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Speaker Madigan: "The House shall come to order. The House shall come to order. The Members shall be in their chairs. We shall be led in prayer today... we shall be led in prayer, today, by the Reverend R. Mark Biddle, Pastor of the United Church of High Park in Chicago, Illinois. Reverend Biddle is a guest of Representative Carl McSeley Braun. Would the guests in the gallery please rise to join us in the invocation?"

Reverend Biddle: "Let us pray. O Lord God, You alone are worthy of our unquestioned praise and allegiance. At Your command all things came to be, the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets and their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. From the primal elements, You brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation and saw that we should become stewards of the earth. But we have turned against You and betrayed Your trust, and we have turned against one another. Again, and again, You have called us to return. Through prophets and sages, You revealed Your righteous law. And in the fullness of time, You sent Your Son, born of a woman, to fulfill Your law. Yet, we have continued to seek our ways and means, our goals and our rule, continually turning our backs on the vision of Your love, present in this world. Open our eyes to see Your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of invoking Your Name for solace only and not for strength, for part in only and not for renewal. Let Your grace pour down upon us, and let Your justice roll down like waters, so that our vision might be that of Your Kingdom, and our actions made up of Your will, and our hopes vested in Your love. Accept these prayers and praise of God, through the inclusive love of

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Jesus, the Christ, and the sustaining power of the Spirit.
And led us to give honor, glory, worship, and service to
You, our sovereign Lord from generation unto generation.
Amen."

Speaker Madigan: "We shall be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by
Representative Ropp."

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

Speaker Madigan: "Roll Call for Attendance. Mr. Matijevich, are
there any excused absences?"

Matijevich: "Yes, Mr. Speaker. Would the record show that
Representative Rea is excused today, due to official
business? Thank you."

Speaker Madigan: "Let the record show that Representative Rea is
excused. Mr. Vinson, are there any excused absences? Mr.
Ewing."

Ewing: "Yes. Would you let the record show Representative
McMaster's excused for illness?"

Speaker Madigan: "Let the record show that Representative
McMaster is excused. Mr. Clerk, take the Attendance Roll
Call. For what purpose does Representative Vitek seek
recognition?"

Vitek: "Mr. Speaker, my key is locked here, and I can't vote
'present', but I want the people to know I'm here."

Speaker Madigan: "Let the record show that Representative Vitek
is present and should be included in the Attendance Roll
Call. For what purpose does Mr. Yourell seek recognition?"

Yourell: "Mr. Speaker, as the principal Sponsor of House Bill
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Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Yourell, could we wait til we take the
Attendance Roll Call? I'll come right back to you. Mr.

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Clerk, take the Attendance Roll Call. On this question, there are 116 Members responding to the Attendance Roll Call. There is a quorum present. The Chair recognizes Representative Neff, for the purpose of an announcement."

Neff: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to take a few minutes of the time of the House to introduce to you, Pauline Perkins, a teacher at Macomb High School, with her class of Political Science Class from the Macomb High School. And they're up here, in the corner here, and I'm going to ask them to stand. And let's give them a warm welcome."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Yourell."

Yourell: "Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker. As the principal sponsor of House Bill 1207, I would ask leave to place that on Interim Study Calendar in the Elections Committee."

Speaker Madigan: "Is there leave? Leave is granted to place that Bill on the Order of the Interim Study Calendar. The Chair recognizes Mr. Vitek."

Vitek: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Gentlemen, and first termers especially, pay attention. It shows you what you can do. You can move over to the Senate, if you're a good voter. I want to introduce our former seatmate here, Greg Zito. Senator Zito."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Birkinbine."

Birkinbine: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As principal sponsor of House Bill 1671 and 1672, I would request that those Bills be placed in Interim Study."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Birkinbine, to which Committee are they assigned?"

Birkinbine: "Labor and Commerce Committee."

Speaker Madigan: "Is there leave? Leave is granted to place those Bills on the Order of the Interim Study Calendar."

Birkinbine: "Thank you."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Hawkinson. Mr. Hawkinson."

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Hawkinson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As the principal Sponsor of House Bill 1975, assigned to the Executive Committee, I would ask leave to have that placed on Interim Study."

Speaker Madigan: "Is there leave? Leave is granted to place that Bill on the Order of the Interim Study. Mr. Doyle."

Doyle: "Mr. Speaker, I'd like to apologize to Representative Dickerson (sic - Didrickson), I, inadvertently, put her Bill on Interim Study, and I apologize to her. The Bill that should have been put on is Bill 2151, so..."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Doyle could you state your position?"

Doyle: "I, inadvertently yesterday, gave the wrong number to the Bill. It was... it was Representative Dickerson's (sic - Didrickson's) number. I apologize to her for doing that and ask that that Bill be placed back where it belongs."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Doyle, what is the Bill number of Representative Dickerson (sic - Didrickson)?"

Doyle: "2125."

Speaker Madigan: "What is the..."

Doyle: "That's in Human Services. And the Bill that I would like put on Interim Study, which is mine, is 2151 in Human Services also."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Doyle requests leave that House Bill 2151 be placed on the Order of Interim Study. Leave is granted. House Bill 2151 is placed on the Order of Interim Study. Mr. Doyle, also, requests leave that House Bill 2125, Sponsored by Representative Dickerson (sic - Didrickson) be placed on... where was... where is the Bill assigned now? Is it assigned to a Committee? Turn on Representative Dickerson (sic - Didrickson)."

Didrickson: "It's Labor and Commerce."

Speaker Madigan: "Fine. So that the... the Motion will be that the Bill be taken from the Order of Interim Study and be assigned to the Committee on Labor and Commerce."

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Didrickson: "Correct."

Speaker Madigan: "Now, Representative, has that Bill been posted for consideration?"

Didrickson: "That Bill had been posted. I was not aware that it had been taken off. I never requested for Interim Study."

Speaker Madigan: "Fine. Thank you. Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Mr. Speaker, I was confused... concerned, yesterday, that this sort of thing might occur in the... in the maybe this week. It may occur again. I think that... I think that there are a couple of easy ways of avoiding the problem, and that would be if each Sponsor, when they stand up, with that Motion, do indicate that they are the principal Sponsor of the Bill, and then of course, if we later find out that they're not the principal Sponsor of the Bill, the Motion would have no effect. And that might save us from really getting into a serious problem on this, as the week goes on."

Speaker Madigan: "I think your point is well taken, Mr. Vinson. For what purpose does Representative Dicker... Didrickson seek recognition?"

Didrickson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It is Didrickson. I, too, request Interim Study for a number of Bills, that I am the primary Sponsor for. House Bill 1710, in Judiciary; House Bills 2076, 2077, and 2121, in Revenue; and House Bill 2122 for Elections."

Speaker Madigan: "Is there leave? Leave is granted that those Bills shall be placed on the Order of Interim Study. Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like... request leave to put House Bill 1645, 6 (sic - 1646), and 7 (sic - 1647) in Interim Study. All three are in the House Labor and Commerce Committee."

Speaker Madigan: "Is there leave? Leave is granted that those

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Bills shall be placed on the Order of Interim Study. Mr. Yourell, do you seek recognition?"

Yourell: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As a principal Sponsor of House Bills 1217, and 1220, I would ask leave to have those Bills placed in Interim Study in the Elections Committee."

Speaker Madigan: "Is there leave? Leave is granted that those Bills shall be placed on the Order of Interim Study. Representative Rhem."

Rhem: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to have leave to place House Bill 2228 into Interim Study. It's assigned to the Committee on Labor and Commerce."

Speaker Madigan: "Is there leave? Leave is granted that that Bill shall be placed on the Order of Interim Study. Representative Oblinger."

Oblinger: "I'm sorry. Mr. Speaker, I'd like to place House Bill 2090 in Interim Study. It's in Revenue."

Speaker Madigan: "Are you the principal Sponsor?"

Oblinger: "I'm the principal Sponsor."

Speaker Madigan: "Is there leave? Leave is granted that that Bill shall be placed in the Order of Interim Study. Representative Peterson."

Peterson: "Mr. Speaker, I ask leave of the House to place House Bill 1601 in Interim Study. It's in the Revenue Committee."

Speaker Madigan: "Are you the principal Sponsor of the Bill?"

Peterson: "Yes."

Speaker Madigan: "Is there leave? Leave is granted that that Bill shall be placed on the Order of Interim Study. Does anyone else seek recognition to place a Bill on the Order of Interim Study? Mr. Curran."

Curran: "Mr. Speaker. I'm the principal Sponsor of House Bill 1770 and 1771, in Public Utilities. I'd like those placed

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on Interim Study."

Speaker Madigan: "Is there leave? Leave is granted that those Bills shall be placed on the Order of Interim Study. Mr. Clerk, what do you have before you? Committee Reports."

Clerk O'Brien: "Representative Richmond, Chairman from the Committee on Agriculture, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken May 3, 1983, report the same back with following recommendations: 'do pass' House Bills 1367, 1368, 1571, 1573, 1928, 2130; 'do pass as amended' House Bill 1597; 'do pass Short Debate Calendar' House Bill 2080; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' House Bill 2078; 'do pass Consent Calendar' House Bill 1952, 1953, and 1870; 'do pass as amended Consent Calendar' House Bill 1927 and 2071; 'Interim Study Calendar' House Bill 1184 and 1767; 'Table by Rule 26(d)' House Bill 1199. Representative Giglio, Chairman of the Committee on Cities and Villages, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken Ap... May 3, 1983, report the same back with the following recommendation: 'do pass' House Bills 1740, 550, 2182, and 2006; 'do pass as amended' House Bills 2220, 1780, and 2219; 'do pass Short Debate' House Bills 1051 and 1669; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' House Bills 1724, 1842, and 1208. Representative Flinn, Chairman of the Committee on Financial Institutions, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken May 3, 1983, report the same back with following recommendations: 'do pass' House Bills 1624, 2025, 1825, and 1973; 'do pass as amended' House Bills 2041 and 1508; 'do pass Short Debate Calendar' House Bills 1802, 1877, and 1924; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' House Bill 1225; 'Interim Study Calendar' House Bills 1623, 1804, and 2146. Representative Laurinc, Chairman of the Committee on Insurance, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken May 3, 1983, report the same back

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with following recommendations: 'do pass' House Bill 1880; 'do pass as amended' House Bill 1500 and 1950; 'do pass Short Debate Calendar' House Bills 1611 and 1673; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' House Bill 1590, 1674, 1938, and 2116; 'Interim Study Calendar' House Bills 1088, 1352, 1580, 2112, and 2225; 'do pass Consent Calendar' House Bills 1707, 1777, 1918, and 1944; 'do not pass' House Bill 2158. Representative Brummer, Chairman of the Committee on Public Utilities, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken May 3, 1983, report the same back with following recommendations: 'do pass' House Bills 1376, 2019, 2107; 'do pass as amended' House Bills 89, 367, 368, 1155, 1345, 1813, and 1814; 'do pass Short Debate' House Bill 985; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' House Bill 886. Representative John Dunn, Chairman of the Committee on Transportation and Motor Vehicles, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken May 3, 1983, report the same back with following recommendations: 'do pass' House Bills 882, 1281, 1585, 1224, and 1477; 'do pass as amended' House Bills 1753 and 1805; 'do pass Short Debate' House Bills 1293 and 1213; 'do pass as amended Short Debate' House Bill 2230 and 1170; 'do pass Consent Calendar' House Bill 1230 and 1483; 'do pass as amended Consent Calendar' House Bill 1844; 'Interim Study Calendar' House Bills 1456, 2227, 2095, 2096, and 2129; 'Tabled by Rule' House Bill 322. Representative Satterthwaite, Chairman of the Committee on Higher Education, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken April 27, 1983, report the same back with following recommendations: 'do not pass' House Bill 1349."

Speaker-Madigan: "Representative Breslin in the Chair."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair will go to the Order of House Bills Third Reading. Next Bill, House Bill 366. Representative

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Terzich. House Bill 366. Representative Terzich. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 366, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Pension Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Terzich."

Terzich: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Bill 366 amends several Sections of the Article to accomplish the following. It removes the personal liability for breaches of judiciary duty. It removes certain relatives from a list of parties of interest and re... removes requirement that trustees prevent other trustees from breaching their judiciary responsibilities. This Bill originated from the... the Illinois State Board of Investments. And what it would do, it would provide the members of... trustees of the State Board, the same coverages that other trustees of pension systems have throughout the state under the public employee pension system. There, of course, is no cost to this here program, and I would appreciate the support of the House."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any discussion? There being no discussion, the question is, 'Will this Bill...' Okay, Representative Wolf."

Wolf: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield to a question?"

Speaker Breslin: "The Sponsor indicates he will yield."

Wolf: "Representative Terzich, was there an indication of an Amendment that was to be filed?"

Terzich: "The indication of the Amendment, in discussing with the... the Pension Laws Commission, that it would be acceptable for an Amendment that would be adopted in the Senate, if the Bill got out..."

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Wolf: "Very good. Thank you very much."

Breslin: "Is there any further discussion? There being no further discussion, the question is, 'Will this Bill pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Representative Homer, would you vote me 'aye' please? The Clerk will take the record. This Bill having 94 'ayes' and 13 'nays', 3 voting 'present' having... this Bill, having reached the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Next Bill is House Bill 369. Representative Yourell. Clerk, call the record... call the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 369, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Yourell."

Yourell: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 369 is an attempt to alleviate the problem that is caused by increasing energy cost to our school districts. What this Bill does, and I'll tell you right flat out from the beginning, it's without a referendum. It allows school districts, with a majority vote of the Board, to levy up to .05, to take care of any increased energy cost. As you know, the energy costs are generally paid... paid from the building and maintenance fund, and once those funds are depleted they go into the educational fund. And as a result of that, that fund suffers and is not used for the purposes for which it was originally intended. There are... according to the Illinois Commerce Commission, electric rates have increased 38.6% from 1979 to 1981. And according to the Illinois State Board of Education, revenue to school districts have increased 6% in that same period. This is not a tax increase passed by the General Assembly. As I indicated, it would take a majority of the school board members to

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vote on this issue. It supports local control of school districts. To give you one example, the Champaign-Urbana School District had a last year increase of \$63,000.00. This is a minimal effort to do something to take care of the energy cost that school districts are experiencing in the present time. I would appreciate a favorable vote."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from DuPage, Representative Nelson."

Nelson: "Thank you, Madame Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I believe that the proposer of this Bill has in mind helping out school districts. But I would like to explain to you why I think that there are some serious problems with this Bills, and why we may be punishing those school districts, who in good faith have worked hard and have spent a great deal of money to install insulation and energy efficient heating and cooling systems. First of all, please note that this Bill would authorize school boards to levy, without referendum, a school energy tax to pay costs up to 5%. What we are, in fact, saying then to school districts is, 'It doesn't matter how wasteful you are. It doesn't matter what your policies have been in the past. You can just go right ahead and be as wasteful as you want. You're going to be able to tax and recoup that money from the citizens in your school district.' I would urge you to understand very clearly that there is no built-in incentive to be efficient in energy usage for school districts in this Bill. And in fact, I believe that we would be punishing those school districts, who have already economized, those school districts who have invested in insulation, other energy efficient installations in their buildings, and who will not be able to regain the money that they have spent in good faith, expecting that they would then save the money over future

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years use. I would urge a 'no' vote on House Bill 369."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any further discussion? Is there any further discussion? Representative Satterthwaite."

Satterthwaite: "Mr. Speak... Mrs. Speaker, and Member of the House. I rise in strong support of this legislation. There is no school board that I'm aware of that will capriciously tax the payers of their district for funds that are not needed. The experience shows that even with extra insulation, even with weather stripping, even with all of those kinds of measures that our school districts have put in place, the rising cost of utility bills is such that, even though they do... use less energy, their bills are higher. All this Bill does is give your local school board some additional control. If they do not have the power to tax to cover their costs of utilities, we will end up with that money having to be paid out of what otherwise would be educational dollars. I think that we have responsible local school boards. These local school boards are not going to be capricious about taxing, if they do not have a need for those taxes. It, also, provides them with the flexibility of being able to continue a reasonable educational program with the funds that were collected on the basis of an educational program. The Bill will not solve all of the problems of the utility bills of your school district. There is still an incentive for your school district to take whatever kinds of measures are cost effective for cutting back on their energy usage. It simply provides them a little bit of a cushion, when they are finding themselves in a terrible squeeze of having to pay their utility bills before they can tell how many teachers they're going to be able to hire, how many classes they're going to be able to support for the coming year. This Bill does not mandate... mandate anything. It

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simply allows your local school board additional discretion, and I urge support of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any further discussion? Is there any further discussion? There being no further discussion, the Chair represent... recognizes Representative Yourell to close."

Yourell: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, you've heard, and I indicated in my opening remarks, that this does not require a referendum. But that seems to be the big bugaboo about passing things in this House relative to schools. When we're asked in about thirty days to vote on an increase in the state income tax, I can assure you that there will be no statewide referendum to tend to those needs that we're going to be asked to vote on, so don't be fooled with that kind of rhetoric. This returns local school dis... control to the locals. It has to be passed by a majority of the board... board... board members, who are subject to election by their own constituents. This... in an attempt to answer a very serious problem. I have in my hand, a list of 172 school districts in Illinois, that can not pay their increased energy cost from their building and maintenance fund. This is an attempt to help those people, and I urge your support."

Speaker Breslin: "All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Have all those voted who wish? Have all those voted who wish? Have all those voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. This Bill, having failed to receive the Constitutional Majority... receiving 51 'aye' votes, 59 'no' votes, is hereby declared lost. House Bill 377. Representative Capparelli. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 377, a Bill for an Act to amend

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Sections of the Illinois Pension Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Capparelli."

Capparelli: "House Bill 377 amends the Pension Code to include cancer as an occupational disease for firemen in cities over 500,000. This Bill provides that firefighters, unable to perform their duties, because of a disabling cancer, which develops while a firefighter is in service, are entitled to receive occupational disease disability benefits. The cancer must be the type of carcinogenic exposure. And this is defined by the International Agency of Research on Cancer, and I would ask for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Capparelli to close."

Capparelli: "I just ask for a favorable Roll Call, Speaker."

Speaker Breslin: "All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Representative DeJaegher, would you vote me 'aye' please? The Clerk will take the record. There being 79 'ayes', 27 'nos', 6 voting 'present', this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 379. Representative Capparelli."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 379, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Pension Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Capparelli."

Capparelli: "Thank you. House Bill 379 is another of the package of the firefighters Bills. This one amends the Chicago Firemen's Article of the Pension to increase the minimum widows' annuity to 30% of an active man's actual salary and

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50% of a retired man's pension. These provisions will give the widows a larger minimum annuity. That is necessary because the widows presently are living at poverty annuities, and I would ask for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. The Clerk will take the record. There being 87 'ayes', 24 'nos', 3 voting 'present', this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 380."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 380, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Pension Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Capparelli."

Capparelli: "This is the last of the firemen's package. This is House Bill 380. It changes the qualifications for retirement to 20 years of service at 50 years of age... and from 23... that is from 23... 53 years of age. The benefit would put the firefighters in parity with the downstate firefighters, and I would ask for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? There being no discussion, all those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Have all those voted who wish? Have all those voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. There is 76 'ayes', 36 'nos', 1 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 381. Read the Bill, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 381, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of an Act providing for organization, operation of mosquito abatement districts. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Birkinbine."

Birkinbine: "Thank you, Madame Speaker, and ladies and gentlemen

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of the House. House Bill 381 would permit a mosquito abatement... abatement district of 500,000 population or more to provide in its annual budget for a capital improvement repair and replacement fund. This is not in any sense an ability to tax more. It's simply to earmark certain dollars that can be set aside for large capital improvements. Presently... Presently the language exists for mosquito abatement districts that are fewer than 500,000 in population. But two districts, the Northwest Suburban Mosquito Abatement District, the South Cook County Mosquito Abatement District have already passed the 500,000 population mark, and the Des Plaines District is close to that mark. There is no language that allows them to set aside those dollars for large capital improvement. This simply adds that language, and I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Piel."

Piel: "Thank you, Madame Speaker. What I would ask leave of the House that we may at the present time waive House Rule 65(b) dealing with the present Speaker in the Chair... dealing with addressing the Chair... Members addressing the Chair."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there leave to amend that Rule? There being no discussion, all those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. The 'ayes' have it. The Rule is suspended. Representative Winchester."

Winchester: "Thank you, Madame Chairman. Would the Gentleman yield to a question?"

Speaker Breslin: "Will the Gentleman yield? The Gentleman will yield."

Winchester: "Representative Birkinbine, former State Representative C. L. McCormick called me this morning, and

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as you know, during the 20 years that he was in the General Assembly, he was well known for his efforts to... to fight the mosquito problem in St. Charles, Illinois. And when he heard that this Bill, which apparently has been getting a lot of statewide publicity, that this Bill might be coming up today, he wanted me to ask you if St. Charles, a town of 175, would qualify under this Bill for any assistance?"

Birkinbine: "No. This Bill does not have anything to do with former Rep. C. L. McCormick's district."

Winchester: "Well, then good. He said for me to support it then."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Cullerton."

Cullerton: "Thank you, Madame Speaker. Would the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman will yield."

Cullerton: "Representative Birkinbine, could you explain to me, why this is not a tax increase? It's not... you said that it's not a tax increase without a referendum."

Birkinbine: "That's right."

Cullerton: "It's an authorization to appropriate?"

Birkinbine: "No. It's an authorization to set aside certain dollars, each year, into a capital improvement fund. Presently, Mosquito Abatement Districts, of population of 500,000 or less, have permissive language that is in the... it's governed by the Municipal Appropriations and Budgetary Law. And that covers such districts, similar to municipalities, under 500,000 population, but once they go beyond that number, they don't have any such language that allows them to set aside, in a fund, each year, certain dollars that are specifically earmarked for a specific capital improvement."

Cullerton: "So the money, that they would set aside, is money

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that comes from their normal tax levy ability now?"

Birkinbine: "Yes."

Cullerton: "Why is it so high? My under... as I read this, there are some districts in Cook County that could set aside over \$23,000,000.00, because you have a formula of one-half percent of the equalized assessed value of the property. Doesn't that seem like a lot of money for capital improvements?"

Birkinbine: "To be honest with you, I'm not all that familiar with the costs that are necessary by the Mosquito Abatement Districts. I only know that those districts, two presently in Cook County, and one more fast approaching it..."

Cullerton: "But which one are you referring to? I... I have a... an analysis here that indicates South Cook County could approp... could set aside, if you will, \$23,000,000.00; Northwest Cook County, \$23,000,000.00; Northshore \$14,000,000.00; and Des Plaines \$9,000,000.00."

Birkinbine: "The language specifically says that the dollars can be set aside for a particular project. Any dollars not used in the... in completing that project go back into that fund. Go back into the General dollars."

Cullerton: "Okay. It would still authorize, though, the possibility of up to... over \$23,000,000.00 being spent for capital improvements, repair, or replacement for Mosquito Abatement District."

Birkinbine: "Existing law does that now, yes. Presently, you referred to South Cook County. South Cook County has passed the 500,000 population mark. Because of that, they can't establish or set aside such a fund, they and the Northwest Suburban Mosquito Abatement District. Presently, they can not establish such a fund the way every other Mosquito Abatement District, that is below 500,000 population, can."

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Cullerton: "Well, because... because there's a lot more money involved when you get into a higher..."

Birkinbine: "It's not a matter of dollars. It's a matter of language that is missing in the Code."

Cullerton: "Once you get into a higher population, though, you're talking about higher assessed valuation, and therefore, you're talking about a lot more money that can be set aside."

Birkinbine: "Sure. Sure."

Cullerton: "Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any further discussion? Is there any further discussion? There being no further discussion, Representative Birkinbine to close."

Birkinbine: "I would simply ask for an affirmative vote on this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Have all those voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. There are 105 voting 'aye', 1 voting 'no', 4 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. At this time, the Chair is pleased to introduce Representative Eric Turner, a Democrat sitting over here next to Representative Matijevich's chair, from the 31st District, of the Northeastern District of Indiana. Representative Turner. Please recognize him. Welcome, Representative Turner. House Bill 387. Representative McGann. Read the Bill, please."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 387, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Pension Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative McGann."

McGann: "Thank you, Madame Chairman... Madame Speaker, and Members of this Assembly. I am standing to present to you

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this Bill, House Bill 387, which provides a new formula for calculating the required annual tax levy... levy, requires that the unfunded accrued liability be amortized over a period of forty years, to better fund the Chicago Firefighters' Pension Fund. The multipliers, now in effect, are not sufficient to meet the normal cost plus the interest on the unfunded liabilities of this fund. My colleague from across the aisle, when I put Amendment to this Bill last week, questioned exactly what it would be costing the taxpayers of Cook County. I have that information. I have shared that information with him, that we're talking about 9% for each \$100.00 of equalized assessed valuation. I ask that we pass this Bill today. We must have reasonable government. We don't want to end up in the Firefighters' Pension Funds, what we did in the Unemployment Insurance in this state. We've got to keep to date, and we have to act responsibly; therefore, I ask for passage of this House Bill 387."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from DeWitt, Representative Vinson."

Representative Vinson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker... or Madame Speaker, I should say. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. On Second Reading, I queried the Sponsor of the Bill in regard to what the total cost of this levy would be, and at that time he had not yet been provided with the information. He has subsequently shared that information with me. It is a significant figure, but what this Bill really is, in my judgment, is, perhaps, the most responsible pension legislation of this Session. The Sponsor has recognized that there is a very substantial problem in the unfunded accrued liability of a major pension system in this state. And instead of just proceeding along, and enacting new benefits to please

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firefighters or retired firefighters, he has stepped forward, in my judgment, courageously, because he comes from a part of the City, which we all know has reluctance to support tax increases. He has stepped forth courageously to cure the problem, even though it does require the imposing of a new and higher tax for the purpose. I think it is remarkable that a Freshman Legislator would come before this House with a program this bold, and this... recognizing of real reality facing the pension systems of Illinois. I think he is to be commended, and I think that this kind of responsibility were carried forward in regard to some of the other things State Government does, this state would be much better off and this legislature would be held in much higher esteem. So I both commend Representative McGann and rise in support of his piece of legislation."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Huff."

Huff: "Thank you, Madame Chairman, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I was eager to join into this debate, because it's not too often that Representative Vinson and I see eye and eye on any one issue. However, I'd like also to join Representative Vinson in his accolade to the tremendous work that Representative McGann has done in the area... unfunded liabilities. I think he has come up with a definitive solution with that area, and I, too, would like to rise in support of Representative McGann's Bill. It's very noteworthy and is worthy of our 'aye' vote."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Pullen."

Pullen: "Thank you. I'd like to ask the Sponsor a question please."

Speaker Breslin: "He says he will yield."

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Pullen: "Sir, you indicated that this would be a tax levy of a particular amount on Cook County, and I wonder whether I could clarify. Is that Cook County or is it the City of Chicago?"

McGann: "It would pertain to the... actually to the City of Chicago, under the Cook County Assessor's Office, but it'll be pertaining just to the taxpayers of the City of Chicago... is my understanding."

Pullen: "Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any further discussion? Is there any further discussion? There being no further discussion, the Gentleman from Cook to close, Representative McGann."

McGann: "Thank you, Madame Speaker. I would just take a moment to thank Representative Vinsor and Representative Huff for their fine words. I hope that all the Members of this House today will feel a positive effect in voting 'yes' for House Bill 387. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Have all those voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. There being 100 'ayes', 4 'nos', 4 voting 'present', this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 396. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 398, a Bill for an Act to authorize townships to establish Plan Commissions. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Hastert."

Hastert: "Madame Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Assembly. I'd like to offer before you House Bill 398. 398 is a permissive Bill. It allows townships to create a town... a Commission that reports to the township board. That job of that Commission is to share in the planning of townships, and to help in the location of where quarries and airports

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and things like that would be located. It's a good Bill. It's a Bill that's been asked for by people in my area... in the area of the collar counties, and I ask for your support."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Champaign, Representative Johnson."

Johnson: "Somebody else turned it on. I didn't."

Speaker Breslin: "Okay. The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Knox, Representative Hawkinson. Is there any further discussion? Okay. The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Cullerton."

Cullerton: "Thank you, Madame Speaker. Will the Gentleman yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "He says he will yield."

Cullerton: "Does this apply to all the townships in the State of Ill..."

Hastert: "No, it doesn't. It excludes Cook County."

Cullerton: "Okay. Does this allow for raising any funds to pay for salaries?"

Hastert: "No, it doesn't."

Cullerton: "Does it have any..."

Hastert: "Might I expand on that? In townships, you of course, the idea of local control... salaries aren't mandated on this thing, no, it's optional if they want to have salaries, they can, but most people that serve in these types of capacities, serve free as a volunteer."

Cullerton: "Do you think that... what would be the relationship between the township and the county, if this Bill would... were to pass?"

Hastert: "The relationship between the township board and the county board would be the same as the relationship that the county municipalities have at this time."

Cullerton: "Would a... would a Plan Commission, as contemplated

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under this Bill..."

Hastert: "Mr... Excuse me, Madame Speaker, I can't hear."

Cullerton: "Yes. Would the Plan Commission as authorized by this Bill allow this township to annex new land?"

Haster: "No, it doesn't. It doesn't provide for an annexation. We had a series of Amendments to knock out any of the language that was... that was... had a problem with, and there's no annexation in this at all."

Cullerton: "Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any further discussion? There being no further discussion, Representative Hastert to close."

Hastert: "Well, Madame Chairman, and Members of the House. Again, I just remind you that this is a permissive Bill. It's a Bill that addresses some problems in the collar counties, and I ask for your support."

Speaker Breslin: "All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Have all those voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. There are 103 'ayes', 6 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. The Chair recognizes Representative Vitek for the purposes of an introduction."

Vitek: "Thank you, Madame Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the great leader of Cook County, our County Clerk, Stanley 'Kusper', in the back with Steve Nash."

Speaker Breslin: "Welcome. House Bill 401. Representative Wolf. Clerk, read the... the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 401, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Unified Code of Corrections. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Wolf."

Wolf: "Thank you, Madame Speaker, Members of the House. House Bill 401 is simply an Amendment to the Unified Code of

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Corrections, as they pertain to work release prisoners. And it simply removes the provision, which would... have required that the balance of any earnings that they might have left, after paying obligations, be kept in an escrow account. There were other items on this Bill when it was originally introduced, all of which were removed by an Amendment. The Bill came out of Committee 17 to nothing.

I simply ask your favorable consideration."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? There being no discussion, Representative Wolf to close."

Wolf: "Again, I just ask your support."

Speaker Breslin: "All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Have all those voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. There are 114 voting 'aye', no voting 'no', no voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 403. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 403, a Bill for an Act to provide continued group accident and health insurance coverage for a period not to exceed six months to persons, who have been fired or laid off. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "Thank you, Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, there is a... a new class of Americans, the uninsured, the medically uninsured, people, who have grown up to look to their place of employment for medical insurance, to cover themselves and their family. Now in the course of this recession or depression or whatever you will term it, millions of Americans are unemployed and are losing... are losing their... medical insurance which is granted them as a condition and as part of their employment. House Bill

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403 asks no dole. It asks no... it asks nothing from government. It asks nothing from employers. It merely asks that the people who are fired, people whose jobs are terminated, be allowed to continue their own insur... their... their group insurance at the same premium level and at the same benefit level for a period of six months, while they are looking for new employment. It is a Bill essentially for middle class people, if you will. No dole. No charity, but paying their own way. I submit to you that at this time, in this country, being unemployed is not necessarily make you a high risk. It makes you just kind of out... out in the world exposed, hanging if you will from a limb and exposed. This Bill is a good Bill. The insurance companies oppose this Bill. Make no mistakes, so if your people, who... who vote with insurance companies in a knee jerk way, then think about this Bill. They oppose this Bill. They oppose it, and they tell you there are different kinds of policies that we'll continue on, and we allow conversion, except it's half the premium... I mean, it's double the premium and half the benefits. That's what they offer. And I say that we're entitled to allow people, who are now unemployed to continue their insurance at their expense for six months, while they replace their jobs. And I ask for a favorable Roll Call."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the lady from Cook, Representative Alexander."

Alexander: "Thank you, Madame Chair. Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "He says he will yield."

Greiman: "Absolutely."

Alexander: "Thank you. Representative Greiman, usually any group insurance plan with companies, the rate is greatly reduced. Heretofore, when a person became employed, many of the companies reorganized their employees to continue their

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insurance coverages, but at a much higher rate of coverage. Would your Bill keep the insurance coverage for the six month period at the reduced rate that the company or concern that covered them had, at the time of their employment?"

Greiman: "This would keep it as if they were members of the group, so if the group goes up, this goes up. They would become... they're not... they're not a benefiting class any higher than other employees, so that if the rate changed for example, for other employees, then it would change for them as well. They are locked into that policy for a period of six months."

Alexander: "Okay. What happens... what is the effective date on your Bill?"

Greiman: "Pardon."

Alexander: "Do you have an effective date on this Bill? It's not retroactive. It's..."

Greiman: "Well, we can't make it retroactive because of the... of the Constitutional Prohibition against impairment of contract."

Alexander: "Thank you very kindly."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes Representative Kirkland."

Kirkland: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "He says he will yield."

Kirkland: "Is my analysis correct that this also includes employees who voluntarily leave their employment? In other words, not just terminated employees but also employees who voluntarily leave their employment, who quit."

Greiman: "I'm locking at that..."

Kirkland: "Okay..."

Greiman: "Termination is de... defined as, 'when an employee has been fired or laid off', so that, I take it that that 'fired' or 'laid' off is when it is. So that if the

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employee voluntarily quits, he would not be under this Bill. So if that's what your analysis says, your analysis is incorrect."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Terzich."

Terzich: "Yes, Representative Greiman. You mentioned that it's at a lower cost on a... on a group rate, than on an individual rate. Did you state that the cost for insurance would be less on a group plan, than on an individual plan?"

Greiman: "I stated that policies purchased out in the market and conversion policies have less benefits and have higher premiums, than would a group policy."

Terzich: "Under your plan, does this mean that if a company has life insurance, and disability income, and dental insurance, and optometric care, and major medical that they would continue this whole package?"

Greiman: "It means that they would continue the medical parts of that package. Indeed, they would continue major medical. Yes, they would, indeed. Indeed, they would continue all of the medical treatment that's being given. It would allow people, for example, who are midway in treatment to continue with that treatment. That's right. That's correct, Sir."

Kirkland: "Would it also provide pregnancy benefits for someone, who might be 55 or 60 years old?"

Greiman: "Would it provide? I'm sorry... it would provide what?"

Kirkland: "I would assume then under the conversion plan, someone 55 or 60 or something, would also purchase the pregnancy benefits in the group plan."

Greiman: "It would provide... it would provide whatever is in the group, Mr. Terzich. That's what it would provide. Whatever the policy is... we don't give them anymore than the rest of the workers had. We give him what all the

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workers, who were working with him side by side, had before he got laid off. And we extend his policy for six months. We give him the same coverage that he had, and the same coverage that the group continues to have."

Kirkland: "Who is going to supply the benefits? The employer or the insurance carrier?"

Greiman: "As I understand insurance, Mr. Terzich, one pays a premium, and then the insurance carrier provides the insur... the coverage. And obviously there are all kinds of different plans, but those plans, basically, would work where... even when there's reimbursements, and there's a premium set at a later time after they find out what the experience rate is. Nonetheless, the premiums would be paid by the individual, not by the employer, even though the employer might have been paying it before. And the... eventually the... the insurance companies would make the payments, but I'd say that the policy holders pay... pay for the benefits. That's who pays for it, policy holders."

Kirkland: "Well, the policy holder is the employer. What happens if the employer..."

Greiman: "No, the employer does not pay for... for it. I said that the employee pays for it."

Kirkland: "I said..."

Greiman: "Very often the employer may have been paying for it, but his obligation to pay for that employee's health insurance ceases when he fires him. And then, if the employee wants to continue, then that employee can continue along."

Kirkland: "Well, without going through too much dialogue, with regard to the Bill, that the group insurance carriers are not objecting to any conversion plan, it's a more complicated method, because the contract is between the employer and the insurance company and not the individual.

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And the fact that the cost for a... a person under a group insurance averages approximately \$2,000.00 a year, there's nothing cheap about a conversion plan, and that in most cases the employee can purchase an insurance product by himself or through the conversion method. The... this Bill does not solve the so called problem, which the Sponsor deems to consider prevalent in the state today, and they should not be chastising the insurance industry for this particular item. That if the person desires some type of coverage, I'm sure that there's an insurance carrier that will provide that, and that this will not resolve any problems, nor do I know, basically, of any problems that do exist that the people are striving to get a conversion plan or a continuation of a health plan with an employer. Because once they leave the employee of a... an employer, they also leave their pay check, and therefore, they find it very difficult to pay for a... a conversion plan or a continuation of their group insurance plan, so I would urge a 'no' vote on the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Birkinbine."

Birkinbine: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House... Madame Speaker, I apologize. When this Bill was heard before the House Insurance Committee, there were a number of problems that were pointed out to the Sponsor. Problems, that he indicates on the floor today, would naturally be solved, but indeed, the language is not there. For example, what happens if, the company that has the group in place... the group policy changes companies. What happens if rates go up? What happens if policy coverage changes? None of these, indeed, are addressed in the Bill. The pocket that he took, and frankly the a... appeal to knee jerk reaction among Members of this House, which I think,

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is frankly, should be embarrassing to everyone here... about anti-industry, indeed, over in the Senate, his Democratic colleagues, Senator D'Arco has, indeed, worked on a Bill that would do virtually the same thing, but addresses the problems that the Sponsor of the Bill, apparently has not been willing to address in this Bill. Additionally he has overlooked the fact that there is something consid... called 'adverse selection'. For example, if this Body, presently covered by a group insurance plan, were to find itself unemployed, aside from the fact that the state would all cheer, all of us would presently be without health insurance. Now, that's an expensive venture. Those of us, who decided to pay that extra amount, would be those people, who anticipated some health problems soon on. The other people, who would say, 'I'll take my chances and won't go with it.' In other words, the so called group plan would be stacked with those people, who knew they had health problems and wanted the coverage; whereas, the balance of the group would not. That is 'adverse selection' and it tends to skew the whole concept of what is group coverage, and why group coverage can provide such low rates. That, also, is obviously, not addressed in this Bill. In fact, this flies in the face of that concept. I don't think it's a wise idea. I think we will see a better Bill coming over from the Senate, that will address this problem, and I recommend a 'no' vote on this Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Will, Representative Davis. Representative Davis."

Davis: "Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield? Madame, Speaker."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentleman will yield."

Davis: "Representative Greiman, I... I have a copy of the Bill

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and one Amendment here. I note that it was amended twice, and perhaps, that's a lack of... of communication through my Bill book. Have... has this... does this Bill now include by Amendment or in the base Bill, and I could not find it, all state, county, and local governments? Will it effect those as defined as employers?"

Greiman: "It... it... it in fact... yeah, well, it impacts on the policy, so therefore, if a state or local government gets a policy, then the state and local government's policy would contain the provisions that allows for a six month extension."

Davis: "Well, then indeed, this is a mandate to state, county, and local government, that they should adopt or must adopt this policy for it to succeed."

Greiman: "No, it's a mandate on insurance companies, not on state and local policy."

Davis: "The mandate..."

Greiman: "... Insurance companies sell policies, and the mandate is on insurance companies."

Davis: "But... but it will be incumbent upon state, local, and... and county governments, and all local governments for that matter, to... to process these applications to continue through the... the administrative... morass of making absolutely certain..."

Greiman: "Nothing says that they have to have insurance."

Davis: "Nothing says..."

Greiman: "No. There's no mandate."

Davis: "Well, if they have... if they have a group plan? Is that correct?"

Greiman: "Well, if they have to... there's lot of things that... that mandate, I suppose we have third party pay. We have lots of things in there..."

Davis: "Well..."

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Greiman: "... medical, major medical. There are lots of things."

Davis: "Well... well, could you estimate? Mr. Greiman, could you estimate for me what the cost would be to the City of Chicago, let's say?"

Greiman: "Yes. Zero."

Davis: "Why... why would you say that, Sir, when you know..."

Greiman: "Because the employees are going to be paying the premiums. The employees premiums will be adjusted based on... on experience, and obviously, they will pay the premiums. The City of Chicago will pay zero."

Davis: "There will be no administrative cost. The employee will pay that in your Bill as well..."

Greiman: "I would think that the administrative cost will be so... well, now you... of course I'm stuck. One person says, 'Oh, nobody wants this anyhow.' And now you tell... your im... implying there's ^{huge} administrative cost. I think it would be..."

Davis: "No, I'm not implying... Sir, I am not implying anything. I'm asking a question."

Greiman: "The computers... the computers are in place. The... the number of... of the cost, if there is, would be negligible... minish... it would be miniscule."

Davis: "Your answer is the the cost would be negligible for..."

Greiman: "Miniscule."

Davis: "... approximately 500,000 state and county local employees."

Greiman: "Yes, miniscule."

Davis: "Well, to the Bill, Madame Speaker. I... I tend to disagree with that. All of us know the administrative costs and the nightmares of running major group policies, if nothing else, in the City of Chicago, and in the State of Illinois. There would be a... a significant administrative cost. There was no State Mandates Note Act

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filed on this Bill. For that, I, particularly, apologize. I think it should have been. I think all of you that... that are involved at all in local governments should take a long look at this... at this procedure that we're going to mandate... additional administrative costs that will not be miniscule in my judgment."

Speaker Ereslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Marion, Representative Friedrich."

Friedrich: "Would the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Ereslin: "The Sponsor will yield."

Friedrich: "What about the case where some companies pay part of the premium and the employee pays the rest? The employer... the employee would pick up the whole tab? Is that..."

Greiman: "Oh, yeah. The employee pays it all."

Friedrich: "Okay. What about the dependents?"

Greiman: "Everything. The employee pays it..."

Friedrich: "But, he can continue so the dependents to..."

Greiman: "Yeah, pardon, yeah, well, what ever his policy was he can continue."

Friedrich: "All right. To... to... to the Bill. I think Representative Greiman has hit upon something here which certainly need some attention. And I point that out because now, if you're in a group plan, and develop some kind of a problem, and then get disconnected from that group, it's almost impossible to get reinsured if you have... for a preexisting condition. And believe me that can be a really serious matter. What it leaves you... it puts you in the position of being uninsurable and no place to go. Now I do wish that the Sponsor would consider what Representative Eirkinbine said and correct... correct those obvious things which need to be corrected. I want to support his Bill, but I'm having a problem with that part.

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I want... want something done in this area. I don't know what we do about that, unless, the sponsor would be willing to take it back and make those corrections, which I think need to be made."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any further discussion? Is there any further di... discussion? There being no further discussion, the Chair recognizes Representative Greiman to close."

Greiman: "Thank you, Speaker. With respect to the technical changes, I might tell you that in 1975, I passed, approximately, the identical Bill, out of this House and out of the Senate, and it was signed into law. But it had a two year... a two year effective time. That was the great depression of 1975. And all the problems, the technical problems, that are being alleged here never came about. The... the... It's all there. There's no great mystery as to how the notices get sent out, the premiums get paid. If they don't get paid, they cancel the insurance. That's what it's about. It doesn't take a hundred employees to process one. It takes just a couple. Now, I thought to myself, Alan, I said, 'Alan', I said that cause that's my name. I said, 'Alan, why... why are the insurance companies so desperate about this Bill? Why are they running around?' And they were during Committee. They pulled out all the stops. So I said, 'What would happen if there was a fat fifty year old bald guy, who worked for the State of Illinois.' A hypothetical person, who looked like me, with a few dependents. What would happen to that guy? So I had a chart made. Now, I had this little chart made, and it shows that I pay, me, I pay \$67.00, no, \$76.44. \$76.44 and the state's share is \$67.10."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes Representative Vinson.

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For what purpose do you rise?"

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decent medical care for your family.' That's what this Bill's about. Obviously the insurance companies... this is a dangerous Bill for them. This is a Bill that says, 'You can't take us anymore. You can't cut our benefits in half and double the premium.' And that's what this Bill's about. Don't let them cut the benefits in half and double the premium."

Speaker Breslin: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 403 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed vote 'no'. Have all those voted who wish? Have all those voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. There being 77 'ayes', 37 'nos', no one voting 'present', this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 406. Representative Greiman. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 406, a Bill for an Act in relation to employee health care benefits. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman on House Bill 406."

Greiman: "I have no demonstrative evidence on this Bill. I'm going to have to rely just on my... my wits, if you will, if any. Another problem, that comes up when you have recessions, depressions, and unemployment... and difficult times, is that lots of employers can't pay the premium on the insurance... medical insurance for their employees. And so, what's happening is that the employers are not paying... are not paying the premiums, and when that employee goes in for medical attention at the hospital, they check out to see that the employee... whether the employees' group policy is. They say, 'Sorry, that policy... that policy fail... was cancelled... lapsed for want of payment.' So that, we should have some device that kind of pushes employers. It awakens employees to know that they don't have coverage, or they may not have

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coverage. And it... it assumes that employees who are thus awakened will say, 'Hey, Mr. Employer. You better pay the premium.' Because, after all, small businesses are under as much fire as anybody else, during this current economic situation, and people tend to pay the loudest one who yells... who squeaks. And in this case, no one is yelling to pay the health costs. No one is yelling to pay the insurance premiums. So this Bill, merely, provides that when the employer is in... is in default, he'll post... he'll post a notice telling his employees that he is in default, that the company will send a little notice to the Department of Insurance. And the Department of Insurance may, but need not, but need not, see that the... that the notice is posted for the employees. And that's all this Bill does. It's just a pure notice Bill. It just tells employees that the employer is in default... and is in the payment of his medical policy. I ask for a favorable vote."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any discussion? The Chair recognizes Representative Birkinbine."

Birkinbine: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I have no problem with the Sponsor of the Bill on this concept. I think that employees should, indeed, be alerted, if, indeed, a company, that has a group plan that is covering them, is somehow going to default on that plan. But the problem lies in the thirty day aspect that is written into this Bill. In testimony before the Committee, the members of various insurance companies said as a practical, day-to-day, real life situation, virtually every single one of their clients goes beyond the thirty day point, the grace period of thirty days. Virtually, every single one, at least of companies of any size, goes beyond that point. So what this Bill, in effect, would do, would

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be to have every month, an employer would have to put a notice on his company bulletin board saying, 'Once, again, our company has gone by the thirty day mark on paying our health insurance premium, but as usual, we will pay it. In addition, if the insurance companies get activated with the Department of Insurance, this is going to be a boon, either to the U.S. mails, or delivery services, or the paper manufacturers, or whatever. The concept is, indeed, good, but the thirty day limit, as was testified in Committee, does not make sense, and I don't know why the Sponsor did not amend it to make some sort of sense. I recommend that we not vote this Bill out until it's taken back and a more reasonable time limit is put in. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Hoffman. Representative Hoffman."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Madame Speaker. I would like to take this opportunity to... opportunity to introduce a former Member of the House, a former Member of the Senate, and now Chairman of the DuPage County Board, Jack Knuepfer, immediately on my left, where he usually was, while he was in the legislature."

Speaker Breslin: "Welcome, Sir. The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Madison, Representative Wolf."

Wolf: "Thank you, Madame Speaker. Would the Sponsor yield to a question?"

Speaker Breslin: "The Sponsor will yield."

Wolf: "Representative Greiman, under Amendment #1, a change was made to require that the Department of Insurance notify the employer of his obligation to notify employees, rather than requiring the Department of Insurance to notify the employees. After the Department of... after the Department of Insurance notifies the emp... employer of his obligations, and then the employer still will not fulfill

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those obligations by notifying the employees, what type of penalty is there in the Bill, to penalize that employer in some way?"

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Greiman."

Greiman: "A misdemeanor. It..."

Wolf: "I didn't hear that."

Greiman: "... after they go through that whole process, Sam, it could be a Class B misdemeanor. The reasons for the change were, it was... the insurance companies suggested, and I certainly agreed, that the giving notice to every employee would be a massive kind of thing, and... and probably unnecessary. So it was just... we just try to get some kind of notice situation that would suppose that employees would hear about it. That's what..."

Wolf: "Well, I would certainly agree that the Department of Insurance should be relieved from that responsibility, but I... I would have also thought that there would be... would have been, possibly, a little bit more of a penalty, insofar as an employer is concerned, if after having been notified by the Department of Insurance, he still didn't fulfill those obligations. Thank you very much."

Greiman: "Thanks."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from DeWitt, Representative Vinson."

Vinson: "Thank you, Madame Speaker, Members of the House. I rise for purposes of an introduction. Sitting, in the chair next to Representative Davis, is a former Member of this House, a former Member of the Leadership of this House, a man who has done very much to make this a fine legislature, former Representative Pete Peters. Will you stand Pete?"

Speaker Breslin: "Welcome Pete. Welcome Pete. Is there any further discussion on House Bill 406? There being no further discussion... excuse me. The Chair recognizes the

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Gentleman from Cook, Representative Terzich."

Terzich: "Representative Greiman, on this is there a... the insurance industry has to notify the Department of Insurance, and then the Department of Insurance contacts the employer, and the employer has to contact the employees?"

Greiman: "I... yeah, that's the basic thing, and the only thing that the... nobody else has any other obligations, and it's just by... by letters and that's what it provides."

Terzich: "And the penalty would be for the employer for not notifying the employees that he didn't pay his insurance premiums?"

Greiman: "To notify them that, yes, that he didn't... that he has not paid it. If he doesn't post the appropriate notice, which by the way is similar to what we have in the Workers' Compensation Act, where you have to post notice of coverage under the Workers' Comp Act. This is essentially the same kind of notice."

Terzich: "In other... in other words, under Workman's Comp, that if an employer didn't pay his Workman's Comp premium..."

Greiman: "No, if he didn't post the appropriate notice, that's what we have now, and that's all this requires is just that you post a notice."

Terzich: "What happens if the Department of Insurance doesn't notify the employer that they were notified of a late... late claim."

Greiman: "Then he can't... then he won't be liable. It's one... it's a condition precedent. The notice provisions are conditions precedent."

Terzich: "Isn't there some type of law that would require any employer that retains employees' contribution liable for any type of claims that might be if he accepted money for

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that purpose?"

Greiman: "That's... that's assuming that there's a contribution plan. Often there isn't. And the truth of the matter is that I don't... I don't care... take the State of Illinois for example... if... if somebody goes into the hospital and it's a \$4,000.00 ticket, I don't want to have my... my premiums given back to me. I want to have coverage. You know, a guy says, 'Well, we didn't pay the premiums. Your insurance lapsed. Here's the \$462.00.' That's not what I want. I want to have coverage. And this is designed to encourage employers to continue to keep employees covered. That's part of the... the quid pro quo, if you will, part of what we work for, part of what our wages are, Sir."

Terzich: "Soon as I know what, 'print que (sic - quid pro) quo', or whatever it's... A very good Bill, Representative."

Greiman: "Thank you. It's a Serbian... it's a Serbian word, not Croatian."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any further discussion? There being no further discussion, the Chair recognizes Representative Greiman to close."

Greiman: "I merely ask for a favorable Roll Call on what I think is a reasonable Bill. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 406 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed 'nay'. Have all those voted who wish? Have all those voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. There being 75 'ayes', 34 'noes', 6 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 406. Representative Mautino. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 406, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the School Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Mautino."

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Maurino: "Thank you much... very much, Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 408 was introduced to address a question, whereby, an educator within a school system is elected to the county board in that specific county. What this legislation does is allow that educator to attend the regu... the one regularly scheduled county board meeting where all business is completed, the bills are paid, and the resolutions adopted, while not losing his time at school. And the school then may deduct from the salary at school, the amount that the individual received from the county board, as a per diem. That is, basically, what the Bill does. I think it effects about ten people in this state, but they happen to be educators who were elected in the pri... in the public sector, and I believe they should have the opportunity to serve."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? There being no further discussion, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 408 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed 'nay'. Have all those voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. This Bill's received 94 'ayes', 16 'nays', 2 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received... Representative Davis asks to be recorded as voting 'aye'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 409. Representative McGann. Clerk, call the Bill."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Bill 409, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Illinois Pension Code. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative McGann."

McGann: "Thank you, Madame Speaker, Members of the House. This House Bill 409 is going to wrap up the package in helping the Chicago firemen. It will repair some of the inequities

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that go on presently with the City firemen versus Downstate firemen. This Bill will bring again, once again, tempting to bring in line the same benefits that are given to Downstate firefighters. The basis of the Bill decreases the firemen's occupational disease, disability benefit, in cities of 500,000 or more population, from 50% of the fireman's salary, at the time of his removal from the payroll, to 65% of that amount. Under the Chicago Fire Pension Fund, firefighters unable to perform their duties by reason of heart dis... disease, tuberculosis, or any lung disease, resulting from service as a firefighter, are entitled to receive an occupational disease disability in the amount of 50% of the firefighter's salary. I will just add that anyone that has ever witnessed some of their fires in the City of Chicago, and the exposure that our firemen... are put to, would certainly want to vote 'aye' for this Bill. I would ask the same cooperation, this Bill I had in House Bill 387, because we are bringing in line what the Downstate firemen have along with the Chicago Fire Department. Thank you, Madam, Chairman. And I ask for an 'aye'."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Braun."

Braun: "Thank you. A question for the Speak... for the Sponsor."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentlemen will yield."

Braun: "Mr. McGann, Representative McGann, how much will this Bill cost?"

McGann: "The estimate, we have received, that will cost approximately 725,000 annually. As for all of the number of firemen that could possibly... it's only an estimate, because we don't know how many firemen will be going on disability in any given year."

Braun: "Thank you."

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Speaker Breslin: "Is there any further discussion? Is there any further discussion? There being no further discussion, Representative McGann to close."

McGann: "Thank you, Madam, Speaker. Once again, I ask cooperation from both sides of the aisle. And please, give an 'aye' vote for the Chicago Fire Department. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "The question is, 'Shall House Bill 409 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed 'nay'. Have all those voted who wish? Have all voted who wish. The Clerk will take the record. This Bill, having received 68 'ayes', 37 'nos', 6 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 412, Representative Berrios. Mr. Clerk, call the Bill. Read the Bill."

Clerk Lecne: "House Bill 412, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Juvenile Court Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Berrios."

Berrios: "What this Bill does, is add one more offense word, juvenile 15 years of age and over can be tried as an adult. It's with aggravated battery committed with a firearm. Last year alone, there were a 128 such cases where gang members committed this crime, gave the gun to a minor and received little or no punishment. It's time we sent a message to the good kids of the City of Chicago and other areas, to tell them we are going to protect them. And I would ask for a 'yes' vote on this."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? There being no discussion, the question is, 'Shall House Bill 412 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed 'nay'. Have all voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. There are 99 'ayes', 9 voting 'no', 2 voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority... Representative

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McAuliffe, requests leave to vote 'aye'. This vote having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. House Bill 417, Representative Richmond. Clerk, read the Bill."

Clerk Leone: "House Bill 417, a Bill for an Act to amend Sections of the Law Enforcement Officers, Civil Defense Workers, Civil Air Patrol Members, Paramedics and Fire Compensation Act. Third Reading of the Bill."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Richmond."

Richmond: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Bill 417 amends the Law Enforcement Officers, Civil Defense Workers, Civil Air Patrol Members, Paramedics and Firemen Compensation Act, and all it does is increase the death benefit payable under the Act from \$20,500 to \$50,000. Under the current law, if a law enforcement officer, or civil defense worker, or civil air patrol member, paramedic or fireman employed by the state or a local governmental unit is killed in the line of duty, then the survivors are entitled to receive compensation in the amount of \$20,000 from the state. The survivors must submit an application to the Court of Claims, and the Attorney General then must investigate and report on the claim. The Court of Claims estimates that they have an average of 15 such claims each year. What this Bill would do would be to add \$30,000 to the death benefits of someone who, in their line of duty which is very dangerous line of work, the claim would be increased by \$30,000. I would be glad to answer any questions."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentlemen from Cook, Representative Cullerton."

Cullerton: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Will the Gentlemen yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentlemen will yield."

Cullerton: "With respect to your Amendment, I believe

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Representative Richmond's Amendment #1, you expand the definition of law enforcement officer. Is that correct?"

Richmond: "The Amendment #1 expanded the coverage or the scope of the Bill to include all Department of Corrections employees, who have daily contact with inmates. The reason being, of course, is there has been some instances that were... this was needed, and was not available. The need was tragically demonstrated by the recent murders of food service supervisor, Freda King, at Pontiac, and agricultural lead worker, Joe Cushman, at Menard, and that's the reason for expanded. It only goes... includes those people who are in daily contact with the criminals."

Cullerton: "Well, would that include people that work in the kitchen, and people who works in the laundry, and the librarians, and the chaplains. These people now being entitled to these death benefits?"

Richmond: "They would be entitled to it, if they are in daily contact with the prisoners, yes. In fact, that's the reason for it. This one lady worked in the kitchen, and she was killed by an inmate."

Cullerton: "Now, do these people right now, are they covered by Workers' Compensation?"

Richmond: "I... am not sure."

Cullerton: "Well, they are employees of the State, and they are covered by Workers' Compensation, correct?"

Richmond: "They are employees of the State. Yes."

Cullerton: "And they would, they would receive certain benefits under Workers' Comp. right now?"

Richmond: "I suppose they would receive the same benefits as a policeman, or anyone else, who is presently covered by the Act that I'm trying to improve upon."

Cullerton: "What is the estimate of the cost to the State, if this Bill passes?"

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Richmond: "The Court of Claims estimates that they receive an average of 15 cases per year."

Cullerton: "So, how much would it cost?"

Richmond: "A quarter to \$50,000 if that were the case."

Cullerton: "Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Gentlemen from Perry, Representative Dunn. Representative Dunn, please. Could you move to another microphone, Representative, please? Representative Dunn recognized at Representative Davis's microphone."

Davis: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. He's certainly willing to do it, but before that, may I interrupt this important debate, its rare that I do it, to introduce the Central Junior High School from Zion, Illinois? 82 students up in the left gallery, chaperoned by Jim Taylor, Richard Johnson, Jerry Zeppel, Lou Louis, Kathy Miller, represented by Representative Churchill."

Speaker Breslin: "Welcome. And now, Representative Dunn."

Dunn: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I was afraid that my distinguish Minority leader was going to talk against my Bill, when he got the mic. But, I would urge an 'aye' vote on House Bill 417. This is a thing that we are very concerned about, the dangerous nature of the Department of Corrections jobs. We had a farm worker down at Menard killed last year, or this past year why he was on duty. His family got \$20,000. That would be the compensation that's paid by the State. This would raise that on the case of death of any employees of the Department of Corrections in their line of duty, if they come in daily contacts with prisoners. It would raise the benefits to \$50,000. As Representative Richmond said, this would amount to if there are 15 people killed in such a dangerous duty during the next year, it would amount to an increase

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of about \$450,000, \$30,000 more for each employee. It's been, if I recall right, about 9 years since we've raised this. This barely, I guess, keeps up with the cost of inflation. I would urge an 'aye' vote on House Bill 417. Thank you."

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentlemen from Macopin, Representative Hannig."

Hannig: "Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chairman... Madam Chairman and Members of the House. I too, rise in support of this piece of legislation. Working in a Correctional Institute is not the most glamorous way to make a living. No one makes TV shows about this job. No one writes books about it. No one makes any movies about it. Yet, it's one of the most important jobs that we who try to raise families in this society could have. Because it's these people who are the first line of defense that put their life between us and some of these hardened criminals, who would be out on the street, except for the fact, that they are in prison. Now this is really a small amount of money to pay to a family of someone who has lost a father or husband in a line of duty. And it's certainly not unreasonable. I believe that it's a fair and equitable approach. I wish that we had the money in this State to offer these families more money, but I do think that this certainly is well deserved. It's a fine piece of legislation. And I'd ask for your 'yes' vote."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative Ewing from Livingston."

Ewing: "Madam Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, a few short years ago, we had an incident at the Pontiac Correctional Institution, which claimed three lives. I certainly know of some of the trauma and of the grief, that these families have experienced. I think this is good legislation. I think it's deserved. Recently, a group of

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Pontiac leaders went through the Pontiac Correctional Institution. And I think that, their comments in regard to the job which Correctional Officers face each day make it very evident that they don't understand, and the general citizen doesn't understand the magnitude of the job which our Correctional Officers have to do, and the conditions under which they have to operate. This is good legislation. I would ask an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Breslin: "Is there any further discussion? There being no further discussion. Excused me. The Gentlemen from McLean, Representative Ropp."

Ropp: "Yeah. Madam Speaker, will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Breslin: "The Gentlemen will yield."

Ropp: "It was either last year, or year before, we had three state employees, who were killed at the Pontiac, right? Is that what you just mentioned? And it was proven that no one murdered them? How does this Bill be affected by that particular situation?"

Richmond: "I'm sorry, you were looking at Representative Ewing, and not talking into your mic. I couldn't hear it."

Ropp: "I said those three state employees, that were eventually killed, and under the courts, determined that knew one murdered them, does this Bill affects that particular situation?"

Richmond: "The Attorney General has to investigate the claims under the present statute. All we're doing is increasing the amount that would be available to the survivors. If he now... if the Attorney General now would declare that to be eligible under the present statute, certainly would be if this Bill passes."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes Representative Ewing for a specific response."

Ewing: "Madam Speaker, unfortunately, the jury in... that heard

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the case, said that those charged did not commit the murder. Nobody ever said they weren't murdered. It's just that the assailants were unknown. And no one was ever convicted of it."

Breslin: "There being no further discussion. Representative Richmond to close."

Richmond: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I think the issue has been pretty well discussed. And I think we all know that if you are very well acquainted with their correction system, that none of these people are getting rich with their salary structure. I think this is a very small thing that we could do for them that would be very meaningful. I urge an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Breslin: "The question is, 'Will House Bill 417 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye', all those opposed 'nay'. Have all those voted who wish? Have all those voted who wish? The Clerk will take the record. There are 109, 110 'ayes', 3 voting 'no', no voting 'present'. This Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. It is the Chair's intention now to go to the Order of Motions. Representative Farley is recognized for the purposes of a Motion. Is Representative Farley in the chamber? Representative Farley."

Farley: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would move to suspend the posting rules to have House Bill 535 posted for Friday morning. Inadvertently, it was left off, and this is Representative Ropp's Bill. We talked about...and I would like to suspend the appropriate rule to have that posted."

Speaker Breslin: "And I understand this has been cleared with the Republican Spokesman..."

Farley: "Well, I'm accommodating Representative Ropp. If one of his party wants to object, let him."

Speaker Breslin: "Does the Gentlemen have leave? Leave being

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granted. The Chair recognizes Representative Kulas for a Motion."

Kulas: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I like to move to suspend the appropriate rules so House Bill 1712 can be heard in Revenue Committee tomorrow."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative, has this Motion been approved by the other side of the aisle?"

Kulas: "I... I believe so, I haven't seen the Minority Spokesman. This was done... we had some problems with this Bill yesterday. I think they've been taken care of."

Speaker Breslin: "Representative will take this out of the record for a moment, okay? Now, the Chair recognizes Representative Jaffe for the purposes of a Motion."

Jaffe: "Yes. Madam Speaker, we have House Bill 1862, which was inadvertently posted for the 8:15 a.m. meeting, when it should have been posted for the 8:30 a.m. meeting. So, we would ask leave to have 1862 transferred from the 8:15 posting to the 8:30 posting, and ask the Clerk to do so."

Speaker Breslin: "Does the Gentlemen have leave? No objections being heard, the Gentlemen has leave. The Chair recognizes Representative Taylor for purposes of a Motion."

Taylor: "Thank you, Madam, Speaker. I move to suspend the appropriate rule in order to have House Bill 471, 472, 1203, and 1812 posted in the Election Committee for Friday morning at 8:00 a.m."

Speaker Breslin: "Does the Gentlemen have leave? There being no objections, the Gentlemen has leave. The Chair recognizes Representative Pierce for the purposes of a Motion."

Pierce: "Being the Chief Sponsor of House Bill 51, I move that be, ask for leave that be placed on the Interim Study Calendar of the Public Utilities Committee. House Bill 51."

Speaker Breslin: "Does the Gentlemen have leave? There being no

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objections, the Gentlemen has leave. The Chair recognizes Representative Kulas for the purposes of a Motion."

Kulas: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. I've cleared the problem with the Minority Spokesman on the Revenue Committee. And I ask leave to suspend the appropriate rules so House Bill 1712 can be heard in Revenue."

Speaker Breslin: "Does the Gentlemen have leave? There being no objections, the Gentlemen has leave. The Chairman recognizes Representative Mautino for the purposes of Motion."

Mautino: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. As the Chief Sponsor of House Bill 707, currently in the Labor and Commerce Committee, I would ask that that legislation be placed on the Interim Study Calendar."

Speaker Breslin: "Does the Gentlemen have leave? There being no objections, the Gentlemen has leave. The Chair recognizes Representative Doyle. For what purpose do you arise, Sir?"

Doyle: "The other day I had asked for a Bill to be put on Interim Study, Bill 1626 in Exec. for lack of information at that time. Since that time, the information has been made available. It is listed on the Bills in Exec. And I would like it to be placed on the agenda for tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock. It is already on the agenda. The..."

Speaker Breslin: "And that's House Bill 1626?"

Doyle: "1626, in other words, to remove from Interim and put back on."

Speaker Breslin: "Does the Gentlemen have leave? Representative Vinson, is recognized."

Vinson: "Has this been cleared with the Minority Spokesman?"

Speaker Breslin: "Representative, has this been cleared with the Minority Spokesman?"

Doyle: "No it's not, it's been posted though, it has been posted. It has been posted for sometime, Representative."

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Speaker Breslin: "Could we take this out of the record for a moment, and perhaps you can talk to the Minority Spokesman right now?"

Doyle: "Alright, fine."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Representative from DuPage, Representative Hoffman. For what purpose do you arise?"

Hoffman: "Thank you, Madam Chairman. I arise for the purpose of tabling House Bill 2200, to which I am the Sponsor."

Speaker Breslin: "Does the Gentleman have leave? There being no objections, the Gentleman has leave. The Chair recognizes the Lady from DuPage, Representative Nelson, for what purpose do you arise?"

Nelson: "For the purpose of a Motion, Madam Speaker."

Speaker Breslin: "Okay. State your Motion."

Nelson: "Thank you. I would like to ask leave of the Body to place in Interim Study House Bill 998, and House Bill 2050, both of which are in Elementary and Secondary Education. And also, House Bill 1569, which is posted to the Judiciary Committee."

Speaker Breslin: "That's House Bills 998, 205, and 1569."

Nelson: "Excused me, the second Bill is 2050."

Speaker Breslin: "2050. Does the Lady have leave? There being no objections. Excused me, Representative Johnson is recognized on this Motion."

Johnson: "I don't... are these to be posted in Judiciary? Did you say? Oh, in Interim Study, I'm sorry. No, I... that's fine."

Speaker Breslin: "Okay. Does the Lady have leave to put these Bills on Interim Study? There being no objections, the Lady has leave. The Chair recognizes Representative Bowman, for what purpose do you arise?"

Bowman: "An announcement, Madam Chair."

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Speaker Breslin: "State your announcement."

Bowman: "I just would like to remind the Democratic Members the Appropriations II Committee, that we're having a brief meeting in my office this evening at 6 p.m., to go over the Mental Health Budget, which will be heard in Committee tomorrow. And I would also like to remind all Members of the Committee that the meeting will beginning at 9 a.m. That's 9 a.m. tomorrow."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from St. Clair, Representative Younger, for what purpose do you arise?"

Younger: "Thank you, Madam and Speaker. I'm the principal Sponsor of House Bill 2210 to be heard in Labor and Commerce this afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. And I would like to put that in Interim Study."

Speaker Breslin: "Does the Lady have leave to put House Bill 2210 in Interim Study? There being no objections, the Lady has leave. The Chair recognizes the Gentlemen from Cook, Representative Shaw. For what purpose do you arise?"

Shaw: "Yeah. Madam Chairman, I ask leave for the posting of Bills 2038, and 2168 in the Judiciary Committee. And we have worked it out with the Minority Spokesman."

Speaker Breslin: "You have contacted the Minority Spokesman on House Bills 2038, and 2168. Does the Gentlemen have leave? There being no objections, the Gentlemen has leave. Are there any other Motions, or announcements? Representative Mulcahey, for what purpose do you arise?"

Mulcahey: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, Members of the House, the Elementary and Secondary Education Committee, which is in recess at this moment, will reconvene tomorrow afternoon at 2:00 o'clock in the usual place."

Speaker Breslin: "Thank you. The Chair recognizes the Gentlemen from Madison, Representative Wolf. For what purpose do you

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arise?"

Wolf: "Thank you, Madam Speaker, for purposes of an announcement. There'll be a meeting of the Personnel and Pensions Committee at 4:00 o'clock, in room C-1 in the Stratton Building."

Speaker Breslin: "The Chair..."

Wolf: "Excused me. I would appreciate it, if the Sponsors would be prompt. We have many Bills. We're going to try to get them all out, and try to avoid a recess meeting tomorrow."

Speaker Breslin: "Are there any further announcements or motions? In that case, the Chair recognizes Representative McPike, for purposes of a motion."

McPike: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move that the House stand adjourned until tomorrow at the hour of 12 noon, allowing the Clerk 5 minutes for Perfunctory Session."

Speaker Breslin: "All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed 'no', the 'ayes' have it. The motion carries. We are adjourned until 12 noon tomorrow."

Clerk Leone: "Committee Reports. Representative Jesse White, Chairman from the Committee on Human Services, to which the following Bills were referred, action taken May 3, 1983 and reported the same back with the following recommendations: 'Do pass' House Bills 1695, 1760, 1761, 1873, 2166 and 2184. 'Do pass as amended' House Bills 670, 942, 1516 and 1547. 'Do pass Short Debate Calendar' House Bills 1505, 1509, 1886, 2115 and 2178. 'Do pass as amended Short Debate Calendar' House Bills 1490, 1502, 1857, 1922 and 2201. 'Do pass Consent Calendar' House Bills 1462, 1498, 2008, 2059 and 2212. 'Do pass as amended Consent Calendar' House Bills 1037, 2058 and 2070. 'Tabled in Committee by Rule 26 (d)' House Bills 618 and 1198. 'Interim Study Calendar' House Bills 1726 and 1600. Representative Christensen, Chairman from the Select Committee on Aging,

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to which the following Bills were referred, action taken May 4, 1983 and reported the same back with the following recommendations: 'Do pass Short Debate Calendar' House Bill 2135. 'Interim Study Calendar' House Bill 1185. Introduction and First Reading. House Bill 2291, John Dunn, a Bill for an Act to add Sections to Sanitary District Act. First Reading of the Bill. Being no further business, the House will now stand adjourned till tomorrow, May 5, at 12:00 o'clock noon."

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