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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The regular Session of the 103rd General Assembly will please come to order. Will Members please -- please -- please be at their desks. The invocation today will be given by Pastor Stephen Lawrence of the Exodus Church of Springfield.

PASTOR STEPHEN LAWRENCE: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Johnson, please lead us.

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

We have a request from WAND TV to record video, and from WGEM to record video and audio, and from Capitol News to photograph. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, April 10th, 2024.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal just read by the Secretary, pending approval of the printed transcripts.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton moves to postpone the reading and the approval of the Journal pending the arrival of the printed transcripts, there being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senator Turner, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 914 and Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2747 Recommend Do Adopt and Senate Joint Resolution 50 Be Adopted. Senator Stadelman, Chair of the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities, reports Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 772 and Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3686 Recommend Do Adopt and Senate Resolution 785 Be Adopted. Senator Ellman, Chair of the Committee on Environment and Conservation, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3165 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Murphy, Chair of the Committee on Executive Appointments, reports Appointment Messages 10389, 103, 104, 107, 127, 129, 130, 131, 134, 135, 138, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 171, 172, 173, 183 and 364 Do Recommend Consent.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, Introduction and Reading of Senate Bills for the 1st time.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3927, offered by Senator Castro, an Act concerning public employee benefits. 1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, what is the status of Appointment Message No. 1030083?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, letter dated April 11th, 2024. Dear Secretary Anderson, Effective immediately, I am withdrawing the temporary appointment of Michelle Hoy-Watkins as a Member of the Illinois State Police Merit Board. Sincerely, J.B. Pritzker, Governor. The Appointment Message for 1030083 has been officially withdrawn.

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The record will reflect that the Appointment Message No. 1030083 has been withdrawn prior to the close of the 60th Session Day after the receipt of this appointment. Mr. Secretary, corrections.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, on February 20th, Senate Bill 3316 was referred to multiple committees specifically to the Behavioral and Mental Health Committee and then to the Appropriations Committee after a hearing in Behavioral and Mental Health Committee the bill was incorrectly sent to 2nd Reading on March 6th instead of the Appropriations Committee. Therefore, the bill will be removed from 2nd Reading and placed in the Appropriations Committee, and any action incorrectly taken in regard to Senate Bill 3316 after March 6th will be stricken from the record.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

We have a request from Blueroomstream to -- permission to video stream. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. All within the sound of my voice please come to the Senate Floor. We are taking 3rd Readings. All within the sound of my voice please come to the Senate Floor. We're going to actually start on page 2 the Order of 2nd Reading with Senate Bill 2234, Senator Belt. Senate Bill 2536, Senator Sims. Senate Bill 2568, Senator Villa. Senate Bill 2608, Senator Villa. Senate Bill 2608, Senator Preston. Senate Bill 2625, Senator Lightford. Leader Lightford. Senate Bill 2626, Senator Peters. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2626, an Act concerning State government. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Special Committee on Criminal Law and

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Public Safety adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Peters.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Peters, on your amendment.

SENATOR PETERS:

I'll explain on 3rd. I'd like to adopt the amendment and explain on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Moving on we're going to Senate Bill 2731, Senator Glowiak Hilton. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2731, an Act concerning regulations. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Glowiak Hilton.

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Senator Glowiak Hilton, on your amendment.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to adopt the amendment and explain it on 3rd, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments are reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. We're going to Senate Bill 2745, Senator Lightford. Leader Lightford. Senate Bill 2758, Senator Villa. Senate Bill 2788, Senator Edly-Allen. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2788, an Act concerning children. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2822, Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2822, an Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities adopted Amendment

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No. 1 or excuse me, Amendment No. 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Morrison.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Morrison, on your amendment.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Mr. President, I would like to adopt the amendment and discuss on 3rd, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3130, Senator Fine. Senate Bill 3163, Senator Edly-Allen. Senate Bill 3288, Senator Peters. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3288, an Act concerning civil law. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3316, Senator Feigenholtz. Senate Bill 3325, Senator Edly-Allen. Senate Bill 3331, Senator Aquino. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3331, an Act concerning business. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3359, Leader Lightford. Senate Bill 3433, Senator Gillespie. At the top of the page 3, Senate Bill 3536, Senator Bryant. Senate Bill 3559, Senator Collins. Senate Bill 3592, Senator Stadelman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3592, an Act concerning journalism. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 33 -- 3617, Senator Feigenholtz. Senate Bill 3649, Senator Peters. Senate Bill 3669, Senator Ellman. Senate Bill 3701, Senator Ellman. Senate Bill 3732, Senator Castro.

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Senate Bill 3762, Senator Villa. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3762, an Act concerning government. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Villa.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, on your amendment.

SENATOR VILLA:

I'd like to move and explain on 3rd, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3806, Senator Villanueva. This is final action everybody would be ready at their desks. We're to move pretty quickly this afternoon, we have a lot of bills to cover. This is final action. We're going to start with Senate Bill - on page 3, Senate Bill 331, Senator Doris Turner. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 331, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of

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the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Turner, to explain your bill.

SENATOR DORIS TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 331, as amended, requires the Board of Trustees of each public university and community college to pay employees their daily regular rate of pay and benefits if a campus is closed to a city, county or State declaration of a winter weather emergency.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill 331 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 331, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. I'm going to go to Senate Bill 426, Senator Murphy. The bottom of the page we're going to go to the Senate Bill 461, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Villivalam seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 461 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading now is Senate Bill 461. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Villivalam.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, on your amendment.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to request that we

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adopt the amendment and I'll explain it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 461. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 461, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, to explain your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 461 with the Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 represents a yearlong negotiation between stakeholders and universities. It provides additional access to in-state tuition, if available, at Illinois public universities for students that attend and complete their education at Illinois High School or community college. It provides two pathways. First, creates a pathway for high school graduates for two or more years of high school attendance, requires high school graduation, and students must be a resident of -in Illinois while attending high school. Secondly, the second path students must attend at least three years in high school or community college, receive a high school equivalent degree and full time equivalent of an associate degree, and student must have -- be a resident in Illinois while

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attending high school or community college. I know no opposition. It passed committee unanimously, would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill 461 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 42 voting Yea, 16 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 461, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We will turn the page and go to page No. 4. We'll go to Senate Bill 692, Senator Morrison. Senator Morrison seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 692 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading now Senate Bill 692. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Morrison.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Morrison, on your amendment.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to adopt it and discuss on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say -- will vote -- say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Morrison.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Morrison, on your amendment.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Again, I'd like to discuss this on 3rd Reading, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 692. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 692, an Act concerning local government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Morrison, to explain your bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Senate, this bill establishes a task force on interjurisdictional industrial zoning impacts. It will be administered by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and the task force will be responsible for setting current law regarding zoning for large industrial developments. The report will be due December 31st, 2025.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall Senate Bill 692 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have

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all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 vote -- 59 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 692, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to Senate Bill 773, Senator Castro. Senator Castro seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 773 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 773. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Castro.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Castro, on your amendment.

SENATOR CASTRO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I ask for its adoption. I'll explain on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 773. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 773, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Castro, to explain your bill.

SENATOR CASTRO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 773 provides that no group policy of accident and health insurance that provides pregnancy and related benefits may be issued, amended, delivered or renewed in Illinois after January 1st, 2026, unless the policy contains coverage for the diagnosis, and treatment of infertility. As amended, the bill also requires entity with more than 25 employees to cover for individuals 45 years of age or older, an annual menopause health visit at no cost sharing. The bill, as amended, does not require religious institutions or organizations sponsored by a religious institution to provide such coverage if it would violate their religious or moral teachings. This bill went -- passed in the Insurance with no opposition. I want to thank everyone who worked with us on it and I'm -- ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no question -- no discussion, the question is, shall Senate Bill 773 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 50 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 773, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to move down to the bottom of the page Senate Bill 914, Senator Doris Turner. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Turner seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 914 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading now is Senate Bill 914. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Doris Turner.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Turner, to explain your amendment.

SENATOR DORIS TURNER:

I'd like to adopt the amendment and explain on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 914. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 914, an Act concerning wildlife. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Turner, to explain your bill.

SENATOR DORIS TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 914 allows for two additional landowner deer, turkey, and combination permits if the property is solely owned by resident family members who do not live at the same property. The -- this year we are trying to solve - was brought to my attention by a constituent. And what the bill does is upon request for two additional family members who are owners, DNR will provide the landowner tags so that they do not have to go through the lottery.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill 914 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 914, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to turn the page to page 5, we're going to go to the middle of the page, Senate Bill 2535, Senator Simmons. Senate Bill 2586, Senator Cunningham. Senate Bill 2617, Senator Plummer. Senator Plummer, on Senate Bill 2617. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2617, an Act concerning health. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Plummer, to explain your bill.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

Yes. Thank you. Out of Illinois's 102 counties, there are two counties in the State, one of which, Richland County, is in my district. Those two counties do not yet have health departments, and the lack of health departments in those two counties have caused significant problems for some of the residents in a variety of capacities getting licensure, getting inspections, being able to provide goods to the community. So, all this bill does is it allows the two counties in Illinois that do not have health departments to outsource those services to surrounding counties, health departments, so that the residents of Richland County and Edwards County, which is the other county, can have the same

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service and the same products that health departments around the State give the -- the residents of those counties. I know of no opposition. I ask for a Yes vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2617 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2617, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to Senate Bill 2639, Senator Hastings. Senator Hastings, on Senate Bill 2639. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Hastings seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 6 -- 2639 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading now is Senate Bill 2639. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hastings, to explain your amendment.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Mr. President, I ask for a brief pause for the parliamentarian to have a conversation. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator we'll adopt the amendment and then we'll hold the bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Yes, Mr. President.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hastings, on your amendment.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Mr. President, I ask that we adopt the amendment and I'll -
- I'll explain it on 3rd Reading. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. It's going -- towards the bottom of the page, Senate Bill 2641, Senator Holmes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2641, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Holmes, to explain your bill.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank -- thank you so much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2641 requires all insurers providing a network plan to include in their

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file with the Department of Insurance and Insurers monitoring report for each network, hospital, and facility. The report has to include the number and percentage of physician providers under contract in each of the specialists of emergency medicine anesthesiologists, radiology, pathology, practicing the in-network hospital or facility if those persons are not employees of the hospital or facility.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Maybe a question for the sponsor on this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

She indicates she'll yield.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Senator, we talked yesterday, in committee, about this. In the -- the concern, I think, is the fact that what's unique about pathologist is that in a community, there's -- there are many cases there's just a single group. And under this legislation, it would require that the insurance companies would have to contract with them. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Yes. I think what we have noticed that's very, very important is what has happened over time as we have less and less providers in those specialties being in-network.

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Senator Syverson.

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SENATOR SYVERSON:

And then the concern is when you only have a single group that is in a community, and the law says that the carriers have to contract with them. This allows these doctors to set rates that are way above any normal rates, but the carriers have no choice but to contract with them. So, it is a concern here that that's - - this is going to create, extremely high costs for individuals because of contracts that are going to be way higher than what normal rates would be.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

No, it's absolutely not in the doctor's best interest to not negotiate fairly on their contracts. No. 1, doctors have said over and over they want to be in-network. So, what happens here is if they're not in-network, the -- the -- it's not like the doctors are making out. The patients are certainly being harmed by this. And the only person winning is the insurance company. I really, really want to make sure that what's important here is the patient care. Patients need pathologists in-network that they're comfortable using. Think of it every time you go into a surgical facility or a hospital, chances are something is being done where you will require a pathologist to examine it. If we do not incentivize having pathologists in-network and available to people, they're not getting the care they need, or it's being delayed drastically.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

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Thank you. I think, again, the concern is even those that have spoke in -- in the committee, that when you're employed by the system and you're a pathologist, you're under the hospital's contract. So, you're already included in that. In this case, yes, these doctors know that they want to be in the -- in the network, but if the insurance company is -- they can join the network now if they want to, but they don't want to agree to the contract or the pricing. This would allow them to literally charge any price that they wanted way above normal, because the law says they have to be in that network and then the only provider in the area. So, what's preventing them from saying, yes, we want a contract, but our contract is going to be way above what is a normal rate, which means if it's a higher rate, that means that the insured patient has to pay more.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

I would like to get past the belief that all doctors in a certain specialty, that their main concern is to make money and rake everybody and the insurers over the coals here. Quite frankly, when we talk to the doctors yesterday, the Network Adequacy Act and the Department of Insurance provide oversight to these relationships. They actually help insure that none of this behavior is taking place.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you. Well, again, we'd wish that was the case. But when there's monopolies, unfortunately the factor can come in where

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they can ask for more. I think that's one of the reasons why we've heard that the -- the Chamber, the IMA, and the Chicagoland Chamber have come out opposed to this bill, again, because they believe that this is going to drive up costs and hurt the very people, I think that you're trying to help. And instead, we should let the market work where these doctors can sign the contracts now with these carriers, as opposed to the potential of forcing a bad player to charge rates that are way above normal. So, I appreciate what you're trying to do and I think we can get there. I'm just not sure this is the best way to do it. So, thank you for your time and for answering the questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

With absolutely no disrespect to the elder Statesman on our side of the aisle. Linda's right, vote for the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Senator Fine.

SENATOR FINE:

Thank you. And I would like to thank the Senate sponsor for bringing forward this bill. We listened to the discussion in committee yesterday, and this is purely about consumer protection and the patient, because there are many times that a consumer will go to a hospital or be referred to a pathologist, and there is nobody there who is on their insurance and there is nothing they can do about it. So, thank you for bringing forward this bill and making sure that all patients in the State of Illinois have this consumer protection.

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Senator Holmes, to close.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much. And thank you, Senator Fine, I appreciate your talking about this bill. And may I also say that the Senator on the other side of the aisle, I wonder if I could hire him to do that every time I'm presenting a bill. Thank you very much. I just want to clear one thing up and make it perfectly clear when we talk about the Illinois Chamber of the Chicagoland Chamber and the IMI being on this as opponents to the bill, there is one simple reason they are opponents. They are not opponents that have anything to do with the actual reality of what the bill is. They are opponents because insurers have found that it makes sense for them to become Members of these Chambers, so when they are in opposition, they can ask these Chambers to also list themselves as opposition because they are Chamber Members. I'm going to work as hard as I can, as I always have to protect consumers and consumer rights. I urge everybody who cares about the well-being of Illinois residents to vote Aye on this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 2641 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 voting Yea, none -- 4 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2641, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Anderson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. A correction of the record. Yesterday, Senate Bill 3784, my intent was to vote No.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intention. We're on the bottom of the page, Senate Bill 2654, Senator Cunningham. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2654, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham, on your bill.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2654 creates a new level of consumer protection for individuals whose vehicles have been towed after being stolen. To illustrate the necessity of this bill, I'd like to tell a story about an experience of a constituent of mine. She -- happened to be a young woman who was eight months pregnant, a single mother. She left her apartment one morning, went downstairs to get into her car to go to work. Saw that her car wasn't there. It had been stolen. She lives in the City of Chicago, she called the Chicago Police Department, they urged her to go to the nearby station and fill out a report. She did that. Unbeknownst to her a short time later, her car was recovered just about six blocks south of her apartment in a different municipality in Alsip. A police officer noticed the car abandoned there with a broken rear window. He saw the steering wheel -- the steering wheel column was stripped, so he knew it was a stolen car. He called the private company that the village has a contract with to do their towing. And that company came and towed her car to a nearby lot. As I said, she was not informed of this. Had no idea that her stolen vehicle had been recovered until about a week later when

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she got a letter in the mail from the towing company saying that they had her car and urging her to come and recover it. When she went to that towing company, she was told it would cost \$1,500 to get her car back. Her car was not worth \$1,500. I just want to stress, again, she was a victim. She did not park illegally. She didn't break any laws. Her car was stolen and recovered and brought to this lot. The towing fee and the storage fee would have cost her \$1,500 to get her car back. I mentioned she was hard of hearing. The reason that's important is that during the time she was at the towing lot, she asked the individual there if she could go and get her hearing aid out of the car, which she left in the car. The attendant at the lot said, not unless you give us \$1,500. Would not let her recover her hearing aid. This is obviously wrong on a number of different levels, and this bill is seeking to correct this problem. She is not the only person who has run into this since filing the bill I've heard from other individuals whose cars were stolen, towed to a lot, and then forced to pay a towing fee and a storage fee to get their car back, essentially revictimizing them. What this bill does, is first of all, put in law the right of any individual who has had their car stolen to recover a medical device from that vehicle if they left it in there, get that device back from the towing yard. That's what it does first. More importantly, it sets up a process by which an individual who is victimized like this is notified when the car is stolen and given a period of time to recover the car without paying a storage fee, contemplates the -- the towing company sending out notice within two days, and then a lot of allowing a window of seven days for the individual to come and get their car without paying a storage fee. I want to thank the Professional Towing and Recovery Operators

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of Illinois for recognizing that we have a problem here, and for being willing to work with me and others on addressing this problem, and for coming to an agreement on the language of this bill. I think this is a very important and very common sense approach to a serious problem that will ensure we do not revictimize people who have had their car stolen by forcing them to pay storage fees. I'd be happy to answer any questions and I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill 2654 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Yea, and none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2654, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to turn the page to page 6 towards the top of the page, we're going to go to Senate Bill 2672, Senator Murphy. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2672, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy, to explain your bill.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2672 simply amends the enacting clause of the Insurance Code that reinserts provisions that if a generic drug is unavailable, and unavailable meaning that it is listed on the federal unavailable drug list, that the brand name has to be substituted instead. So, I think we have

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eliminated all of our opposition. I'm happy to answer any questions should there be any. I'd ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill 2672 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2672, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're go to Senate Bill 27, I'm sorry, Senator Fowler, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. I also would like the record to reflect yesterday on Senate Bill 3784, my intentions were to vote No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intentions. We're going to go to Senate Bill 2737, Senator Faraci. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2737, an Act concerning employment. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Faraci, on your bill.

SENATOR FARACI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2737, as amended, amends the Freedom to Work Act. It voids covenants not to compete and solicit with respect to mental health and service providers, to veterans and first responders. Furthermore, covenant not to

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compete or not to solicit is void in the enforcement of the covenant would result in a unique burden on veterans or first responders seeking mental health services. We're working with the Chamber. They want to potentially have this have an effective date. I'll work with the House to make sure that effective date reflects that as of -- instead of immediately to be January 1st, to -- to January 1st, 2025.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill 2737 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2737, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to Senate Bill 2747, Senator Edly-Allen. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Edly-Allen seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2747 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading now is Senate Bill 2747. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Edly-Allen.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator, on your amendment.

SENATOR EDLY-ALLEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to adopt the amendment and explain on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion, all those in favor will say Aye.

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Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion is adopted. Mr. Secretary, any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 2747. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2747, an Act concerning conservation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Edly-Allen, to explain your bill.

SENATOR EDLY-ALLEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2747 exotic weeds permits, as amended, makes changes to the Illinois Exotic Weeds Act. It establishes that the Department of Natural Resources shall determine the plants that are exotic weeds and shall consult with IDOA and any group serving interests in agricultural industry, conservation, ecology, or management regarding exotic weeds before adding or removing any plant from the exotic weed list. The Department shall compile, publish and incorporate a list of such exotic weeds in the rules of the Department. IDNR may issue permits to buy, sell and offer for sale, distribute or plant seeds, plants or plant parts of exotic weeds. Local municipalities may adopt ordinances to exotic weeds listed in the rules of the Department, and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill

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2747 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2747, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Going to Senate Bill 2751, Senator McConchie. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator McConchie seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2751 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator McConchie.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McConchie, on your amendment.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I ask that we adopt the amendment and I'll explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the amendment is adopted. Are there further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, is Senate Bill 2751. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2751, an Act concerning local government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McConchie, on your bill.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

Thank you, Mr. President. When veterans come back from conflict and are disabled, they may have to make modifications to their home. Right now, the Department of Veterans Affairs has a grant program to assist them with those costs, but they still have to pay out of pocket for the permit fees from the municipality or local unit of government in order to have those modifications approved. This would ensure that any of those permit fees are waived. And so, it's a small way for us to be able to give back to the veterans who have given so much for us. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill 2751 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2751, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to Senate Bill 2765, Senator Martwick. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2765, an Act concerning business. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Martwick, to explain your bill.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2765 provides that a court may pierce the corporate

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veil of a limited liability company under the Limited Liability Company Act in order to hold members of an LLC personally liable for debts, obligations, and liabilities of that company. The bill also clarifies that these changes apply to current pending actions for which all timely appeals have been exhausted and all future actions. This is an initiative of the Illinois State Bar Association that clarifies the split in the law between different appellate courts in the State of Illinois, and I'm happy to answer any questions and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion, Senator Tracy?

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR TRACY:

As we know, LLCs have become quite popular for business -- business entities and especially smaller business entities. But my opposition to the bill is -- is based on the two -- the third appellate court and the fourth appellate court. I -- to my reading of those two decisions, it wasn't that they had the same set of facts before them. And one court decided one way and the other court decided the other way. Rather, I think one court decided that the facts before them allowed the corporate veil to be pierced. It was valid to be pierced and individual liability upheld. The other court didn't have the same factual situation and did not pierce the corporate veil. I -- I just think we have to be very careful when we do such things that expose people to liability when they think they're protected. It's a very valuable business

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tool. And for that reason, I oppose, and I'm sure the bill's sponsor, will -- can eloquently present his position. But I have great concerns about why we're overturning two court cases when I don't believe they were in opposition at all. They just ruled differently because of different facts before them. But thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion, Senator Plummer.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

So, the LLC Act, the Limited Liability Company Act, is probably one of the best innovations to help small businesses be created. The name of the bill is -- is pretty inherent what we're talking about limited liability to that person running the company. I -- I second what Senator Tracy just said. I think we're conflating two different rulings and pretending like those rulings were in conflict, when in all actuality, those rulings were based upon different sets of facts. And if we pass this bill, we are merely, putting a burden on all of the local mom and pop businesses in our communities, whether that's the subway franchisee or that's the guy mowing your grass, or that's the guy doing whatever. Passing this bill creates significant liability for the most vulnerable businesses in the State, and I think it would just be another bullet point on the long list of unfriendly things we're doing to put a brick on top of business creation in the State of Illinois. I urge a No vote. We need a strong, robust small business community. And this -- this Act, if passed and signed into law,

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guarantees that we will lose many of our small businesses in our districts. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Martwick, to close.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

Thank you, Mr. President. And -- what I would say is that with respect to the debate, this bill does not create new liability. It just clarifies, when and -- the piercing of the corporate veil can happen. It is not a routine. It is not eliminating limited liability companies. It is not eliminating limited liability for LLCs. It is simply stating that under the circumstances outlined that -- that -- that the corporate veil can be pierced. We have a court decision that says under no circumstances, under any fact pattern, without any analysis, can it be pierced. And that's in contradiction to law's, clarifies it. It is good legislation going forward. It'll cut down on frivolous lawsuits, and it will provide clarity to those LLCs to know when -- and when they will not be held liable. So, thank you for the debate. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 2765 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 37 voting Yea, 19 voting Nay, and 2 voting Present. And Senate Bill 2765, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to Senate Bill 2770, Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Bill 2770, an Act concerning employment. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill amends -- is a subsequent amendment to the Illinois Freedom to Work Act. It provides that a covenant to compete or covenant not to solicit is void and illegal with respect to individuals employed in construction, regardless of whether an individual is covered by a collective bargaining agreement. And I'm looking forward to answering any questions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Questions for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

He indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you, Mr. President. So, Senator, my understanding right now is a covenant not to -- not to compete is already in existence for construction folks under the Illinois Freedom to Work Act. So, this bill simply adds, also on top of that, a non-solicit clause. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

That is correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you. So, there's already the protection for workers against non-compete covenants. But why should we not allow private businesses that want to protect their businesses and stop them from being poached by people that come into the business and decide to take, I don't know, 10, 15 all employees off into a new business. Why should private businesses not have -- not be able to have that protection if they need to utilize it? Again, the issue here is protecting businesses, and I think that private businesses should have the opportunity to protect themselves. You know, the non-compete part of it is not an issue because that is already in law. I know that's also in this, in this bill, but that's already present in our laws. We have to stand up for our businesses because they have to be able to protect themselves. This eliminates a tool for businesses to protect themselves. And for that reason, I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hastings, to close.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Mr. President, I want to say thank you to the prior sponsor {sic} (speaker) for elaborating a little bit more on his point of view on this bill. I really appreciate his perspective. I do think that his perspective is narrow. I believe his perspective is limited in scope. He stated something and he said that private

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businesses should be able to protect themselves. And I agree with him. I one-hundred percent agree with him that private businesses should be able to protect themselves, but what private businesses should not be able to do is this, if you're a construction worker working on a nonunion job and want to go ahead and go on to a union job and you sign a non-compete or a non-solicitation agreement, yes, but when you start enforcing low wage earners in this situation, for a -- for a non-solicitation non-compete, these folks are making less than, you know, 75,000, 80,000, 95, \$90,000 a year, and you're preventing them from finding jobs that are going to benefit their family, that are going to benefit the community from the work they're doing. And -- and these businesses, some of these businesses aren't protecting themselves, they're preying -- they're preying on poor workers. Non-competes, non-solicitation agreements are common in technology jobs and medical profession jobs, whether it's pharmaceutical jobs. The reason why we're bringing this, this proposal today, is because companies are acting as bad actors in certain circumstances, and this bill will protect low-income wage earners from not being able to get a job in the future. So, although I do agree with the former, the prior Senator, in terms of private businesses should be able to protect their employees. What this Chamber should stand for is those private businesses should not prey on the poor employees that are unable to defend themselves when they choose to prosecute them in a civil court. And, Mr. President, I ask this Chamber for an Aye vote, and I thank you for your time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 2770 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted

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who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 44 voting Yea, 13 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. And Senate Bill 2770, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to Senate Bill 2781, Senator Ventura. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2781, an Act concerning conservation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura, on your bill.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2781, as amended, establishes the Healthy Forests, Wetlands and Prairies Act. It allows the DNR to direct and prepare and maintain a comprehensive healthy forest, wetlands, and prairies grant program, which local government and conservation groups are eligible to apply. Seventy-five percent of the grant funds must be used to -- to -- to qualify for grantees, 2 percent for DNR to administer the cost, and 23 percent for the purpose of DNR to utilize this for restoring degraded forest lands and native prairies, and to promote the growth of native vegetables that remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and helps mitigate the impact of climate change. Essentially, this bill encourages local governments to apply for State dollars to be used for matching dollars for the federal government to plant trees, especially trees and native grasses, especially along the way like roadways where we have snow and dirt drifts, as well as areas where there's flooding or places they just want more esthetic views in their

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local governments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion, Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Question for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

She indicates she'll yield.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you, Senator. And we had a discussion about this in committee. And I think there was, I guess, confusion after the committee hearing and there was opposition because of concerns the Farm Bureau had. But is it a true statement to say that the Farm Bureau now has no opposition to this piece of legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

That's correct. The last amendment we filed on this bill moved them to neutral.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you, Senator. And I appreciate you working with the Farm Bureau on that amendment. And for that reason, I encourage a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura, to close.

SENATOR VENTURA:

I just urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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The question is, shall Senate Bill 2781 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, 2 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. And Senate Bill 2781, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We request from the State General Register to record audio and take photos. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. We're going to go to Senate Bill 2862, Senator Bennett. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2862, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bennett, to explain your bill.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. I appreciate that. What this bill does, Senate Bill 2862 requires the Board of Higher Education, in collaboration with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, as well as the Department of Employment Security, to annually compile a list of the most in-demand jobs in Illinois, along with the starting salary, the median salary, and the typical education level for these jobs. The IBHE shall publish this information on their website. And that's basically what this bill is about. They're in support. There are no opponents, and I ask for an Aye vote, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion, Senator Plummer.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

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Thank you. A question of the Sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

Just to clarify, Senator Bennett, you said that there was no opposition, and I wanted to be clear. If you knew where the Red Wall Coalition stood on this particular piece of legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you. Did you say the -- the Red Wall Coalition? Well, I have no doubt, I am absolutely confident, the Red Wall Coalition is strongly behind the support of this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bennett, to close.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you very much for the conversation and for the questions I ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 2862 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2862, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to Senate Bill 2876, Senator Villa. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2876, an Act concerning safety. 3rd Reading of

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the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, to explain your bill.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2876 is an initiative that builds upon the strides of our State that has made us a leader in environmental protections. Recycling is the most basic method of ensuring that we are doing our part to cultivate healthy environments, and therefore healthy communities. Senate Bill 2876 encourages owners and operators of large events facilities with legal occupancy of at least 3500 hundred people to participate in their county recycling program and compost organic materials. Senate Bill 2876 does not apply to events that are not held in a structure and does not apply to events held in a structure that do not have the maximum legal capacity or occupancy. For example, Senate Bill 2876 does not apply to county fairs eligible for State funding under the Agricultural Fair Act because county fairs are not licensed for occupancy or capacity by any governmental entity, as amended, the bill clarifies which facilities are not considered large event facilities. This bill will push for larger scale recycling across Illinois and also contribute to the creation of new jobs.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Questions for the Sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates she'll yield.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

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Thank you, Senator. I appreciate you putting on the record that this does not apply to county fairs. Our hotels excluded from this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

No hotels are not excluded from this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Are you sure, Senator?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you for the -- thank you for the point of clarification. They are excluded.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you for that clarification. Thanks, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

So, first of all, I do want to thank the Senator for bringing this legislation. The intentions are noble. However, there's a few issues with this piece of legislation. First of all, we heard on the Floor yesterday how much hotels want to help all of us by limiting their plastics and being much more green. And yet now the

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hotels today don't want to be included in this and just simply putting recycling bins and on their properties. So, I think there's a certainly a contradiction there. But here's an important thing that is not often talked about. These facilities, for most of them, they are going to be in a system that utilizes what is called single stream recycling. And while it makes all of us feel wonderful to go to these places and throw our recyclables in bins or in cans at these places in a single stream recycling system, 80 percent of the items in those bins do not get recycled. And on top of that, because of the nature of these facilities and the events that they have, people will be throwing garbage in them. People will be throwing all kinds of materials that should not be going in there. And what that does is it contaminates products that would have been recyclable and now makes them impossible to recycle. So, the net effect of this legislation will likely be either no impact on the environment whatsoever, or actually a little bit of a negative impact, because you're going to cause all these additional trucks and things to come in for materials that will not be able to be recycled. Now you can contrast single stream recycling with what happens locally here in Springfield with some recycling providers, in that you separate things into two different bins, and then they have people by hand determine whether or not this is recyclable or whether it's not. And that's the way it's sorted with these single stream systems, it's machines that do the sorting, and most of the time they can't even recognize plastic because it's been so contaminated. In other words, this bill is not going to have its intended effect, despite the good nature of the bill itself and despite the good intentions. And so, we've got this unfunded mandate that is not going to produce what we would

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all hope to produce, which is a cleaner environment. And so, for those reasons, while the intentions are good, I encourage a No vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion, Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

She indicates she will yield.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Senator, when we were in committee, I brought up the question that this is for facilities such as Soldier Field. Correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

That is correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

In thinking about for legislative intent Soldier Field is owned by the park district. It is rented by the Bears, and there are independent vendors that supply, the fans in attendance. Per your bill who would be responsible?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

They would just be requiring to put the receptacles out.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Lewis.

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SENATOR LEWIS:

I understand what it would do, but who would be responsible for that? The park district, the Bears, or the vendors that are providing.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

The stadium.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

So, in this case, the sense the stadium is owned by the Chicago Park District it would be the responsibility of the Chicago Park District to supply the bins.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

It would be the owners of the stadium.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Okay. So, I mean, just for legislative intent, when you look at a stadium such as the Bears, and I'm not against the bill, I just want everyone to know that it would be the City of Chicago and the Chicago Park District who is responsible for implementing this. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, to close.

SENATOR VILLA:

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I think that it's important to note that recycling in Illinois is a \$12.3 billion dollar industry employing more than 56,000 people, again, a \$12.3 billion dollar industry. And that is a substantial industry that I think that when we're talking about saving the environment, there's benefits not just to recycling, but to providing jobs for people. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 2876 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 42 voting Yea, 16 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2876, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to Senate Bill 2879, Senator Halpin. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Halpin seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2879 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2879. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Halpin.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Halpin, please explain your amendment.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to adopt the amendment and then discuss the bill on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 2879. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2879, an Act concerning local government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Halpin, to explain your bill.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. So, Senate Bill 2879 is an initiative of local fire protection districts to allow them to more efficiently go through the small equipment loan program in particular, reduces times for the purchase, reduces additional expense for those purchasing using grant funds, and allows them to keep equipment uniform without having to train their -- their firefighters on new equipment. There is no opposition to the bill. I will yield to questions. So, the answers may shock you and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 2879 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2879, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2907, Senator Syverson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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Senate Bill 2907, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Syverson, on your bill.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. You know, Illinois has over 1000 job training programs, and these programs run a gambit from simple programs helping individuals fill out applications all the way to apprenticeship programs. And we have job training programs that are conducted through DCEO, DHS, HFS, State Board of Education, the Community Colleges, Higher Ed corrections. In addition, there are federal job training programs. There are local job training programs, there are charitable job training programs. And we have a plethora of programs. But it wasn't really until a few months ago when I was approached by some advocates about their desire to start a job training program to help fill a need that realized that we have a problem. So, I started making some inquiries about programs that were available, and after talking to local leaders, the unemployment office, calling our community college, calling DCEO, I realized that no one keeps an updated list of all the job training programs that are available. So, why is this important to know? Well, employers we continue to hear from talk about the need for more job training programs, especially those in urban areas. And we also hear from advocates that there is a need for good training programs to help those individuals that want to improve their skill sets. So, there's clearly a disconnect as the State spends hundreds of billions of dollars on 1000 plus programs. But there seems to be a gap. So, this legislation is simple. It clearly asks DCEO to be the quarterback of gathering information to create

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a list of all the job training programs in Illinois. A list that could be used for this Legislative Body to determine where we have programs and where there are shortfalls, or where there needs to be more work done. So, this list is going to include the name of the program, the agency it's funded under. Is it a federal, State, a local or a private funded program? Is it a local program? And what area do they serve? The type of training that is given, the target population that they're serving, and the budget that that program has? And I'm open to any other ideas that should be included in this, the gathering of this information. But with this information, it will give you and the administration a better snapshot of all the programs we have in Illinois. Lastly, under this legislation, it would be put together under DCEO, who would most likely use the longitudinal data system at NIU who does collection work for us already, and to gather that information. It's supported by the Chamber, the IMA and NFIB as well. Happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield for questions?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Senator Syverson, I'm just curious. This impacts DCEO, were they a part of this negotiation? Does the Department - are they in opposition or are they in support of this legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

A good question. Yes, they have been part of this discussion they have not opposed it, but yes, they have been part of the discussion and they're obviously the -- the group that's probably best to be the one quarterbacking it. But in meeting with them, they referred us to the longitudinal study group that does other collection work for them.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR AQUINO:

According to -- I just wanted to say to our side of the aisle that according to our analysis, it -- it seems that the Department is actually not, in fact, in support of this legislation, in opposition. And so, I just wanted to note that for -- for the record. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Syverson, to close.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you very much. I've never heard that from the Department. They've not slipped in in opposition at the -- at the meetings. And this is an important tool, I think, for this Body to have when -- when we don't know where there are programs and where they are in the programs that we do have, we're not sure if they're serving the needs of the people of our district. I think this is

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an important tool that you can have available, that you'll be able to use in determining what are the needs for job training going forward in the future. So, this is just a simple tool to allow collection of all the programs in Illinois. So, you have access to that as a reference to yourself and also for the other State agencies to use. So, with that, I appreciate an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 2907 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, and none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2907, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2911, Senator Ventura. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2911, an Act concerning revenue. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura, on your bill.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2911, as amended, would amend the property tax code to provide that owners of commercial or industrial property who receive a tax incentive as a result of a tax incentive development project established by Intergovernmental agreement for all levels of government to which the taxing district is a party and not eligible to receive a distribution from a tax reimbursement account. So, it basically prevents the unintended double dipping

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of a tax incentives. If all levels of government had done an IGA for that tax -- tax incentive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2911 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2911, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2933. Senator Stadelman seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2933 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Stadelman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stadelman, on your amendment. Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 2933. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2933, an Act concerning business. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Stadelman, on your bill.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 33 [sic] 2933 deals with a big problem in this country, and that is medical debt. It's estimated 1 in 3 adults, about 100 million Americans struggle with unpaid medical bills. The legislation before you prohibits a consumer reporting agency from including information about medical debt in their credit reports. Medical debt is simply an indication of getting sick. You can't predict or anticipate when you're going to get sick. It's not an indication of bad financial decisions or one's credit worthiness. Lower credit scores make it hard for people to rent an apartment, secure a car loan, or get a job that makes it even harder for someone to pay down those medical bills. And research has shown that medical debt is not an accurate reflection of credit risk or someone's ability to pay that money back. I want to stress this legislation does not mean consumers don't have to pay their medical bills. It's something you can't predict. Medical debt should not be a barrier to financial stability and opportunity. I do want to stress that we work this legislation with the banking institutions and medical providers as well. They are not opposing this language. They are neutral and I just ask for an Aye vote. Happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2933 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The -- the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2933, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared

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passed. The bottom of the page 6. Senator Collins, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like for the record to reflect that I'm a Yes vote on Senate Bill 2907.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intention. At the bottom of page 6, we have Senate Bill 2938, Senator Fine. Mr. Secretary. Senator Fine seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2938 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Fine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Fine, on your amendment.

SENATOR FINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to adopt the amendment and explain on 3rd, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 2938. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2938, an Act concerning local government. 3rd

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Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Fine, on your bill.

SENATOR FINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. A small portion of the Village of Glenview is not currently covered by the North Shore Mosquito Abatement District. And what this process does is it -- it sets the process of the annexation into the mosquito abatement district for those 1,430 homes. It also expands best practices and reporting to the Department of Public Health and the Forest Preserve District about Vector-Borne Diseases.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2938 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2938, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to turn the page. We're going to go up to the top of the page. Senator Cunningham, on Senate Bill 2979. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Cunningham seeks to leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2979 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration? Our mistake. 3rd Reading. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 2979, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Cunningham, on your bill.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2979 amends the Biometric Information Privacy Act, otherwise known as BIPA. And it does so by changing the way liability accrues when violations of the Act occur. Under the current interpretation of the law, a liability accrues on a per occurrence basis, or sometimes that's referred to as a per swipe basis, particularly in the context of fingerprints. Senate Bill 2979 would change that. Instead, liability will accrue on a per person basis. As I just alluded to, there's a little bit of a debate about that interpretation. It was a debate that reached the State Supreme Court early last year, and a notable case called Cothron vs. White Castle (Systems, Inc.). In that case, the Supreme Court, upheld an award for the plaintiffs. And because of that, and because of a strict interpretation of the law as written, it was decided that White Castle was liable. And there -- the damages that we're facing were likely to be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$17 billion dollars. The court, though, took note of that large amount and they -- and the dispute over the way -- the way liability accrues. And they invited the General Assembly to address this. In fact, I'll read from the decision. The court said, quote, "we respectfully suggest that the legislature review these policy concerns and make clear its intent regarding the assessment of damages under the Act". This bill is a response to that invitation, and it seeks to clarify the damages portion of this law and the manner I just suggested I want to make sure that it's clear that this bill in no way changes the biometric protections that are currently in place in BIPA law. It just changes the way liability accrues and does so in a way that will

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protect businesses from large judgments that could essentially put them out of business. Be happy to answer any questions, and I ask for the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? President Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Cunningham, in your opening remarks, you mentioned that in the White Castle decision, the Illinois Supreme Court invited the General Assembly to make clear our intent regarding the assessment of damages under the Biometric Information Privacy Act. Does this amendment to the Act clarify our intention that the availability of discretionary liquidated damages serves to deter future violations without destroying a defendant's business?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator -- President Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, does this amendment to the Act suggest any legislative intent to authorize a damages award that would result in the financial destruction of a business?

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Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

President Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator, does this amendment to the Act apply retroactively to cases already decided or to pending cases?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

No, but a court or a reviewing court could take judicial notice of our amendment to the Act in determining an initial award or in reducing an award.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

President Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I -- I applaud the sponsor, Senator Cunningham, for his tireless and often thankless work on this issue. This was an express invitation from the Illinois Supreme Court. It is also, in its final formulation, a significant support of the Illinois business community. And I have expressed in other forms my disappointment that there has not been more robust support from the business community. I appreciate all

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those corporate citizens who have weighed in in support of the bill. But this is an unusual moment. This is -- this is -- our caucus standing up for Illinois businesses. And I hope that we will see broad bipartisan support for this issue. I urge you all to vote Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion, Leader Curran.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Thank you. Senator Cunningham, we talked a little bit in committee about what more so what's not in this bill. There's a lot of business groups out there currently opposed to the bill that you're bringing before us. And I know -- first, let me thank you, I know you spent an exhaustive amount of time on this legislation meeting with all those -- meeting with those groups, keeping our caucus, myself specifically involved, and in the loop on where negotiations were going. I want to ask you specifically one topic that's been coming up a little bit recently is data centers. And data centers are not the collector of biometric information. They are simply a processor store of data. And that data may or may not include biometric information. This bill does not address the issues around data centers and -- and protections, or -- or exempting out someone that is not a collector, and -- and therefore it is possible that a court would interpret this bill to apply to a storer of biometric information without consent. Would that?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator -- Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Leader Curran, for the question. I think you've laid things out correctly. First of all, while -- while it's true that there are some business groups that oppose the bill, I think that opposition is rooted in the fact that they don't think the bill goes far enough. I think all would acknowledge that they are getting relief from this bill. There are many other individual businesses and business associations who have come out in support of the of the -- of the bill. To your point, Leader Curran about data centers, I know you're aware, and I'm aware of a letter that was circulated this week by the Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce that has focused on this specific issue. Illinois has done a really good job of recruiting and establishing data centers in our State. There are a number of reasons for that. And I think it's by some evaluations we're second or third in the nation. But as you mentioned Leader, we are now hearing some data center developers being reluctant to come to Illinois because of concerns about, BIPA. As we all know, the data centers are essentially clouds for computing, and those centers process millions of data points a day. And obviously they could process unwittingly, biometric materials and their position that they're not in a position to get consent from the individuals giving them, which is the key, we should point out, to avoiding any litigation under BIPA. Businesses can avoid it by gaining consent from the individual giving biometric materials. But to the point, the data center developers are worried about this. To the best of my knowledge, no data center has been sued under this

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litigation. Although I think they raise a -- a serious point and one that we should concern ourselves with. We had a number of requests for amendments to deal with specific exemptions to the BIPA law. That was one of them that came late in the process. There were many others, and we considered them all. At the end of the day, though, we decided to remain focused on the invitation we got from the Supreme Court to address the questions about liability and damages. And we made a determination that that is exactly what we would do with this bill. And that's all this bill does. I think it's very important what this bill is doing, but it is limited to that specific point. But I agree with you, Leader, that the data center issue is an issue that demands more consideration as we move forward.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Curran.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Thank you -- thank you, Leader Cunningham. One other topic I wanted to touch on. We talked a little bit about it in committee. I've heard from trucking companies that as a safety feature and certainly their operating nationwide, not just in Illinois, but we are the transportation hub of the country. It's one of the great features, benefits that Illinois has going for itself, where the middle of the -- middle of the United States, they had -- they use biometric information, facial recognition to ensure that their drivers are awake at the wheel, that their drivers are not driving more -- more hours in a particular day than National - I think it's Safety Standards Board (National Transportation Safety Board) permits. And what those companies, because of this law, what they're telling me they're doing is when -- when those trucks are

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about to enter Illinois, they turn that feature off in Illinois, which I think is a really unfortunate result because those are safety features, not just from a liability standpoint from the trucking company, but for every other Illinoisan or traveler on the roadways throughout Illinois, traveling with those trucks sharing the same space on the highways. That also is not addressed in this. I know those concerns were raised. Could you -- and I heard what you said about being -- keeping this to what the Supreme Court mentioned, but I just wanted to see if you could offer a comment on that, because that is another area that I think we could make a very impactful step forward in regards to this BIPA law.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. And thank you again, Leader Curran, for bringing up what I think is a very important point. You're correct, this bill does not directly address the issue that you just brought up, but I hope it does address it indirectly. And I'll tell you how. One of the things that's been explained to me to a number of businesses, including trucking companies and the companies that provide the technology you described to them, is that there is a fear of the unknown when it comes to BIPA, because of the potential liability they are facing. And when I say the fear of the unknown, a lot of these technologies you talked about do not actually take facial recognition images of the driver. They take an image of the driver to see if the driver maybe is slouched over as closing his or her eyes or on the telephone. But mostly, as far as I know, do not take a biometric facial identification image, but regardless of that, they're afraid how their technology

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might be interpreted, and then if it's found they are in violation of law because of the repetitive nature of the way liability accrues now, they could be facing hundreds of millions and even billions of dollars in damages. So, that is one of the reasons why they have turned off that technology in the State, I would hope, but I'm not certain to be honest, whether or not this would help. But I think it can help by limiting the threats of runaway liability that they face right now. I will point out one other part of this bill that I didn't mention, but I think is very important. That is another change to the bill. We clarify that when obtaining consent and again, I will stress all these businesses that have been sued under BIPA could have avoided liability if they got consent, written consent from the individual who was providing them biometric materials. We have tried to modernize that part of the bill and make it easier for businesses to get consent by stating in this bill that an electronic signature does suffice for consent. No one really knew what electronic signatures were in 2008 that is now embedded in the bill. I hope that that makes it easier for trucking companies and other in the transportation sector to comply with the law and get consent in a -- in a pretty easy fashion using an electronic signature. I hope that answers your question.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Curran.

SENATOR CURRAN:

To the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR CURRAN:

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Well, first I want to thank Leader Cunningham for your clarification and again, for the amount of work you put into this and keeping us involved on the progress, throughout, your work. I certainly understand why so many business groups are opposed, and it's the underlying BIPA law. We are a true outlier in this country. This is not a law that other states are saying, yeah, Illinois got it right, and we're going to follow suit and we're going to model the Illinois law. And it's not because this is so onerous on business. And this is an impediment ultimately to investment in Illinois and in our existing business community. However, there are also other businesses groups in support of this. And I think they see it the way I see it. While I wish there was more in this, I think Leader Cunningham pointed us out correctly to do nothing leaves Illinois businesses subject to really nihilistic judgments that are company ending judgments and -- and losses of jobs. And while I -- I wish there was more, and I know there's good reason to be opposed to this bill, and I do hope, that as the House takes this up, the House most especially, takes a look at the data center issue. I would -- I would be pleasantly pleased to see this bill come back amended, with an addition -- additional protection for data centers at a minimum. I -- I -- I ultimately do rise in support of the bill. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Cunningham, to close.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Leader Curran, for your kind words and for your counsel during the process of -- of putting this bill together. I -- I think it's important to stress that

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biometric protections are very important. I think we should be proud of the fact that the State of Illinois has sought to protect our biometric information. We all read every day about data breaches, and we can imagine the damages that could be done to us as individuals if our biometric materials were misused. You can't change your fingerprint. You might be able to change a bank account number, if you're a victim of fraud or a credit card number, but you can't change your fingerprint. So, that's why it's important to have this law in place. However, as has been pointed out certain businesses, I believe, have been unfairly targeted by some of the lawsuits that have been brought forth. Everyone should be held accountable for not following the law and the businesses that have failed to follow the law by getting consent to use biometric materials should be held accountable, but it's important that the punishment fits the crime. Right now, I don't think the law of the State accomplishes that. This bill will ensure that it does. I appreciate the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 2979 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 46 voting Yea, 13 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 2979, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to Senate Bill 3081, Senator Villanueva. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3081, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villanueva, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Thank you, Mr. President. As amended, Senate Bill 3081 provides that beginning with the 2025 to 2026 academic year, each public university with an admissions fee waiver policy shall provide all Illinois transfer students from Illinois public community colleges their undergraduate Transfer Waiver Policy and the application or forms to apply for those fee waivers it encourages -- this bill also encourages public universities to develop a policy to automatically waive the Undergraduate Transfer Admission application fee for low income Illinois transfer students that come from an Illinois public community college, and for such policy to be in an easily accessible place on the university's website. There's a lot of good work that's gone into this bill, and it's a good bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 38 -- shall Senate Bill 3081 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3081, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to Senate Bill 3115, Senator Morrison. Senate Bill 3134, Senator Doris Turner. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3134, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Turner, on your bill.

SENATOR DORIS TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3134 is an initiative of the Illinois Department of Public Health. And it actually states that the current -- when an immediate suspension order is not stayed, the director shall identify that if that suspension shall immediately apply to Statewide participation only in situations when a licensee has been charged with a crime while performing official duties, and the continuation of practice poses the possibility of imminent harm. This is important because the current suspicion system that's in place has the potential to put the public at risk, because while an EMS professional investigation regarding their suspension is conducted, the individual can work within other EMS systems outside of the one in which they are suspended. So, this bill would extend an individual's EMS system participation if the suspension is not stayed to all EMS systems within the State, at the discretion of the Director of IDPH.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3134 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3134, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to - next bill is Senate Bill 3136, Senator Castro. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3136, an Act concerning children. 3rd Reading of

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the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Castro, on your bill.

SENATOR CASTRO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3136 was brought to me and is supported by the Illinois State Medical Society Office of the Cook County Guardianship, Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, Illinois Collaboration of Youth, EverThrive, and many other key stakeholders. Senate Bill 3136 is a maternal health care bill, and healthy moms mean healthy babies. Senate Bill 3136 creates a Statewide, multiple -- multidisciplinary task force to design a model for plans of safe care for help pregnant women who have been diagnosed with substance use disorders and substance exposed infants. These plans are required by federal law, which has been a requirement since 2003. The task force will develop recommendations for the creation, implementation, and management of these plans. The other provisions of Senate Bill 3136 will incentivize pregnant women who substance use disorders to seek out not only prenatal care, but also seek out and stay in treatment recovery programs. We do this by lifting two existing punitive policies negatively affecting families with substance use disorders. One, it amends the Illinois Adoption Act to remove positive toxicology at birth as basis for a finding of unfitness for purpose of terminating parental rights. Two, the bill also removes a provision from Abuse and Neglected Child Reporting Act - ACRA, requiring DCFS to immediately forward reports of infants with positive toxicology screens to law enforcement. This change removes that mandate. I will repeat, it does not prevent DCFS from forwarding reports as they deem

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necessary after conducting an investigation. Why are these changes needed? Numerous studies, which I'm happy to send to anyone who wants to read them, demonstrate that women who suffer from substance use disorders fear detection and employ multiple strategies, including skipped medical appointments and avoidance of care altogether, based on concerns that clinicians might recognize their substance use and report them to State authorities. This is bad for both mom and babies. Senate Bill 3136 does not change any reporting requirements under ANCRA. Medical professionals will continue to be required to call the Child Abuse and Neglected Hotline if a baby is born with a positive toxicology screen, and DCFS will continue to receive reports of infants with positive toxicology screens at birth be required to assess the infant's safety and well-being. Provide services to the family, including treatment or protective custody of necessary. Senate Bill 3136 will not impact a court's ability to act when a child is being abused or neglected. If the child's care or environment is not safe, the court may find the child neglected based on remaining provisions of the Juvenile Court Act. This bill is not only supported by physicians who treat substance abuse disorders, but pediatricians who treat child abuse. Physicians, particularly those who treat abused children, would not support a bill that would put children in danger. This is part of addressing the maternal health crisis not only in the State but in this country. It is something I've been working on for years, and I look forward to the discussion and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

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Thank you, Mr. President. Would the speaker yield, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Sponsor indicates she'll yield.

SENATOR TRACY:

Senator Castro, could you walk us through the procedure that will be followed if your bill moves forward and becomes law? And how it differs from what is currently law, when a child is born and the mother tests positive for illicit drugs? What happens if you're -- that's different in your bill from what exists currently?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Castro.

SENATOR CASTRO:

So, what happens is, when they're born there is no toxicology, right? That one of the things that we talk about when we're looking at maternal health, what has been prohibitive of women for getting from getting care and it's been proven in this study and study, is women won't seek care if they are reported to the State's Attorney. What happens -- so that is what is being removed. It does not remove the regular process which I outlined in my opening, that takes place that still requires that reporting to DCFS, as I stated before, does not prevent DCFS from forwarding any reports as they deem necessary. Neglect -- there's the neglect hotline of babies born positive psychology reports, and DCFS will continue to receive reports of infants with positive toxicology screens at birth, be required to assess the infant's safety and well-being. Provide services to the family, including treatment of the protective custody. It will not impact a court's ability to act when a child is being abused or neglected. If the child's care or environment is not safe, the court may find the child neglected

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based on remaining provisions of the Juvenile Court Act.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

So, your -- your bill also creates a task force, and it operates to review what would be the best practices for getting mothers to seek treatment for prenatal practice, even though they may be also using illicit drugs? Is the change about notifying the State's Attorney is that go into effect immediately upon your bill being signed, or does it await for the task force to make a study of the best practices and reviewing models of family recovery plans?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Castro.

SENATOR CASTRO:

It's immediate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

So, what would be the problem with allowing your task force to make a review of the models of family recovery plans and that -- that have been implemented in other states, and to see how they work before you immediately start implementing this -- this bill, where you don't notify the State's Attorney if the mother presents with a positive toxicology report.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Castro.

SENATOR CASTRO:

Senator, we have women dying right now. And one of the things

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currently mothers are not getting and are too scared to get treatment while they're pregnant. Research has indicated that many of these expected mothers do not receive prenatal care at all. The individuals are only receiving care after birth, and we're not addressing -- not receiving that care during birth puts the mother and the baby at risk. It also, a mother might also have more health concerns that could also put her life at risk. Right? So, the immediate referral to the State's Attorney and the preemption unfitness make expected mothers afraid to access care. By making the changes to ANCRA and the Adoption Act, expectant mothers are encouraged to receive the care they need right now. The task force work on designing model family recovery plans do -- does not need to be completed before the legislature removes these punitive provisions in our laws. These changes are important step forward in addressing maternal and infant mortality.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR TRACY:

Certainly, I understand the intent, and I've really given the bill a lot of thought. My concern remains with the baby. And certainly, you'd want the mother to receive prenatal care, because that usually means that you'll have a better outcome with the health of the baby. But, I don't see proper protection for the baby in this plan and this bill. I think the task force should be able to make recommendations after they study reviewing models of

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family recovery plans. But in the meantime, we're kind of experimenting with what the outcome of the care of the baby is going to be. DCFS will have a bigger role in trying to assess if the home that the baby is going to is adequate, and if the mother has the adequate resources to care for the baby. Many of us know that a mother that is suffering from either withdrawal or continued addiction she's going to have trouble taking care of a baby who perhaps has addiction issues of its own. I mean, we have to focus on the care of this baby. And I don't see that we're taking proper measures, there's other measures that could be taken working on family recovery plans. But we all know that taking care of a newborn is a very taxing undertaking. And we also know DCFS has had gaps in its oversight and lapses in the care of children under their purview. I don't want to second guess later that maybe we should have done something different. Not notifying the State's Attorney takes away a very valuable tool. Certainly, in smaller counties where the State's Attorneys have a better purview of a situation or anywhere. I mean, why take out the State's Attorney in this overall purview for the welfare of the child, the welfare of the child? And I think that's where we need to focus and -- and certainly also study how to make families recover and become whole. But I urge an Aye vote just this isn't ready and let the task force go make its recommendations and -- and learn from that first before we use a child as an experiment. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion, Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

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To the bill.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

First of all, I do want to point out that there were changes made from this original bill, which in my view, improved it. So, I do thank the sponsor for that -- for those changes. But in reviewing this piece of legislation, I did reach out to the juvenile division here in Sangamon County to see the effect. And this is a great example of it is a bill done with good intentions that are going to lead to very bad results. And the intent of the sponsor is in some parts of the bill would accomplish that is to try to get mothers to seek treatment for drug use. Unfortunately, this literally deletes two key provisions in the Juvenile Court Act that are in the law specifically to make sure that mothers go through treatment. And I want to point out two of those. If you're going to a trial that is a fitness trial to see whether or not a parent is unfit. There are two things that this deletes. The first is that a parent is presumed to be unfit. But this presumption is rebuttable and it says specifically this is a rebuttable presumption. If they previously have had a child who has been found to be neglected, and they have a brand-new baby who was born substance exposed. So, when I say there is a rebuttable presumption by statute, you may ask, well, how can you rebut that presumption? And the only way to rebut this presumption is to show that mom is in treatment and bettering herself. And then guess what? It's rebutted, and that presumption is then eliminated. That's gone from the law. So, now mom has no motivation anymore to seek treatment, to rebut this presumption in an unfitness hearing. Another important aspect of the unfitness hearing that this eliminates is if a child has been born substance exposed. And on

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top of that, mom has had a previous opportunity to go to treatment. How do you rebut that presumption? How do you rebut that? And the answer is you rebut that by saying, okay, we understand that happened in the past, but now mom has learned her lesson, and she is now seeking treatment. So, now we can rebut that presumption that is eliminated. These are tools not to punish mom, but these are tools for the best interest of these children. This is to help mom get better. This is to motivate mom to get better. These are rebuttable presumptions. The only way they can be rebutted is by mom making progress and getting treatment. This takes away the motivation for that mom to get treatment and we have to protect these kids. I suspect everyone in here has met kids who have grown up after having been born substance exposed. Horrible health issues have arisen. We have to do what we can in this State to protect these kids, above all. These hearings are all about the best interest for the kids. And while I do believe that this was filed with good intentions, you notice that the State's Attorneys Association is not supporting it. It's medical professionals that are good intention that are supporting this, that do not know how the court system works and that is the problem here. So please, when you're voting this bill, separate the intentions from what's actually in this piece of legislation. Because if you do that, everyone in this building would vote No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion, Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thanks. Allow me to dumb this debate down to the least common denominator. By definition, you're not taking blood from an infant until after the infant's born. Okay, so this whole notion that

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somehow we're going to be dealing with prenatal care is ridiculous. This is absolutely nothing to do with prenatal care, because you're never going to take a blood puncture, a venous puncture for a blood test prenatal. Maybe you would. I mean, there's certain circumstances where you could, but generally speaking, that's not the case. You're going to learn upon the baby's birth. And yes, if that baby is now been born with, you know, narcotics in their system. The system should be activated. The system should be alerted. Because now, as a society, it's our job to protect that child. End of story. Every level should be activated at that point in time because that child's life is in danger. It is abuse. I know people don't like that word anymore. But it's not a word that's intended to hurt anybody, it's intended to bring all the services of the State to bear, to give that child as good of an outcome and prospect at life, as possible. But let's get rid of this notion that somehow this is about prenatal care. Were these venous punctures being taken. Where this blood is being drawn is after the baby's born. And yes, if that baby has narcotics in his system, the State's Attorney should know because the State's Attorney can -- it can marshal all kinds of assets. Assets beyond the control of DCFS, quite frankly. They can bring all those assets to bear to support that baby, that child whose life is now in distress because he's being born addicted with narcotics in its system. I'm not trying to be mean. I'm not trying to do anything else. I'm just trying to say, let's think this through from a process perspective. Let's get out of these arguments and let's think about the reality of it. And the reality of it is if a baby is born drug addicted, yes, absolutely yes, the State's Attorney should be notified so we can start marshaling all those assets to

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protect that child. I have no disrespect for the sponsor, but I do respectfully ask this Body to think about this one and vote No. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion, Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you, Mr. President. A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates she'll yield.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Senator is it not true that addiction and substance use has -- and countless studies been proven from the federal level at the CDC to the most scholarly studies from universities that addiction and substance use is a chronic illness, not a character failure?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Castro.

SENATOR CASTRO:

That is correct. And it has been reported in many studies that talk about maternal health and the barriers for women to get help, particularly black and brown women, is that when they have substance use or have used and find out they're pregnant, they are scared to go seek care, putting themselves and the child at risk for complications. In many studies, it is talked about that addressing that issue will help make women feel more comfortable to get that care.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you so much, Senator Castro. To the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Mr. President, I just want to make a couple brief comments here. I am sick and tired of the attitude in our country that talks about people who are struggling with substance use as if they're in control of the illness that has ensnared their lives. Many of us come from households where we've seen somebody struggle with substance use, and we know that those loved ones, usually the most tragic part of the illness is that they're not in control of what they're doing. So, for my colleagues on the other side of the aisle that are expressing so much concern about the children of those mothers that are struggling with substance abuse, I would ask them to -- to work with us on increasing funding for addiction and substance use programs. Many of my colleagues on the other side of the aisle supported my liver disease bill last Session. Thank you for that. We worked cooperatively on that. But I think that Leader Castro is doing the right thing by trying to fix the systems that continue to fail families where mothers are clearly sick and need a better response from the health care system and, frankly, from the communities that -- that they live in, so that they can get better and so that those families can get better. This is a -- this is a pro health bill. This is a pro-family bill, and it is an excellent piece of legislation, and I encourage everybody to support it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion, Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

To the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR PETERS:

I'll just keep it brief. My biological mom was addicted to drugs and alcohol, and she died of a heroin overdose in the early 90s. I learned all this because I have had the privilege to meet my biological aunt and we're going to celebrate my birthday this Saturday with her. And I just want to say that I appreciate the sponsor's compassion. And, you know, how much heart is being placed in this. And I just hope, you know, thinking about my own biological mom that folks vote Yes on this bill. So, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion, Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to commend the sponsor for bringing this bill to allow us to -- to debate it and support it. Just -- well, first of all, this is Black Maternal Health Month. And just yesterday, we brought down some African, some black women physicians from several of the hospitals on the south side. And we had a great panel discussion last night over at the State Museum. And these positions are telling us that substance use is the major cause that they see coming through their emergency rooms. For women who are addicted, for women who are losing their children, and that we must do something about it down here. And it's just so interesting that Senator Castro brings this bill and hits the Floor today. And so, I will be working not only with Senator Castro on this bill, but a number of other items that they were talking about because many of you all don't know but I happen to have a master's degree in alcohol and drugs. I've had it since

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1982. I am also a certified alcohol and drug counselor, and I have actually run alcohol and drug treatment programs, outpatient, intensive outpatient, jail-based programs, residential programs. And I speak on this issue all around the world. I've been doing this for a very, very long time. Okay. And what I have noticed over the years is that we have not been putting enough monies into residential treatment for women. That include-- that's alcohol and for drugs. And we keep reducing the number of drugs and programs. I'm sorry. We keep reducing the number of programs for this population. And we didn't have fentanyl back then. We got so much, so many different kinds of chemicals that these women are using. They're pregnant. And you all -- we're not doing enough. We simply are not doing enough to help these women. And many of them are homeless. They're out on the streets and there still exists a waiting list. So, I support this this program and I'll do whatever I can Senator Castro, to make this program happen. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Castro to close.

SENATOR CASTRO:

Thank you, Mr. President. And I appreciate the support from my colleagues. To those who are opposed, I want to clarify a few things from the record. This bill does not amend the Juvenile Court Act. I repeat, it does not amend the Juvenile Court Act. Number two, there is also prenatal blood work that will show someone's toxicology ahead of the baby being born. So, I will -- I have explained that before and I'll explain it again. If we're going to continue to -- if we're going to address this issue on maternal health care, we have to address it by helping women seek treatment.

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And sometimes it is taking some of these punitive barriers down and we're not taking them all down. We're taking a few down to help women come out of the shadows, to not have fear, to come get the health care they need for them and their baby. I look forward asking for an Aye vote, but I look forward to continuing the work on maternal health. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 3136 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 43 voting Yea, 15 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3136, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to Senate Bill 3137, Senator Fine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3137, an Act concerning Health. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Fine, on your bill.

SENATOR FINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Every once in a while, in our job, we come across a person or a family who has gone through a very difficult experience, and we have the honor and privilege of making their experience something that another family does not have to go through. And that is the case with Jordan's law. Jordan was a constituent in my district, and Jordan suffered from addiction. And while he was at a substance use disorder treatment facility, he passed away. Unfortunately, it took almost a week before his

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family was notified of his death. What this legislation does is it says that known reps of a patient who has passed away needs to be notified within 24 hours, verbally and written within five days. Again, this won't bring Jordan back to his family, but it will ease the devastation for other families in the future. And I would appreciate your support on this vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3137 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3137, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill. Senator Fowler, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like the record to reflect my intentions to vote No on Senate Bill 2979. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intentions. Senate Bill 3156, Senator Johnson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3156, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Johnson, on your bill.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3156, as amended, is a continuation of the Illinois State Board of Education's effort

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to streamline the School Code provisions and amend or repeal outdated, contradictory, and problematic provisions of the School Code. And there are three important changes to the amendment. First, the amendment aligns reporting requirements for firearms in schools with Illinois State Police procedures. And second, the amendment removes the requirements that counseling services and public schools be provided by a specific individual with defined credentials by replacing 'Shall' with 'May' in this Section and third, the bill combines the three evidence-based funding streams for the Regional Offices of Education. I know of no opposition and request Aye votes. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 3156 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 42 voting Yea, 16 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3156, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3175, Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3175, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill provides that subject to appropriation, IDOT may create and implement a type two noise suppression program as defined by federal statute. The Floor

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amendment also removes the provision that IDOT shall notify the General Assembly of implementation of the program. I just want to discuss this in terms of any community that's adjacent to interstates throughout their community. In the south suburbs, we've seen a boom of -- of warehouses being built, which has increased the truck traffic on our interstate system. And as a result, this truck traffic has in part increased the noise to properties that have been built a substantial amount of time prior to them having the increased truck traffic. This bill will assist those residents in -- in -- in stating what the increased noise level is in their community. It'll also help substantiate the need for a sound barrier that will be required in order to help reduce the noise levels to these interstates. This is a Statewide -- Statewide issue, especially with our economy growing in the states and with truck traffic increasing as well. And Mr. President, I'll answer any questions and I urge an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3175 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3175, having received their constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to Senate Bill 3203, Senator Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Hunter seeks leave of the Body to send Senate Bill 31 -- 3203 back to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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Floor Amendment 2, offered by Senator Hunter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter, on your amendment.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. I wish to adopt the amendment and I'll explain it on three.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will vote Aye - say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The vote -- the Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, is Senate Bill 3203. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3203, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter, on your bill.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. So, the -- the amendment corrects a drafting error, and it removes the way \$25 dollars was written in the bill. And what the bill does is amends the Illinois Code and the State Employees Group Insurance Act, and it prohibits any policy of accident and health insurance or managed care plan that provides coverage for prescription drugs from denying or limiting coverage for prescription inhalers, if the inhaler has

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been provided by a licensed physician, and it limits and insured individual must pay for an inhaler to -- to no more than \$25 per 30 day period. I myself has asthma. This is a negotiated bill. And we've worked very hard over the months to get everybody on board. As far as I know, there is no opposition to the bill. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you. I rise in opposition for this bill. I commend the sponsor for carrying this bill. I mean, asthma is something that you can't control, and it can very, very quickly turn into a life-threatening situation. As a mother whose oldest son has severe asthma his entire life it's incredibly important. Wherever we are, whenever we're somewhere that we have inhalers with us. And that's why it's important to make sure that we can provide this oftentimes lifesaving device for people at a price that they can afford. So, I ask for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter, to close.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I'd like to thank the -- the American Lung Association and all of the other organizations that work so hard to make this bill possible. Thank you very much.

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The question is, shall Senate -- I'm sorry. Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

I apologize, I humbly apologize. I rose in support of this bill. Thank you very much. Thank you, thank you, thank you for reminding me. Yes, I need to pay attention. I rise wholeheartedly in support of this bill. So, thank you for sponsoring this bill, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 3203 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 voting Yea, 2 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3203, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Mr. Secretary, Motions in Writing.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Mr. President, I have a Motion in Writing from Senator Morrison related to Senate Bill 692.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, please print the motion on the Calendar. We are now on Senate Bill 3208, Senator Villa. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3208, an Act concerning employment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, on your bill. Senator Villa seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3208 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Villa.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, on your amendment.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3208 seeks to codify the requirement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

This is on the amendment, Senator.

SENATOR VILLA:

I'd like to adopt the amendment explain...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, is Senate Bill 3208. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3208, an Act concerning employment. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3208, as amended, seeks to codify the requirement for employers to retain copies of employee pay stubs for no less than three years after the date of

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given payment, and either electronic or paper form. Pay stubs serve more than just a piece of paper. They allow for detailed records on earnings, deductions for pay periods, and ensuring transparency between employers and their workforce employers. Knowledge of what's on your pay stubs is necessary for numerous actions from applying for loans, credit and more. I'm happy to report that with our amendment, the Chicago Chamber of Commerce, the Illinois Retail Merchants Association, the Illinois Manufacturers Association, and the Illinois Chambers are neutral. I'm happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3208 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 41 voting Yea, 16 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House and Senate Bill 3208, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to Senate Bill 3211. Senator Cervantes seeks leave of the Body to recall Senate Bill 3211 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Cervantes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cervantes, on your amendment.

SENATOR CERVANTES:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to adopt the amendment and explain it on 3rd.

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Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have , and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3211. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3211, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cervantes, on your bill.

SENATOR CERVANTES:

Thank you, Mr. President. This initiative is from the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy. What this bill does, as amended, SB 3211, provides an individual without discipline, applying as a licensed marriage and family therapist who has been licensed at the independent level in another U.S. Jurisdiction for at least 30 months during the five consecutive years preceding application, is not required to submit proof of completion of education, of professional experience and supervision, and must submit a certified verification of licensure from said jurisdiction. This bill aims to increase mental health professionals in the State of Illinois. As currently we are 28th in the nation, per capita, and this will hopefully ease the requirements. We have no opposition. The Department, IDFPR, is neutral and I ask for an Aye vote.

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So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3211 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3211, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to Senate Bill 3285. I'm sorry, Senator Hastings, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Mr. President, I like the record to reflect that I intended to vote Yes on Senate Bill 3203. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intentions. We're going to go to Senate Bill 3285, Senator Peters. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3285, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Peters, on your bill.

SENATOR PETERS:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill clarifies and cleans up things that came out of a court case last year, and it's supported by domestic violence and sexual assault survivor organizations. I ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Questions for the sponsor.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you. Senator Peters, you said that this came out of a court case. Is that the Angela Wells court case?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

In this State's Attorneys Association is officially opposed to this bill. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Peters.

SENATOR PETERS:

No, they're not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Okay. Let me speak to the bill. Thank you, Senator Peters.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

So, I spoke to the President of the State Attorney's Association yesterday. He said that they are totally opposed to this legislation. I'm not sure if they've officially slipped, so I can't answer that. If they haven't, I guess, they did -- didn't

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do something they were supposed to do. So, I think first of all, it's important to look at the reason for why this legislation is being filed at the base level. This is because of the Angela Wells case, which was out of Peoria. So, for those of you that don't know anything about that case, Angela Wells and her husband went to steal \$1,000 from a person. And after this botched robbery they decided to stab him to death and then throw him in a freezer. Angela Wells went into that freezer and discovered he was still alive, so she took a sledgehammer to his face and then stabbed him to death after beating him in the face with the sledgehammer. So, it's because Angela Evans was saying, you know, this was because I was abused by my husband, and I was fearful of him. That's why I went into the freezer with my 14-year-old present, who held the door open for me and -- and beat him and stabbed him to death while he was literally laying there, dying after she and her husband had put him in the freezer. And then they buried him, I believe in their backyard by the swimming pool. So, that is the -- that is the victim here that needs to have a much lesser sentence because of domestic violence. By the way, she got a much lesser sentence because she cooperated with the State's Attorney's Office, and she testified against her husband. She got 40 years. Her husband got life. That was a fully negotiated plea. What this bill would like to do is in that situation, they would like for a court to overturn that plea. Our Illinois Supreme Court, not exactly the most conservative court denied her request. And it was a 5 to 1 decision. And so, now this is going to overturn current law to allow for a situation like this, for a plea agreement that was fully negotiated to be overturned. So, in talking to the State's Attorneys yesterday, and I talked to not just the president, but

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multiple state's attorneys, they believe this is unconstitutional because these plea agreements are made and they are governed by contract law, and both sides are sitting at the table. And obviously they have to be done in good faith and everything else. So, there's the contract laws would apply in that situation. In this situation, you're allowing one party to overturn, a fully negotiated plea. And in some cases, these pleas are negotiated, and then other charges are dismissed. So, these charges would be dismissed. And now this in -- in-- in and now this plea could potentially be overturned against the will of the State's Attorney's office, against the victims. This could cause these cases to be relitigated, by the way, so the victims would have to come back in and potentially testify. The victims' families could potentially testify. At what point do the victims have finality in this State? So, the State's Attorneys believe this is unconstitutional. This goes against victims. And this is all done because of an absolutely horrific case where, quite frankly, this woman deserved every bit of 40 years in prison for what she did. So, for those reasons, I would encourage you to vote No.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Peters, to close.

SENATOR PETERS:

Thank you. Let me first just say this is constitutional. That's a large reason why we're here today. The United States Supreme Court has permitted individuals to move forward on petitions for post-judgment relief of negotiated pleas. That's Hughes V. United States. And on the story of Angela for 11 years she lived being abused on a regular basis, being punched, kicked, slapped, dragged on the floor. She was held at gunpoint. The --

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her partner pulled the trigger, but the gun jammed. She had a shotgun wound in her arm, a black eye, trauma to her left foot and pain in her neck, knee and finger. She literally experienced massive trauma. Massive trauma that impacted her life. What this bill is about is people who survived immense violence, domestic violence, sexual assault violence, who experienced immense trauma. Just having an opportunity to have a resentencing doesn't mean that they're going to be let out. It just gives survivors of violence a chance to have a slight change in their life, because they went through the immense and pain of trauma, of gender-based violence and sexual assault. So, I ask for an Aye vote for so many people who I know and talk to, who have experienced a massive amounts of trauma and pain, who just want a second chance to be able to get out after they've experienced this pain, after they've gone through rehabilitative programs to be able to see their kids and their family. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 3285 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 34 voting Yea, 18 voting Nay, none voting Present. And House -- Senate Bill 3285, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Enterprises seeks leave of the Body to record and photograph. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Senator Preston, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR PRESTON:

Mr. President, it was my intention to vote on Senate Bill 3285.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Vote to a Yes? The record will reflect your intention. We're now at the bottom of page 7, we're on Senate Bill 3310. Senator Simmons seeks leave with the body to return Senate Bill 3310 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Simmons.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Simmons, on your amendment.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. I'd like to move to adopt and will explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3310. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3310, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Simmons, on your bill.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members, and Ladies and

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Gentlemen of the Senate. SB 3310 is a terrific piece of legislation that is an initiative of the National Employment Law Center. It's a worker's rights piece of legislation that would extend the statute of limitations for civil rights violations to two -- two years from the current 300 days. This would put us right on par with several other states, such as California and New York, where the statute of limitations is currently at three years. And this would cover, employment and public accommodations. It does not include real estate transactions. And the legislation is supported by Housing Action Illinois, ACLU of Illinois, and the National Employment Lawyers Association. Excellent legislation that advances human rights in Illinois and proud to be carrying this legislation. And stand open for any and all questions. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Questions of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR TRACY:

Senator Simmons, what was the earlier time frame existing now? What -- what time now?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Three hundred days.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

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And what is -- what is -- originally you were asking for three years, and now it's -- you're asking for two years. Is that right?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you, Mr. President. My apologies. I misunderstood the question. The original bill was extending it to three years. Department of Human Rights asked us to amend it down to two years, and we've -- we've amended it to two.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR TRACY:

I just think doubling the time frame is -- is -- is a bit punitive for someone to keep records for two years. It's -- it's now, a year. Well, it's not even a year, it's three hundred days. So, doubling it, to two years, I think is -- is a fairly great burden for someone who has a large number of employees. It's going to be hard for them to keep track of -- of all the records that they may have had. Anyway, I oppose the bill, and that's the reason. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Simmons, to close.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. And for the question

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from the previous speaker, I ask everybody to support this legislation. A couple of other benefits to this bill that I didn't mention earlier. This is going to save litigation because we have a whole other process here where people can bring forth complaints, where the Department of Human Rights will be able to adjudicate those complaints out of court, as well as the Human Rights Commission bringing relief to those that have experienced a violation in terms of civil rights. And what also is really good about this legislation, Mr. President is that a lot of us know that when you experience a violation like this in the workplace, sometimes it takes some time to come to terms with what's happened to you. You might not realize that you had a civil rights violation until you've talked to family members, who then connect you to an advocacy organization that says you should not have experienced that. And so, it's important to make sure that those folks have enough time to get that relief, as I said earlier. This will put us on par with actually not even as -- as ambitious as California and New York at three years. And several other states actually have the statute of limitations in five and six years. It's a good bill. Thank you very much. I hope that I have all of your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3310 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 38 voting Yea, 18 voting Nay, and 0 voting Present. And Senate Bill 3310, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to turn to the top of page 8. We're going to go to Senate Bill 3318, Senator Murphy. Mr. Secretary, please read the

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bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3318, an Act concerning government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy, on your bill.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3318, as amended, clarifies that State Employees Group Insurance Program would provide coverage for all medically necessary Alzheimer's treatments. We worked out any opposition between the departments. I don't know of any opposition, and I am happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3318 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3318, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to Senate Bill 3353, Senator Halpin. Senator Halpin seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3353 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Yes. Floor Amendment 4, offered by Senator Halpin.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Halpin, on your Floor amendment.

SENATOR HALPIN:

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Thank you, Mr. President. I would ask to adopt the amendment and then discuss the bill on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3353. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3353, an Act concerning criminal law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Halpin, on your bill.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This task force is a result of an issue brought forth by a probation officer in the district I represent, who works with offenders in the mental health and drug courts. And he's deeply concerned in making sure that individuals with substance abuse and mental health issues do not fall through the cracks in those specialty courts, and wants to explore alternatives to DOC, where we all know it's currently difficult to receive those treatment services. And so, this task force, after a couple of iterations and amendments will get to those issues and will hopefully recommend solutions going forward. So, I will dodge or parry any questions. And I would ask for your Yes vote. Thank you.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3353 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Oppose, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 53 -- 3353, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to Senate Bill 3367, Senator Collins. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3367, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Collins, on your bill.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3367 is just a gut and replacement. The bill has been brought to neutral with DCFS. It ensures that the Children and Family Services Act conforms with recent July 2022 federal guidance regarding a collection of child support from parents whose children are in care for the Department of Children and Family Services. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3367 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3367, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're on Senate Bill 3372, Senator Gillespie. We're going to go

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down to Senate Bill 3434, Senator Villanueva. Senate Bill 3550 -- 3455 Senator Martwick. Senator Martwick seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3455 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Martwick.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Martwick, on your amendment.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd ask that the amendment be adopted, and I'd be offered an opportunity to explain on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3455. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3455, an Act concerning revenue. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Martwick, on your bill.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3455 commissions the Department of Revenue, in consultation with the Department of

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Commerce and Economic Opportunity, to conduct a comprehensive study evaluating the entire property tax system in the State of Illinois, including its constituent parts. This bill provides the Department may also examine whether the existing property tax levy assessment, appeal and collection process is reasonable and fair and may issue recommendations for improvement. Study shall be completed by July 1st, 2026, and it shall include, as I said, a real comprehensive analysis of our system. Let me state the obvious. We all know that we need to address property taxes in Illinois. And while we struggle with that challenge, I believe it is the responsibility of government to do this study to assess what problems we can figure out, how we can make this system efficient, fair, and equitable. This study will do that. I know of no opposition. I would be happy to answer any questions, and I would respectfully ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 3455 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3455, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3467, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Villivalam seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3467 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Villivalam.

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Senator Villivalam, on your amendment.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to adopt the amendment and explain it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3467. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3467, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, to explain your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3467, as amended, is an initiative of the Illinois Speech Language Hearing Association. It provides that the Illinois Speech Language Pathology and Audiology Practice Act does not prohibit the performance of SLP assistant services by a graduate acting under the direction and supervision of a licensed SLP. The bill adds that qualifications for licensure as an SLP assistant include completion requirements for certification or -- of any equivalent program approved by IDFPR. I know of no opposition. I would ask for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3467 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3467, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3471, Senator Sims. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3471, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Sims, on your bill.

SENATOR SIMS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 3471 provides that upon receiving a police report and an affidavit to the effect that an original license plate owners license plates were stolen, the Secretary of State shall issue new plates and a new registration or new registration sticker with no fee. I know of no opposition and ask for a favorable roll call. Ask for any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3471 -- 3471 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3471, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared

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passed. Senate Bill 3473, Senator Sims. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Sorry. Out of the record. Senate Bill 3501, Senator Ellman seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3501 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Ellman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman, on your amendment.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

I move that the amendment is adopted and I'll explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, is Senate Bill 3501. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3501, an Act concerning safety. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman, on your bill.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3501 is an initiative of the dark -- of Dark Skies International. This bill, as amended,

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establishes the Responsible Outdoor Lighting Control Act, where all new luminaires or light fixtures purchased with State funds on a structure or land that is owned or managed by IDNR must follow specified outdoor lighting control requirements as established by the American National Standards Institute and Illuminating Engineering Society. I know of no opposition, and I encourage an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3501 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3501, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Ellman, for what purpose do you seek recognition?
SENATOR ELLMAN:

I would like to vote for my bill. Senate Bill 3501. I closed my laptop and it asked for a password and I couldn't vote for it.
PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intention. Senator Aquino, for what purpose do you seek recognition?
SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I too would like the record to reflect my intention to vote Yes on Senate Bill 3310.
PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intention. We'll go to Senate Bill 3538, Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.
SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3538, an Act concerning local government. 3rd

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Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 3538 requires any self-insured county or municipality that provides health insurance coverage to its employees to include mental health counseling coverage for any employee who's a first responder, without imposing any cost sharing requirements on the patient. Just some very sad statistics here. First responders obviously are required to manage traumatic events, from fires to shootings. Police suicide rates are 69 percent higher than the general population. More police die by suicide than in the line of duty. Seventy-five percent of officers report having experienced a traumatic event. Thirty percent of first responders develop behavioral health conditions, including depression and PTSD, and that's a third higher than the general population. In terms of out-of-pocket costs Mr. President, out-of-pocket costs are a barrier to mental health treatment. Forty-two percent of our population views cost as a barrier to mental health services. Specifically, for those skeptical of the benefit, making more mental health care -- making mental health care helps people get their -- the help that they need. And the average cost of psychotherapy, it ranges from \$100 to \$200 dollars per session. Insurance companies can pass up to 40 percent of the cost of a patient. And this could easily add up to over \$2,000 dollars a year of out-of-pocket costs for weekly therapy sessions for just one family member. Mr. President, it's a very important bill for our first responders. I ask that this Chamber votes Aye and I'll

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ask any questions. I'll answer any questions. And if there's no questions, Mr. President, I'd like to close. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 3538 pass. All those in favor will vote -- oh I'm sorry. Yes, go ahead and close.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Mr. President. Thanks for no question. If there's no question, I'd just like to close and make a brief statement, if that's okay. Thank you very much, Mr. President. Today I stand before you to shed light on an often overlooked and underappreciated hardships faced by our first responders. These brave men and women selflessly rush into danger risking their lives to protect and serve our communities. Yet behind the uniform lies a reality of immense psychological strain and trauma. First responders encounter situations on a daily basis that most of us couldn't even imagine -- begin to imagine. They witnessed the aftermath of accidents, natural disasters, acts of violence, and confronting the darkest aspects of human existence. These experiences take a toll not only on their physical well-being, but also on their mental health. Post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, anxiety, and substance abuse are just a few of the challenges that our first responders grapple with as a result of their line of work. Yet all too often, their struggles are met with stigma and silence, leaving them to suffer in isolation. It's time for us to recognize that mental health is just as crucial as physical health, especially for those who dedicate their lives to protecting ours. We cannot continue to ignore the profound impact that trauma has on the psychological well-being of our first responders. That's why I'm asking for those to vote Aye on this

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cost-free mental health treatment for all first responders. We owe it to these brave individuals to provide them with the support and resources they need to heal and recover from the trauma they've endured in the line of duty. But beyond the moral imperative, there's also a pragmatic reason for investing in the mental health for our first responders. It's cost effective, by addressing mental health issues early on and providing timely intervention and treatment, we can provide more serious and costly -- we can prevent more serious and costly consequences down the line. Untreated mental health conditions can lead to absenteeism, reduced productivity and higher rates of turnover. Moreover, the untreated trauma can manifest in other areas of our lives, leading to strained relationships, substance abuse, and even suicide. By providing these cost free mental health treatments, we can mitigate these risks and ensure our first responders are able to continue serving their communities effectively and safely. It's an investment. It's an investment in their well-being and the well-being of their families and the well-being of the communities as a whole. And in closing, Mr. President, thank you for the time. Let us not turn a blind eye to the struggles of our first responders. Let us stand in solidarity with them and support their mental health needs without reservation or hesitation. Together, we can create a culture of compassion and care that honors their sacrifices and ensures the resiliency in the face of adversity. I ask for an Aye vote, Mr. President. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And the question is, shall Senate Bill 3538 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take

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the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3538, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Feigenholtz, on Senate Bill 3552. Senator Feigenholtz seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3532 -- 3252 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Feigenholtz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Feigenholtz, on your amendment.

SENATOR FEIGENHOLTZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to adopt the amendment and discuss it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, is Senate Bill 3552. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3552, an Act concerning government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Feigenholtz, on your bill.

SENATOR FEIGENHOLTZ:

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Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3552 is an initiative of the Anti-Defamation League. This bill essentially amends the Police Training Act and the State Police Law Act of the Administrative Code providing training standard -- the Training Standard Board develop course and assist and work with law enforcement. The State police steadfastly worked with the advocates of this along with the Training and Standards Board. There's no opposition. Everyone's happy. And I think this is very important for the current climate that we are living in, in the new normal of our world. And I would appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3552 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3552, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're now... We're going to go back up in the middle of the page Senate Bill 3434, Senator Villanueva. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3434, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villanueva, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3434, as amended, authorizes that the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and the Office of Homeland Security to adopt rules for the implementation

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of its State funded grant programs, as well as adopt other rules and procedures necessary to carry out the provisions in the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Stoller.

SENATOR STOLLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR STOLLER:

Yeah. This bill grants kind of -- I would say extraordinary power to the Department rulemaking authority, which really bypasses the legislature. In fact, the language of the bill says the agency shall do all things necessary, incidental, or appropriate for the implementation of this Act, including the adoption of rules in accordance with the Illinois Administrative Procedures Act. That's a -- that's a lot of power that the Department is looking for. And it begs the question, why is all that necessary? In committee, it was mentioned that sometimes you need to trust the Department to do the right thing. And if there's one thing that makes me nervous, it's when the government says, trust us. Is also mentioned that this is IEMA after all. And so, sometimes there's emergencies that require quick responses. And so, sometimes they need to have that ability. But we already have a mechanism in place. And that is the Governor can declare emergency declarations. He can declare a disaster. And he's done that. In fact, he's done that quite a lot. For COVID he declared over three years of emergency declarations and we currently have asylum declaration for asylum seekers. That's been going on for

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over two years. In fact, under Governor Pritzker, for the last -- over the last four years, we've been continuously under disaster declarations. Is my opinion that the Governor has been abusing this authority, bypassing the -- the legislative process for over four years. Emergency declarations are supposed to be short term in nature. This is not the way for us to govern for over four years. There's a lack of transparency. There's a lack of oversight. The legislative branch is inherently more accountable to voters and closer to voters than the Governor. My constituents have a lot easier time contacting me than they would the Governor. And we are certainly way more accountable than the Governor's unelected bureaucracy in the Executive branch. Instead of continuous disaster declarations or additional rulemaking authority for IEMA. It's the rule of our branch to step in and debate policy and adopt policy and not abdicate our responsibility to the Governor's bureaucracy. And this is, of course, the same Department that provided an executive assistant for over 200, with over \$250,000 dollars of compensation in just ten months. So, when the Department says trust us with more power, you can see why I and the people of Illinois might get a little nervous. There's an old saying that power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. And this, to me, feels like a power grab by the Executive branch and our Governor. And so, for that reason, I would ask for a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion, Senator Sally Turner.

SENATOR SALLY TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. If the sponsor would yield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates she'll yield.

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SENATOR SALLY TURNER:

I just had a few questions and then I'm going to comment in -- in a minute, but so when Senator Joyce originally brought this bill, the intent was to adopt rules for the implementation of the grant programs. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Yes, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Turner.

SENATOR SALLY TURNER:

Thank you. And so, with this new bill, we talked about this in State government, and you remember that. Can you define because I know that the department head that was testifying that day, she had a difficult time defining exactly what all other things necessary, incidental, appropriate, mean to implement the Act. Can you help us understand what that means?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

So, IEMA handles obviously emergency management. And I think what we're trying to get addressed in this bill is as those incidences come up and as things kind of happen, to be able to give them the authority to be able to move with flexibility and move a little bit more swiftly.

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Senator Turner.

SENATOR SALLY TURNER:

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Thank you, Senator, for those answers to my questions. But, now, to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR SALLY TURNER:

Actually, I changed my mind. If you'd answer one more question. If you don't mind.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Go ahead.

SENATOR SALLY TURNER:

In regard to, changes, have there been any changes with the -- now -- now Homeland Security is a part of EMA. So, have there been any changes to the security it's called Homeland Security Advisory Council that maybe they might be reorganizing or redesigning it. That's an important part of EMA.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villanueva.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Senator, I don't think that that's the intention of this legislation. We're just trying to clarify some things in law. Because currently, particularly with the grant making that they have, some grants are given rule making authority and some don't and it kind of leads to some confusion. So that's what we're trying to do is to create clarity. I -- that's not the purpose of this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Turner.

SENATOR SALLY TURNER:

Thank you, Senator. That -- that's what I wanted to hear,

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that there wasn't any kind of new structuring or reorganization or anything like that. So, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villanueva, to close.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

In 2020, in March of 2020 when this Chamber shut down, everybody thought that it was going to be two weeks. We never in our wildest dreams imagine that we would live through a pandemic, a once in a lifetime pandemic, for several years. There are tens of thousands of Illinoisans that we lost, and there are millions of Americans that we lost through the pandemic. And yet nobody thought in November, October of 2019, that that would happen in the following months. This is just addressing and clarifying some things that IEMA needs so that they can continue to do the work that they need to do in emergency situations, whether it's another once in a lifetime pandemic or whether it's a tornado that touches down in Illinois, because we know that that happens. Vote Yes on the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3434 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 39 voting Yea, 19 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3434, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We are now going to turn to page 9, we have a page and a half to go. Senate Bill 3558, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Bill 3558, an Act concerning employment. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. This legislation is a follow up to legislation we passed, last year, to create a pre-tax transit benefit program, to encourage people to ride our public transit and make it easier for people to ride our public transit. This initiative is an initiative of IBEW Local 134. It exempts construction industry employees covered by a bona fide collective bargaining agreement from the requirements of -- of the Transportation Benefits Program Act. I would be happy to answer any questions and would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3558 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 46 voting Yea, 10 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 50 -- 3558, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to Senate Bill 3567, Senator Erica Harriss. Mr. Secretary. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Harriss seeks to leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3567 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Erica Harriss.

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Senator Harriss, to explain your amendment.

SENATOR ERICA HARRISS:

Sure. May we adopt the amendment and then I will explain on 3rd?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3567. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3567, an Act concerning revenue. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Harriss, to explain your bill.

SENATOR ERICA HARRISS:

Sure. Thank you. So, this bill amends the Truth and Taxation (Truth in Taxation) Law in the Property Code, and it requires taxing districts to post notice, on their website home page. And I would appreciate support of this transparency and taxation bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 35 -- I'm sorry. So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3567 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yea, none voting

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Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3567, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Turner, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SALLY TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. If you would record my vote as a No on Senate Bill 3-5-5-8, please, I'd appreciate it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intention. We're on Senate Bill 3597, Senator Ventura seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3597 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Ventura.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura, on your amendment.

SENATOR VENTURA:

I'd like to adopt the amendment and explain on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3597. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Senate Bill 3597, an Act concerning local government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura, on your bill.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 3597, as amended, is a gut and replace that allows local government to apply for low interest loans from the Illinois Finance Authority for clean energy infrastructure projects, saving taxpayers money from high interest or higher interest bonds. The local government still has to go through the normal processes to borrow money, and it simply allows for a low interest loan as opposed to the bond. And I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3597 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 49 voting Yea, 6 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3597, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to Senate Bill 3599, Senator Edly-Allen. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3599, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Edly-Allen, on your bill.

SENATOR EDLY-ALLEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3599 is years in the

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making. It -- as amended, it requires all providers of group or individual policies and managed care plans to provide coverage to eligible recipients for medically necessary mobile integrated health care services starting January 1st, 2026. It defines eligible recipient as an individual who has received hospital emergency services for three or more times in a period of four consecutive months, or someone who has been identified by a health care provider as an individual for whom mobile integrated health care services would likely prevent admission or allow discharge from a hospital or facility. This is an initiative that was brought to me and Senator McConchie by Wauconda Fire Chief, Erik Christensen. It passed unanimously out of committee, and I would be remiss if I didn't recognize the work of two colleagues who sat on the Mobile Integrated Health Care Task Force that published a report six years ago, in April 2018. Leader Holmes and Senator Anderson, thank you for your work on the task force. And I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator McConchie.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Senator, for bringing this forward. I do believe this is a great step forward and be able to provide more comprehensive health care in our local neighborhoods and help save costs overall, particularly for the State and our Medicaid Program. And encourage an Aye vote. Thank

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you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Edly-Allen, to close.

SENATOR EDLY-ALLEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3599 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3599, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3608, Senator Halpin seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3608 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Halpin.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Halpin, on your amendment.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would ask to adopt the amendment and debate the bill on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now, on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3608. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3608, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Halpin, on your bill.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3608 is an initiative of the Capital Development Board to, in some ways, clarify existing law that State projects, need not necessarily follow the same permitting and application process from local governments. One sticking point, in earlier versions of the bill, was to clarify that CDB will be responsible for actual incurred cost to the municipalities. So, things like water rates, you know, permits, permit fees, things of that nature. This bill was negotiated, the Illinois Municipal League is now neutral. Any questions will only harden my resolve. And I'd ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion, Senator DeWitt?

SENATOR DEWITTE:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR DEWITTE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I want to thank Senator Halpin for his arduous work on this legislation. I think it's been under discussion for the last couple of years now, last couple of

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Sessions. I particularly appreciate his willingness to accommodate our municipal governments, who typically take a significant expense, particularly when it comes to infrastructure costs, hookup fees, and things of that nature. So, I just wanted to let our side of the aisle know that this removes opposition from IML. I'm happy to support this legislation. And again, thank Senator Halpin for your good work.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Halpin, to close.

SENATOR HALPIN:

I would just like to thank the Senator for the -- the questions throughout this process and the encouragement to continue to discuss the bill. I believe it is a good bill and will definitely - it's my hope that it will speed up State projects. We -- we know we all need that. So, I would ask for a Yes vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3608 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3608, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3615, Senator Martwick. Senator Martwick seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3615 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Martwick.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Martwick, on your amendment.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would ask that the amendment be adopted, and I be offered an opportunity to explain it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate Bill 3615. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3615, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Martwick, on your bill.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

Thank you, Mr. President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 3615 removes the requirement that the Department of Juvenile Justice hold money on behalf of -- of the juveniles in their custody in interest bearing accounts, unless the annual interest earned would exceed the total annual costs and fees. This is an initiative of the Department. There is an old, some old legislation that requires them to be kept in interest bearing accounts. But because the account balances are so low,

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almost all the time, the -- the fees exceed the interest. And so, it's actually costing the residents money and so, this would eliminate that and be more efficient. Happy to answer any questions ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3615 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3615, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to drop down to Senate Bill 3678, Senator Stadelman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3678, an Act concerning business. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stadelman, on your bill.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 3678 amends the (Illinois) Ticket Sale and Resale Act. It bans the practice of so-called speculative event ticketing. That's where sellers of -- tickets, they will listen for sale even though they do not physically possess those tickets and that can lead to several bad outcomes. One, it can lead to price gouging and also can lead to consumers not even getting the tickets in the first place, and they may not even get a refund. The other provision provides better transparency in the sales transaction of those tickets. The total ticket price, including any additional fees,

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has to be at the - displayed at the beginning of the transaction and not at the end when you're ready to purchase those tickets and you have some surprises as far as what the costs are. Should mention that the bill we did engage the major stakeholders of the ticket industry, and at least the ones that reached out to us, and they're either neutral or support of this bill. Happy to answer questions. I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Bill 3678 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And the House -- and Senate Bill 3678, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go back up to Senate Bill 3650, Senator Peters. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3650, an Act concerning employment. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Peters, on your bill.

SENATOR PETERS:

Thank you, 3650 is a bill that helps clean up the (Illinois) Day and Temporary Labor Services Act. It's a trailer bill and I just want to thank IRMA, IMA, ABDI, Wine and Spirits and the Illinois AFL-CIO, as well as the advocates, for negotiating this bill. It's a bill that has the unique privilege of being supported by so much of business, as well as, labor. And I ask for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3650 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 41 voting Yea, 14 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3650, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Going to go to Senate Bill 3694, Senator Gillespie. Oh, Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3694, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Gillespie, on your bill.

SENATOR GILLESPIE:

Thank you. Senate Bill 3694 amends the Elevator Safety and Regulation Act to define "temporary certificate of operation" as a temporary certificate issued by the Office of the State Fire Marshal or their local designee, that permits the temporary use of a conveyance by the general public for a limited time of 30 days, while minor repairs or upgrades are being completed. This will not be issued unless it is determined by the Office of the -- Office of the Fire Safety Marshal that and the -- that the conveyances used will not jeopardize the safety and health of those using the conveyance or those working on the conveyance. This is spurred by an issue in my district and I have since heard from several other districts where this provision had been in the law until last November. It was taken out. And what has happened is a number of situations where during a temporary period for minor repairs or

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upgrades, the elevators have been turned off. Senior citizens and people with disabilities, have not been able to leave their apartments or have been had to be carried up and down stairs by fire departments. And so, we got -- I got contacted by local fire departments, in my district, because of their concern of what this was doing. So, it's re-inserting the provision that had been in the law with a proviso that unless it's deemed to be safe, it will not be turned on. And this would really be a helpful to our vulnerable people that live in apartment buildings and condos. So, I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion, Senator Bryant?

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield for some questions?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates she will yield.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you. Senator, how much time can an elevator with this temporary certificate how much time could that elevator be -- that -- can the certificate allow?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Gillespie.

SENATOR GILLESPIE:

How long could it be turned back on?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

How much time could the elevator operate with a temporary

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certificate?

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Senator Gillespie.

SENATOR GILLESPIE:

Up to 30 days.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

So, with that 30 days, is it a straight 30 days or can that be renewed for an additional 30 days?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Gillespie.

SENATOR GILLESPIE:

It can -- there's no provision in here for it to be renewed. It's just the 30 days.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Does the -- does the bill provide standards to follow on what a minor repair or an upgrade that would not jeopardize the safety or the health of those using the working elevator. Are their standards for that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Gillespie.

SENATOR GILLESPIE:

The bill does not define that. But there are industry standards that I'm sure can be put into rule if needed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

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SENATOR BRYANT:

Okay. And then lastly, it sounds like the elevators would be allowed to run if the - where the smoke detectors and the emergency communication are hooked up, if that's the -- if that happens, is it possible that some people could get trapped on an elevator without a way to call for help? And can you explain how the bill would not make these incidents more likely?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Gillespie.

SENATOR GILLESPIE:

One second, please. Thank you, sorry, can you repeat the question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

So, it sounds like the bill might allow elevators to run where the smoke detectors and the emergency communications aren't hooked up. So, if that happens, people might get trapped in an elevator without a way to call for help. So, could you explain, how the bill would not make these incidents more likely?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Gillespie.

SENATOR GILLESPIE:

Again, it's -- it's contingent upon it being deemed to be safe. So, if they determine that they can't hook those things up and that would make it unsafe, there's still ability under the bill language for them to deny the temporary use certificate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

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SENATOR BRYANT:

So, just two last things and I'll do them both at the same time. One is, would this affect the elevators in this building in particular, remember the one that Senator Rose fell down to -- to you were in there, fell down two flights. That's one. And part two is and this is very serious to this issue, will there be insurance coverage -- it's actually not that serious.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Gillespie.

SENATOR GILLESPIE:

Well, I'm not entirely sure Senator Rose's situation wasn't user error, but giving the benefit of the doubt there, I'm sure that if that were a true safety issue, we would be able to deny the certificate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank -- thank you for your answers.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Gillespie, to close. Senator Villa, do you -- do you have a question? Senator Gillespie, to close.

SENATOR GILLESPIE:

Thank you very much. This received a lot of discussion in committee. It was passed out of committee with the unanimous vote. I would ask that the Chamber please support this in order to help local fire departments who are being called out to literally carry people up and down stairs when they should be available for more serious things. And I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3694 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3694, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Villa, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to -- the record to indicate that I intended to vote Yes for Senate Bill 3650.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will indicate your intention. The bottom of the page, Senate Bill 3696, Senator Halpin. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3696, an Act concerning commercial transactions. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Halpin, on your bill.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. So, Senate Bill 3696 is an initiative of the Illinois Bankers to update the Uniform Commercial Code to reflect changes in technology and updated economic systems. I know of no opposition. Some -- some tweaks were negotiated with I believe IDFPR, passed committee unanimously. I strongly discourage any questions as the UCC is a notorious sleep aid but would answer them if required. And I'd ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3696 pass. All those

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in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3696, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll turn the page to Senate Bill 3753, Senator Fine. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3753, an Act concerning health. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Fine, on your bill.

SENATOR FINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill sets criteria for admission to State operated developmental facilities. It requires annual assessments of residents needs and give residents the right to know their options for care and living situation. It also allows the Department of Human Services Division of Developmental Disabilities to impose sanctions on providers who do not comply with conditions that are set by rules or contracts.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3753 pass. All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3753, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3767, Senator Glowiak Hilton seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3767 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is

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granted. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Glowiak Hilton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton, on your amendment.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to adopt the amendment and explain it on 3rd, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments supported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, is Senate Bill 3767. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3767, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton, on your bill.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This was brought to me by a constituent. My office worked with IDFPR in this endeavor to -- under current law, foreign educated applicants cannot qualify for endorsement in certain licensed or registered professions. And this makes it more streamlined and a path to licensure in Illinois

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to provide these needed professions. It does not -- it makes it so that they have to have comparable experience in order to get to that path, though. So, we are very clear about specifically what people have to do in order to get that registration or licensure.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

And so, the question is, shall Senate Bill 3767 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And Senate Bill 3767, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 3805, Senator Villanueva. Senator Collins, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR COLLINS:

Yes, Mr. President. I wanted the record to reflect that I am actually a Yes vote on Senate Bill 3285.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intentions. We're now going to go to Supplemental Calendar No. 1. It's been printed and distributed to you. Mr. Secretary, please read the Motions in Writing.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Motion in Writing on Senate Bill 692, Senator Morris {sic} (Morrison). Pursuant to Rule 7-5, having voted on the prevailing side, I move to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill 692 passed. Filed on April 11th, 2024.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Morrison, on your motion.

SENATOR MORRISON:

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Thank you, Mr. President. I move that we reconsider the vote on Senate Bill 692.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall the roll call by which Senate Bill 692 passed be reconsidered? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The record -- the voting is open. All vote -- have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Yeas, no Nays, no Present. And Senate Bill 692... That motion is adopted, and the -- and Senate Bill 692 is being reconsidered. Will the Committee on Assignments please meet in the front of the gallery? The Committee on Assignments, please meet. Just a reminder, you have until tomorrow morning at 10 a.m. to file a vote intention - a -- a slip on the Agreed Bill List with the Secretary's Office. To be clear, if you want to vote anything other than Yes on the Agreed Bill List, you need to file your intention slip. Otherwise, you'll be recorded as a Yes on the Agreed Bill List. Senator DeWitte, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR DEWITTE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would ask the record reflect my intentions to vote No on Senate Bill 3650, 3-6-5-0. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intentions. Senator Peters, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR PETERS:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would like the record to reflect that on 3367, I would like to be recorded as a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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The record will reflect your intentions. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Lightford, Chair of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been Assigned: Refer to Executive Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1055; refer to Judiciary Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 941; refer to Local Government Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1102; refer to Public Health Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1087. Be Approved For Consideration: Senate Bill 386, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 463, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 692, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2639, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2682, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2764, Senate Resolution 780, 784, 786, 787, 795, 797, 810, 818, 832, 850, 860, 866, 870, and 909. Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-8 (b-1), the following amendments will remain in the Committee on Assignments: Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 964, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 995, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1131, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1132, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1175, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1215 and Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1216. Signed, Senator Kimberly A. Lightford, Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To fulfill our responsibilities under Article V, Section 9 of the Constitution, we will now proceed to the Order of Advise and Consent, Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on appointments set

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forth in Appointment Messages 085, 87, 89, 90, 91, 92, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 107, 110, 111, 113, 114, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 127, 129, 130, 131, 135, 134, 136, 137, 138, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 171, 172, 173, 183, 364, 376 and 390 of the 103rd General Assembly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy moves that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session, for the purpose of acting on the Appointment Messages just read. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate is now resolved into Executive Session. Mr. Secretary, are there any Motions in Writing?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I have a Motion in Writing from Senator Murphy, Chair of the Committee on Executive Appointments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, print the motion on the Calendar. Mr. Secretary, please read the Appointment Message No. 1030085.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the Illinois Racing Board, Alyssa Anna Murphy.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate consent to the nomination.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent -- the question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. Okay. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the question. On that question, a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030087.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the State Board of Health, Angela Oberreiter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, shall -- does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? On that question, there are 50... Take the record. On that question there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of the Senators elected concurring by a record vote {sic} (57-0-0), the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030095.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be the Associate Secretary and Chief Behavioral Health Officer for the Illinois Department of Human Services, David T. Jones.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And the majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment... Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment No. 1030110.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the State Mining Board, Raymond Hood.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030111.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the State Mining Board, N. Michael Huff.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, is the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of the Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030113.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments

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Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the State Police Merit Board, William David Stiehl.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators electing concurring by the record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030114.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be an Arbitrator for the Workers' Compensation Commission, Francis Martin Brady.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have

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all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030136.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the State Mining Board, Michael Martin.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030137.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the State Mining Board, Stephen Willis.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030376.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the Human Rights Commission, Mona Noriega.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye -- vote Yes. Voting. Opposed voting, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, 1 voting -- and none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does

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consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Message No. 1030390.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the Firearm Owners Identification Review Board, Dion M. Redfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message.. Supplemental Calendar No. 2 has been printed and distributed and is on your desk. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030089.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be the State Fire Marshal, James A. Rivera.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

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Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Yes, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators electing concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030107.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the Illinois Gaming Board, James Patrick Kolar.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators electing concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030127.

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Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the Commission on Equity and Inclusion, Bruce E. Montgomery.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And the majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030129.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the Employment Security Board of Review, Lamarcus Deshun Williams.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye.

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Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030130.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be the Assistant Director of the Illinois Department of Corrections, Alyssa Williams-Schafer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yes, none voting No, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030131.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be the Director of the Illinois Department of Employment Security, Raymond P. Marchiori.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030134.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the State Mining Board, Robert N. Eggerman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by

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record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030135.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be a Member of the State Mining Board, Bernard Leroy Harsy.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators electing concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030148.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be the Executive Inspector General for the Agencies of the Illinois Governor, Susan Haling.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Pursuant to Section 5-20 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act, a 3/5th vote is required for confirmation. The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a 3/5ths majority of the Senate is concurring by record vote, that the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, please read Appointment Message No. 1030364.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Appointments Recommends that the Senate Do Consent to the following salaried appointment: To be the Chief Procurement Officer for Higher Education, Bridget McHatton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move the Senate consent to the nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the nomination just made? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 57 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And a majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the nomination. Mr. Secretary, Supplemental Calendar No. 3 has been printed and distributed. Mr.

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Secretary, Motions in Writing-Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I have a Motion in Writing from Senator Murphy, Chair of the Executive Appointments Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 10-1(c), as the Chair of the Executive Appointments Committee, I move to compile the following Appointment Messages to be acted on together by a single vote of the Senate. Appointment Messages 1030090, 1030096, and 1030172 - Labor Advisory Board; Appointment Messages 1030091, 1030183 - Illinois Committee for Agricultural Education; Appointment Messages 1030092 and 1030138 - Clean Energy Jobs and Justice Fund; Appointment Message 103097 - Illinois State Medical Board; Appointment Messages 1030098 and 1030121 - Illinois State Board of Education; Appointment Message 1030099, 1030119 - Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum Trust - Board of Trustees; Appointment Message 1030120 - Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority; Appointment Message 1030122 - Public Administrator and Public Guardian of Mason County; Appointment Message 1030123 - Public Administrator and Public Guardian of Tazewell County; Appointment Messages 1030140 and 1030141 - Health Facilities and Services Review Board; Appointment Message 1030142 - Illinois Finance Authority; Appointment Messages 1030143 and 1030144 - Northeastern Illinois University Board of Trustees; Appointment Message 1030146 - Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission; Appointment Messages 1030147 and 1030165, 1030166 - Employment Security Advisory Board; Appointment Messages 1030149,

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1030158, 1030159 - Northern Illinois University Board of Trustees; Appointment Message 1030150 - University of Illinois Board of Trustees; Appointment Message 1030155 - Eastern Illinois University Board of Trustees; Appointment Message 1030156 - Governor State University Board of Trustees; Appointment Message 1030157 - Illinois State University Board of Trustees; Appointment Message 1030164 - Chicago State University Board of Trustees; Appointment Messages 1030167 and 1030168 - Energy Workforce Advisory Council; Appointment Messages 1030169 and 1030171 - Illinois Workforce Innovation Board; Appointment Message 1030173 - Will Kankakee Regional Development Authority. Dated April 11th, 2024. And Signed by, Assistant Majority Leader Laura Murphy, Chair, of the Executive Appointments Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Murphy moves to compile the Appointment Messages to be acted on together by a single vote of the Senate. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. Mr. Secretary, read the Compiled Appointments.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

To be Members of the Labor Advisory Board: Steven Avalos, Appointment Message 1030090; Cherita Ellens, Appointment Message 1030096; and Timothy E. Drea, Appointment Message 1030172; To be Member of the Illinois Committee for Agricultural Education: William Ladd-Cawthorne; Appointment Message 1030091 and Karen M. Schieler, Appointment Message 1030183; To be Members of the Clean Energy Jobs and Justice Fund: Liliana Scales, Appointment Message 1030092 and Kevin P. Clark, Appointment Message 1030138; To be a Member of the Illinois State Medical Board: Mary Huffman,

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Appointment Message 1030097; To be a Member of the Illinois State Board of Education: Donna S. Leak, Appointment Message 1030098 and To be a Member and Chair of the Illinois State Board of Education: Steven Isoye, Appointment Message 1030121; To be Members of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum Board of Trustees: Jason Lesniewicz, Appointment Message 1030099 and Jessica C. Harris, Appointment Message 1030019 {sic} (1030119); To be a Member of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority: Eric F. Rinehart, Appointment Message 1030120; To be the Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Mason County: Debbie A. Harper, Appointment Message 1030122; To be the Public Administrator and Public Guardian for Tazewell County: Debbie A. Harper, Appointment Message 1030123; To be Members of the Health Facilities and Services Review Board: Rex Paul Rudde, Appointment Message 1030140 and Audra L. Tanksley, Appointment Message 1030141; To be a Member of the Illinois Finance Authority: Lynn Sutton, Appointment Message 1030142; To be Members of the Northeastern Illinois University Board of Trustees: Betty Fleurimond, Appointment Message 1030143 and Michelle Morales, Appointment Message 1030144; To be a Member of the Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission: Yanajaha Kafi Moragne-Patterson, Appointment Message 1030146; To be Members of the Employment Security Advisory Board: Rick Terven, Appointment Message 1030147; James Argionis, Appointment Message 1030165; and Patrick F. Devaney, Appointment Message 1030166; To be Members of the Northern Illinois University Board of Trustees: Rita R. Athas, Appointment Message 1030149; Dennis Lee Barsema, Appointment Message 1030158; and Eric Wasowicz, Appointment Message 1030159; To be a Member of the University of Illinois Board of Trustees: Wilbur C. Milhouse

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III, Appointment Message 1030150; To be a Member of the Eastern Illinois University Board of Trustees: Joyce A. Madigan, Appointment Message 1030155; To be a Member of Governor State University Board of Trustees: James M. Kvedaras, Appointment Message 1030156; To be a Member of the Illinois State University Board of Trustees: Kathryn Sue Bohn, Appointment Message 1030157; To be a Member of the Chicago State University Board of Trustees: Cheryl D. Watkins, Appointment Message 1030164; To be Members of the Energy Workforce Advisory Council: Michael Glen Boyd, Appointment Message 1030167 and Shannon Fulton, Appointment Message 1030168; To be Members of the Illinois Workforce Innovation Board: Kaili Emmrich, Appointment Message 1030169 and Daniel Serota, Appointment Message 1030171; To be a Member of the Will Kankakee Regional Development Authority: Brian Shanahan, Appointment Message 1030173.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate Do Consent to the compiled nominations just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, does the Senate consent to the compiled nominations? All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yea, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And the Senate does consent to the compiled nominations. Majority of Senators elected concurring by record vote, the Senate does consent to the compiled nominations. Senator

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SENATOR MURPHY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen, I move the Senate arise from Executive Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Murphy moves that the Senate arise from Executive Session. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and motion carries. The Senate has arisen from Executive Session. We're going to go back and pick up some 2nd Readings. Senator Belt, on Senate Bill 2234. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2234, an Act concerning regulations. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Financial Institutions adopted Amendment No. 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senator Sims, on Senate Bill 2536. Senator -- Senator Villa, on Senate Bill 2568. Senator Preston, on Senate Bill 2608. Leader Lightford, on Senate Bill 2625. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2625, an Act concerning liquor. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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3rd Reading. Leader Lightford, on Senate Bill 2745. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2745, an Act concerning liquor. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senator Villa, on Senate Bill 2758. Senator Fine, on Senate Bill 3130. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3130, an Act concerning regulations. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Gillespie.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Gillespie, on your amendment.

SENATOR GILLESPIE:

I move to adopt the amendment and turn it over to Senator Fine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senator Edly-Allen, on Senate Bill 3163. Senator Edly-Allen, on Senate Bill 3325. Leader Lightford, on Senate Bill 3359. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3359, an Act concerning liquor. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Lightford.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Lightford, on your amendment.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd be happy to debate it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senator Gillespie, on Senate Bill 3433. Senator Bryant, on Senate Bill 3536. Senator Collins, on Senate Bill 3559. Senator Feigenholtz, on Senate Bill 3617. Senator Peters, on Senate

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Bill 3649. Senator Ellman, on Senate Bill... With leave of the Body, let's go back to Senate Bill 3617, Senator Feigenholtz, do you wish to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3617, an Act concerning revenue. 2nd Reading of the bill. Committee on Revenue adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Feigenholtz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Feigenholtz, on your amendment.

SENATOR FEIGENHOLTZ:

I'd like to explain it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senator Ellman, on Senate Bill 3701. Senator Castro, on Senate Bill 3732. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3732, an Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Insurance adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senator Villanueva, on Senate Bill 3806. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3806, an Act concerning revenue. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Villanueva.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villanueva, on your Floor amendment.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to adopt the amendment and explain on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on the 12th Day of April, 2024. The Senate stands adjourned.

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