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Speaker Tarver: "The House will be in order. We shall be led in prayer today by Pastor Dallas Bear. Pastor Bear is with Freedom Church in Salem, Illinois. Pastor Bear is the guest of Representative Wilhour. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance."

Pastor Bear: "Good morning. Will you pray with me, please? Our Father in heaven, we praise you that you are almighty God. Nothing is too difficult for you. We praise you that you are the all-wise God and that you are sovereign over this nation and all of the nations on this globe. Father, we thank you for this beautiful country of America and this beautiful state of Illinois. Thank you for the prosperity you've granted us and the freedoms we enjoy. Right now, as the House prepares to go into session today, I want to thank you for every precious person in this chamber that you have created and that Jesus died for. King Solomon said, 'Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people.' So, I pray for forgiveness for our many sins against this state... against you in this state. I pray for mercy for your church because she has abdicated her role as the spiritual foundation and moral conscious of Illinois and, as a result, has left the government of our state open to hell's agenda. Forgive us. Father, I pray for all of the legislators here to respect your law and to be aware of your presence because you are a God... you are not a God far away but near. I praise you, Father, that you delight in and exercise kindness, justice, and righteousness in the earth, and I pray that all these virtues reign supreme today. I bind death and loose life over

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this state. I bind tyranny and loose freedom over this state. I bind lawlessness and loose law and order over this state in the name of Jesus. May your kingdom come and your will be done today in this place. In the precious name of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ, I pray, and everyone said, Amen."

Speaker Tarver: "We will be led in the Pledge of Allegiance today by Leader Avelar."

Avelar - 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 Tarver: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Morgan is recognized to report any excused absence on the Democratic side of the aisle."

Morgan: "Thank you, Speaker. Let the record show that Representative Scherer is excused today."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Keicher is recognized to report any excused absence on the Republican side of the aisle."

Keicher: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representatives Rosenthal and McLaughlin are excused for today."

Speaker Tarver: "Have all recorded themselves who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 115 Members answering the roll, a quorum is present. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Evans, Chairperson from the Committee on Labor & Commerce reports the following committee action taken on May 30, 2025: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 453. Representative Tarver, Chairperson from the Committee on Revenue & Finance reports

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the following committee action on May 30, 2025: do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 2008. Representative Ann Williams, Chairperson from the Committee on the Executive reports the following committee action taken on May 30, 2025: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 243, Senate Bill 1331, Senate Bill 2510; recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to Senate Bill 90 and Floor Amendment(s) 2 to Senate Bill 2456. Representative Ammons, Chairperson from the Committee on Energy & Environment reports the following committee action taken on May 30, 2025: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 1697. Representative Cassidy, Chairperson from the Committee on Restorative Justice & Public Safety reports the following committee action taken on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to Senate Bill 1524. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 402, offered by Representative Yang Rohr. House Resolution 404, offered by Representative Benton. And House Resolution 409, offered by Representative Harper. These are referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Swanson, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker Tarver: "Please proceed."

Swanson: "Thank you, sir. Today, I'd like to welcome my page to the Capitol. With me today is Monica Ericson. She's an... she goes to Geneseo High School, and she's in the 11th grade now. Two days ago, she was in the 10th grade. Today, she's in the 11th grade. Very proud of that. Her parents, Mike and Beth Ericson, who are up here to the right, and her brother, Alex,

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brought her here yesterday. To recognize Mike, Mike is a Vietnam veteran. Served with the 101st Airborne from '68 to '69, an Army veteran, and he was a tunnel rat in Vietnam. Look that up sometime, tunnel rat. She also wanted me to point out that she's very proud of her mom and dad because on 13 September, 2018, they were her grandparents. But on September 13, 2018, they adopted her and are now her parents, and she's very proud of that. Her activities in Geneseo High School include Maplettes dance team. Her community activities, she's a volunteer at her local church. She's also the starting pitcher and lead-off hitter for the Orion, Illinois softball team, which currently are 3-0. And she told me by the end of tonight they'll be 4-0 because they have a ballgame tonight. She also performs on the Geneseo High School choir, the Geneseo High School dance team, and also received an IHSA superior group ensemble award this past year. I'm very honored and proud to have Monica here with us today. Could we give her a strong, great welcome to Springfield?"

Speaker Tarver: "Welcome to Springfield. Representative... Representative Olickal, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Olickal: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Tarver: "Please proceed."

Olickal: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just wanted to welcome... I have a couple of guests here in the gallery. First, I want to introduce Tomi Methipara. He's here. He is a close family friend. He's also the first Indian American to serve as a Chicago police officer, and he did so for 27 years. And he's here with a couple of guests, Beni Jose, Nancy Beni. They're

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visiting. It's their first time visiting the United States, and so they wanted to make sure they came down to Springfield and see... see all of us in action. So, I wanted to give them a warm Springfield welcome."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative... Representative Jacobs, for... for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Jacobs: "Thank you, Speaker. I would like to introduce my page for today."

Speaker Tarver: "Please proceed."

Jacobs: "Personal privilege, sir."

Speaker Tarver: "Please proceed."

Jacobs: "OK. This is Elizabeth Hill. Elizabeth has returned page duty today. She has the probably longest stay in page. Last year, when she was here, she stayed from early morning until, I think, close to 8 o' clock at night. I think that's a record. But she also is a student, will be a junior at Anna-Jonesboro High School. And she has been in, my gosh, she's been... oh, she does track, cross country, Beta Club, student council, Future Business Leaders of America. And she was kindly brought here by her mother, right above us, Erica Hill. And we just welcome her from Anna-Jonesboro, down in the heart of my district, 118th. Thank you, Speaker."

Speaker Tarver: "Welcome to Springfield. Leader... Representative Sheehan, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Sheehan: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Tarver: "Please proceed."

Sheehan: "I just wanted to say congratulations to my not-so-little girl, Lily. She graduated eighth grade from Oak Prairie Junior High School yesterday. She'll be heading to Providence

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Catholic in the fall. And just a little message, daddy loves you very much and is very proud of you."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Wilhour, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Wilhour: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to take a second and recognize my district director, Lori Bear. Lori's... Lori does a great job. She might have the hardest job in the state, making me look good and covering my tracks on everything. But she does a great job, and we really appreciate her. So, let's welcome Lori to Springfield."

Speaker Tarver: "Welcome to Springfield. Under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 4, offered by Representative Harper."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm pleased to present House Joint Resolution 4, which simply extends the time that the Black immigrant task force can submit its final report to the General Assembly. It extends it to the end of 2025. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst is recognized."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Representative, thank you for the description. Has this task force been meeting?"

Harper: "Yes. We have had one meeting."

Windhorst: "They've had one meeting. And you're requesting an extension to present the report to the General Assembly. Is that correct?"

Harper: "Yes, sir."

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Windhorst: "And what is the... how long is the extension? I'm sorry."

Harper: "Till the end of this year."

Windhorst: "And you anticipate that that will be adequate time for the report to be completed?"

Harper: "I am hoping so."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Harper moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 4. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 80 voting in 'favor', the... 80 voting in 'favor,' 33 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this resolution, has received the constitutional majority, is hereby adopted. Under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 20, offered by Representative Weaver. Representative Weaver... Weaver is recognized."

Weaver: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. HJR20 recognizes Chief Rick Young, who was the Maquon, Illinois police chief. He had a wonderful career as the Maquon, Illinois police chief. Beloved father, beloved husband, really just a wonderful man. He was tragically murdered in the recent years and actually left in a storage container for a time. It was a tragic experience for the community. We hope that this naming of Illinois Route 97 will be a small token for our appreciation for his service and just a great way to remember him within the community. Thank you."

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Speaker Tarver: "Representative Weaver moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 20. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' This resolution, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared adopted. Under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 26, offered by Representative Harper."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm pleased to..."

Speaker Tarver: "I'm sorry. My apologies. Representative Harper moves to adopt Floor Amendment #3. All in... all those in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Harper is recognized."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am pleased to present House Joint Resolution 26, which simply creates the task force on eliminating gun violence in Illinois."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst is recognized."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Representative, we had a note that the Department of Human Services had expressed opposition to the resolution. I believe their concern was the size of the task force and their requirement to hold the meetings of the task

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force, that they didn't feel they had the capacity to do that.
Have you addressed that issue with the department?"

Harper: "Well, I believe my statement in committee was that if the Office of Firearm Violence Prevention needed help holding a couple of meetings throughout the year with a dozen or so residents from the state of Illinois that my office will be very happy in helping them take on those meetings. They're just meetings to have discussions."

Windhorst: "Your amendment added legislative appointments to the task force. Is that correct?"

Harper: "Yes, it did."

Windhorst: "We appreciate that addition. The other concern I've heard about the task force is it's addressing gun violence. Many on our side believe it's more appropriate to address all violence and to look at issues that have been created by the legislation coming out of this body that has harmed public safety. Would you consider just making this a task force related to all violent crime rather than singling out gun violence?"

Harper: "I actually do not have problem with that. However, my specific intent for this legislation is so that we can have deeper discussions about gun violence that mostly impacts disproportionately impacted areas in the state. And so, with that, I'm sure there will be a look at all violent crime. But, again, I am interested in getting to the root causes that cause gun violence in disproportionately impacted areas, and I feel like this task force will be well equipped to do so."

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Windhorst: "Thank you. To the resolution, Mr. Speaker. I've... since I've been a Member of this body, I've served on several task forces around the issues of public safety, violence, different elements dealing with the criminal justice system. Unfortunately, these task forces meet. Sometimes they prepare a report, generate a report, other times they don't. The reports are generated, submitted to this body, and no action ever appears to be taken. I think a better approach than just creating a new task force is to look what... at what we've done in the past and some of the major issues that are being raised by law... the law enforcement community, prosecutors, and others in the criminal justice system on ways we can improve our criminal justice laws. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Harper moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 26. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 78 voting in 'favor,' 33 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this resolution, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby adopted. Leader Stuart, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Stuart: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to bring to the attention of the body... I usually have a resolution, and I don't know what happened with paperwork. But today is MS Awareness Day, and so I want to make sure that everybody is aware of that. I know that we have people in this chamber who are affected by MS. Representative Ammons has a family member who suffers with MS, and Bridget Cory, who kind of keeps the

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clocks running upstairs for us in our research department, is also living with MS. Doing quite well with the new medications that are available, but we need to make sure that we keep working towards that and supporting folks and their families suffering with MS, which right now has no cure but has very promising treatments available. So, please make sure that you understand the importance of continuing to work toward solving the problem of MS. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Manley is recognized on House Resolution 312."

Manley: "A point of personal privilege, and it is a privilege. Members, I would like to draw your attention to the Speaker's Gallery. Mr. Harms, please stand. Did you know about this? OK. This is a great surprise for you. You may recognize this gentleman. He's wearing his notable uniform that he wears every day, T-shirts and khaki shorts. And we're going to move that the House dress like that from now on in your honor. I'd like to read House Resolution 312. This is very impressive. Members, if you would please pay tribute here with me.

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to thank and congratulate Henry Harms for 40 years of service to the State of Illinois, including the past 27 years as Fiscal Officer for the Office of the Speaker; and

WHEREAS, Henry Harms began working for the State of Illinois as a high school student through the Illinois Government Youth program in 1983; his official employment began when he started working for the state... for State Representative Michael D. Curran before transferring to work for the Speaker of the House; and

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WHEREAS, Henry Harms then accepted a position in the House of Representatives copy and file room, often staying at work until late as 4 a.m. on session days; and

WHEREAS, Henry Harms joined the House Fiscal Unit under then-Fiscal Officer Shirley McCombs in 1996 before taking over as House Fiscal Officer in 1998, a role he has continued to fulfill ever since; and

WHEREAS, For 27 years, Henry Harms' hard work, unfailing professionalism, and tireless attention to detail made it possible for generations of House staff to have received reliable and timely payroll and benefits; we totally appreciate that; and

WHEREAS, Henry Harms has not only served with character and effectiveness in all these roles but has also raised a family while doing so; and

WHEREAS, The Harms family, including Henry's wife of 39 years, Terri, his adult children, Abby Bretz, Kaitlyn Harms, and Molly Harms, his son-in-law, Kyle Bretz, and his grandchildren, Lilly and Sam Bretz, have also played an important role in his success through their love and support; and

WHEREAS, Henry Harms' 40 years of service to the Illinois House of Representatives and the people whose voices it represents is an uncommon act of public service that is both commendable and praiseworthy and has earned him the deep and abiding gratitude of the body; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we thank and congratulate Henry Harms as he marks 40 years of

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service to the State of Illinois, the General Assembly thereof, and the people of Illinois; and.. and may it be further.. I'm out of pages here. Who gave me this? Hold on. Look at this, look at this, I'm going to read from the big thing.

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy, one like this, of this resolution be presented to Henry Harms as an expression of our gratitude, esteem, and really, really great respect, Mr. Harms. Congratulations. Thank you for everything you've done for us."

Speaker Tarver: "Under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 5, offered by Representative Gong-Gershowitz."

Gong-Gershowitz: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Joint Resolution 5 honors the legacy of Fred Korematsu, who served our nation by demanding that we the people live up to our founding ideals, ideals of freedom, opportunity, and equal justice under law for all. He fought for civil liberties, challenging the unconstitutional use of the Alien Enemies Act to intern Japanese Americans based on nothing but the suspicion of their ancestry. May is Asian American Pacific Islander History Month, and we honor the legacy of Fred Korematsu and all those who have stood for right against might. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Gong-Gershowitz moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 5. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there

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are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this resolution, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby adopted. Under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 27, offered by Representative Harper."

Harper: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm pleased to present House Joint Resolution 27, which simply creates the Illinois Good Food Purchasing Policy Task Force to study the current acquisition of food within our state and explore how good food purchasing may be implemented to maximize the purchasing of healthy foods that are sustainable among our state agencies here in Illinois. I encourage an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst is recognized."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Part of the task force will be to explore how the good food purchasing... how Good Food Purchasing, rather, can be implemented to maximize the procurement of healthy foods that are sustainably, locally, and equitably sourced. What is it meant by sustain... 'sustainably, locally, and equitably sourced'?"

Harper: "So, the reason that we have the task force is to further help to define what those terms exactly mean here in the state of Illinois. So, we look forward to exploring those very issues during the task force."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Harper moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 27. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who

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wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 86 voting in 'favor,' 24 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this resolution, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby adopted. Under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 32, Offered by Leader Hammond."

Hammond: "Mr. Speaker, House Joint Resolution 32 designates U.S. Route 24 as it travels through Fairbury as the 'Staff Sergeant Wilbur E. Troehler Memorial Highway.' Staff Sergeant William (sic-Wilbur) Troehler was assigned to the 75th Infantry Division in the U.S. Army. He was deployed overseas on November 14, 1945... '44. Served in the Battle of the Bulge. He received numerous medals, including the Bronze Star, the American Campaign Medal, the World War II Victory Medal, and the Army Occupational Medal. This resolution would designate U.S. Route 34 as is it travels through highway.. through Fairbury as the 'Staff Sergeant William (sic-Wilbur) E. Troehler Highway.' And just as a note, Staff Sergeant William (sic-Wilbur) Troehler is a direct relation of our esteemed videographer, Scott Troehler. So, this is in his honor. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Hammond moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 32. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this resolution, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby adopted. Under the Order of Resolutions, we have House

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Joint Resolution 36, offered by Representative Meyers-Martin."

Meyers-Martin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Joint Resolution 36 simply declares May 7, 2025 as the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated Day in the state of Illinois. It also celebrates Sigma Gamma Rho's Central Region's 100 years of sisterhood, service, excellence, and continued leadership in the unwavering advocacy of making a transformative impact throughout the state of Illinois and beyond."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Meyers-Martin moves for the adoption of House Resolution... House Joint Resolution 36. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the resolution is adopted. Representative Hirschauer, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Hirschauer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A quick point of personal privilege."

Speaker Tarver: "Please proceed."

Hirschauer: "Thank you. I know it doesn't quite feel like summer yet here in the chamber, but my summer interns have already started in district, and they were able to make the trip down here today to catch us in action. So, I just wanted to say hello to my district staff: Kat Maggio, Mariah Perez, and our new summer interns. A quick introduction. Aubrey Rupp is from Batavia. She is a senior this fall at Loyola Maryland. She's in the business honors program, majoring in finance and minoring in political science. Lilian Wade, from St. Charles, is a junior this fall at the University of Michigan, studying political science and history. Margaret Bush, from

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Warrenville, will be a sophomore this fall at Carnegie Mellon University, studying international relations, political science, and pre-law. The people of the 49th District are so grateful to have you serving them this summer, and I hope you get to see some good fun here in Springfield. Let's give 'em a welcome."

Speaker Tarver: "Under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 39, offered by Leader Manley."

Manley: "Thank you, Speaker. House Joint Resolution 39 reaffirms our commitment to upholding the health, dignity, and civil rights of all people with disabilities, including autistic individuals across a spectrum of strengths, needs, and identities. Recognizes and honors the rightful presence, contributions, and leadership of neurodivergent individuals in inclusive schools, workplaces, and communities throughout every stage of life. Appreciate your support."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Manley moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 39. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this resolution, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby adopted. Kifowit. Under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 19, offered by Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. This is an amazing resolution that I'm honored to present with my good friend, Marine Corps veteran Brandun Schweizer, for the

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250th birthday of the United States Marine Corps. We are honoring a portion of I-80 to designate a U.S. Marine Corps Highway, and I ask for your support."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Kifowit moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 19. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this resolution, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby adopted. Mr. Clerk, Rules Report."

Clerk Bolin: "Rules Report. Representative Gabel, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted, Motions to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1 for House Bill 22 and Senate Amendment(s) 1 for House Bill 32."

Speaker Tarver: "Under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 35, offered by Representative Kifowit."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. This is a resolution that we passed last year in the House. It did not get called in the Senate. We are repassing this resolution to honor Staff Sergeant Herreid Memorial Highway in... thank you, sir. We are going to honor Staff Sergeant Herreid Memorial Highway. Thank you for standing. We passed this last year. And he served as a Specialist 5 in the Army Detachment A-402, Company D, 5th Special Forces. On October 10, 1968, Staff Sergeant Herreid company was ambushed, and his body remained unlocated. He was later awarded the Purple Heart as well as other awards. This is, again, an initiative of Rolling

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Thunder to never forget the individuals that never made it back home. This is... is particular to Bob Patterson, Gold Star family, whose son did return and they were able to give him proper burial and proper honors. And he is committed to never forgetting those whose bodies were never... never found, never got proper burial, and to make sure that we don't forget them. So, I ask for your support."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Kifowit moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 35. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this resolution, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby adopted. On page 2 of the calendar, under Third Readings, we have Senate Bill 849, offered by Representative Briel. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 849, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Briel is recognized."

Briel: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the House, this is a bill designed to help our agricultural community so that temporary workers are able to extend the ability to complete what needs to happen in the fields. So, what it does is it takes the temporary CDL permit license from 180 days to 210 days, giving folks a little more time to finish everything that they need to. It passed through the Senate with no objections, and I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst is recognized."

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Windhorst: "Inquiry of the Chair. What is the status of Floor Amendment #2?"

Speaker Tarver: "She does not wish to adopt it."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So, just for clarity on our side as we're reviewing the bill to make sure we know what we're voting on, we'll be voting on the provisions related to the restricted CDL for farm-related service industries?"

Briel: "Yes. The amendments are tabled. There is nothing other than the original bill, which came over from the Senate."

Windhorst: "All right. And that passed the Senate unanimously?"

Briel: "Yes."

Windhorst: "And I believe we passed similar language or a similar style bill previously on a unanimous vote out of this body. Are you aware of that?"

Briel: "No, I was not."

Windhorst: "And this supported by the Farm Bureau, Illinois Fertilizer and Chemical Association, and Midwest Truckers?"

Briel: "Yes."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The... the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 849 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 vote... 0 voting 'against,' 0 voting 'present.' And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby

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declared passed. Representative Weber. Representative Weber,
for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Weber: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I request a point of personal
privilege."

Speaker Tarver: "Please proceed."

Weber: "Today, I would like to recognize some of our local
firefighters in District 64 that I represent, the Spring Grove
Fire Protection District. The Spring Grove Fire Protection
District is celebrating their hundred-year anniversary in
providing fire and emergency services to the residents of
Spring Grove, Illinois and areas of McHenry County. Their
mission is to prevent fires, protect property, and to save
lives through educating the public, of which they do a great
job, and continuing their own education to provide the best
services possible. These hardworking firefighters and
paramedics do an amazing job. Join me in giving them a loud
round of applause to celebrate their hundred years of service.
Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Proceeding to the Order of Bills on Second
Reading, on page 3 of the calendar appears Senate Bill 1614,
offered by Leader González. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1614, a Bill for an Act concerning
finance. The bill was read for a second time previously. No
Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are
filed."

Speaker Tarver: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1614, a Bill for an Act concerning
finance. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader González is recognized."

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González: "Senate Bill 1614 just allows the secretary of state, for the facilities, to have a bit more in petty cash so they can make change. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst is recognized."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "Indicates he will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Is there any upper limit on the amount of petty cash the facility can have on the premises?"

González: "I don't think so. No."

Windhorst: "Will that, I guess, be dictated by secretary of state policy for each facility?"

González: "Yes. Because different facilities have different... I think per cash... per register that they have, they have only a certain amount that they try to keep in terms of change. So, it will depend on the size of the facility."

Windhorst: "Is there any requirement that this cash not be kept in shoeboxes at the facility?"

González: "No."

Windhorst: "All right. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Members, we are on Short Debate. Leader Ugaste is recognized."

Ugaste: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "Indicates he will."

Ugaste: "Thank you. Just a quick question or two. I think you mentioned this is petty cash. Is that correct?"

González: "Yes."

Ugaste: "This isn't cash then used to make change. This is cash to have at the office for discretionary spending, isn't it?"

González: "No. It's literally just to make change."

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Ugaste: "So, then it's... OK. So, then it doesn't fit the technical term of petty cash because petty cash is usually used as a different reference within a business."

González: "That's the term they used with me. So, that's the term I used."

Ugaste: "OK. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 1614 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 80 voting in 'favor,' 33 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Hanson, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Hanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With a switch malfunction, I intended to vote 'yes' on Senate Bill 1614."

Speaker Tarver: "The record will reflect it. On page 4 of the calendar, under Second Readings, appears Senate Bill 1797, offered by Leader González. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1797, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. The bill was read for a second time previously. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker Tarver: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1797, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader González is recognized."

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González: "Thank you, Speaker. This chamber already passed HB742, which would establish a cryptocurrency regulatory framework in Illinois. House... the Senate Bill 1797 clarifies definitions to ensure regulations apply to financial product providers, not blockchain innovation. It also reflects a compromise between major industry groups and IDFPR, and ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Ugaste is recognized."

Ugaste: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates he will."

Ugaste: "Thank you. Leader González, we've seen this bill before, the vast majority of it, correct?"

González: "Yes."

Ugaste: "OK. And this is for IDFPR to start regulating the crypto markets. Is that correct?"

González: "Yes."

Ugaste: "And there are certain carve-outs and changes in regulations which brought all the other parties to neutral. Am I correct?"

González: "Yes, except one. We were trying to work with them, but in the end, the major groups, we got them all to neutral."

Ugaste: "OK. And if this passes, is it your intention to continue working with the group that isn't at neutral yet and... and maybe our side of the aisle to try and get them there in the future?"

González: "I... I think their issue was more so an issue of timing as to when this will be implemented. But I think that, you know, given the... the framework, the time frame that was given in the bill, I think that, you know, they'd be able to give

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some input and we'd be able to, you know, work something out with them too."

Ugaste: "OK. I appreciate that. I appreciate the work that Leader González has done on this bill, and... and I recognize that he's brought many people to neutral. I do understand, though, that most of the groups that are even neutral would rather have the federal government regulating this, and it's... as it's my understanding that they're moving there. And I believe this is better regulated on national level and that IDFPR, which is still having issues getting to things, doesn't need any more work to do. I will be a 'no' vote at this time. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 1797 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 76 voting in 'favor,' 38 voting 'opposed,' 1 voting 'present.' And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 6 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 871, offered by Representative Briel. Representative Briel is recognized."

Briel: "Thank you. I move to adopt the concur amendment that was in the Senate. Oh, sorry. There you go. Thanks, everyone. So, basically, Senate Amendment 1 was a... an adjustment to the bill that passed out of the House for no trafficking. It brought it in line with the KIND Act as well as added a provision for anyone living in the home who has a history of

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human or sexual trafficking also will be a disqualifying factor. So, that's it."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Reick is recognized."

Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Reick: "Representative, where did you get this bill from?"

Briel: "The..."

Reick: "How did this... how did this bill come to you?"

Briel: "We have a situation in our area that involves human trafficking as well as exploitation of labor. And so, I was interested in it, and LRB drafted it."

Reick: "Why is this bill then added as a shell bill rather than an initiative of your... of your own?"

Briel: "I don't have that information."

Reick: "It's your bill. To the bill."

Speaker Tarver: "To the bill."

Reick: "This is a good bill. It is a good bill, and it's... I'm urging an 'aye' vote on it. It came out of committee unanimously. But something needs to be pointed out here. This is a bill that was introduced several years ago by one of our Members to do the very same thing that this bill is doing. It sat in Rules. It never made it out to the floor. It never got here for a vote. It never went over to the Senate. It never was signed by the governor. It protects children who were maybe brought into a situation where they have human traffickers or abusers in the house. And it... simple bill to require that steps be taken to prove that the kid is going into a... a home that is not going to have that happen. As you vote for this bill today, I want you to take into account one

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thing: This bill could have been passed two years ago. This bill was held up, given to a Member as a shell bill. But this bill could have been passed two years ago, and I'm wondering how many kids..."

Speaker Tarver: "Please bring your remarks to a close."

Reick: "...have been placed in homes that this bill could have helped keep them out of bad situations. So, as you vote for this bill, just remember the fact that this could've been done two years ago. It was a good bill then. It's a good bill now. Vote for it. But, please, remember how it got here. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Weber is recognized."

Weber: "To the bill."

Speaker Tarver: "To the bill."

Weber: "So, this bill was filed in regards to a DCFS case that we had in 2023, where they placed a teen girl with a 24-year-old, as CBS News reported, a pimp. The editor updated, 'three-time felon Erick Johnson, 24, was approved by DCFS to foster a 16-year-old sex trafficking victim, but Johnson did not go through the typical foster parenting license and training process. Johnson was approved to be the "fictive kin" caregiver' for this poor young girl. This should have been passed a couple years ago. I'm happy that it's being passed today. Please vote 'yes.' Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 871?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the

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record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 871. And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 8 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 3050, offered by Representative DeLuca. Representative DeLuca is recognized."

DeLuca: "Thank you. I move to concur with Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 3050. They've been... to present... thank you. House Bill 3050 is an initiative of Life Time Fitness to safely regulate the cold plunge experience. A cold plunge is a cold exposure therapy that will help improve inflammation, circulation, and muscle recovery. Cold plunge uses icy water, typically at temperatures around 50 degrees Fahrenheit. There's a number of regulations that were agreed to in the bill, and I'd be happy to answer any questions. Ask for your support."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst is recognized."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Representative, the bill, as it passed the House, provided that permits for construction or major alteration of a swimming facility are valid for a period of two years from the date of issue. Does that remain in the bill, or has that been removed?"

DeLuca: "The underlying bill. Is that what you're referring to..."

Windhorst: "Yeah."

DeLuca: "...about maintaining the swimming facility are valid for two years? Is that what you're referring to?"

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Windhorst: "That's correct."

DeLuca: "Instead of one? Yes, it is. It's still included in the language."

Windhorst: "And then adding to it is the cold plunge or cold spa is... I believe the word 'cold spa' is used in the bill..."

DeLuca: "Yes. That's correct."

Windhorst: "And the bill provides pretty detailed information for a licensee and how they will comply with these provisions. Is that correct?"

DeLuca: "Yes. And these were all agreed to with the department and Life Time Fitness and other stakeholders."

Windhorst: "Are there any known opponents to your bill... or to the motion?"

DeLuca: "Last I checked, there were no filed opponents."

Windhorst: "And IRMA is supportive?"

DeLuca: "Yes."

Windhorst: "And you received a unanimous vote in the Senate, correct?"

DeLuca: "That is correct."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Question is, 'Shall the House concur in'... the question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 3050?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 103 voting in 'favor,' 11 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this... so, the House does concur with Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 3050.

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And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 6 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 1062, offered by Representative Briel. Representative Briel is recognized."

Briel: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the House, this bill came back on concurrence. What it does is the Illinois Century Network has asked to prioritize based on middle-mile as opposed to the language that was in it before. It has passed out of committee unanimously, and I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur with Senate Amendment,' excuse me, '#1 to House Bill 1062?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1062. And having received constitutional majority, this here... hereby declared passed. On page 6 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 1362, offered by Representative Kifowit. Representative Kifowit is recognized."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to concur with Senate Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 1362. It's simply a technical change."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Sorry for the delay. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates she will."

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Windhorst: "Thank you. Representative, just for some clarity on our side on the differential compensation, the time period involved. We had a time period in the underlying bill. We had an amendment in our chamber that changed that time period, and I believe the Senate went back to our original time period. Is that accurate?"

Kifowit: "That's correct."

Windhorst: "And what is the time period now with the amendment?"

Kifowit: "It's... it's three years. So, the technical change... become ineligible for the differential compensation because they have been absent from their employment due to voluntary active duty for... to three years. It was a bit of a, not a typo, but the AG's Office changed it to one year, but deployments can be 18 months. So, we moved it back to three years."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1362?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1362, and having received a constitutional majority is hereby declared passed. On page 6 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 1364, offered by Representative Walsh. Representative Walsh is recognized."

Walsh: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and ladies and gentlemen of the House. I move to concur with Senate Amendment #3 to House

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Bill 1364. The underlying bill still stays in place. We passed this out of here earlier, and it extended the sunset for the Joliet Arsenal Development Authority. The amendment in the House added five new members to the JADA Board of Directors that would be directly appointed by the neighboring communities, villages, and cities along the Des Plaines River waterway. Happy to answer any questions. Ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #3 to House Bill 1364?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #3 to House Bill 1364. And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 6 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 1365, offered by Leader Morgan. Leader Morgan is recognized."

Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 1365 was a bill that passed our chamber. It was an extension of some of the... some of the efforts that we've undertaken to really deal with professional licensure. The only change in the concurrence was basically adding occupational therapists, and ask for its adoption."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst is recognized."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

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Windhorst: "Thank you. I noticed in the Senate there was a partisan roll call I believe. My understanding is they had some issue with the removal of the good moral character language for licensure. That was in the original bill that we saw, correct?"

Morgan: "That's correct. We did talk about it on the House floor when it first came out of here. It was a unanimous vote. We did discuss that issue, which again, as a reminder to the body, good moral character has been just a... a matter of course for IDFPR, removed from every statute but put into the Administrative Code so that all professions are still subject to the good moral character standard."

Windhorst: "I believe there is a provision dealing with non-English exams in the bill. Is that... that was in the underlying bill, if I remember correctly."

Morgan: "That's correct."

Windhorst: "And what is the purpose of that provision?"

Morgan: "I understand this to be something that continues to provide additional access for... an opportunity for those that are taking these exams. I... I don't remember the exact explanation from IDFPR, but I do believe that this is consistent across all... all professions, that they're trying to provide the opportunities, particularly behavioral health, to make sure that we have more access in licensure."

Windhorst: "Mr. Speaker, if we could have Standard Debate on this motion?"

Speaker Tarver: "Granted."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Hauter is recognized."

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Hauter: "Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "Indicates..."

Hauter: "So, Mr. Chairman, we saw this in committee. It didn't have any problems with it. We're satisfied with the language pertaining to good moral character. It seems our colleagues, Republican colleagues in the Senate, had some problems. Leader Windhorst touched on that. I just want to ask you, do you think that the language in Rules covers a good moral character clause that was taken out of this statute?"

Morgan: "I... I do. And... and I think, in fact, don't just take my word for it, I think IDFPR on a regular basis uses that in administrative rules when there is any kind of proceeding to make sure that that is a tool in their toolbox. So, that is not new. That is, again, existing with all professions today."

Hauter: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1365?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 85 voting in 'favor,' 28 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1365. And this bill, having received constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 6 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 1431, offered by Leader West. Leader West is recognized."

West: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 1431 passed unanimously out of the House, passed unanimously out of the Senate, and

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it came back with an amendment that allows the attorney general to enforce a civil penalty of \$500 per violation of the Health Care Facility Fee Transparency Act. I ask for a favorable roll call."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Leader, what... on the underlying bill, what was the enforcement mechanism and... and how did this amendment change it?"

West: "There wasn't an enforcement mechanism on the original language, but this was... it was negotiated with the Attorney General's Office and the Senate sponsor."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

West: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1431?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting in 'favor,' 1 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1431. And this bill, having received constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 4 of the calendar, under bills on Second Reading, is Senate Bill 1784, offered by Leader Gordon-Booth. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1784, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. The bill was read for a second time previously. No

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Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1 and 2 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Gordon-Booth."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Gordon-Booth to explain the amendment."

Gordon-Booth: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to adopt amendment 1 and debate on Third Reading."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Gordon-Booth moves to adopt Floor... Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor vote... all those in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Gordon-Booth moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2. All in favor vote... all in favor say 'aye,' excuse me; those opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the... opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further amendments, but several notes have been requested by the sponsor and have not been filed."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Gordon-Booth on the notes. Would you like to withdraw the notes, Leader Gordon-Booth?"

Gordon-Booth: "I would. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Tarver: "Mr. Clerk, please withdraw the notes. Any further amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker Tarver: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1784, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

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Speaker Tarver: "Leader Gordon-Booth is recognized."

Gordon-Booth: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 1784 is the culmination of three years of hard negotiation that started, quite frankly, six years ago in 2019. Senate Bill 1784 is a jobs bill. This bill is about taking Illinoisans and providing them with an opportunity to work, to build wages, and to gain wealth. This particular piece of legislation has certainly, although it is coming up in the waning hours of this spring session, this is not a new piece of legislation. As I have stated, this has been actively negotiated with stakeholders around the state for the past three years. And because of those rigorous negotiations, this legislation has a diverse coalition of individuals that are proponents to this legislation. Those proponents are individuals like the Illinois State's Attorneys Association, Live Free Illinois, the Illinois Retail Merchants Association, End Permanent Punishment, Clean Slate National as well as Clean Slate Illinois, and the Illinois Manufacturers' Association. This legislation also has the support of the Illinois State Police and the neutrality of the Illinois Sheriffs' Association. I believe that it is important to lay the groundwork at the outset that this legislation has the... a wide, diverse coalition that you typically don't see on pieces of legislation like this. And the reason why I think it's important to lay that out at the outset is because of the important reality that we have over 2 million people in Illinois that are living with old criminal records, keeping them locked out of our state's economy. Illinois has one of the highest unemployment rates in this country and one of the

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highest in the Midwest region. Old criminal records reduce the likelihood of finding a job, they depress wages, and it causes an early exit from the labor market. Employment barriers also destabilizes families and communities while limiting the strength of this state's workforce. These barriers also undermine our state's public safety, stability, and economic security to help people escape poverty and the cycles of crime and violence. For people with old criminal records, strong connections to work and family, community reduce the likelihood of recidivism and increase public safety. Record sealing is already available to most people with a criminal record, but administrative barriers prevent individuals from accessing the overwhelming benefit from... from bipartisan policy that this General Assembly has passed. Illinois, like many states, has turned to record sealing as a way to limit these barriers and restore people to safety and stability. Over the past decade, Illinois has expanded petition-based access to record sealing several times, recognizing the lifetime burden criminal records can cause. The majority of people in Illinois with an arrest or a conviction record are already, already eligible for sealing relief. Illinois' current petition-based system cannot meet the growing and unmet statewide need for this critical relief. The overwhelming majority of people in Illinois are already eligible for this relief, but because of the complex legal process, it's oftentimes very costly and intimidating. People don't actualize that support. Those that do oftentimes see incredible backlogs, very long lines at court due to the level of burden and the current process that it puts on local

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systems. Illinois can move from its current process and approach to an automated approach. Between the Illinois State Police, the courts, and the government stakeholders already, they have the information determine who is eligible for record sealing and who is not. Illinois can harness the data to automate this opportunity and ensure that people have access to this critical process. States across this country has faced with the same problem, and many states have already passed this legislation, 12 states to be exact. And over the next five years, there are another 12 states that are slated to do so. But what I would like to add is that we are the... we... if we pass this state... excuse me, when we pass this legislation, we would be the first state in the nation to pass this legislation with the diverse coalition of grassroots, law enforcement, and the business community supporting these efforts. The proposed legislation automates the sealing process for a subset of records that are already eligible for the petition-based sealing. Under this proposal, records would be subject to automated sealing in line with the eligibility and statutory waiting periods that are already current law. This legislation makes conforming changes to the procedures that have... that govern the petition process to automate... for the shift of automating the record clearance and aligning timelines. I want to make this very, very clear: Serious criminal records are not eligible for automated sealing. I want to say that again. Serious criminal records are not eligible for automated sealing. The legislation excludes both the limited subset of criminal records that are ineligible for petition-based sealing and the most serious

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records that are eligible for petition-based sealing. Those would remain eligible under the current petition-based process that was, again, passed in a bipartisan effort by this chamber in 2017 and signed by a Republican governor. This bill excludes convictions for all offenses in Article 9, which would include homicide, and this covers all homicides, including murder, manslaughter, reckless homicide, involuntary manslaughter; all offenses in Article 7, which is where sex offenses reside. So, all sex offenses are excluded from this. All Class X felonies are also excluded from this, violent felonies, including, but not limited to, the felonies... the felony crimes as defined by 730 ILCS 166-20. This includes the following: any aggravated battery resulting in great bodily harm or involving the discharge of a firearm, kidnapping, aggravated stalking, stalking, home invasion, residential burglary, armed robbery, aggravated vehicular hijacking, arson, robbery, Class 2 burglary, weapons offenses involving the discharge of a firearm, armed habitual criminal, high quantity and recidivist weapons trafficking offenses. Offenses currently eligible for petition-based sealing, this would also include... exclude domestic violence, a violation of an order of protection, DUI and reckless driving, as well as animal cruelty. Sealed records will no longer be available for the general public. But I also want to make this very, very clear: Law enforcement, prosecutors, and the courts will remain... will, excuse me, they will retain complete access to all of... all of these sealed records. People oftentimes excuse... excuse me, they confuse expungement and sealment. This is sealing. Expunging is when records are

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destroyed. These records will not be destroyed. They will only be sealed to allow for an individual to be able to move their lives forward. And any entity already authorized by the law to have access to these sealed felony convictions, they will still retain full access to those records. It's also important to note that this legislation provides for a full three-year ramp up for the implementation. So, this period is incredibly important because it allows for stakeholders to continue to meet, as we have over the last three years, to identify and acquire the technological and infrastructure data needed for this automation. It will allow for the phased implementation after that to identify and to seal old records and an implementation task force to monitor and inform the development of these implementation processes. I think it's important to think about the fact that right now in the state of Illinois we have over 2.2 million people that qualify for this opportunity. We also currently have 277,000 jobs in this state that are vacant that need a employer.. excuse me, they need an employee who wants to work. All we are talking about doing here today, ladies and gentlemen, is giving people a track to run on, giving people an opportunity that, for many of us in this room, we don't need that opportunity. But there.. all of us have individuals in our districts who are currently calcified in poverty because of something that they may have done five, 10, 15 years ago. These individuals feel on a daily basis like they are auditioning for their humanity simply to exist in this world, to be able to provide for themselves and to provide for their families. Ladies and gentlemen, this is a commonsense jobs bill. This is a.. a government-

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modernization bill that I think has the ability to benefit individuals in all of our districts throughout the entire state of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I am open for any questions at this time."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst is recognized."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "Thank... thank you. Leader, I appreciate the detailed explanation of the bill. I would like to hear... or hear, rather, some of the highlights for our side as we contemplate our vote. So, with criminal records, there are records that are eligible for... some records are eligible for both expungement and sealing. This deals only with the sealing of criminal records, does not deal with expungement. Is that correct?"

Gordon-Booth: "Yes, leader. This is only dealing with the issue of sealing."

Windhorst: "The offenses that are eligible for sealing with this now-automatic provision, we are not expanding the... those offenses that are eligible. The... the offenses that were previously eligible for a petition-based sealing are not being increased."

Gordon-Booth: "Thank you again, Leader Windhorst. The underlying policy that was passed in 2017 is not being changed. So, the underlining bill is seeing no additional changes as it relates to this bill."

Windhorst: "The current process is, one, petition-based. The individual goes to court, requests a sealing. Essentially, the judge signs a sealing order if all the criteria are met. And this would make it an automatic process."

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Gordon-Booth: "Yes."

Windhorst: "Who will have access to the records once they're sealed?"

Gordon-Booth: "All of law enforcement, all of the courts will always retain access to these records, including the state's attorneys."

Windhorst: "So, if an individual has records sealed and commits another offense later in life, the court, prosecutors, law enforcement will be able to view those records that are sealed from the public."

Gordon-Booth: "Absolutely."

Windhorst: "We are removing the requirement for the records to be sealed that the individual present a negative drug test. Is that correct?"

Gordon-Booth: "Yes."

Windhorst: "Why is that change being made?"

Gordon-Booth: "It is in alignment with current thinking."

Windhorst: "And I would guess in order for the process to be automatic you... that would be an obstacle toward having an automatic expungement."

Gordon-Booth: "It's a... another hurdle."

Windhorst: "This bill is subject to appropriation. Is that correct?"

Gordon-Booth: "It is."

Windhorst: "Do we have an estimated cost for the appropriation?"

Gordon-Booth: "So, the reason why we have the three-year implementation ramp is because we believe that over the course of that three years, we will be able to identify the challenges and meet... meet the moment as it comes. As it

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relates to this year for implementation, the Illinois State Police have already stated that they will be able to absorb the cost within their current operations because they are already going through a major data overhaul."

Windhorst: "As it relates to the circuit clerks who will bear a large part of this load, do we have an estimated cost for... for the circuit clerks in future years?"

Gordon-Booth: "We are going to continue to work with the clerks, and our full intention is to provide them with the absolute necessary support for them to be able to implement this policy. That is our absolute intention, by myself as well as the Senate sponsor."

Windhorst: "And the goal of the subject to appropriation language is that the circuit... local circuit clerks would have this funded with state money."

Gordon-Booth: "Yes."

Windhorst: "Is that correct? I have seen an estimate of about \$18 million for the local circuit clerks. Do you know if that's an accurate figure or do you have another figure in mind?"

Gordon-Booth: "No. There are a number of... numbers that have been thrown around. We are not at the place where the clerk's portion of the implementation is germane to this current fiscal year. But what our belief is, is that over the three-year expansion of time, we will be able to meet the moment and provide the clerks with what they need."

Windhorst: "Because it says subject to appropriation, and we had this discussion in committee, what happens... I know every intention in the world is to make the appropriation, but this will be three years from now when this body will be different.

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We don't know who will be the governor of the state necessarily. If there is not an appropriation for this line item, what occurs? Does it mean that the circuit clerks do not have to implement this policy, or does it mean the local governments must bear the costs of implementing the policy?"

Gordon-Booth: "We will provide them with the resources, leader."

Windhorst: "I understand that is the intention, and I know you're being honest with me about your intention. But as it matters for the law, what would the impact on the law be? Would it mean that there would not be an automatic sealing process or would it mean the local governments pay the cost?"

Gordon-Booth: "It is our full intention to provide the clerks with all that they need to implement. This is a... again, it is a priority not only of this current general... I believe, the majority of this General Assembly, both House and Senate, this administration. And we're going to provide them with the support that they need. We are not going to send an unfunded mandate to our local governments. We are going to give them the support that is required to implement this."

Windhorst: "And... and that gets to my concern. I, again, take you at your word. I'm not suggesting that I doubt that, but there are things outside of both of our control that we're either going to be doing one of two things if this isn't funded. We're either going to be sending a... a large unfunded mandate to our counties or we'll... we're making a promise to, as you said, 2.1 million people that will not be fulfilled. But let me move on to a couple quick questions and... and we'll... the task force that's being created currently has legislative appointments. A typical practice of this body is to make those

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uniform or equal, rather, between the majority and minority parties. This... these appointments are not equal. Why are they not equal?"

Gordon-Booth: "So, again, we negotiated this over the course of three years. There are bipartisan appointments, but at the stakeholder table, the decision was to give the Speaker and the President one additional appointment."

Windhorst: "You had mentioned, and just to review for our side of the aisle, during your presentation some of the supporters on the bill. Who is supporting this bill?"

Gordon-Booth: "This current legislation is being supported by the Illinois State's Attorneys Association. It is being supported by the Illinois State Police. It is being supported by the Illinois Retail Merchants Association as well as the Illinois Manufacturers' Association, the two largest business groups in this state. And between ISP and the State's Attorneys Association, we're talking about two of the largest law enforcement associations and two of the largest business associations, along with grassroots organizations like Live Free Illinois, Clean Slate, End Permanent Punishments, the Laborers' International Union. So, you also have a component of the labor movement that is also in support of this legislation."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Mr. Speaker, I request Standard Debate on this bill."

Speaker Tarver: "Granted."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Costa Howard."

Costa Howard: "Thank you. To the bill."

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Speaker Tarver: "To the bill."

Costa Howard: "I just want everyone from DuPage County, at least, to know that I had a long conversation with our state's attorney, Bob Berlin. He is very actively supporting this bill and also wanted to thank Leader Gordon-Booth for all of the work that she did and the work that she continues to do on this issue."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Halbrook. Halbrook is recognized."

Halbrook: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Halbrook: "Yeah. Thank you. Leader, I just... in light of recent presidential action concerning a former Illinois resident, would Larry Hoover be eligible for this auto sealing?"

Gordon-Booth: "He would not."

Halbrook: "Yeah. Do you... would you expect the governor to follow suit and to commute Larry Hoover's sentence?"

Gordon-Booth: "I think that's a question directly for the governor. I have no idea."

Halbrook: "All right. Thank you. Mr. Speaker, no further questions."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative LaPointe is recognized."

LaPointe: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

LaPointe: "I'm going to go to the bill 'cause time is short..."

Speaker Tarver: "To the bill."

LaPointe: "...but I just wanted to say a few things. Leader Gordon-Booth, thank you for all your work on this issue over many, many years. I would say Illinois does a relatively good job

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with reducing the impact of arrest and conviction histories as it pertains to other states. But it is very, very jarring to hear that only 10% of all the people who could apply to seal or expunge their arrest and conviction history do. Only 10% of people who are eligible for this actually do it. And so, I am just a big supporter of making this more automatic for the people that are already eligible. And this bears a lot of likeness to so much of what we see in our human service system, where people who are actually eligible for services and resources but they don't know they are or they have to jump through a hundred hoops to get there. I'm going to vote 'yes' in the spirit of a group of people in my community out of St. Elizabeth's of the Trinity church in Gladstone Park in the St. Vincent de Paul Center, and they're engaged in a program called 'One Parish, One Prisoner.' And that group is led by a retired police commander, and he's doing incredible reentry work. They're working with a man named Michael right now, who came out of DOC not too long ago, and they're going to be so excited about this bill. And I wanted to underscore that he's a retired police commander, and he's leading on this issue. So, that's one of the many reasons I'm voting 'yes.' I want to thank people like Marlon Chamberlain and Greg Chambers for coming to my office and talking to me about this bill, especially you, Greg. Thank you for that. And I encourage everyone for an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 1784 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record.

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On this question, there are 81 voting in 'favor,' 28 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed."

Speaker Stuart: "Stuart in the Chair. On page 9 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 3200, offered by Representative Hoffman. Representative Hoffman is recognized."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, ladies and gentlemen of the House. This is an agreed bill regarding the Illinois Department of Employment Security. It is agreed by labor and by business. The underlying bill passed overwhelmingly, and the concurrence simply limits the ability of IDS to place liens on recipients to obtain benefits that were overpaid if it was a result of fraud. I know of no opposition."

Speaker Stuart: "Representative Ugaste is recognized."

Ugaste: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Stuart: "He indicates he will."

Ugaste: "Thank you. Leader Hoffman, I... I know we discussed this previously when it came through. As far as the collection of funds, though, if the funds were not obtained fraudulently, does IDS still have the right to collect the funds that were overpaid an individual?"

Hoffman: "Yes, they do. But they don't... won't have the ability to put a lien..."

Ugaste: "Okay."

Hoffman: "...on the property."

Ugaste: "But they'll still be able to collect. The initial bill, after all the amendments, are you aware of any opposition whatsoever to it?"

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Hoffman: "No."

Ugaste: "And the original provision does have a sunset clause in it, with a study to be conducted, I believe."

Hoffman: "Yes."

Ugaste: "Thank you."

Speaker Stuart: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3200?' This is final action. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed... sorry, all those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting 'aye,' none voting 'nay,' none voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3200. And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed."

Speaker Tarver: "On page 6 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 1586, offered by Representative González. Leader González is recognized."

González: "Thank you. I'll talk about the amendment after it's adopted."

Speaker Tarver: "Go ahead. Talk about it now."

González: "Oh, my bad. Thank you. So, House Bill 1586 passed out of the Senate unanimously. We amended it in the Senate to address the concerns... the... specifies that unless prohibited by federal law, certain programs must continue to be administered by state employees covered by the Personnel Code. The amendment also lists the impacted programs."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

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Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Leader, in going through the bill, just so we have a understanding of what the amendment is doing, we've added a list of programs, but the primary thrust of the bill is that the employees who are administering these programs shall continue to be employees of the state rather than this being administered by private contractors or private employees. Is that accurate?"

González: "Yes."

Windhorst: "All right. So, we see language about merit based. It's really more about whether they're private or public employees."

González: "Well, it's making sure that the merit standards that have been in place since the 1930s continue to be what these employees are, you know, held to. So, just making sure the employees that, you know, administer these programs are upheld to those standards."

Windhorst: "And are state employees rather than private."

González: "And are state employees, yes. OK."

Windhorst: "Mr. Speaker, could we have Standard Debate on this bill?"

Speaker Tarver: "Granted."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Reick is recognized."

Reick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Reick: "Representative, we talked about this bill in committee yesterday, and our question basically was, amendment 2,

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generally what it says, if I'm saying this correctly, is that if federal law changes, Illinois will abide by federal law. Is that..."

González: "Yes."

Reick: "So, there's no preemption issue or anything like that?"

González: "No."

Reick: "OK. So, the question becomes, one, why is this bill necessary? If what we're doing is following federal law now, and we're going to file... follow federal law, if federal law changes, what's the purpose of this bill?"

González: "We're making sure, like I... like I mentioned, the standards have been in place since the 1930s that are still in place right now, making sure that if they get pulled out that, you know, we can still have, you know, it's a... a higher foundation for, in terms of standards, for our state employees who administer these programs."

Reick: "I know that there are some who are saying that this is a reaffirmation of the Pendleton Act of 1883, and it reinforces civil service and all that kind of stuff. However, again, your amendment says that if, in fact, federal law changes, we will conform to federal law. Again, I ask the question, what's the purpose of this bill?"

González: "It's to... again, it's to... it's to reaffirm those merit standards for state employees."

Reick: "But if the merit standards change with regard to federal law, and we're bound to follow federal law, what's the purpose of this bill?"

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González: "Illinois' prepared in case they change, then we change too. But, you know, at least at this point, we... you know, we... we make sure those standards are, you know, equal."

Reick: "To the bill. I've asked him.."

Speaker Tarver: "To the bill."

Reick: "...three times, what's the purpose of this bill? If we're going to follow federal law, and we're following federal law now, what's the... what... what's the sense of passing a bill that says, well, we're going to maintain our standards until federal law tells us what we have to change them? I just can't support this bill 'cause I can't see its purpose. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall House concur in Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 1586?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 82 voting in 'favor,' 33 voting 'opposed,' and 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 1586. And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 6 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 1806, offered by Leader Morgan. Leader Morgan is recognized."

Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. 1806, concurrence, makes one simple change. This passed, I believe, unanimously out of this chamber. As a reminder, it deals with artificial intelligence pretending to be behavioral health counselors and other professionals that are caring for our families and our... our loved ones who are in need of behavioral health

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services. The only change that came out of the Senate was removing 'artificial intelligence systems.' It removed the language of 'systems,' just keeping tight our definitions and understanding of artificial intelligence across all statutes.

I ask for its approval of the concurrence."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. The... leader, the amendment just added a few provisions regarding the use of artificial intelligence. I'm assuming that's just to clarify what the purpose of the underlying bill is."

Morgan: "That's correct."

Windhorst: "And those clarifications received a unanimous vote, both in the Senate, in our House committee, correct?"

Morgan: "That's correct. But just to clarify, we don't really mind what the Senate does. It's what we do here in the House."

Windhorst: "Understood. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question... question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1806?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 112 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' Excuse me, 1 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1806. And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed.

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Representative Weber, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Weber: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We had a slight button malfunction here. Could I be recorded as a 'yes' vote on HB1806? Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The record shall so reflect. Chair recognizes Leader Mah for the purpose of an announcement."

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Democrats would request a caucus meeting at 1 o'clock in Room 114."

Speaker Tarver: "The Democrats will caucus in Room 114 at 1 o'clock. Leader Keicher is recognized for the purpose of an announcement."

Keicher: "Thank you, Speaker. The Republicans will have an immediate caucus following dismissal in Room 118."

Speaker Tarver: "The Republicans will caucus in Room 118 immediately. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."

Clerk Hollman: "The following committees will be meeting this afternoon: At 2 o'clock, the Executive Committee will meet in Room 118, Higher Education will meet in Room 122, Restorative Justice will meet in Room 115, Environment & Energy meet in Room 114, Pensions will meet in Room 413, Judiciary - Civil will meet in D-1, the Revenue & Finance Committee will meet in C-1. Meeting at 2:30 will be Financial Institutions in Room 115."

Speaker Tarver: "Members will caucus, go to committee, and return to the floor. The House stands in recess to the call of the Chair. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

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Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Gabel, Chairperson from the Committee on the... Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted, referred to the floor is Floor Amendment(s) 3 to Senate Bill 2008. Representative Ann Williams, Chairperson from the Committee on the Executive reports the following committee action on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1, 2, 4, and 5 to House Bill 1697, Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1 and 2 to House Bill 2371, Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 2987, Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1 and 2 to House Bill 3019. Representative Cassidy, Chairperson from the Committee on Restorative Justice & Public Safety reports the following committee action on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1 and 2 to House Bill 1302. Representative Ammons, Chairperson from the Committee on Energy & Environment reports the following committee action taken on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 2516. Representative Yang Rohr, Chairperson from the Committee on Personnel & Pensions reports the following committee action on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1, 2, 3, 4 to House Bill 3193. Representative Gong-Gershowitz, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Civil reports the following committee action taken on May... May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1 to

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House Bill 1576, Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1 and 2 to House Bill 2387, and the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1 and 2 to House Bill 2568. Representative Tarver, Chairperson from the Committee on Revenue & Finance reports the following committee action taken on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1 and 2 to House Bill 2772. Representative Croke, Chairperson from the Committee on Financial Institutions and Licensing reports the following committee action on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to Senate Bill 2319. Representative Stuart, Chairperson from the Committee on Higher Education reports the following committee action on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted is the Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment(s) 1 and 2 to House Bill 2967. Representative Ann Williams, Chairperson from the Committee on the Executive also reported the following committee action taken on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 5 to Senate Bill 634. Representative Cassidy, Chairperson from the Committee on Restorative Justice & Public Safety also reported the following committee action taken on May 30, 2025: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 3 to Senate Bill 2418."

Speaker Tarver: "Members, just a reminder, we'll be on Short Debate. On page 7 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 2139, offered by Leader Elik. Leader Elik is recognized."

Elik: "Thank you, Chair. House Bill 2139, the concurrence, it relates to... the Senate Amendment removed language affecting Section 15 of the America's Central Port Act. The bill itself

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was at... at the request of the port, which is in my district. And the Governor's Office requested the Section 15 changes come out. Those were the changes related to the number of board members and how to make quorum. The port agreed with the changes. Therefore, I agree with the changes and would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2139?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 113 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2139. And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 7 of the calendar, under the... under the Orders of Concurrence, we have House Bill 2196, offered by Representative Meier. Representative Meier is recognized."

Meier: "Yes, this bill's brought back on concurrence. A couple of minor changes to please a couple of health departments on the packaging of the chicken and the labeling of proper temperatures for keeping of the chicken. So, it's an Illinois Stewardship Alliance bill. We passed it out here unanimously before, and we'd like an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 2196?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the

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record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 2196. And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Leader Morgan, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Morgan: "Thank you, Speaker. Can we please excuse Representative Scherer for the rest of the day?"

Speaker Tarver: "So noted. On page 7 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 2346, offered by Representative Faver... Faver Dias. Representative Faver Dias is recognized."

Faver Dias: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to..."

Speaker Tarver: "Just explain the bill. You're good."

Faver Dias: "I move to concur."

Speaker Tarver: "Explain the amendment."

Faver Dias: "This amendment is a small phrase change that adds 'dispensing of drugs' to the line of the bill that 'pharmacy recipient shall notify the Department of their participation in the dispensing of drugs under this Act.' This is... HB2346 requires that the Illinois Department of Public Health take on the role of program oversight for the I-DROP Program. I know of no opposition. It passed the Senate and the House unanimously."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2346?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the

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record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2346. And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 7 of the calendar, under... under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 2390, offered by Representative Katz Muhl. Representative Katz Muhl is recognized."

Katz Muhl: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a concurrence. The amendment was done at the request of Senate legal. We've added some clarifying language that indicates that a withdrawal from a special education cooperative will be effective in the date that was provided in the notice, presuming that that date is 18 months out, as requested by the earlier provisions of the law. Passed unanimously through the Senate and through the committee earlier with those changes. Open to any questions."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Representative. Thank you for the description. Why was this change needed?"

Katz Muhl: "It was simply for clarification. It was a request of the legal staff. It was implied that the withdrawal would be complete at the end of the date provided in the notice, and they have now made it explicit."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2390?' This is final action."

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All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2390. And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 7 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 1859, offered by Representative Rashid. Representative Rashid is recognized."

Rashid: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to concur with HB... with Senate Amendment 1 to HB1859. With the... what the amendment did was it clarified that instructors would be able use artificial intelligence and made some other technical changes. I ask for its adoption."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Representative, as you said, the amendment was clarifying as to the fact that AI can be used by community college instructors but cannot replace human community college instructors. Is that accurate?"

Rashid: "That's correct."

Windhorst: "It appeared when it went through this body previously, it was 87-17-1. So, I would advise Members on our side to pay attention to your House vote. The bill went through the Senate 46 to 12. The bill's substantially the same as it was when it went through this body. Is that correct?"

Rashid: "That's correct."

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Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1859?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 93 votes in 'favor,' 22 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' This... the House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 1859. And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 7 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 2419, offered by Representative Hirschauer. Representative Hirschauer is recognized."

Hirschauer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to concur with Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 2419. The amendment addresses concerns from IDOT that arose when... after we passed the bill to the Senate. The bill allows governing bodies to request IDOT to perform traffic impact studies, including the emissions associated with traffic. And at IDOT's request, we have added that the department may charge a fee to cover the costs. I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Representative, as you said, the amendment simply allows the Department of Transportation to charge a fee to cover the cost of the emissions study. Is that correct?"

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Hirschauer: "That's correct."

Windhorst: "Do we know how much the fee will be?"

Hirschauer: "The bill does not speak to that."

Windhorst: "So, it'll be..."

Hirschauer: "It's IDOT's discretion."

Windhorst: "All right. So, by rulemaking or otherwise, they will
decide what the fee is."

Hirschauer: "Correct."

Windhorst: "So, the bill's substantially the same as what we voted
on before."

Hirschauer: "That's right."

Windhorst: "So, to Members on our side, just pay attention to
your vote from the House version. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in
Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2419?' This is final action.
All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The
voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who
wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the
record. On this question, there are 77 voting in 'favor,' 39
voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur
in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2419. And this bill,
having received the constitutional majority, is hereby
declared passed. On page 7 of the calendar, under the Order
of Concurrence, we have House Bill 2488, offered by
Representative Johnson. Representative Johnson is
recognized."

Johnson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Bill 2488, Senate
Committee Amendment 2, becomes the bill, and this bill no

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longer amends the Occupational Safety and... Health and Safety Act."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Request Standard Debate on this motion."

Speaker Tarver: "Granted."

Windhorst: "Thank you. What is... this bill has changed substantially since we saw it last. It was a gut and replace amendment in the Senate. Is that correct?"

Johnson: "It is correct. So, initially, 2488 was a bill that dealt with matching the fines when we had negligent actions by... willful negligence on the part of public bodies that would result in... oftentimes in a serious injury and death to employees. Was passed over here, went over to the Senate side, was... was not run, and then was used as just a Department of Labor initiative to kind of codify existing language that's... that's already here."

Windhorst: "We are... the version we're voting on removes references to the federal annual employee... employer information report, EEO-1. Is that correct?"

Johnson: "That is correct. So, in January of '21, the Legislature enacted the Equal Pay Registration Certificate Program is... which was actually part of the... the Black Caucus legislative pillars. It's based on a federal program called the EEO-1 and requires private employers with a hundred or more employees working in the state of Illinois to report they're paid out of the state. In late January of '25, President Trump issued an executive order, 14173, rescinding the 1965 requirement for federal contractors with 50 more employees to file the

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EEO-1's disclosures, which put the future of... of this program in question. So, simply removing the citation, the EEO-1, in the Equal Pay Act allows us to continue compiling this data and continued operation of the program."

Windhorst: "And there's also amendments to the Prevailing Wage Act. What is the purpose of those amendments?"

Johnson: "So, we have very few, but we have some bad actors. So, construction apprenticeship programs, they are regulated by the DLL and... which includes the examination of approving the apprenticeship wages and benefits. Lately, there's been everybody... some parties reduce the benefit payments to apprentices on a... on a scale, effectively undercutting the overall wage plus benefit compensation package. So, they are allowed to... to pay scale depending on the... the level of the apprenticeship, but they are also not paying the full amount on the pension and health care benefits, which is required."

Windhorst: "Has there been a fiscal analysis on the cost to the Department of Labor? The concern being that they are already overburdened with audits and investigations."

Johnson: "Give me one second on that. No cost, just keeps the status quo."

Windhorst: "And do you believe the Department of Labor has adequate staff to cover the... the requirements that are added by this bill?"

Johnson: "Yes. I believe they do."

Windhorst: "The original bill..."

Johnson: "Yeah. There... there..."

Windhorst: "Go ahead."

Johnson: "Leader, there are no requirements added by this bill."

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Windhorst: "The original bill referenced the increase in the civil penalty for a violation. Is that language still in this bill, or has it been completely removed?"

Johnson: "No. It is been... it has been moved... removed. It's not there."

Windhorst: "The version we'll be voting on, does it have any opponents?"

Johnson: "We had... there was one organization called the Underground Contractors Association that filed in opposition, but they have never come up above ground and reached out and let us know what the nature of their opposition is."

Windhorst: "We have an above ground organization, Associated Builders and Contractors, that has expressed opposition. Have they contacted you about their opposition?"

Johnson: "No, sir."

Windhorst: "All right. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Ugaste. Excuse me."

Ugaste: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Ugaste: "Representative Johnson, Leader Windhorst covered it pretty much thoroughly with you. Just one quick question. The apprenticeship programs that are... are covered within the prevailing wage definitions, are they currently covered under our statute under those definitions?"

Johnson: "Yes."

Ugaste: "OK. Thank you."

Johnson: "You bet."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 2488?' This is final action."

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All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 82 votes in 'favor,' 33 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 2488. And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 7 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 2562, offered by Representative Blair-Sherlock. Representative Blair-Sherlock is recognized."

Blair-Sherlock: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am asking that we concur in Senate Amendment #3. You may recall this bill passed the House. It had two components. One was guardianship training and one was addressing conflicts between powers of attorney and guardianships. The Senate Amendment removes the portions with respect to the powers of attorney, and it makes some language changes to the part about the training, but they don't any impact on the bill. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Blair-Sherlock, just to clarify, you are amendment #1. Is that correct?"

Blair-Sherlock: "Excuse me, my sheet says 3. You're right. I... I'm asking that we adopt... or concur with Senate Amendment 1."

Speaker Tarver: "No worries at all. The question is, 'Shall the House concur with Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2562?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are

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116 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.'
The House does concur in Senate... Senate Amendment #1 to House
Bill 2562. And this bill, having a constitutional majority,
is hereby declared passed. Under the Order of Resolutions, we
have House Resolution 295, offered by Representative Syed."

Syed: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I spoke to this resolution earlier
this month. House Resolution 295 mourns the passing of Wadee
Alfayoumi. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Syed moves for the adoption of
House Resolution 295. All those in favor say 'aye'; all
opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes'
have it. And the resolution is adopted. On page 3 of the
calendar appears Senate Bill 710. Leader Evans is recognized.
Oh, I'm... Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 710, a Bill for an Act concerning
regulation. The bill was read for a second time previously.
No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are
filed."

Speaker Tarver: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 710, a Bill for an Act concerning
regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Evans."

Evans: "Thank... thank you, Mr. Speaker and the great Members of
this assembly. This bill's an initiative of the Illinois Farm
Bureau. It's been negotiated with the Department of Natural
Resources. Everyone's in support. This legislation is very
important to the farming community around the state. Many of
them who have had suffered crop... crop damage. Using a survey
of Illinois farmers, it's estimated that deer damage causes

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over 400 million to corn and soybean production alone. Over the past year, local county farm bureaus have engaged elected officials, the Department of Natural Resources, and their community members to come together and discuss the ongoing substantial issue of crop damage caused by nuisance deer. The bill will clarify the process that landowners must navigate when seeking nuisance deer permits. It directs the department to establish rules surrounding the proof needed. This bill also creates more hunting opportunities for young hunters. I request your support and available for questions. Just like to thank the Illinois Farm Bureau for engagement on this piece of legislation. My adopted farm bureau is the great county of Massac County and Alexander County, all the way down at the bottom. And as a urban legislator, I just love to work on these issues and unify urban and rural communities in the state of Illinois. So, request your support."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Hammond."

Hammond: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And to the bill."

Speaker Tarver: "To the bill."

Hammond: "Leader Evans, I just want to tell you congratulations and thank you so much for carrying this incredibly important piece of legislation. This is a testimony to the fact that the Adopted Legislator Program at the Illinois Farm Bureau is truly a success story. Knowing the district that you represent and the fact that you understand these issues that affect those of us in the rural counties is incredibly important to passing this kind of legislation that is of utmost important to those that we represent that are actively involved in farming. And year after year after year they suffer incredible

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financial damage due to the nuisance that you address in this legislation. So, thank you, and thank you for allowing me to be your chief co."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 710 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 4 of the calendar, bill on Second Reading, is Senate Bill 1976, offered by Representative... Leader Evans. Leader Evans. All right. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1976, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. The bill was read for a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker Tarver: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1976, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Evans."

Evans: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and the great Members of this assembly. Senate Bill 1976 preserve long-established workplace protection under the Occupational Health and Safety Act, the Fair Labor Standard Act, and the Coal Mine Health and Safety Act. State agencies are prohibited from amending or revising workplace rules to be less stringent than those established under the federal wage and hour law or federal Coal Mine Safety Act as of April 20... April 28 of this year.

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State agencies retain the authority to establish more stringent requirements than federal standards to enhance workers' rights and safety. In 19... excuse me, in 2022, Illinois voters ratified the Workers' Rights Amendment and established that every worker in the state of Illinois has the right to a safe workplace under the Bill of Rights of the Illinois Constitution. Senate Bill 1976 protects that right by ensuring worker safety is not diminished. State agencies must use the authority under the state and federal law to implement and enforce the acts. State agencies are required to submit an annual report to the General Assembly detailing their compliance with the act. The act grants state agencies (unintelligible) the authority to adopt necessary rules to protect workers' rights and safety in accordance with the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. I request your support."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Ugaste."

Ugaste: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Ugaste: "Rep... Leader Evans, the... the bill applies to any rule, regulation, or law that is in place as of early April of this year. Is that correct?"

Evans: "April 28."

Ugaste: "OK."

Evans: "Yes, sir."

Ugaste: "And it's possible that is was just put into place as of the end of last year under the prior administration."

Evans: "Can you ask that... if what was put in place? Can you clarify the question."

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Ugaste: "The prior rule, regulation, whatever you're seeking to keep from being overturned. It could have been put in at the end of the prior administration. Is that correct?"

Evans: "Yeah. As long as it's prior to April 28."

Ugaste: "OK. Thank you. To the bill. This is..."

Speaker Tarver: "To the bill."

Ugaste: "...an effort to change whatever is happening on the federal level, be it for a positive change that will be effective in every other state in the country that does not pass a similar piece of legislation. And if passed, it doesn't mean that the rule that was changed or the act that was changed was necessarily needed. It just was in place at the time at the federal level. If we do this, it's going to make anything that we do in Illinois likely more costly than what other states... is going to be required in other states. We will again be putting ourselves at a competitive disadvantage with other states solely because of possible concern of what the current administration might do and not looking on a case-by-case basis to say, no, we need this regulation, we need this act, we need this rule to stay in place to make certain people stay safe and protected. This isn't going to be helpful. It's a blanket approach and not the way this should be addressed. I urge a 'no' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 1976 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 80 voting in 'favor,' 32 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this bill, having received

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the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Proceeding to the Order of House Bills on Second Reading, excuse me, Senate Bill. Senate Bill 2456 is offered by Representative Morgan. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2456, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. The bill was read for a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Morgan."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Morgan to explain the amendment."

Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The amendment replaces the bill. I'll explain it on Third Reading."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Morgan moves adoption of the Floor Amendment #2. All those in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the Chair, that 'ayes' have it. And the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker Tarver: "Third Reading. Please read the bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2456, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Morgan."

Morgan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a sunset extension package. As usual, this is a collection of a variety of different acts and tax forces, task forces that are a collection of both chambers, both parties coming up with different things that need to be extended, including executive agencies. I'll briefly cover each one. It should take just a minute. This is going to extend the Expressway Camera Act, extending three years to repeal it on July 1, 2028. The Voting for Persons with Disabilities Task Force

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extended one year to repeal on July 1, 2026. Public Financing of Judicial Elections Task Force extending one year to repeal on July 1, 2026. The Illinois Elections and Infrastructure Integrity Task Force extending one year to repeal on June 1, 2026. Ranked-Choice Voting Systems Task Force extending one year to repeal on July 1, 2026. The Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency, and Coal Resources Development Law extending five years to repeal on December 31, 2030. Illinois Lottery internet program extending three years to repeal on July 1, '28. Blue-Ribbon Commission on Transportation Infrastructure Funding and Policy Act extending one year to repeal on August 1, 2026. The Renewable Energy Component Recycling Task Force, that will be extended six months with a report due January 1, 2026 and task force repealed July 1, 2026. The Music Therapy Advisory Board sunset added to repeal on August 1, 2025. Public Building Commission Act extending two years to repeal on July 1, 2027. The sale of Joliet Park District land extending six months to repeal on January 1, 2026. The Illinois Street Gang and Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Law extended two years to repeal on June 1, 2027. And a quick-take in Menard County, the correction of dates to repeal on May 1, 2026. Thank you, Speaker."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Windhorst: "Leader, originally, as the bill passed committee, it extended the repeal date or the sunset extension for the Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency, and Coal Resources

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Development Law to 2030. Is that included with Floor Amendment 1?"

Morgan: "Well, we're... we're doing Floor Amendment 2 because it had an effective date correction. But, yes, it is included in amendment 2."

Windhorst: "In 2. I'm sorry, it is included in 2?"

Morgan: "That's correct."

Windhorst: "All right. And you outlined several of the others. You mentioned specifically the... what we call the RICO statute is also extended. And that's used to prosecute cases on the state level for racketeering. Is that correct?"

Morgan: "That's correct."

Windhorst: "And then there was a... a prior quick-take that had been given to Menard County that is also being extended for a year."

Morgan: "Correct."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Morgan: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2456 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 83 voting in 'favor,' 31 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 8 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 2690, offered by Representative Canty. Representative Canty is recognized."

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Canty: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to concur in Senate Amendment 1. The amendment removes an Oxford comma and corrects two missed instances where we replaced the term 'pornography' with child.. with 'sexual abuse material.'"

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "As you outlined, this is almost as technical of a technical change as you can get with the concurrence. Is that correct?"

Canty: "Sir, it could not get any more technical than this."

Windhorst: "And we were unanimous when we saw this before, correct?"

Canty: "Yes. This is everything we've seen before. Passed unanimously out of both chambers."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Canty: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2690?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 114 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2690. And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 8 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 2977, offered by Representative Gill. Representative Gill is recognized."

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Gill: "Thank you so much, Mr. Speaker. I ask the body to concur with me on Senate Amendments 1 and 2 to House Bill 2977. This is my firemen bill. This is a great bill. And what this amendment does is it just ensures that it's private insurance instead of public insurance. And it brings the city of Chicago to neutral. And this is so needed for our fire department. Their fleet is depleted, and we need to help people like our friend here, Mike Kelly, in the city of Chicago. Ask... I ask for your 'aye'... all right, fine. Not for him. Just for me, just for me."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. This only applies to the city of Chicago?"

Gill: "That's correct."

Windhorst: "All right. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 2977?' This is final action. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 116 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendments #1 and 2 to House Bill 2977. And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 8 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 2986, offered by Representative Blair-Sherlock. Representative Blair-Sherlock is recognized."

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Blair-Sherlock: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am asking that we concur on amendments 2 and 3. You may recall this was an ISBE cleanup bill. It passed the House unanimously. With the amendments, it passed the Senate unanimously as well. What the amendment does is it just changes some submission dates for reporting and it revises a specific training requirement needed for speech and language pathologists. I would be happy to answer any questions, and I ask for an 'aye' vote. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "Indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Representative, as you outlined, amendment 2 from the Senate changes the due date for certain reports. Looks like about half a dozen reports have their... or due dates that exist have their dates changed."

Blair-Sherlock: "Correct. Correct."

Windhorst: "And then we're also shortening the hours of training in the supervision of speech-language pathology assistants..."

Blair-Sherlock: "Correct."

Windhorst: "...that they must have from 10 to six."

Blair-Sherlock: "Correct."

Windhorst: "The hours they must have."

Blair-Sherlock: "Correct."

Windhorst: "And then we're also providing that school districts shall publish the statement affairs both on their website and in a newspaper."

Blair-Sherlock: "Yeah, and in a newspaper. Yes."

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Windhorst: "And if you could just briefly describe why these changes were necessary or are included."

Blair-Sherlock: "Well... well, with respect to the dates, those were requested because they just work better with the calendar, the school calendar. The newspaper thing, I don't quite understand. And then the third thing, which I'm trying to remember..."

Windhorst: "The reduction of hours for..."

Blair-Sherlock: "I'm sorry."

Windhorst: "...training."

Blair-Sherlock: "Yeah. Well, we do have a shortage of the speech language pathologists and that just works better to deal with the shortages."

Windhorst: "So, it's believed that the six hours is sufficient."

Blair-Sherlock: "Yes. And this did pass out of committee unanimously as well."

Windhorst: "And everything to this point has been unanimous, I believe, with this bill. Is that correct?"

Blair-Sherlock: "Correct."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Blair-Sherlock: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendments #2 and 3 to House Bill 2986?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 113 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendments #2 and 3 to House Bill 2986. And this

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bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 8 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 2994, offered by Representative Mussman. Representative Mussman is recognized."

Mussman: "Hello? There we go. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the House. I would like to concur with Senate Amendment #1. This amendment does not change the underlying bill, but it rewrites the language slightly to make it absolutely clear that parents and guardians have access to any treatment that they have consented to and that when youth between the ages of 12 and 18 consent to treatment, they retain the limited and qualified right to the confidentiality of the treatment notes under existing state statute, as has been the case since 1978. This bill has passed out of both the House and the Senate unanimously, and I would appreciate your support."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2994?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 115 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendments... Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 2994. And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 5 of the calendar, under Second Reading, we have Senate Bill 1999, Representative Deuter. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1999, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. The bill was read for a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker Tarver: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1999, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Deuter."

Deuter: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill 1999 is an IDOT cleanup bill. It is identical to House Bill 3438, which we passed unanimously in April. But I will remind folks that this bill does three things. First, it makes IDOT a nonvoting member on the Residential Sound Insulation Program Advisory Committee. This program helps families living close to O'Hare and Midway insulate their homes from airplane noise. Second, this clarifies in statute that a life-cycle cost analysis for pavement type only needs to be done for new construction, reconstruction, or replacement road projects. And third, this mandates that crash reports received from law... local law enforcement be done electronically by January 1, 2027. I ask for your support. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 1999 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 116 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 9 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have

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House Bill 3248, offered by Representative Jiménez.
Representative Jiménez is recognized."

Jiménez: "Yes. Thank you. I move to concur."

Speaker Tarver: "Please explain... please explain the amendment."

Jiménez: "So, the... the small change that was made is that we exempted HFS from the bill, but this still applies to all private insurance. And it was the medically necessary hair removal."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. This amendment we're concurring or not concurring on just removes Medicaid from the coverage mandate. Is that correct?"

Jiménez: "That's correct."

Windhorst: "Why was it removed?"

Jiménez: "That was a request from HFS."

Windhorst: "Was there a cost issue, or was there some other issue, or did they explain why they wanted it removed?"

Jiménez: "No, they did not. This happened in the Senate."

Windhorst: "All right. To our side, I would say maintain your vote from the underlying bill. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3248?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 76 voting in 'favor,' 39 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur

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in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3248. And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 9 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 3281, offered by Representative Hanson. Representative Hanson is recognized."

Hanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and ladies and gentlemen of the House. I move to concur Senate Floor Amendment #1 to House Bill 3281. The Senate Amendment simply changes the organization required to develop a risk assessment tool for the bill. Changes from the AOIC, and responding officers will now be using the Adolescent Domestic Battery Typology Tool."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Representative, we had a discussion in committee about the bill and the changes. We are moving away from having AOIC, the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, craft the tool to actually specifying the tool, correct? In the... the bill specifies the tool to be used."

Hanson: "That's correct. When it left the House here, it was under the understanding that the AOIC decided that the judicial branch would not be the... the best suited to develop that tool. And when it got picked up in the House, we... I'm sorry, picked up in the Senate, decided on the... the ADBTT."

Windhorst: "And the Adolescent Domestic Battery Typology Tool will be the one that law enforcement will be required to use if this becomes law."

Hanson: "That's correct. And... and I appreciate the input from multiple committees and from everyone on your side of the

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aisle, yourself included, in asking that should a... should an arrest not be made, that a report is submitted to the appropriate state's attorney."

Windhorst: "And this was unanimous in the Senate with that amendment and in committee. Is that correct?"

Hanson: "All the way across the board, and it did... it did remove any opposition from the AOIC."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3281?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 116 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3281. And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 9 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 3500, offered by Representative Ness. Representative Ness is recognized."

Ness: "Thank you, Speaker. House Bill 3500, Senate Amendment 1 removes the opposition from special education administrators, and it just changes when materials are given regarding the ABLE account to parents and guardians with children who have disabilities."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3500?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?"

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Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 116 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3500. And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 9 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 3572, offered by Representative Hirschauer. Representative Hirschauer is recognized."

Hirschauer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to concur with Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 3572. Senate Amendment 2 addresses concerns that were expressed by the DuPage County state's attorney and also took into consideration some comments from committee Members and DHS in regards to the changes in the task force."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Representative, the underlying bill had to do with unfit or potentially unfit defendants who were charged with misdemeanors and how we're going to deal with that situation. Is that pretty much it?"

Hirschauer: "That's correct. You know, looking to change some systemic issues with our fitness restoration wait lists."

Windhorst: "And we have a... a different system as it relates to felonies that is more lengthy than what we have for misdemeanors. Is that accurate?"

Hirschauer: "That's correct. Yes."

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Windhorst: "And this allows for a diversion program is what we voted on previously?"

Hirschauer: "Yes."

Windhorst: "Is that correct? This concurrence motion is simply dealing with changes to the task force. Is that right, or is there other changes besides the task force?"

Hirschauer: "There are a few other changes that were at the request of the DuPage County state's attorney. Changes... deleting the phrase 'with prejudice' for the dismissal of cases in diversion. This deletion preserves an option for a state's attorney to dismiss charges without prejudice for future filing under the terms of potential diversionary programs. Although, under this bill, no counties or courts are required to... to create any diversion programs."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall House concur in Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 3572?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 103 voting in 'favor,' 13 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #2 to House Bill 3572. And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 9 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 3300, offered by Leader Stuart. Leader Stuart is recognized."

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Stuart: "Thank you. The amendment is a gut and replace, but it just puts in some corrections that needed to be done. Everybody is still in agreement on the bill."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3300?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 116 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3300. And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 9 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 3522, offered by Leader Stuart. Leader Stuart is recognized."

Stuart: "Thank you. For the body, if you remember, this is the University Direct Admission Program that we talked about previously. These amendments reflect language from the K-12, who had some concerns, and this has brought them in agreement."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "If you could just briefly describe the changes that were made by amendments 3 and 4."

Stuart: "I need one second and then I can do that. Sorry. I know that it had to do with the concerns about the data that... from the K-12 point of view. And I'm trying to find my sheet that has a little bit more direct information. I'm sorry. It... it

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has to do with the law about student information, concerns about FERPA, and trying to correct for that to make sure that schools are in compliance."

Windhorst: "And the underlying policy in the bill related to direct admission is... remains the same. There's... it's..."

Stuart: "Yes. That..."

Windhorst: "...it's essentially the underlying bill with the technical changes?"

Stuart: "Yes. To... toward those concerns that we talked about before that the K-12 folks, the high school people had about FERPA and student privacy."

Windhorst: "And overall, what is the goal we hope to accomplish with this bill with direct admission?"

Stuart: "The goal with the bill is to make sure that every student who is... what we... I don't love the term, but 'college material,' for lack of a better term, knows the opportunities that they have in higher education in the state of Illinois, whether that's at a community college or a four-year institution. And to grant them the opportunity, let them know the places that are accepting them based on their high school record and encourage them to go to school in our state and stay in our state."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Stuart: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall House concur in Senate Amendments #3 and 4 to House Bill 3522?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the

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record. On this question, there are 103 voting in 'favor,' 10 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate Amendment #3 and 4 to House Bill 3522. And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Mr. Clerk, bills on Second Reading."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bills on Second Reading being read a second time. Senate Bill 243, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 453, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Senate Bill 1331, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 1697, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 2008, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 2510, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Second Reading of these Senate Bills."

Speaker Tarver: "Mr. Clerk, hold those on Second Reading, please. On page 9 of the calendar, under Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 3637, offered by Leader Avelar. Leader Avelar is recognized."

Avelar: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to concur on Senate Amendment 1 to HB3637. This amendment is a page and line amendment that adds language to the bill specifying that if a drug had been approved by the USDA prior to January 1 of 2025, revocation of that approval will not cause that drug to be deemed adulterated, provided it is still recommended by the World Health Organization. And it also adds a repeal date of January 1, 2035, and I'm willing to answer any questions."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Hauter is recognized."

Hauter: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

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Hauter: "So, Representative, is this... is this legal?"

Avelar: "Yes. That's what we're doing right now, yes."

Hauter: "Is it... is it legal to import, prescribe, and dispense a drug that's not had approval by the FDA?"

Avelar: "Yes, sir. Yeah. Yes. Oh, can you hear me? Yes."

Hauter: "I disagree. Is it safe?"

Avelar: "Yes. There's actually been examples of, you know, the FDA routinely approves drugs for multiple purposes, and these drugs typically take months or years to receive final approval. And only after rigorous peer-reviewed scientific research will they get approval as well. So, I would say so."

Hauter: "But it lost its approval. In your bill, this is... these are drugs that have lost their approval. So, is it safe?"

Avelar: "Well, what the bill says is that if the drug has lost its approval but it still has been recommended by the World Health Organization, that providers in Illinois can still prescribe it."

Hauter: "Does the World Health Organization have a drug approval process?"

Avelar: "Can you repeat that question, please?"

Hauter: "Does the World Health Organization have a drug approval process?"

Avelar: "I believe the World Health Organization is an organization that is made up of scientists as well as people who work on this as well. And just as a reminder, 'cause I know we had this conversation in committee, the United States was part of the World Health Organization since its inception and it pulled out when the Trump administration got into office."

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Hauter: "Mr. Speaker, can we go to Standard Debate?"

Speaker Tarver: "Yes. Granted."

Hauter: "Thank you. The world organization... so, you admit that we are no longer involved in the World Health Organization?"

Avelar: "It is my understanding that the Trump administration followed the directive that was stated in Project 2025, where they had an intent to remove the United States from membership of the World Health Organization."

Speaker Tarver: "I'm going to ask you to wrap up your questions. We are on Standard Debate, and we have Schmidt next."

Hauter: "I'm sorry, Mr. Speaker, are you asking me to wrap it up?"

Speaker Tarver: "I asked you to wrap up your questions, yes, and then we have Representative Schmidt next."

Hauter: "Can I ask for more time?"

Speaker Tarver: "Standard Debate is three speakers. You're one, Schmidt's two, Haas is three."

Hauter: "OK."

Speaker Tarver: "Someone like to yield their time?"

Hauter: "I'll just have one additional question, and... and that is, are there any other state... is there any other state that has a similar law?"

Avelar: "We will be the first state, but I know New York has been working on it."

Hauter: Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Tarver: "You're welcome. Representative Schmidt."

Schmidt: "Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

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Schmidt: "So, is the World Health Organization a foreign organization or a domestic organization, currently?"

Avelar: "The world.. the World Health Organization is an organization that has membership from multiple countries. As I said, the United States had been part of the World Health Organization since its exemption.. inception. And actually, there was a resolution that was voted on by Congress to be able to be part of the World Health Organization. But it is my understanding that in Project 2025, the.. the folks who wrote Project '25 recommended to the Trump administration to get out of the World Health Organization. But the United States has been.."

Schmidt: "I.. I.."

Avelar: "...part of this organization since its inception."

Schmidt: "So, then you're saying it is a foreign organization currently?"

Avelar: "Through the U.N."

Schmidt: "OK. So, we're allowing a foreign organization to determine if our drugs are safe and effective over our own domestic organization, the FDA, correct?"

Avelar: "What I would say is that this current administration has made it very clear that there are certain drugs that they would like to pull approval from."

Schmidt: "But this applies to all drugs, not these certain drugs that your speaking of."

Avelar: "That's correct. "

Schmidt: "This is a extremely dangerous precedent. To the bill."

Speaker Tarver: "To the bill."

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Schmidt: "We are allowing a foreign organization to determine if our drugs are safe and effective over our own FDA. This is an extremely dangerous bill. Please vote 'no' on it. If they approve a... the world... World Health Organization says a drug is safe and it's not, people in Illinois could die, seriously injured. It's... it's not for just a small amount of drugs here. It's for all the drugs. Very dangerous precedent. No other state has done this. Please vote 'no' or just don't vote 'yes.'"

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Haas is recognized."

Haas: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Haas: "So, as I understand this bill, it will open up acceptance for any medication that's not FDA approved, correct?"

Avelar: "I want to make sure that I put this on the record..."

Haas: "That's a yes or no question."

Avelar: "And I will answer it, as I... I want to make sure this is on the record because it is important. Because we are talking about the... the bill's specifying that if a drug had been approved by the USDA prior to January 1, 2025. So, I just want to make sure that that is on the record."

Haas: "And... and if it's not approved currently or moving forward by the FDA, and I... I think that Dr. Hauter spoke to that. Representative Hauter spoke to that pretty clearly, correct? That if it's no longer approved, that it... it can then still continue to be dispensed if it's on the list by the World Health Organization, correct?"

Avelar: "The WHO is the backup."

Haas: "I'm sorry?"

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Avelar: "The WHO... the..."

Haas: "Correct."

Avelar: "...World Health Organization is backup."

Haas: "So, will that then require that insurance companies will have to cover these medications?"

Avelar: "It doesn't necessarily affect insurance in coverage."

Haas: "Will that require Illinois Medicaid to provide coverage for these medications?"

Avelar: "It's not going to require to cover something that's not already covered."

Haas: "What... do we have the fiscal impact of what that will be for these medications that are now no longer covered by the FDA?"

Avelar: "This medication... what we're talking about is currently covered, though."

Haas: "I'm sorry?"

Avelar: "This medication is currently covered, though."

Haas: "Medications that are... are no longer federally regulated?"

Avelar: "As far as I understand, yes."

Haas: "Is Medicaid required to cover medications that are no longer federally covered?"

Avelar: "That... I'm a little bit confused by your question because that has nothing to do with the bill."

Haas: "Excuse me?"

Avelar: "That has nothing to do with the bill. The bill doesn't change what's covered under Medicaid."

Haas: "If a... if a medication is no longer covered by the FDA, is Illinois Medicaid continue... required to cover that medication? That is part of what this bill does."

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Avelar: "This bill does not mandate what medication an insurance covers."

Haas: "If a medication is being prescribed by a physician that's not covered by the FDA and it's on the Medicaid list is what I'm hearing you say, then there is coverage by Medicaid, correct?"

Avelar: "What I would say, leader, is that what we're trying to talk about with the bill has nothing to do with what... what insurance covers when it comes to medication. The state determines the Medicaid formulary..."

Haas: "And if it's a medication..."

Avelar: "...independently."

Haas: "...that Medicaid covers, then you're... what I'm hearing you say is that they will continue to cover that medication whether it's FDA approved or not."

Avelar: "We would have to look at the Medicaid formulary."

Haas: "And if that's the case, then we need to know what the fiscal impact will be based on non-FDA approved medications."

Avelar: "Yeah, well, this bill only addresses mislabeling."

Haas: "It only addresses..."

Avelar: "It only addresses mislabeling as a violation of Illinois law."

Haas: "Only one medication?"

Avelar: "No, for all medications."

Hass: "It's... it's for all, correct?"

Avelar: "Yes, that's correct."

Haas: "So, we could be looking at a significant cost of medications covered by the state Medicaid plan that are not FDA approved. I would urge a 'no' vote. Thank you."

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Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3637?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 75 votes in 'favor,' 39 votes 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Representative Hauter, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Hauter: "Well, my name was used in debate, and I feel like I should have been able to speak on this bill."

Speaker Tarver: "OK. Let me clarify a couple things. One, you asked for Standard Debate. We gave it to you. There was three people. I let Haas go twice. OK? Beyond that, Haas used your name, not Avelar."

Hauter: "Mr. Speaker, then I'm asking for a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Tarver: "By all means, go ahead."

Hauter: "Ladies and gentlemen of the House, we just passed a bill that is mystifying to me. I don't think it's legal. It's definitely not safe. It opens up providers and pharmacies to great legal risk. But the reasons for it are crystal clear: Trump is bad, this administration is bad, and so, the doctors and scientists at the FDA have to be bad, and abortion is good. The majority party long ago stopped being the party of safe, legal, and rare abortions. They continue their assault on the safety of abortions, and they continue to conflate safety standards with restrictions. When we have safety

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standards for an appendectomy and we want sterile equipment for an appendectomy, we don't call that a restriction on appendectomies. We acknowledge abortion is legal. Can we agree that it should be safe? Illinois is rejecting the FDA approval process for an unaccountable, unelected, unprepared foreign organization that we do not participate in. Prescription abortion will be less safe. Pay attention, Illinois. The majority party continues to remove any safety standards around abortion. They've prepared to sacrifice the undisputed gold standard for safety, the FDA..."

Speaker Tarver: "Please bring your comments to a close."

Hauter: "...for all drugs, not just one drug, all drugs, on the altar of abortion. This is illegal. This is irrational. This is unworkable. This is unwise. Illinois, wake up."

Speaker Tarver: "On page 9 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 3677, offered by Representative La Ha. Representative La Ha is recognized."

La Ha: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move to concur with Senate Amendment 1 to House Bill 3677. This... this does not change the bill. What it does is it removes language that is no longer necessary for the Complex Rehabilitation Technology Act. It also removes references to the attorney general in provisions concerning the enforcement of the act and replaces the reference to Complex Wheelchair Right to Repair Act with the Complex Rehabilitation Technology Act. And I ask for your support."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall the House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3677?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The

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voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 116 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And the House does concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3677. And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. The clerk is in receipt of Motions in Writing to waive the posting requirements for several bills. Is there leave? Leave is granted. Leader West on the motion."

West: "Speaker, I move that the posting requirements be waived so the following legislative measures can be heard in the Executive Committee this week: Senate Bill 25 and Senate Bill 1344."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We request a record vote on the motion."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader West has moved to waive the posting requirements. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 76 voting in 'favor,' 39 voting 'against,' 0 voting 'present.' And this motion, having received the constitutional majority, the posting requirements are waived. On page 10 of the calendar, under the Order of Concurrence, we have House Bill 3718, offered by Representative Morris. Representative Morris is recognized."

Morris: "Senate Bill amendment... thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senate Bill Amendment 3718, this is... this amendment clarifies that the bill... that the bill's intent is not to apply to private

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hospitals, which are governed by the... which are... wait, hold on. This amendment clarifies that the bill's intent is not to apply to private hospitals, which are governed by their own licensing and oversight systems, including the Hospitals Licensing Act, the University of Illinois Hospital Act, and the detailed state of federal regulations. Private hospitals have a robust... a robust abuse investigation procedure and are overseen by the Illinois Department of Public Health federal agency. So, what this bill do is remove the hospitals from this act. And I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "She indicates that she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Representative, with that change, the bill will still allow for the Department of Human Services to investigate state facility employees' alleged abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation. Is that correct?"

Morris: "Yes."

Windhorst: "All right. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall House concur in Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3718?' This is final action. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 116 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting 'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' The House does concur in Senate... with Senate... Senate Amendment #1 to House Bill 3718. And this bill, having received a constitutional majority, is

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hereby declared passed. Representative Halbrook, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Halbrook: "A point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker Tarver: "Please proceed."

Halbrook: "Thank you. Ladies and gentlemen of the House, just about 24 hours ago, we were being asked to vote on a resolution that claims Democrats would care more about working families. The budget that just dropped, 3363 pages long, was thrown at us with barely 24 hours to read and review. Tucked inside this massive bill, a \$7,000 pay raise for lawmakers while Illinois families are struggling under the weight of skyrocketing grocery bills, rising property taxes, and the cost of living that just keeps climbing because of the reckless regulation in Illinois, the majority party is giving themselves a pay raise with tax dollars. This is not just out of touch. It's insulting. It's hypocritical. I've been in this body long enough and have seen the legislative pay raise suspended by the BIMP bill many times, but the last few years it hasn't been that way. Just in case the BIMP isn't drafted yet, I'm calling on the Democrats to put the... in the language to suspend the legislative pay raise coming off the backs of taxpayers. Since JB Pritzker took office, Democrats have voted themselves over \$25,000 in pay raises. This would push it over to \$30,000. At the same time, inflation under Joe Biden destroyed working families. What working families have seen is a 30... or a 45% increase in pay... what working family has seen a 45% increase in pay over the last five years? Does that happen in Ottawa? Does this happen in on the South Side? All I can think of these massive pay hikes are

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the payoffs for voting for JB Pritzker's tax increases. I think the pay raise you all voted yourselves for last time was more than enough. Do the right thing. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "On page 2 of the calendar... on page 2 of the calendar is Senate Bill 2493. Mr. Clerk, please move this back to Second Reading. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2493, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. The bill was read for a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Jay C. Hoffman on the amendment."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would ask that we adopt the amendment and move to... to Third and debate the bill."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Hoffman moves to... for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2. All those in favor vote... say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Bolin: "No further amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker Tarver: "Third Reading. Please read the bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 2493, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, ladies and gentlemen of the House. This... this bill deals with the issue of broadband access to unserved and underserved areas. As you know, the federal government, as well as the state, has made a commitment to providing broadband and... and fast internet to unserved and underserved areas throughout the state of

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Illinois and the United States. The problem is getting access to easements and other land to make sure that the broadband gets to these areas. This provides a couple things. First of all, if you are a grant recipient from the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, either a federal or state grant, and you are cooperative, you can utilize the electric cooperative and you have to... current electric broadband... for broadband, electric cooperative can use its current easements in order to run the broadband. In addition, it provides how a landowner will get compensated if the land is used to run broadband. The Farm Bureau is neutral on the bill. I've negotiated it and know of no opposition. It passed unanimously, I believe, out of a committee. I ask for an 'aye' vote. And I would like to just read for the purpose of legislative intent. This bill establishes that... that these broadband grant recipients and any contractor or subcontractor shall comply with the requirements of the Prevailing Wage Act since the projects will be funded by grant programs defined as public works under Section 2 of the Prevailing Wage Act. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Leader, we have seen similar versions to this concept, at least, in prior bills, some of which raised objections about the use of rights of way and easement without compensation to the underlying property owner. How do... how does this bill with the amendments address that issue?"

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Hoffman: "We specifically set out the procedure and how the underlying property owner is going to be compensated. We indicate that you'll utilize a procedure that is very similar to what is used by cable... cable companies in running cable, in that you will be able to run the broadband. However, you then has... have to compensate the landowner. You have to indemnify the landowner. You have to fix any type of damage you may have caused when you ran the... the broadband. And if you don't reach an agreement, the landowner has access to the court system."

Windhorst: "Mr. Speaker, I would request Standard Debate. Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Granted. Leader Ugaste."

Ugaste: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Ugaste: "Leader Hoffman, just have a quick follow-up question based on a statement you just made. Does this bill add prevailing wage to all these projects, or is that something currently existing in the law, or is... or were you discussing only where it currently exists?"

Hoffman: "It's my understanding under their grant agreement they already have to do that."

Ugaste: "OK."

Hoffman: "However, this... this makes it specific in the law as well. The... the broadband companies who do this did not object to that provision 'cause they have to already do it."

Ugaste: "OK. So, in order to receive the grant, they have to pay the prevailing wage no matter what. This is just adding it in, according to what you are telling me."

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Hoffman: "Yes."

Ugaste: "Thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Cabello."

Cabello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the sponsor yield?"

Speaker Tarver: "He indicates that he will."

Cabello: "Leader, I just have a couple questions. Number one, did this bring the Farm Bureau to neutral?"

Hoffman: "Yes, it did."

Cabello: "OK. Thank you. And I was a sponsor, I think, of this earlier, and I appreciate you letting me do that. We still had a couple of issues with some people that are not the cops wanting to bring broadband to some other folks. And obviously, they... there's one person that can stop them from doing that if they're in a township. Can we make sure that we get that cleared up maybe veto session?"

Hoffman: "Yes. I... I attempted to do just that. However, I did run into some opposition from some of the other providers. We're going to have to, and I'll work with you, to sit down with those providers to find a way that we can address that issue 'cause I know it is a big one."

Cabello: "And I believe you, and I appreciate that. It just... we have places where one person can stop other people from getting it, and it's something that I think that needs to be happen. And I... I appreciate you doing that, and thank you."

Speaker Tarver: "The question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2493 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay.' The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 116 voting in 'favor,' 0 voting

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'opposed,' 0 voting 'present.' And this bill, having received the constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. On page 4, under bills on Second Reading, Senate Bill 1989, offered by Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1989, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. The bill was read for a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendments 1, 2, and 3 have been approved for consideration. Floor Amendment #1 is offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Hoffman."

Hoffman: "I withdraw Floor Amendment #1."

Speaker Tarver: "Mr. Clerk, please withdraw Floor Amendment #1. Any further amendments?"

Clerk Bolin: "Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Hoffman."

Speaker Tarver: "Representative Hoffman on Floor Amendment #2."

Hoffman: "I apologize. Can you take this out of the record while we clear up the amendments that need to be adopted? I apologize."

Speaker Tarver: "Out of the record. On page 4, under bills on Second Reading, appears Senate Bill 1989, offered by Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "Senate Bill 1989, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Floor Amendment #2 is offered by Representative Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Mr. Speaker, I need to return to Floor Amendment #1, which... which I withdrew inadvertently."

Speaker Tarver: "Mr. Clerk, out of the record. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."

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Clerk Hollman: "The Executive Committee will be meeting in Room 114 at 9 p.m. The Executive Committee will meet in Room 114 at 9 p.m."

Speaker Tarver: "Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 403, offered by Representative Sheehan. House Resolution 405, offered by Representative Faver Dias. House Resolution 406, offered by Representative Ness. House Resolution 407, offered by Representative Morgan. And House Resolution 408, offered by Representative Keicher."

Speaker Tarver: "Leader Gabel moves for the adoption of Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the resolutions... the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the clerk, Leader Gabel moves that the House stand adjourned until Saturday, May 31, at the hour of 9:30 a.m. All those in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay.' And in the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The House stands adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 4071, offered by Representative Rita, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. First Reading of this House Bill. Introduction of Resolutions. Senate Joint Resolution 16, offered by Representative Vella. Senate Joint Resolution 30, offered by Representative Chung. Senate Joint Resolution 31, offered by Representative Vella. These are referred to the Rules Committee. Committee Reports. Representative Ann Williams, Chairperson from the Committee on the Executive

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reports the following committee action taken on May 30, 2025:
do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 1344; recommends be
adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to Senate Bill 2510. Second
Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 1344, a Bill for an Act
concerning employment. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. It
will be held on the Order of Second Reading. There being no
further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand
adjourned."