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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.
Senator Linda Holmes, Aurora, Illinois, presiding.
Prayer by Dr. Driss El-Akrich, Islamic Society of Greater Springfield, Springfield, Illinois.
Senator Johnson led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Glowiak Hilton moved that reading and approval of the Journals of Wednesday, February 5, 2025, Thursday, February 6, 2025, Friday, February 7, 2025 and Tuesday, February 11, 2025, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journals.
The motion prevailed.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES FILED

The following Floor amendment to the Senate Bill listed below has been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Assignments:

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 28

The following Committee amendments to the Senate Bills listed below have been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Assignments:

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 42
Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 103
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REPORTS RECEIVED

The Secretary placed before the Senate the following reports:

IDVA Members Benefit Fund Report Q1 FY25, submitted by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

CGFA State of Illinois Economic Forecast Report Feb. 2025, submitted by the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability.

ICCB Development Education Reform in the Illinois Community College System Report FY25, submitted by the Illinois Community College Board.

Eavesdropping Report CY24, submitted by the Effingham County State's Attorney.

IDPH Semiannual Overdose Report Jan. 2025, submitted by the Department of Public Health.

IDPH Breast Reconstruction and Prostheses Options and Education Report FY22-FY23, submitted by the Department of Public Health.

Reporting Requirement of 50 ILCS 707/20 (Law Enforcement Camera Grant Act), submitted by the Channahon Police Department.

The foregoing reports were ordered received and placed on file in the Secretary's Office.

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MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
207 STATE HOUSE
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS 62706**

**JB PRITZKER
GOVERNOR**

February 14, 2025

To the Honorable
Members of the Senate
One-Hundred and Fourth General Assembly

Mr. President:

On January 19, 2024, Appointment Message 103-409 nominating Kenneth R. Olson as a Member of the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange Advisory Committee was delivered to your Honorable Body. As of the date of this letter, it is my understanding that the Senate has not taken action on this nomination.

Please be advised that the Appointment Message, for which concurrence in and confirmation of your Honorable Body was sought, is hereby withdrawn, effective immediately.

Sincerely,
s/JB Pritzker
Governor

PRESENTATION OF CELEBRATION OF LIFE RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 119

Offered by Senator Johnson and all Senators:
Mourns the death of Jonathan Amir Jackson Sr.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 120

Offered by Senator Murphy and all Senators:
Mourns the passing of Dr. Jose "Joe" Austriaco of Park Ridge, formerly of Lombard and Oak Brook.

By unanimous consent, the foregoing resolutions were referred to the Resolutions Consent Calendar.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senator Lightford offered the following Senate Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Assignments:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 116

WHEREAS, Decades of research demonstrate that high-quality early care and education programs are effective in supporting the learning and development of young children, increasing their likelihood of success in school and in later life; and

WHEREAS, Studies similarly reflect the substantial contributions that early childhood services make in strengthening the well-being of communities, the stability of our workforce, and the quality of our economy, as well as public safety and national security; and

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WHEREAS, The quality of early childhood services depends largely upon the quality of their infrastructure, ranging from well-qualified teachers to supportive data systems; and

WHEREAS, Such infrastructure also includes safe, developmentally appropriate classrooms and related physical space for young children's care and learning; and

WHEREAS, The availability and quality of early childhood facilities are an equitability concern for many underserved populations of Illinois, including communities of color, areas of pronounced socio-economic pressure, and rural regions; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis has stated that high-quality environments not only help keep children safe and healthy but also facilitate concentration, ease of play, and more positive child-teacher and child-child interactions; providing a high-quality environment includes ensuring such conditions as adequate space, ventilation, thermal comfort, and lighting; and

WHEREAS, The national Bipartisan Policy Center has reported that investments in early care and learning facilities should be an element of federal, state, and local economic-development strategies; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois reflected these realities in establishing the Early Childhood Construction Grants (ECCG) initiative in 2009 and growing the grant's resources to \$100 million in 2019, with approximately \$40 million of that amount still remaining to be awarded to qualified building-and-repair projects; and

WHEREAS, Owing to resource limitations, the number of ECCG grant applications and the needs they represent have vastly outpaced the number of actual grant awards that could be made to early childhood providers over the years; and

WHEREAS, In Illinois' mixed-delivery system of early childhood services, community-based providers play an important role by helping relieve capacity pressures on maxed-out school facilities while also meeting the specific needs and choices of many parents in their own localities; and

WHEREAS, Community-based service providers typically have far less access to capital, including the technical assistance required to seek building resources, than do schools; and

WHEREAS, The vast scope of the State's construction-and-renovation needs is also evidenced by Early Childhood Regional Needs Assessments produced in 2023 by Birth to Five Illinois in which stakeholders from approximately one-fifth of Illinois counties, ranging from Jo Daviess to Kankakee to Pope and beyond, expressly named capital matters among their most pressing concerns; and

WHEREAS, School districts participating in the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) 2024 Capital Needs Assessment Survey identified the need for building 269 additional school-based preK classrooms statewide; and

WHEREAS, ISBE's biennial Capital Needs Assessment Survey captures only a portion of Illinois' early childhood facilities needs, considering that fewer than half of elementary and unit districts took part in the most recent assessment and that the assessment does not extend to community-based service providers; and

WHEREAS, A national report from the Reinvestment Fund and National Children's Facilities Network declared that "limited supply of licensable facilities, cramped spaces, and deferred maintenance have been common features of child care infrastructure for decades," adding that their findings "suggest a significant remaining need for funding for facilities infrastructure, from maintaining and repairing facilities, expanding existing programs, to developing new high-quality learning environments; and

WHEREAS, In 2019, the Governor appointed a bipartisan Illinois Commission on Equitable Early Childhood Education and Care Funding (Early Childhood Funding Commission) that, after a year of research and expert deliberation, issued recommendations for making the State's system of birth-to-five services "simpler, better, fairer" for children and families; and

WHEREAS, The Funding Commission's report expressly acknowledged the significance of Illinois' urgent bricks-and-mortar needs, stating that future studies must assess the costs of facility footprint expansion across the mixed delivery system to help adjust projections of future funding needs; and

WHEREAS, The Funding Commission recommended substantial increases in birth-to-five programmatic resources that Illinois has begun to pursue through the Governor's multi-year Smart Start Illinois initiative, representing important and desperately needed growth in early childhood program capacity that will understandably increase physical-infrastructure needs even further, over time, as more families are helped to access the services they seek; and

WHEREAS, The Commission and the Governor also recommended the creation of a single State agency to streamline, improve, and assume responsibility for the administration of core birth-to-five services that historically have been spread across multiple other departments; and

WHEREAS, By an overwhelmingly bipartisan vote, the General Assembly accordingly authorized the establishment of the State's new Department of Early Childhood via Public Act 103-0594, which also launched a two-year planning process for development of the new agency; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the new Department of Early Childhood and its planning process should prioritize appropriate attention to the facilities needs of our State's mixed-delivery system of early care and education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That such prioritization should include development of a biennial measure of physical-infrastructure needs among community-based providers of child care, preschool, and other core early childhood services for children from birth to age five, as well as continue to assess the capital needs of school-based providers of such programs, to better inform state policy decision-making, and reflect the Funding Commission's call for deliberate assessment of facility-expansion costs; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the State should move expeditiously to award its remaining Early Childhood Construction Grant monies to qualified applicants, to assist providers of critical birth-to-five programs in meeting their growing building-and-repair demands; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the State should also move as quickly as feasible to replenish Early Childhood Construction Grant resources to help Illinois achieve the long-term vision of the bipartisan Funding Commission for making services "simpler, better, fairer" for young children, their families, and communities statewide; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the offices of the Governor, the Illinois Department of Early Childhood, the Illinois State Board of Education, the Illinois Department of Human Services, the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, and the Capital Development Board.

Senator Lightford offered the following Senate Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Assignments:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 117

WHEREAS, The Illinois constitution states "a fundamental goal of the People of the State is the educational development of all persons to the limits of their capacities"; and

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WHEREAS, The education system in this State produces inequitable outcomes along lines of race and ethnicity with 9% of Black students, 15% of Latinx students, 23% of American Indian or Alaska Native students, 35% of Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander students, and 31% of multiracial students reaching proficiency in math compared to 38% of white students and 61% of Asian students; and

WHEREAS, More than 20 years of research indicates that teacher diversity has positive impacts on student outcomes, including academic achievement, graduation rates, attendance, instances of exclusionary discipline, and college aspirations; and

WHEREAS, Research demonstrates the positive impact of alignment between teacher and student racial and ethnic diversity; and

WHEREAS, In Illinois, teachers of color make up less than 18% of the workforce while students of color make up 54% of the student body; and

WHEREAS, Representation of Black, Latinx, Asian, American Indian or Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, and multiracial teachers does not match the respective proportion of Illinois students who are Black, Latinx, Asian, American Indian or Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, and multiracial; and

WHEREAS, Longstanding systemic racism and ongoing barriers lead to reductions in diversity throughout the teacher pipeline starting with unequal high school graduation rates and rates of enrollment in postsecondary institutions, including racial disparities in educator preparation enrollment and retention in the teaching profession; and

WHEREAS, One of the most significant challenges in the teacher pipeline is the gap in diversity between Illinois colleges and Illinois educator preparation programs; and

WHEREAS, More debt can discourage those in pursuit of a career in the teaching profession; and

WHEREAS, Teachers of color are more likely to borrow money to pay for teacher preparation; and

WHEREAS, The Minority Teachers of Illinois Scholarship was created to encourage academically talented Illinois minority students to enroll in educator preparation and pursue teaching careers so that students of color in Illinois are more likely to be taught by teachers of color; and

WHEREAS, Recipients of the Minority Teachers of Illinois Scholarship are required to teach in schools at which no less than 30% of the enrolled students are minority students in the year during which the recipient begins teaching at the school or, if the recipient received a scholarship as a qualified bilingual minority applicant, in a program in transitional bilingual education pursuant to Article 14C of the School Code or in a school in which 20 or more English learner students in the same language classification are enrolled; and

WHEREAS, More than 8,000 awards have been distributed to aspiring teachers of color through the Minority Teachers of Illinois scholarship; and

WHEREAS, The pool of candidates enrolling in educator preparation programs has indeed grown more diverse over time but is still not as diverse as Illinois colleges; and

WHEREAS, The teacher workforce has gradually grown more diverse over the last decade but still lags student diversity significantly; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we affirm the importance and targeted value of the Minority Teachers of Illinois scholarship in increasing diversity in the teacher workforce; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That we celebrate the support that the Minority Teachers of Illinois scholarship has offered to aspiring teachers to date and the scholarship's role in growing the diversity of teacher preparation in Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to continue to administer the Minority Teachers of Illinois scholarship in order to support aspiring teachers of color to enter the teaching profession; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the State of Illinois and its entities to continue to support efforts grounded in research and data that increase the diversity of the educator workforce in order to improve outcomes for all students in this State.

Senator Ventura offered the following Senate Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Assignments:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 118

WHEREAS, In May 1921, Washington D.C. hosted a national convention for amity between the races; it was a multi-racial interfaith gathering where for three days thousands of people assembled in the first ever convention for amity between the Black and white races; and

WHEREAS, Work continues towards achieving peace and unity to reach the vision of our nation, E Pluribus Unum "Out of many, one"; and

WHEREAS, The greatest asset of the State of Illinois is its people; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois is comprised of multicultural, multiethnic, and multi-racial residents; and

WHEREAS, A large number of Illinois residents, 39.8% or approximately 5,600,000 people, identify as Black, Hispanic, Asian American, or multi-racial; and

WHEREAS, Friendship, collegiality, civility, respect, and kindness are commonly shared ideals of the collective residents of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The Towards E Pluribus Unum Initiative of the National Center for Race Amity has invited communities across the United States of America to join in introspection and reflection on the beauty and richness of the diverse peoples of this great nation while reaching out with a spirit of amity toward one another annually on the second Sunday in June, designated as Race Amity Day; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare June 8, 2025 as "Race Amity Day" in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we invite communities across the United States of America to join in introspection and reflection on the beauty and richness of the diverse peoples of this great nation while reaching out with a spirit of amity toward one another on Race Amity Day.

Senator Plummer offered the following Senate Joint Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Assignments:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20

WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General Assembly pays honor and respect to those who have served our country and, in doing so, have made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation; and

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WHEREAS, U.S. Army Sgt. Kenneth Levi Ridgley of Olney always dreamed of becoming a soldier and used to spend time at local military recruiting stations in his hometown; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Ridgley joined the Illinois National Guard and served for six years, a move that helped him earn his tuition at Southern Illinois University; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Ridgley joined the U.S. Army three years after leaving the Illinois National Guard and was assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade, 25th Infantry Division (Stryker Brigade Combat Team), Fort Lewis, Washington; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Ridgley was killed in action on March 30, 2005 while serving during Operation Iraqi Freedom when shooting broke out at a checkpoint as U.S. soldiers prepared to inspect a vehicle; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate U.S. Highway 250 from the intersection of U.S. Highway 50 and Illinois Route 130 in Olney to 10 miles west of Olney on U.S. Highway 50 as the "Sgt. Levi Ridgley Memorial Road"; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs giving notice of the name "Sgt. Levi Ridgley Memorial Road"; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the family of Sgt. Ridgley, the Mayor of Olney, and the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Senator Chesney offered the following Senate Joint Resolution, which was ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Assignments:

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 7**

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Section 7 of Article III of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

**ARTICLE III
SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS**

(ILCON Art. III, Sec. 1)

SECTION 1. VOTING QUALIFICATIONS

Every United States citizen who has attained the age of 18 or any other voting age required by the United States for voting ~~in State elections~~ and who has been a permanent resident of this State for at least 30 days next preceding any election shall have the right to vote at such election. The General Assembly by law may establish registration requirements and require permanent residence in an election district not to exceed thirty days prior to an election. The General Assembly by law may establish shorter residence requirements for voting for President and Vice-President of the United States.

(Source: Amendment adopted at general election November 8, 1988.)

(ILCON Art. III, Sec. 9 new)

SECTION 9. PHOTO IDENTIFICATION

Each voter shall present photo identification to verify the voter's identity when voting in person at a polling place during early voting or on election day before being provided a ballot. To be considered valid,

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the photo identification shall be current or expired for no more than four years. Acceptable forms of identification include:

(1) Illinois driver's license.

(2) Identification card issued by the State of Illinois, any other State, or the United States Government.

(3) Employee photo identification card issued by the United States government, Illinois government, or any Illinois county, municipality, board, authority, or other government entity.

(4) United States passport.

(5) United States military identification card.

(6) Student photo identification card issued by a public institution of higher education.

(7) Tribal photo identification card.

(8) Illinois Firearm Owner's Identification Card.

(9) Other form of government-issued photo identification that the General Assembly may approve.

(ILCON Art. III, Sec. 10 new)

SECTION 10. VOTER VERIFICATION

Each voter who votes by mail-in ballot shall enter one of the following in the block provided next to the voter's signature for election officials to use in verifying the voter's identity:

(1) The last four digits of the voter's Illinois driver's license number or Illinois identification card number.

(2) If the voter does not possess an Illinois driver's license or an Illinois identification card, the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number.

(3) If the voter has neither an Illinois driver's license, an Illinois identification card, or a Social Security number, the number provided by the county clerk or Board of Election Commissioners when the voter registered to vote.

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

SENATE BILL NO. 2520. Introduced by Senator Murphy, a bill for AN ACT concerning finance.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Assignments.

SENATE BILL NO. 2521. Introduced by Senator D. Turner, a bill for AN ACT concerning appropriations.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Assignments.

SENATE BILL NO. 2522. Introduced by Senator Balkema, a bill for AN ACT making appropriations.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Assignments.

SENATE BILL NO. 2523. Introduced by Senator Glowiak Hilton, a bill for AN ACT concerning regulation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Assignments.

SENATE BILL NO. 2524. Introduced by Senator Lightford, a bill for AN ACT concerning transportation.

The bill was taken up, read by title a first time, ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Assignments.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS**

February 14, 2025

Executive Order 2025-01

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 2025-01
EXECUTIVE ORDER TO REORGANIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND
CONSOLIDATE THE DIVISIONS OF MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION
AND RECOVERY, CREATING THE NEW DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND
RECOVERY**

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 11 of the Illinois Constitution authorizes the Governor to reassign functions or reorganize executive agencies that are directly responsible to him by means of executive order;

WHEREAS, Section 3.2 of the Executive Reorganization Implementation Act, 15 ILCS 15/3.2, provides that “Reorganization” includes ‘the consolidation or coordination of any part of any agency or the functions thereof with any other part of the same agency or the functions thereof;’

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services’ (Department) Division of Mental Health (DMH) and the Department’s Division of Substance Use Prevention and Recovery (SUPR) are divisions within an executive agency directly responsible to the Governor and exercise the rights, powers, duties, and responsibilities derived from 20 ILCS 1305 et seq.;

WHEREAS, there is a substantial overlap in persons served by DMH and SUPR, as one in four individuals with a serious mental illness also has a substance use disorder, almost 50% of inpatient substance use disorder patients have a co-occurring psychiatric disorder, and approximately 32% of inpatient psychiatric patients have a co-occurring substance use disorder;

WHEREAS, many Illinois service providers serve consumers of both DMH and SUPR, with 61 community mental health centers also licensed to provide substance use disorder services, and 17 having grants with both current Divisions;

WHEREAS, recovery from substance use disorders and mental illnesses, defined as a process of change through which individuals improve their health and wellness, live a self-directed life, and strive to reach their full potential, is a primary goal for behavioral health care and will benefit from the broader availability of integrated substance use and mental health services;

WHEREAS, the consolidation of DMH and SUPR will leverage the expertise of staff from both Divisions, improve accessibility and accountability, improve outcomes for Illinoisans who have both mental illnesses and substance use disorders, reduce administrative burden on providers, and enhance substance use disorder treatment in State-Operated Psychiatric Hospitals, among other improvements;

WHEREAS, for the foregoing reasons, it is appropriate and most beneficial to consolidate DMH and SUPR into a new integrated division;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the consolidation of DMH and SUPR, the initiatives and programs of both agencies will be preserved and maintained; and

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WHEREAS, the consolidation of DMH and SUPR will improve access to care for consumers and patients, streamline processes, strengthen the workforce, and allow staff to be more responsive to the needs of Illinois residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, pursuant to the executive authority vested in me by Article V, Section 11 of the Illinois Constitution, hereby order the following:

I. CONSOLIDATION OF FUNCTIONS

Effective on July 1, 2025, or as soon thereafter as practicable, powers, duties, rights, and responsibilities related to DMH and SUPR shall be consolidated into a single entity called the Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery within the Department of Human Services. The statutory powers, duties, rights, and responsibilities of DMH and SUPR derive from the following and all other relevant statutes, as well as the regulations promulgated thereunder, including, but not limited to:

- a. Substance Use Disorder Act, 20 ILCS 301 et seq.;
- b. Civil Administrative Code of Illinois (Department of Human Services (Alcoholism and Substance Abuse) Law) 20 ILCS 310 et seq.;
- c. Department of Human Services Act, 20 ILCS 1305 et seq.;
- d. Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Administrative Act, 20 ILCS 1705 et seq.;
- e. Civil Administrative Code of Illinois (Department of Human Services (Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities) Law) 20 ILCS 1710 et seq.;
- f. Illinois Public Aid Code, 305 ILCS 5 et seq.;
- g. Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code, 405 ILCS 5 et seq.;
- h. Illinois Vehicle Code, 625 ILCS 5 et seq.;
- i. Sexually Violent Persons Commitment Act, 725 ILCS 207 et seq.;
- j. Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act, 740 ILCS 110 et seq.;
- k. Unified Code of Corrections, 730 ILCS 5 et seq.;
- l. Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963, 725 ILCS 5 et seq.; and
- m. Illinois Controlled Substances Act, 720 ILCS 570 et seq.

II. EFFECT OF CONSOLIDATION

- a. The powers, duties, rights, and responsibilities vested in DMH and SUPR shall be consolidated and vested in the new Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery. Each act done in the exercise of such powers, duties, rights, and responsibilities by the Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery shall have the same legal effect as if done by DMH or SUPR.
- b. The employees of DMH and SUPR shall be transferred and consolidated into the new Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery. The status and rights of DMH and SUPR employees under the Personnel Code shall not be affected by the consolidation.
- c. All books, records, papers, documents, property (real and personal), contracts, and pending business pertaining to the powers, duties, rights, and responsibilities related to DMH and SUPR and consolidated by this Executive Order, including but not limited to material in electronic or magnetic format and necessary computer hardware and software, shall be delivered to the new Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery.
- d. Any rules, regulations, obligations, and other actions of DMH or SUPR shall be transferred and continue as rules, regulations, obligations, and actions of the Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery. The Department of Human Services shall modify any rules, regulations, obligations, or other actions, as necessary, to carry out the reorganization.
- e. No obligations arising from any civil or criminal penalties previously imposed are affected by this Executive Order. Every person or entity shall be subject to the same obligations and duties and any penalties, civil or criminal, arising therefrom, and shall have the same rights arising from the exercise of such powers, duties, rights, and responsibilities as had been exercised by DMH or

SUPR or its officers or employees.

- f. Whenever reports or notices are now required to be made or given or papers or documents furnished or served by any person to or upon DMH or SUPR in connection with any of their functions consolidated by this Executive Order, the same shall be made, given, furnished, or served in the same manner to or upon the new Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery.
- g. This Executive Order shall not affect any act done, ratified, or canceled or any right occurring or established or any action or proceeding had or commenced in an administrative, civil, or criminal cause regarding DMH or SUPR before this Executive Order takes effect; such actions or proceedings may be defended, prosecuted, and continued by the Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery.

III. SAVINGS CLAUSE

This Executive Order does not contravene, and shall not be construed to contravene any contracts, agreements, or collective bargaining agreements.

IV. PRIOR EXECUTIVE ORDERS

This Executive Order supersedes any contrary provision of any other prior Executive Order.

V. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, this invalidity does not affect any other provision or application of this Executive Order which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application. To achieve this purpose, the provisions of this Executive Order are declared to be severable.

VI. FILING AND DELIVERY

This Executive Order shall be filed with the Secretary of State. A copy of this Executive Order shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Senate and to the Clerk of the House of Representatives and, for the purpose of preparing revisory legislation, to the Legislative Reference Bureau.

VII. EFFECTIVE DATE

Provided that neither house of the General Assembly disapproves of this Executive Order by the record vote of a majority of the members elected, this Executive Order shall take effect 60 days after its delivery to the General Assembly.

s/ JB Pritzker
JB Pritzker Governor

Issued by the Governor: February 14, 2025
Filed with the Secretary of State: February 14, 2025

The foregoing Executive Order was referred to the Committee on Assignments.

APPOINTMENT MESSAGES

Appointment Message No. 1040046

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

[February 18, 2025]

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Commission on Equity and Inclusion

Start Date: February 7, 2025

End Date: January 15, 2029

Name: Van P. Austin

County of Residence: Sangamon

Annual Compensation: \$141,002

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Steve McClure

Most Recent Holder of Office: Van P. Austin

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040047

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Commission on Equity and Inclusion

Start Date: February 7, 2025

End Date: January 15, 2029

Name: Cleric Richard Costes

County of Residence: Cook

Annual Compensation: \$141,002

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Graciela Guzmán

Most Recent Holder of Office: Cleric Richard Costes

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040048

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

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I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Commission on Equity and Inclusion

Start Date: February 7, 2025

End Date: January 15, 2029

Name: Nina Harris

County of Residence: Sangamon

Annual Compensation: \$141,002 per annum

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Doris Turner

Most Recent Holder of Office: Nina Harris

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040049

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Commission on Equity and Inclusion

Start Date: February 7, 2025

End Date: January 15, 2029

Name: Enneddy D. Rivera

County of Residence: Lake

Annual Compensation: \$141,002 per annum

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Julie A. Morrison

Most Recent Holder of Office: Enneddy D. Rivera

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040050

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Employment Security Board of Review

Start Date: February 7, 2025

End Date: January 18, 2027

Name: Deborah Hagan

County of Residence: Sangamon

Annual Compensation: \$15,000 per annum

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Doris Turner

Most Recent Holder of Office: Deborah Hagan

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040051

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Property Tax Appeal Board

Start Date: February 7, 2025

End Date: January 20, 2031

Name: Kevin L. Freeman

County of Residence: Cook

Annual Compensation: \$61,827 per annum

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Robert Peters

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Most Recent Holder of Office: Kevin L. Freeman

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040052

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Property Tax Appeal Board

Start Date: February 7, 2025

End Date: January 20, 2031

Name: Sarah Buckley

County of Residence: Cook

Annual Compensation: \$61,827

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Ram Villivalam

Most Recent Holder of Office: Sarah Buckley

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040053

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: State Mining Board

Start Date: February 7, 2025

End Date: January 20, 2027

Name: Robert Noren Eggerman

County of Residence: Christian

Annual Compensation: \$18,545

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Steve McClure

Most Recent Holder of Office: Robert Noren Eggerman

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040054

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: State Mining Board

Start Date: February 7, 2025

End Date: January 20, 2027

Name: Stephen Ellsworth Willis

County of Residence: Williamson

Annual Compensation: \$18,545

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Dale Fowler

Most Recent Holder of Office: Stephen Ellsworth Willis

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040055

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Central Midwest Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Commission

Start Date: February 7, 2025

End Date: January 18, 2027

Name: William Robert Roy

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County of Residence: Champaign

Annual Compensation: Unsalariated

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Paul Faraci

Most Recent Holder of Office: Joseph Klinger

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040056

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Commerce Commission

Start Date: February 10, 2025

End Date: January 21, 2030

Name: Michael Terry Carrigan

County of Residence: Macon

Annual Compensation: \$138,684

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Doris Turner

Most Recent Holder of Office: Michael Terry Carrigan

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040057

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Board of Higher Education

Start Date: February 10, 2025

End Date: January 31, 2031

Name: Pranav G. Kothari

County of Residence: Cook

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Graciela Guzmán

Most Recent Holder of Office: Pranav G. Kothari

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040058

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Capital Development Board

Start Date: February 10, 2025

End Date: January 20, 2029

Name: Pamela McDonough

County of Residence: Cook

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Mattie Hunter

Most Recent Holder of Office: Pamela McDonough

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040059

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

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Agency or Other Body: Chicago State University Board of Trustees

Start Date: February 10, 2025

End Date: January 20, 2031

Name: Andrea Zopp

County of Residence: Cook

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Bill Cunningham

Most Recent Holder of Office: Andrea Zopp

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040060

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Eastern Illinois University Board of Trustees

Start Date: February 10, 2025

End Date: January 20, 2031

Name: Timi James Ngoboh

County of Residence: Cook

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Graciela Guzmán

Most Recent Holder of Office: Timi James Ngoboh

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040061

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Housing Development Authority

Start Date: February 10, 2025

End Date: January 8, 2029

Name: Brice Allen Hutchcraft

County of Residence: Champaign

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Paul Faraci

Most Recent Holder of Office: Brice Allen Hutchcraft

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040062

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission

Start Date: February 10, 2025

End Date: December 31, 2028

Name: Naomi Andrea Johnson

County of Residence: Cook

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Omar Aquino

Most Recent Holder of Office: Yanajaha Kafi Moragne-Patterson (alternate public member seat)

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

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Appointment Message No. 1040063

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission

Start Date: February 10, 2025

End Date: December 31, 2027

Name: Michael A. Strom

County of Residence: Cook

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Mike Simmons

Most Recent Holder of Office: Michael A. Strom

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040064

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Valley Regional Port District Board

Start Date: February 10, 2025

End Date: July 1, 2026

Name: Janette Marie

County of Residence: LaSalle

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Sue Rezin

Most Recent Holder of Office: New Position

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040065

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Illinois Valley Regional Port District Board

Start Date: February 10, 2025

End Date: July 1, 2026

Name: William F. Zens

County of Residence: LaSalle

Annual Compensation: Expenses

Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Sue Rezin

Most Recent Holder of Office: New Position

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Appointment Message No. 1040066

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, One Hundred Fourth General Assembly:

I, JB Pritzker, Governor, am nominating and, having sought the advice of the Senate and by and with the consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

Title of Office: Member

Agency or Other Body: Northeastern Illinois University Board of Trustees

Start Date: February 10, 2025

End Date: January 20, 2031

Name: Ann P. Kalayil

County of Residence: Cook

Annual Compensation: Expenses

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Per diem: Not Applicable

Nominee's Senator: Senator Ram Villivalam

Most Recent Holder of Office: Ann P. Kalayil

Superseded Appointment Message: Not Applicable

Under the rules, the foregoing Appointment Messages were referred to the Committee on Executive Appointments.

At the hour of 12:16 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that the Senate stands at ease.

AT EASE

At the hour of 12:22 o'clock p.m., the Senate resumed consideration of business.
Senator Holmes, presiding.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON ASSIGNMENTS

Senator Cunningham, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Assignments, during its February 18, 2025 meeting, reported the following Legislative Measures have been assigned to the indicated Standing Committees of the Senate:

Appropriations: **Senate Bills Numbered 1689, 1771, 1851 and 1893.**

Appropriations- Education: **Senate Bill No. 1878.**

Appropriations- Health and Human Services: **Senate Bills Numbered 1465, 1652, 1653, 1678, 1690, 1751, 1755, 1765, 1804, 1845, 1857 and 1860; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1391.**

Appropriations- Public Safety and Infrastructure: **Senate Bills Numbered 1658, 1759, 1761, 1762, 1843 and 1863.**

Behavioral and Mental Health: **Senate Bill No. 1844.**

Criminal Law: **Senate Bill No. 1773.**

Education: **Senate Bills Numbered 1740, 1741, 1799 and 1850; Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 28.**

Energy and Public Utilities: **Senate Bills Numbered 182, 1500, 1697, 1723 and 1816.**

Environment and Conservation: **Senate Bill No. 1686.**

Executive: **Senate Bills Numbered 1537, 1659, 1660, 1661, 1662, 1663, 1665, 1704, 1705, 1706, 1719, 1732, 1733, 1744, 1758, 1766, 1767, 1768, 1772, 1786, 1793, 1797, 1802, 1815, 1827, 1856, 1861, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1887 and 1889; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 105; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1326.**

Financial Institutions: **Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 169.**

Health and Human Services: **Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 206; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1274.**

Insurance: **Senate Bills Numbered 1746 and 1769.**

Judiciary: **Senate Bills Numbered 1667, 1669, 1675, 1683, 1698, 1702, 1713, 1738, 1757, 1777 and 1876; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 103; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1348.**

Labor: **Senate Bill No. 1701.**

Licensed Activities: **Senate Bills Numbered 1743 and 1756.**

Pensions: **Senate Bills Numbered 1712 and 1894.**

Public Health: **Senate Bills Numbered 25 and 1814.**

Revenue: **Senate Bills Numbered 1673, 1694, 1695, 1709, 1718, 1730, 1739, 1745, 1749, 1750, 1807, 1813, 1821, 1830, 1833, 1888 and 1897.**

State Government: **Senate Bills Numbered 1764 and 1884; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1343.**

Transportation: **Senate Bill No. 1800; Committee Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 263.**

Criminal Law then Appropriations- Health & Human Services: **Senate Bill No. 1882.**

Judiciary then Appropriations: **Senate Bill No. 1820.**

Senator Cunningham asked and obtained unanimous consent for a Democrat caucus to meet immediately upon adjournment.

Senator Bryant asked and obtained unanimous consent for a Republican caucus to meet immediately upon adjournment.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES FILED

The following Floor amendment to the Senate Bill listed below has been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Assignments:

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 83

The following Committee amendments to the Senate Bills listed below have been filed with the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Assignments:

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1298

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1339

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1383

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1424

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1447

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1590

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1740

At the hour of 12:29 o'clock p.m., the Chair announced that the Senate stands adjourned until Wednesday, February 19, 2025, at 11:00 o'clock a.m.