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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

The regular Session of the 103rd General Assembly will come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Jerry Weber from Chatham Baptist Church, from Chatham, Illinois.

PASTOR WEBER: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Please remain standing. Senator Johnson, you can lead us in the Pledge.

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Lisa Yuscius from Blueroomstream seeks leave to video stream. No objection. Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, April 17th, 2024.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal pending arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. Senators if we can make your way to the Floor for action on Senate Bills 2nd Reading and Senate Bills 3rd Reading today, please make your way to the Floor. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolutions 932 and 933, offered by Senator Ellman and all Members. They are celebration of life resolutions, Mr. President.

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Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 931, offered by Senator Sims and Senate Joint Resolution 57, offered by Senator Hunter. They are both substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Castro, Chair of the Committee on Executive, reports Senate Bill 1722 Do Pass, Senate Bill 2804 Do Pass, as Amended. Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 378, Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 860, and Senate Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 3235 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Joyce, Chair of the Committee on State Government, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 536 and Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 839 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Glowiak Hilton, Chair of the Committee on Licensed Activities, reports Senate Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 774 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Villanueva, Chair of the Committee on Revenue, reports Senate Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 3496 and Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3806 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Holmes, Chair of the Committee on Local Government, reports Senate Bill 3097 Do Pass, as Amended, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 694 and Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1102 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Murphy, Chair of the Committee on Executive Appointments, reports

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President, I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles and the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit: House Bill 220. We have received like Messages on House Bill 778, 1742, 2232, 2842, 3241, 3521, 3553, 4118, 4144, 4251, 4264, 4295, 4360, 4719, 4738, 4757, 5104, 5151, 5184, 5190, 5218, 5238, 5256, 5261, 5277, 5282, 5287, 5288, 5290, 5295, 5313, 5325, 5349, 5351, 5353, 5354, 5369, 5370, 5396, 5407, 5412, 5421, 5444, 5450, 5457, 5459, 5465, 5467, 5479, 5491, 5496, 5502, 5507, 5510, 5511, 5513, 5522, 5527, 5530, 5537, 5539, 5550, 5564, 5574, 5601, 5602, 5606, 5627, 5640 and 5653. Passed the House April 17th, 2024. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House.

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Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 220, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 1742, offered by Senator Syverson, an Act concerning local government. House Bill 2232, offered by Senator Castro, an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 2842, offered by Senator Fine, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 3241, offered by Senator Lightford, an Act concerning criminal law. House

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Bill 4139, offered by Senator Stoller, an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 4144, offered by Senator Villivalam, an Act concerning safety. House Bill 53 -- 4350, offered by Senator Rezin, an Act concerning children. House Bill 4359, offered by Senator Edly-Allen, an Act concerning local government. House Bill 4360, offered by Senator Belt, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 4615, offered by Senator Joyce, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4711, offered by Senator Halpin, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 4719, offered by Senator Halpin, an Act concerning employment. House Bill 4757, offered by Senator Porfirio, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 4784, offered by Senator Glowiak Hilton, an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 4899, offered by Senator Fine, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5028, offered by Senator Fine, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5104, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 5135, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5151, offered by Senator Johnson, an Act concerning health. House Bill 5190, offered by Senator Koehler, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5218, offered by Senator Villa, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5238, offered by Senator Simmons, an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5256, offered by Senator Faraci, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5282, offered by Senator Holmes, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5287, offered by Senator Holmes, an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5290, offered by Senator Belt, an Act concerning health. House Bill 5295, offered by Senator Holmes, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5313, offered by Senator Castro, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5325, offered by

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Senator Villivalam, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5353, offered by Senator Glowiak Hilton, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5354, offered by Senator Fine, an Act concerning employment. House Bill 5369, offered by Senator Villivalam, an Act concerning education. House Bill 5370, offered by Senator Villanueva, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5396, offered by Senator Ventura, an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5407, offered by Senator Johnson, an Act concerning education. House Bill 5412, offered by Senator Stadelman, an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5421, offered by Senator Johnson, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5444, offered by Senator Edly-Allen, an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5457, offered by Senator Villa, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5465, offered by Senator Erica Harriss, an Act concerning courts. House Bill 5467, offered by Senator McConchie, an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5479, offered by Senator Villivalam, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5496, offered by Senator Napoleon Harris, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5502, offered by Senator Villivalam, an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5507, offered by Senator Villivalam, an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5510, offered by Senator Halpin, an Act concerning education. House Bill 5513, offered by Senator Glowiak Hilton, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5522, offered by Senator Joyce, an Act concerning wildlife. House Bill 5527, offered by Senator Joyce, an Act concerning government. House Bill 5530, offered by Senator Villivalam, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5537, offered by Senator Collins, an Act concerning health. House Bill 5539, offered by Senator Fowler, an Act concerning utilities. House Bill

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5550, offered by Senator Peters, an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5564, offered by Senator Fine, an Act concerning housing. House Bill 5574, offered by Senator Lewis, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5601, offered by Senator Loughran Cappel, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5602, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning government. House Bill 5606, offered by Senator Villanueva, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5627, offered by Senator Porfirio, an Act concerning regulation. 1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Belt, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR Belt:

Mr. President, I have an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

State your announcement.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you, Mr. President. I want to welcome Secretary of State Giannoulis guest and honor the families here today as part of Donate Life Month and Donor Family Recognition Day. These families experienced the death of loved ones but by choosing organ and tissue donation gave life to someone else. Last year in Illinois 877 donors and families said yes, to organ and organ donation, helping to enable over 2,200 lives - lifesaving organ transplants in our State. Four-hundred-eighty-three Illinoisans donated tissue and corneas to heal tens of thousands of people. I am thankful for the heroic decision to say yes, to saving lives. Please join us in honoring them today. Thank you, Mr. President.

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With leave of the Body, we will begin on page 2 of the

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printed Calendar on Senate Bill's 2nd Reading. Senate Bill 2760, Hunter. Senator Hunter, on Senate Bill 2760. Senate Bill 3559, Collins. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3559, an Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2760, Hunter. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2760, an Act concerning State government. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Health and Human Services adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3658, Syverson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3658, an Act concerning civil law. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3701, Ellman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3701, An Act concerning criminal law. 2nd Reading the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. For those Senators not on the Floor we're going to be moving to 3rd Reading soon so, please make your way to the Floor. Again, for those Senators that have not made their way to the Floor, please make your way as we are moving on to 3rd Reading. Final action. We'll be moving to 3rd Reading. Leave of the Body will be beginning on page 3 towards the middle of page 3, we find Senate Bill 536, Ellman. Mr. Secretary, Senator Ellman seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 536 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 536. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Ellman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Ellman, on your amendment.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

I wish to adopt the amendment and I will be glad to explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

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? Are there

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any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Ellman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Ellman, on your second amendment.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

I will move to adopt that amendment and I'll be glad to explain it on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor 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 AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 536, an Act concerning finance. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Ellman, on your bill.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 536 came from mayors and managers in my community. And as amended, it provides that a public agency can adopt an ordinance to allow for investment of public funds in other instruments if such investments are in accordance with laws and investment policies and extends the corporate maturity rate from 3 to 10 years. I know of no

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opposition, and I urge an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Bill 536 pass. All those in favor of 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 Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 536, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Continuing on to page 4, towards the top of page 4, we have Senate Bill 774, Senator Feigenholtz. Senate Bill 774, Senator Feigenholtz. Mr. Secretary, please read -- excuse me, Senator Feigenholtz seeks leave of the Body returns Senate Bill 774 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 774. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Feigenholtz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Feigenholtz, on your amendment.

SENATOR FEIGENHOLTZ:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like the Body to -- oh, Mr. President. Uh, that's five bucks, right? I would like to adopt the amendment and discuss it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

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?

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Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Feigenholtz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Feigenholtz, on your amendment.

SENATOR FEIGENHOLTZ:

Mr. President, I would like to discuss that amendment, once it's adopted on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

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 AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 774, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Feigenholtz, on your bill.

SENATOR FEIGENHOLTZ:

Thank you. Senate Bill 774 is a -- an initiative of leading age and significant number of providers. It establishes a permanent medication aide program at the Department of Public Health. It's a certificate, to work in assisted living facilities. Amendment 2 is for support of living facilities, and it uses the framework for certification that existed under a pilot program that is now -- has now sunset. I'm happy to answer any questions.

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Is there any discussion? Senator Bryant, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BRYANT:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Sponsor indicates she'll yield. Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you. Senator, I was initially really supportive of this bill. On its face, it sounds really good. My daughter is an RN, and it has been a director of nursing, so I just wanted to share some concerns that some of her colleagues have shared in this. She also teaches a CNA program. So, some concerns are the length of time that the -- that the CNAs get training. She indicated that she has trouble sometimes getting those CNAs to even recognize that putting soiled bed linens on the floor is, you know, is a problem. So, before anyone votes on this and I'm not advocating one way or another for this, could you explain the kind of training that these CNAs would receive in order to be able to give out medications?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Feigenholtz.

SENATOR FEIGENHOLTZ:

Senator Bryant, some of the key components of this legislation, while we're looking up the number of hours, is that they will -- the CNAs will work under direct supervision of an RN that's on duty and present in the establishment at all times. They will not administer any schedule two controlled substances or do any subcutaneous, intramuscular, intradermal or intravenous medication in any setting. The communities that are participating

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in this must be licensed and in good standing. And IDPH will submit a report regarding patient safety, efficacy, and errors to us here at the General Assembly no later than one year after this program begins. So, our analysis says having successfully completed this approved course of studying, there's 60 hours of classroom and 10 hours of simulation lab study and 30 hours of supervised practical -- practical.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Okay, so -- and I'm not clear who is still opposing this. Are there -- is there still any opposition?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Feigenholtz.

SENATOR FEIGENHOLTZ:

The bill went out on agreed... The bill went out on agreed -- on the Agreed Bill List. I don't really know of anybody who's opposed. I haven't heard from anyone directly. Okay, I was just informed that the Chicago Chapter of Black Nurses is opposed, but everyone else is neutral.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you. Thank you for your answers.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion, Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you. To the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

I rise in support of this legislation. I think this is a very important tool to help a lot of families. You know, nurses didn't go to school and go through all that training, to spend their whole day delivering blood pressure medications from resident to resident. And one of the problems we hear from residents and my mother, who was recently in a nursing home, went through the same situation. These people need their maintenance medications first thing in the morning, whether it's their blood pressure medications or cholesterol medications. And right now, to have a RN deliver those drugs throughout the whole day becomes a problem. This program allows individuals to get their maintenance medications on time, and allowing nurses to do what they were trained to do, to work with patients and to work with their health. And so, most health care professionals that we talked to are very supportive of this -- of this tool. And these are residents that were taking these medications themselves just before they went in there, and it is all under the supervision of an RN. So, I appreciate the work that you've done on this. I think this is good for patients, and it will be good for allowing RNs to continue to do the work that they want to do. So, thank you for bringing this bill forward.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any further discussion? Seeing none. Senator Feigenholtz, to close.

SENATOR FEIGENHOLTZ:

Thank you, Mr. President, just for a point of clarification.

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This only is for supportive living and assisted living. So, I -- I believe that we're going to be sort of tiptoeing into the shallow end of the pool with people who are more ambulatory and not as acute. And in a year, we will look at the results of that -- of that report and hopefully we'll be able to add more to SNFs so that we have people helping RNs like you described. Thank you. And I appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 774 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 Aye, 1 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 774, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Moving along to Senate Bill 839, Senator Holmes. Senator Holmes seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 839 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 839. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Holmes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Holmes, on your amendment.

SENATOR HOLMES:

I would appreciate the amendment being adopted. I will explain it on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are

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there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, can you please read the bill?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 839, an Act concerning safety. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Holmes, on your bill.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you, Mr. President. Last year I passed the Paint Stewardship Act. It was signed into law, and conversations began between PaintCare and the Illinois EPA on implementing the program. And some concerns were raised about oil based paints. As a result of the negotiations between the Illinois EPA and PaintCare. The language now creates provisions to make oil-based paint a State designated universal waste that can be managed under the Illinois Pollution Control Board's Universal Waste Rules. And that will allow for the proper collection. Due to these changes, we also have a date change in the amendment, reflective of the delay we had in getting this straightened out. I'd appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Bill 839 pass. All those in favor 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 57 voting Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present.

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Senate Bill 839, having received the constitutional majority, is declared passed. Moving along to Senate Bill 860, President Harmon. President Harmon seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 860 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 860. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by President Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

President Harmon, on your amendment.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move to adopt Floor Amendment No. 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

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 AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading. Mr. Secretary, can you please read the bill?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 860, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

President Harmon, on your bill.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate.

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Senate Bill 860 was brought to me by a constituent, Gabe Vargo. Her son, John, is 27 and has been diagnosed with both autism and diabetes. He lives in Ocilla, not far from our home in Oak Park. In other settings, he was able to self-administer his insulin medication using an insulin pump. When he moved to Ocilla, he was told because of Illinois law, he could not do so. We're modernizing the -- the law relating to self-administered medications in these settings, helping not only John, but also others similarly situated. Not aware of any opposition. And I ask you for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Bill 860 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 Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 860, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 951, Senator Syverson. Senator Syverson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 951 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 951. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Syverson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Syverson, on your amendment.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you. I'd like to have it adopted, and we'll discuss it on 3rd.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

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 consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 951, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Syverson, on your bill.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is just a quick take bill for the City of Marengo. There's a timing issue on a grant that they have received from Congressman Foster, and this large project needs to move forward as quickly as possible. Know of no opposition. Would ask a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Bill 951 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 Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 951, having received the constitutional majority, is declared passed. Leave of the Body will continue on to page 5 towards the top with Senate Bill 1102. Senator McClure. Senate

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McClure seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1102 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1102. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator McClure.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator McClure, on your amendment.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor 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 AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, can you please read the bill?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1102, an Act concerning local government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator McClure, on your bill.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is allowing for the Shelby County Board to establish a rescue squad. This is a squad that will save the lives of people that are in danger in that county. We did this for Sangamon County last year. The board has asked for

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this so that they can establish this. This passed unanimously in committee and there are no opponents. And I would be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Bill 1102 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 Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 1102, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we will go to page 6 towards the bottom with Senate Bill three.. Excuse me, 3323 Senator McConchie. Senator McConchie, on Senate Bill 3323. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3323, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator McConchie, on your bill.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

Thank you, Mr. President. What this bill will do is help ensure that as we're building EV chargers out across the State, they will be available in an accessible manner to anyone who has disabilities as well as able bodied people. There are -- is an amendment that we're waiting on for the Attorney General's Office that they are continuing to work on language. We have an agreement to pass it over to the House. The House is going to amend it and send it back over with the Attorney General's language once that gets done. I ask for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Bill 3323 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 Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3323, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. The Members of the Committee on Assignments will meet in the Senate's front room immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. And Senator Koehler, in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

WBEZ is seeking leave of the Body to audio record. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Senator Aquino in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Lightford, Chair of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned. Be Approved for Consideration - Floor Amendment 5 to Senate Bill 3235. Signed, Senator Kimberly A. Lightford, Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

With leave of the Body, we will be returning back to page 2, towards the top of page 2, for Senate Bill 378. Leader Lightford seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 378 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 378. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Lightford.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Leader Lightford, on your amendment.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. I happy -- be happy to debate it on 3rd, please, sir. I ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor 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 AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 378, an Act concerning children. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Leader Lightford, on your bill.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen, of the Senate. Senate Bill 378, as amended, is a bill for a protection of children who have been possibly abused by a parent, but at the same time also acknowledges the families who could be considered under scrutiny. But we're really not sure. What we need to do is codify in statute who's responsible to do what. And through the negotiations that I've been through, I find that to be the biggest

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challenge to the lack of success DCFS is having in the -- the work that the pediatricians are coming forth with. Between the two, no one's really identifying who's responsible for what. But what we know is that we want parents and guardians and children at the center of an abuse or neglect investigation to have protections become operational whenever the Department of DCFS, or an entity that is accredited by statute to collaborate with DCFS for purposes of child abuse investigations has a contract, a MOU or other agreement with the medical professional to collaborate with DCFS for purposes of child abuse investigation. So, the bill does three things. There's been a whole lot of talk about this bill, but it only does three things. It requires a medical professional who is not part of the child's initial care team to provide notice. It's a notification bill to provide notice to the parents that the medical profession is providing an opinion to DCFS regarding whether the child's injury or condition is suspicious for child - - for child maltreatment, whenever the individual has direct contact with the child or the family of the child. Secondly, it codifies that DCFS rules, so that DCFS notifies a parent of their right to submit a second medical opinion to be considered in the investigation any time before the end of the investigation. And the third thing that it does, is it requires an annual reporting of related data. I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator McClure, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MCCLURE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

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To the bill.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

I just want to thank you, Leader, for this legislation. I have prosecuted cases involving very complicated medical issues and sometimes even the State's Attorney's office when they review, it can't make sense of it because you meet the family, you meet the parents and you -- and you -- and you don't believe they could potentially do this. And so, having that second opinion and notifying parents that they have that option and what their rights are, I think is important, and these are not easy cases to deal with. And as I said, they are complicated. So, I think it's a good bill. It helps to protect the system as a whole, to be fair. And I think it protects the rights of kids and parents. So, I appreciate the bill and I look forward to voting Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none. Leader Lightford, to close.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

I asked for an Aye vote. Thanks, Senator, for your comments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 30 -- 378 pass. All those in favor will vote 378 -- passed, well... Let me say that again. The question is, shall Senate Bill 378 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 Aye, 0 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 378, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we're returning back to page 6 with... Senator Villivalam, for

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what purpose do you seek recognition? Or not seeking recognition... With leave of the Body, we are returning back to page 6 towards the middle with Senate Bill 3235, Senator Belt. Senator Belt seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 3235 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 3235. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Belt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Belt, on your amendment.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you, Mr. President. Move on - for adoption and explain on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 5, offered by Senator Belt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Belt, on your amendment.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you, Mr. President. The same move on - for adoption and explain on 3rd.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

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

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3235, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Belt, on your bill.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a really good bill. And it's - the goal of the bill is to address concerns raised by the financial service industry while maintaining the intent and -- of the disparity study. It's -- is a bill that looks to create a disparity study, looks for the -- looks for the deficits, it will also incorporate the CEI, which is the Commission of Equity and Inclusion to work alongside of the Department of Professional -- (Secretary) of Financial and Professional Regulations to devise and -- and come up with a matrix. And then they will bid out - do a Novo RFP (Request for Proposal), for an independent -- independent body to do a disparity study. The results of the disparity study then will be given to the General Assembly, thereby giving the General Assembly a real chance to be involved in, if need be, making meaningful -- meaningful changes upon the recommendations of the disparity study. And that really is the bill in a nutshell.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Rezin, for what purpose do

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you seek recognition?

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question for the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Senator. Can you tell me what the cost of a study, what the cost of the study is, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Belt.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you -- thank you, Senator Rezin. It would be well under 500,000, but probably over 250,000.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you. The bill states funding for the disparity study is subject to appropriation. Where is the funding going to come from?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Belt.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you for the question again. The funding will come out of the budgetary process as we continue to drill down, as we continue to get closer and closer. We're looking to find the funds throughout this budgetary process.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

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Thank you. Can you tell me, can the study be funded by the regulatory or examination fees from the following funds - from the credit union fund, the residential financing fund, banking company fund, financial institutions fund, savings bank regulatory fund? Can the study be funded by -- can the funding for the study come out of any of the funds that I just talked about?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Belt.

SENATOR BELT:

Yes. So, the appropriation, it says. And this is the amended language for five which is language that we received from the credit unions and the bankers. We -- we received this exact language on April 10th. And so, it says, and not funded by the examination fees paid by covered financial institutions under subsection A. And so, there again, this is language that we received from those covered institutions on April 10th. Verbatim.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you. One last question. Is the intent of this legislation to use money from the budget to fund the study?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Belt.

SENATOR BELT:

You know what Senator Rezin, we don't know. It's up to the budgetary process as we continue down this journey.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

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Thank you. First of all, I would like to say that this is a topic that from where it started to where it is now. I do commend the sponsor for making a tremendous amount of changes to make a bill that had challenges much better for the financial institutions. So, thank you for doing that. We still have concerns, as the credit unions do, about co-mingling of funds and using those funds to pay for the study. Their funds are for just that. They're for regulatory and examination fees, and they have very specific purpose. Because of that, I'm asking for a No vote on this side. But again, I'd like to commend the sponsor for working and addressing many other issues we had concerns on and putting them in the bill. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion. Leader Lightford, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen, of the Senate. I rise in support of Senate Bill 3235. I know it was an initiative that was a part of the Economic Development Commission of the Black Caucus's pillar system. And at that time, we knew that there were some things that we just did not know factually, you can have a lived experience, you can feel it, you can know what's happening. But unless you have the data to support it or unless you have a disparity study to prove it, sometimes it's very difficult to make changes when it comes to equity and inclusion.

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And here's an example where the disparity study is needed. It's the part two to what was already voted on and passed in this Body in the House and signed by the Governor and became Public Act a few years ago. I just want to remind us what a disparity study is, and why is it so important that we have one at this juncture, when we talk about economic development, when we talk about health care disparities, when we talk about all the challenges with our own procurement systems across State government, when we talk about the challenges with women owned business enterprises and the disadvantages we have in order to procure work. And so, a disparity study determines whether a government entity, either in the past or currently engages in exclusionary practices, in the solicitation and award of contracts to minorities and women owned and disadvantaged business enterprise. You know, so it's like, why do we need to have this study? And it's simply because this study will help us determine if inequities actually exist, and if so, where in the procurement process, where in the contracting, and how does that adversely affect disadvantaged businesses, minorities, and women? And so, I rise in support of this legislation, because we have to continue on a journey of finding out where we need to be at a State to improve some of the systemic racist patterns that is embedded in State government. We need to create a more equitable and fair system for all people, for all business owners, to be able to access business and do work with the State. This is the next step of that first step that we took in 2021. I want to thank the sponsor for continuing on with the work that needs to be done. I highly encourage this disparity study so that we can all learn together from professionals and again, not from what we think we know. And I ask for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any further discussion? Seeing none. Senator Belt, to close.

SENATOR BELT:

Thank you. Thank you, Mr. President. This as -- as in the case with any disparity study, it's designed to look at a category, and it's designed to see whether or not there are insufficient -- there's deficits, there is designed to see if there's in this case, if there's any patterns or discriminatory practices that have been taken -- taken place. And, you know, this has been a lot of work to get to this point. Again, I'm -- I'm -- I'm drumming up my -- my inner Alan Iverson when he said, I'm talking about practice. I'm -- we're talking about disparity study. We're talking about the disparity study. And that disparity study we -- we should want a disparity study. You know, as -- as -- as it looks at the whole entire State in the area where -- where banking and finance occurs. And -- and let's be honest, there has -- there have been systemic barriers that have stopped people of color based on religion, class based on ancestry, a whole list of categories that are defined from living their best life from -- from living a life that is more abundant. And so, as you go down in -- in states and in cities and municipalities and districts, particularly like downstate, where you have people of color, where you have lower wage earners, and -- and all those things are -- are pervasive we see it all the time, right? We -- we -- we see it all the time and it baffles me that we fought this hard to -- to stop or deter, a disparity study from being conducted and quite possibly outlining things that, number one, that we have done well and things that we don't do well. And, you know, if you were to Google top 10 poorest cities in Illinois, three of them would show up in my district East Saint

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Louis, Brooklyn, Illinois, and Old Centerville, Illinois, which is part of Cahokia Heights. Centerville in 2018 was deemed the poorest city in all of America. And whether it's -- whether or not we're -- we're fighting for groceries, whether or not we're fighting for firefighters to have a tax incentive to go, we should be fighting for opportunities and -- and -- and building up low places and building them up, throughout Illinois. And I know it's pervasive in down -- the further you go south and it's -- it's throughout all of Illinois that -- that -- that when you look at banking and unbankable areas and underbanked areas and they should have access to those financial products, that's what community - the Reinvestment Act is all about, encouraging those financial institutions to go in places that they wouldn't or otherwise go in. And so, again, I'm -- I'm -- I was I'm a little baffled. But we we've -- we've done the work. We've done everything that we could. We -- we -- we presented the language that we received from April 10th exactly as we received it from the financial institutions. That was enough to move the -- the -- the banking industry to a neutral and --and maybe sometimes and some of the things that we do there, you just cannot coalesce and get everybody in the neutral posture. I ask for your Aye votes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 3235 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 Aye, 19 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 3235, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Leader Lightford, for what purpose do you seek recognition? Staying on

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page 6 we go to Senate Bill 2637, Senator Preston. Senator Preston seeks leave of the Body to -- to return Senate Bill 2637 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2637. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Preston.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Preston, on your amendment.

SENATOR PRESTON:

I'd like to adopt the amendment and discuss it on 3rd -- on -- next.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

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 AQUINO)

3rd Reading. Now on the Order of 3rd Reading, Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2637, an Act concerning health. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Preston, on your bill.

SENATOR PRESTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 2637, also known as the Illinois Food Safety Act (The Illinois Food, Drug and Cosmetic

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Act), is crucial legislation which aims to protect consumers by prohibiting the use of harmful additive in our food supply, safeguarding against serious health risks associated with their consumption. This bill addresses a pressing issue that affects individuals and families across our State. The presence of harmful chemicals in candy, soda, and other ultra-processed packaged foods. These additives, including brominated vegetable oil, potassium bromate, propyl paraben, and red dye number 3, have been linked to a range of serious health issues. Brominated vegetable oil, for example, has been linked to neurological and reproductive disorders, while potassium bromide is known to cause damage to the kidneys and nervous system. Propyl para, being a common preservative, has been shown to disrupt harmful hormonal function and may contribute to reproductive issues. Red dye number 3, which has been banned from the U.S. Cosmetics since 1990, has been associated with hyperactivity in children and allergic reactions in children. By prohibiting the use of all of these additives, we will take a proactive approach to safeguarding public health. We cannot afford to ignore the long established and mounting evidence linking these substances to adverse health outcomes for the people of Illinois. It is our responsibility to prioritize legislation that affects our wellbeing of our Constitution, especially children, and take advantage by protecting them. I'm happy to take any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Senator Lewis, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LEWIS:

Will the sponsor yield, Mr...

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Senator, you and I have worked diligently together on this bill, I'd like to thank you for that. I do have some questions, though, on legislative intent when it comes to the civil penalties. May I ask you a few questions on that? In the bill, it says that there will be a \$5,000 civil penalty per incident, if you are found in violation as a manufacturer, distributor, wholesaler or retailer of these goods. So, if you are a retailer and you have 30 bags of X, on your shelf, as well as, boxes in your inventory -- on your facility. Would that be considered one incident, subject to a -- up to a \$5,000 penalty? Or would you expect, as we saw in BIPA -- that each -- you know, if a retailers in possession of 30 bags of X, they would be subject to up to \$150,000.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Preston.

SENATOR PRESTON:

I appreciate the question, Senator. The intent of this bill is to not be punitive to our businesses. The intent of this bill is to protect the people of Illinois' health and to prohibit these dangerous food additives. So, the Department of Public Health has -- have it in their purview to administer or investigate this through their administrative rules. And their intent is not to be punitive to our local businesses here in the State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

So, the intent of this bill is to not put an excessive

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financial burden on our either manufacturers, wholesalers, distributors, retailers, as we saw in the BIPA legislation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Preston.

SENATOR PRESTON:

The intent of this bill is to prohibit these dangerous food additives from being inside of the food supply and yes, not to hurt our businesses, which is precisely why we have given an out date of 2027 for the manufacturers. And as you know, we have collectively negotiated even further extension to 2028 for the distributors across the State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Thank you for that, Senator. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR LEWIS:

I would like to thank the Senator, for the work him and I have been able to do on this bill. I know that there's still opposition from the -- from those that are producers of many of these products. However, through negotiation, I believe we got the best that we could so that it minimizes impact, minimizes financial penalties, and I appreciate the Senator taking some of our ideas from the business sector and incorporating them into his bill as he looks to eliminate these dangerous ingredients from food. I would hope maybe a trailer bill could better identify the implementation of civil penalties, and I'd be happy to work with him on that going forward. I will personally be voting Aye on this

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because I believe it's good for my district. We may see a little bit of a Christmas tree on this side of the aisle in relation. Thank you, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

For further discussion? Senator McClure, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MCCLURE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

To the bill.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

First of all, I want to compliment Senator Preston, who did not have to offer an amendment to make this bill a little bit better because he already had the votes, but he did so anyway. And I think that should be rewarded on our -- on our side of the aisle. I also want to say I had a discussion along the same lines that Senator Lewis just had with Senator Preston about the bill. And obviously none of us want, you know, if there's a store that has 20 bags of chips that have one of these ingredients, and then we don't want them to be charged \$5,000, 20 times. I would, you know, and I know Senator Preston is open to trying to get language to put that in the House is open to that discussion at least. But I think it is difficult to put that -- that language in the -- in the legislation, which we've talked about. So, I do appreciate that. I am supporting this bill, and I have to say that I know my niece and nephews are not allowed to have, for example, red dye number 3. And I know that caused me to when I was buying trick or treat candy this year, not make sure to not buy any candy with that in it. And so, I think I'd be a hypocrite if I didn't vote to

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support this. And you know, for those of you that don't know, red dye number 3, it was banned by the FDA for use in makeup over 30 years ago. So the FDA doesn't allow you to put on your face for makeup, but yet kids are eating this in candy. That to me is outrageous. So, for that reason, I am voting for this bill, and I appreciate the bipartisan work that the sponsor has done on it. And I encourage a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Any further discussion? Seeing none. Senator Preston, to close.

SENATOR PRESTON:

You know, I thank colleagues from the other side of the aisle. I have been very grateful to work bipartisanly on this issue, and I think that that made this bill all the better. This bill has been negotiated with many, many key stakeholders, including the business community. And this is something that's going to protect families all across the State. The time is now for us to act on this bill to protect children. We know that these food additives have caused a lot of concern for families across the State, mothers that are going through grocery stores, as well as dads, going through reading label after label, unable to purchase simple goods for their family when there are alternatives to these dangerous food additives that are safe. So, this bill will protect Illinoisans. It will protect our food supply. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 2637 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 37 voting Aye, 15 voting Nay, 0 voting Present. Senate Bill 2637, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll be moving on to page 9, Secretary's Desk for Resolutions. Senate Resolution 705, Senator Ellman. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 705, offered by Senator Ellman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This resolution recognizes April 21st through April 27th, as Green Infrastructure Week, encouraging individuals, businesses and local and State governments to pursue green infrastructure initiatives. Things like rain barrels, water gardens and the like to help prevent and mitigate local flooding. And I know of no opposition, and I encourage support. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 705 pass? All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 727, Collins. Senate Resolution 738, Hunter. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 738, offered by Senator Hunter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Hunter, on your resolution.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 738 declares

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April 2024 as Minority Health Month in Illinois and urges all Americans to learn about how low-density lipoprotein cholesterol to prevent cardiovascular events. More than 80 million adults have LDL-C, and the AH -- AHA indicates that CVD disproportionately affects minority populations. And the CDC found that one of -- one in three deaths in the U.S. is due to heart disease, which results in more than \$260 (\$216) billion in health care costs and nearly 60 percent of middle-aged Hispanics die with high cholesterol, yet only half are aware of this. And I support this legislation, and I would ask for an Aye vote, sir.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 738 pass? All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 727, Collins. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 727, offered by Senator Collins.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Collins, on your resolution.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 727 states the Illinois Senate shall support the accreditation of the University of Illinois Cancer Center, as an additional National Cancer Institute designated cancer center in Illinois. Illinois has the sixth highest cancer mortality in the country. It has one of the largest socioeconomic, racial, ethnic, and rural disparities in stage at diagnosis, mortality, and cancer outcomes in the nation. A NCI designation refers to the official cancer center designated by the National Institutes of Health to elite U.S.-based medical

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and laboratory institutions. There are currently two NCI-designated cancer centers in Illinois, and that's Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center (of Northwestern University) and the University of Chicago Comprehensive Cancer Center. Both centers are located in Chicago, Illinois. NCI-designated cancer centers provide economic benefits for their communities, with the potential of over 1 billion in economic impact. Patients care for by NCI-designated cancer centers have lower mortality rates. UICC becoming a NCI-designated cancer center would be available -- would be able to increase access to the quality of cancer care through partnership across the State, and by implementing a community-to-bench model that ensures science is reflect -- reflects its community needs, priorities, and strengths. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 727 pass? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 895, Ventura. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 895, offered by Senator Ventura.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Ventura, on your resolution.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR VENTURA:

This declares that April 26th is the Workers Memorial Day in the State of Illinois. It encourages all employees to reaffirm their efforts towards improving workplace safety, seeking stronger

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health standards enforcement, and treating workers with dignity as constant improvements in work safety are pursued. It encourages our fellow Illinoisans to honor workers by observing the Workers' Memorial Day, remembering the victims of workplace injuries and disease, and committing to supporting safety and health improvements in every American workplace. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 895 pass? All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 905, Anderson. Senate Resolution 905, Anderson. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 905, offered by Senator Anderson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Anderson, on your resolution.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This week mark -- marks a Telecommunicators Week or dispatchers, in other words, as a 18-year veteran of the fire service, I can tell you that these people on the other side of our radio, go through a lot and they don't get the credit where credit is due. A lot of times these folks, well, not a lot of times, almost all the time they're answering a call multiple times a day, listening to a person on the other line having the worst day of their life. And they go through a lot of stress and the job that they do, getting us to the right place at the right time between us and law enforcement, is quite incredible. So, I just ask that with the passage of this resolution that we just remember this week that our dispatchers are out there, and if

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you ever get to -- to see them or meet them, please tell them Thank You for their service. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 905 pass? All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the resolution is adopted. Mr. Secretary, resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 934, offered by Senator Syverson. It is congratulatory.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Mr. Secretary, resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 58, offered by Senator Glowiak Hilton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

On the Order of Resolution is Senate Joint Resolution 58. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 58 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that when the Senate adjourns on Thursday, April 18th, 2024, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, April 30th, 2024, or to the call of the President; and when the House of Representatives adjourns on Friday, April 19th, 2024, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, April 30th, 2024, or to the call of the Speaker.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senator Glowiak Hilton moves to suspend the rules for the

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purpose of an immediate consideration and adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 58. Those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Glowiak Hilton moves the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 58. All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. We will now proceed to the Order of Consent Calendar celebration of life resolutions with leave of the Body. All those resolutions read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolution on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR AQUINO)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the resolution -- the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted? All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries, and the resolutions are adopted. There being no further business to come before the Senate pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 58. The Senate stands adjourned until noon on the 30th day of April 2024, or the call of the Senate President. The Senate stands adjourned.