by income shall be at a non-graduated rate. At any one time there may be no more than one such tax imposed by the State for State purposes on individuals and one such tax so imposed on corporations. In any such tax imposed upon corporations the rate shall not exceed the rate imposed on individuals by more than a ratio of 8 to 5.

(b) Laws imposing taxes on or measured by income may adopt by reference provisions of the laws and regulations of the United States, as they then exist or thereafter may be changed, for the purpose of arriving at the amount of income upon which the tax is imposed.

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

(ILCON Art. IX, Sec. 12 new)

**SECTION 12. INCOME TAX FOR PROPERTY TAX RELIEF**

Notwithstanding subsection (a) of Section 3 of this Article, and in addition to any other tax on or measured by income, an additional tax shall be imposed on individuals in an amount equal to 3% of the portion of the taxpayer's net income that is greater than \$1,000,000 for the taxable year. All revenue collected pursuant to this Section shall be used to provide property tax relief. The General Assembly by law shall provide for the implementation and enforcement of this Section.

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act and applies to taxable years beginning on or after the date of its adoption.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 26 was taken up, read in full a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules.

**74TH LEGISLATIVE DAY**

**Perfunctory Session**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2026**

At the hour of 12:55 o'clock p.m., the House convened perfunctory session.