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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The regular Session of the 104th General Assembly will please come to order. Will Members be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Scott Marsh, Texas and Maroa Christian Churches, Pastor.

PASTOR SCOTT MARSH: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Blueroomstream seeks leave of the Body to video stream. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Peter Hancock, Capital News, seeks permission to record and photo. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. WANO {sic} (WAND) seeks permission to record, video, and audio. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. And Central Illinois News seeks permission to record video. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of February 25th, 2025.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move that the Journal just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Glowiak moves to approve the journals just read by

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the Secretary, there being no objection, so ordered. Senator Glowiak Hilton. Oh -- Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, May 21st, 2025.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 337, offered by Senator Koehler and all Members. It is a celebration of life resolution, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Turner, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture, reports Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 2196, Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Ellman, Chair of the Committee on Environment and Conservation, reports House Bill 2516 Do Pass, as Amended. Senator Stadelman, Chair of the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities, reports Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1697 and Senate Amendment

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2 to House Bill 1866 Recommend Do Adopt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2664, offered by Senator Morrison, an Act concerning safety. 1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HUNTER:

For the purpose of an introduction, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please state your introduction.

SENATOR HUNTER:

I'd like to introduce a young man who's here. His name is Tommy Jaeger and he's a senior at Dunlap High School in the Peoria area and he is a constituent of our President up here, Koehler. And he's the Page of the Day, for today. So, let's welcome Tommy to the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Welcome to the Senate, Tommy. Senator Plummer, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR PLUMMER:

Thank you, Mr. President. A point of introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please state your introduction.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

I've got three special people here I'd like to introduce today on the Floor of the Senate. If I could have everyone's

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attention, I'd appreciate it. First up, I've got Liam, come on Liam. Liam is going into sixth grade at Maryville Christian School in Maryville, Illinois, which is right on the edge of my district in Senator Harriss's district. Liam's hobbies are basketball, baseball, and when he grows up he -- he wants to be a farmer. And just like his -- his parents are up in the gallery, if they'd wave up there, they're in accounting and they farm as well. So, I'd like everyone to give a warm welcome to Liam here in the Illinois State Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Welcome to the Illinois Senate.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

Now we got Liam's brother, Logan. I don't know if Napoleon's here or not, but Logan likes football, basketball when he gets older, he is going to be an NFL star. And so, we'll have to make sure he sees Napoleon a little later. If everyone give a warm welcome to Logan, I'd appreciate it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Welcome to the Illinois Senate.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

And now we got Landon, if you see Landon over here. Landon is actually in class with my daughter at Maryville Christian. He -- his hobby is he likes to find turtles and look for animals. He wants to be a marine biologist when he gets older. And considering he knows my daughter I'm keeping an extra eye on Landon here today. But if everyone would give a warm welcome to Landon, I'd appreciate it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Capitol News Illinois seeks

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permission to audio and do pictures. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Senator Morrison, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MORRISON:

Mr. President, I have a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please state your announcement.

SENATOR MORRISON:

This afternoon I'd like to welcome two CEO's of I/DD facilities in my district who are here today in the gallery as part of IARF Advocacy Day. Kim Berenberg is the President and CEO of Glenkirk. They provide services to persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities in my district. And Kim has been there since 1999, serving in program, clinical, and administrative roles before becoming CEO. Cory Gumm is the CEO of Search Inc., another provider of services for people with I/DD in my district. And she began her career with Search Inc. 19 years ago as a Job Coach in 2006, supporting individuals to achieve community employment. Cory is a graduate of both Millikin and North Park Universities and has dedicated her entire professional life to enriching the lives of the individuals, families, and communities that they are privileged to serve. It is absolutely amazing to have these two organizations here, as well as, some very special friends in the other part of the gallery from misericordia. So, I would appreciate, if you would join me, in welcoming all the folks here today celebrating IARF Advocacy Day.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Will our guests in the gallery please rise. Welcome to the Illinois Senate. We're going to go to 2nd Readings. We're going to

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start on page 21 towards the top. House Bill 32, Senator Johnson.  
Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 32, an Act concerning local government. 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. House Bill 1082, Senator Sally Turner. Senator  
Sally -- it says 2nd Readings. Do you want to proceed? Please call  
the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1082, an Act concerning local government. 2nd  
Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. House Bill 1576, Senator Halpin. Mr. Secretary,  
please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1576, an Act concerning government. 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.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. House Bill 1616, Senator Belt. Senator Belt, on House Bill 1616. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1616, an Act concerning employment. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. House Bill 1807, Senator Cervantes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1807, an Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2387, Senator Fine. House Bill -- Yes, Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2387, an Act concerning health. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. House Bill 2436, Senator Aquino. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2436, an Act concerning local government. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

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3rd Reading. House Bill 2772, Senator Villanueva. House Bill 3177, Senator Villivalam. House Bill 3385, Senator Villa. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3385, an Act concerning education. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Higher Education adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Leave of the Body, we're going to go back to House Bill 3081, Senator Villanueva. We're going to go back to House Bill 3275, Senator Johnson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3275, an Act concerning education. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Turning the page, we'll go to the top of the page. House Bill 3709, Senator Villanueva. House Bill 3842, Senator Fine. Senator Fine, House Bill 3842. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3842, an Act concerning local government. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Senator Collins, for what purpose do you seek

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recognition?

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Point of introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please state your introduction.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Thank you. I have with me today BCOE, who are the Black Contractors, Owners, and Executives. Their mission is to serve as a unified organization that is committed to supporting Black contractors and industry professionals through education, mentoring, advocacy, legislating, resulting in the economic growth and advancement of Black communities in the entirety. Their vision is to transform the economic landscape of minority businesses through tangible results. They help to build capacity in construction industry by educating and training mentoring members. They advocate at the municipal and the State levels, with the goal being to increase minority participation. They give out multiple scholarships to students pursuing a higher education in engineering and construction related fields. They build capacity within the organization membership to over two hundred registered firms and counting. They've helped to secure millions of dollars in public and private contracts for their members as a result of their talent and their advocacy efforts. They've created a network of industry professionals and mentors contributing to the advancements of their members, and they have awarded over multiple scholarships by the end of 2025. I have with us here in the gallery, the President, I'm sorry. Emeritus Jimmy Akintonde, the owner of Ujamaa Construction, which is the largest African American in their region. I have President Vanessa Rhodes, Vice President, Leshem

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Schimpf Graham, Treasurer Zola Stewart, Director Stephen Rich (Jr) and Executive Director Irma Ratliff-Holloway. BCOE represents over two hundred general contractors throughout the State of Illinois, and they continue to grow under their leadership. Please welcome BCOE to our State Chamber, welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER) start here

Would our guests in the gallery, please rise. Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Leave of the Body, we're going to go back to page 21, 2nd Reading in the middle of the page is House Bill 2772, Senator Villanueva. Senator Villanueva, on House Bill 2772. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2772, an Act concerning local government. 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. Below that is House Bill 3081, Senator Villanueva. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3081, an Act concerning education. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. Turning the page to page 22, we have House Bill 3709, Senator Villanueva. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3709, an Act concerning education. 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 Simmons, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you so much, Mr. President, for an introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please state your introduction.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you very much. Mr. President, and Members of the Senate. Our staff work really hard. I know that the end of session is often the time when Senators are working the hardest out of the entire year. That is certainly the case for myself, but I want to take a minute to acknowledge the hard work that my staff does every day to help me show up even halfway decent for this work. Heather Saenger is my Chief of Staff. She's going to hate me for doing this, but I'm going to give her flowers because she deserves them. Heather works so hard and so smart to keep our district office running back in the far north side of Chicago. She does it with grace, she does it with style, she does it with competence, and most importantly, she puts up with me and our very demanding constituents. So, would you all please, you know, join me in

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welcoming her. And we also have Stu, who's from the neighborhood as well, who came into the district office one day. You know, he used to work for the Pew Charitable Trust, and somehow, he came into my office and said, "Hey, I want to volunteer." So, he came down this week to take photos of me so we can prove to my constituents that I have a real job and do real work down here. The proof is in the pudding, and he's a masterful photographer, so I have a feeling that they'll be happy with what they see. Please join me in giving a round of applause for both Heather and Stu.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Senator Villa, for what purpose do you seek recognition?.

SENATOR VILLA:

For an announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please state your announcement.

SENATOR VILLA:

I want to thank the -- thank -- I want to wish the fabulous Celina Villanueva an amazing birthday. May she channel all of her Beyonce energy in all her fabulous grandeur all day today and the rest of the month, her 21st.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Happy Birthday! Senator Morrison, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MORRISON:

For the point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please state your point.

SENATOR MORRISON:

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We, all of us here on the Floor, whether you're staff or a Member, have been the honor of stopping into the corner room back here where Lisa is and throughout the year. We're never disappointed by the snacks, the treats, the drinks and the conversation. And I believe Lisa is going to be leaving very soon for quite an adventure with her family. So, today could possibly be the last day we get to see her and thank her for everything she's done this year for us. So, if Lisa could come out so we could just give her a big thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Thank you, Lisa. Senator Aquino, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, Mr. President, for an introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please state your introduction.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I want to introduce someone that many of you all probably know and had heard of in the Latino community and in the baseball world, he is a legend. To White Sox fans, we celebrate this year our victory of twenty years ago, 2005. It feels like it was yesterday but the gentleman that led the Chicago White Sox, who he played for many years, he was a rookie of the year, a Gold Glove winner, one of the best defensive players in his era, and the manager of the Chicago White Sox is Ozzie Guillén. And I want to take a moment before I introduce him to really focus not so much of Ozzie Guillén as a player and manager, which he is, and a broadcaster who has been a pleasure to watch and to watch the games, to get to him, to have the pre-game

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and post-game analysis, but really of the man, and he has utilized his fame and his name to give back to his community, be it in in the country of Venezuela where he was first born and raised, or here in the State of Illinois, where he calls home he has used, and has a foundation that has supported organizations like Haas and Rincon Family Services that originated proudly in the second district and have been serving our communities for decades, in particular to mental health support, to helping people get employment, services and so forth. and he has stood to, to support those things. He is, someone who has been married to his, the love of his life, his sweetheart, Ibis Cárenas. The bedrock of his family for over forty-two years. He's the parents of three men. Ozzie Junior, who is with him. Oney and Ozney, and grandparents of four. I just wanted to take a moment to introduce him, welcome him to the Senate Floor and thank him for his dedication to the White Sox, to Chicago, up at the State of Illinois. and thank him for all his work.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please rise. Welcome to the Illinois Senate. Senator Aquino, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR AQUINO:

For an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Please state your announcement.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Not as fun as an announcement, more of a procedural thing. Just upon recess, the Senate Democrats will be caucusing in the President's Office for one hour.

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The Senate will stand in recess to the call of the Chair. After caucus meetings, the Senate will convene -- reconvene to the Floor for action. The Senate stands in recess.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

The Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.  
SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolutions 338 and 339, offered by President Harmon and all Members and Senate Resolutions 340 through 342, offered by Senator McClure and all Members. They are all celebration of life resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. Members will please come to the Senate Floor. Members will please come to the Senate Floor; we will be going to 3rd Readings. We're going to start on page 11 towards the bottom of the page. While we're waiting for leave of the Body, we go back to House Bill 2nd Reading on page 21, we have Senator Villivalam with House Bill 3177. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3177, an Act concerning transportation. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. All Members, please come to the Senate Floor, we will be starting House Bills 3rd Reading. All Members come to

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the Senate Floor. We're going to go to page 2, we're going to go back to Senate Bill's 3rd Reading. On the top of page 2 we have Senate Bill 24, Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 24, an Act concerning government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate, as amended, Senate Bill 24 amends the Missing Persons Identification Act. It provides that no law enforcement agency shall establish or maintain any policy that requires the observance of any waiting period before accepting a missing person report. The bill also requires information from a missing person's report to be immediately entered into the LEADS system upon receipt prepared of the report. Additionally, the law enforcement agency must adopt a policy regarding missing persons investigations, missing person reporting, and follow up action. Moreover, if a missing person remains missing for 60 days, a law enforcement agency must, rather than may, obtain and enter the missing persons photographs, fingerprint records, and dental or skeletal radiographs, and biological samples into the National Missing and Unidentified Persons Systems. Law enforcement must keep missing persons cases under active investigation until the person is located or returned, and cannot close a case until the exhaustion, or LEADS of life -- or exhaustion of LEADS to, or the life expectancy of the missing person. For unidentified persons cases, the bill adds additional

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requirements to identify the unidentified person. Fingerprints from unidentified remains must remain submitted within seven days of recovery of the remains by the assisting law enforcement agency, medical examiner, coroner to all local, State, and federal Automated Fingerprint Identification System databases. The bill also sets deadlines by which a dental examination and DNA analysis of the unidentified person must be performed. I say all that because nearly three thousand people are currently reported missing in Illinois. More than twenty-five hundred have been missing for more than thirty days. There are a lot of things that police are not required to do. This bill will update the Missing Persons Identification Act by doing what I said previously, and I look forward to an Aye vote. Mr. President, thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill 24 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 55 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And Senate Bill 24, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave of the Body, we'll go to page 8, we're going to go to Senate Bill 2319. Senator Ellman seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 2319 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 2319. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Ellman.

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Senator Ellman, on your amendment.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

I wish to adopt the amendment and explain it on 3rd, 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. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Ellman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman, on your amendment.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Floor Amendment No. 3 -- Sorry, Senate Floor Amendment No. 3 is the -- the latest..

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Do you wish to adopt it? 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. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2319, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman, on your bill.

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SENATOR ELLMAN:

Is it time? Thank you. It is time. Time, everybody to adopt a crypto kiosk regulatory framework. Senate Bill 2319, as amended, creates the Digital Asset Kiosks law (Act) and requires businesses that own and operate digital asset or crypto kiosks to register with IDFPR. It has a slew of consumer protections, including disclosures, fee caps, transaction limits for new and existing customers, requirements regarding blockchain analytics and law enforcement, and a variety of other things and I'll be glad to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. A question for the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates she'll yield.

SENATOR REZIN:

Senator Ellman, I know you've worked a lot on this bill, so I appreciate it. You spent a tremendous amount of time with everyone at the table, but I do have a few questions and concerns, as we discussed in Exec. My first question is, will IDFPR incur expenses in supervising and regulating compliance with this Act?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

I'm sorry, Senator Rezin, could you please repeat your question? My apologies.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rezin.

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SENATOR REZIN:

No problem. Will the Department IDFPR require additional staff, and will such costs be offset by money transmitter license fees? So how will they pay for additional staff?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Thank you. Yes, in committee, IDFPR did testify that they were expecting to add headcount in order to -- to enforce and carry out these regulations, yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you. There's similar legislation in other states that impose daily transaction limits and fee caps. Why are transaction limits and fee caps left out of this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Thank you. There are actually transaction limits and fee caps. For new customers, there are transaction limits of twenty-five hundred dollars and then for existing customers, it's ten thousand five hundred. And then there are fee caps, the amount that can be charged up to eighteen percent is the max that a kiosk can charge.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you. Just a couple more questions. So, IDFPR testified

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that they will be writing the Rule and it will go through JCAR. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Yeah. The -- the law does allow for a -- for a variety of things to be defined by Rule.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Regarding the fines we talked about yesterday. The fines at the top of the limit were set for somebody who, in their opinion or defined by the Rule that they'll be writing, will be set at the top end, twenty-five thousand dollars. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Yes, the max is twenty-five thousand dollars per violation. But as the Department testified that would be the highest that they could charge.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

And my last question, is that a typical fee? That is or excuse me fine that's recommended by other states. How do they come to the conclusion that twenty-five thousand dollars was at the top end of the fine that they could assess?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman.

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SENATOR ELLMAN:

Thank you. Yeah, as IDFPR testified yesterday, that twenty-five thousand dollar figure is common within Illinois law.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you. Once again, I appreciate the sponsor on working on this bill. This is setting up the regulatory process for crypto kiosks, cryptocurrency regulation in this State. We're just beginning to set up the framework. I know, Senator Walker also had another bill. So, I appreciate your work on that. My concern with this is, that first of all, that the Department is able to write the Rule and all of the details that go along with regulating this industry, and it's going through JCAR, which you know, sometimes happens but also they have a lot more authority to write the rule (Rule) as opposed to a legislative process where we can properly vet new regulation. But secondly, and probably most importantly, I'm very concerned about the fines at the top end that they recommend to assess to people who may be deemed in violation of the Rules that they're writing and may send the wrong message. I mean, other states are going through this process as well. I think it's or it's easier to go and see what other states are doing, what fines that they're recommending. I feel that twenty-five thousand dollars is very high, very excessive, and for those reasons that we discussed in Exec. So, thank you for the work. But

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I am asking for a No vote on this bill. So, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman, to close.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This has been a very highly negotiated bill with -- with industry, consumer advocates, and with the Agency, and I request an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 2319 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 39 voting Yea -- 19 voting Nay, None voting Present. And Senate Bill 2319, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Faraci, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR FARACI:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to be recorded as a Yes on Senate Bill 24, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intention. Supplemental Calendar No. 1 has been printed and distributed to your desk. We're going to go to Supplemental Calendar No. 1, we have House Bill 2516, Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2516, an Act concerning safety. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Environment and Conservation adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

3rd Reading. We're going to go to page 11, this is final

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action on House Bills 3rd Reading. House Bill 2977, Senator Cunningham. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2977, an Act concerning local government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham, on your bill.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2977 amends the municipal code, and it's designed to address a current shortage of emergency vehicles for fire and ambulance services in the City of Chicago. The bill will require Chicago to set aside ten percent of all fees they collect from insurance companies for ambulance transport and place those dollars in an account to fund the purchase of new vehicles. The amendment removes the opposition of the City of Chicago. Therefore, there is no opposition, I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 2977 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 58 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 2977, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We have House Bill 2986, Senator Doris Turner. Doris Turner seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 2986 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 2986. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Doris Turner.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Turner, on your amendment.

SENATOR DORIS TURNER:

I'd like to pass the amendment and discuss 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. On 3rd Reading is House Bill 2986. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2986, an Act concerning government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Turner, on your bill.

SENATOR DORIS TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1986{sic} (House Bill (2986) is a continuation of the State Board of Education's effort to streamline the School Code provisions and amend or repeal outdated contradictory and problematic provisions of the -- of the School Code.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 2986 pass. All those in favor of vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is

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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 House Bill 2986, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to the next page, on page 12 we have House Bill 3039, Senator Ellman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3039, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman, on your bill.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3039 merely adds one more option for a school district to potentially adapt so that seventh and eighth graders might be able to get high school credit for some high school courses. And I encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Ellman, thank you for bringing this forward. You know, we're always talking about ways to increase parental control and expand individualized educational opportunities for our students. This bill supports both of these initiatives by allowing parents another option when making

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decisions about curriculum, and considers each student's experience and aptitude. It could also allow more advanced students opportunities to be challenged with new classes that better fit their needs. I support this legislation. This is a great bill, and I urge a Yes vote. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ellman, to close.

SENATOR ELLMAN:

I urge an Aye vote, thanks.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 3039 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 55 voting Yea, 2 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3039, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to House Bill 3046, Senator Doris Turner. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3046, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Turner, on your bill.

SENATOR DORIS TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3046 provides that nothing in the State University's Civil Service Act prevents parties to a collective bargaining agreement, subject to the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act, from agreeing to a provision that enhances employee rights.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3046 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 55 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3046, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. I'm going to go down to the page to House Bill 3095. I'm sorry, I misspoke it's House Bill 3094, Senator Villivalam. So, now we're back to House Bill 3095. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3095, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Feigenholtz, on your bill.

SENATOR FEIGENHOLTZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3095 requires -- requires regional authorities under the Guardian and Advocacy Act to consist of seven to nine members and requires that a quorum must consist of a majority of appointed members for regional authority. This one is a barn burner. I will be glad to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3095 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 58 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill

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3095, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Rezin, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to be recorded as a Yes vote on House Bill 3046, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intention. We're going to go back up to the top of the page. We're going to go to House Bill 3026, Senator Guzmán. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3026, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Guzmán, on your bill.

SENATOR GUZMÁN:

Yes. Hi, Mr. President, thank you. Good afternoon, I'm proud here to present, on House Bill 3026 -- 3026, my apologies. The bill proposes three core provisions, one, to have ISBE provide comprehensive strategies for the creative creation and expansion of Dual Language programs. Second, to establish an optional recognition pathway to recognize biliteracy. And thirdly, to continue the Equity Journey Continuum that ISBE has embarked upon. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion, Senator Rezin? The question is, shall House Bill 3026 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

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question, there are 43 voting Yea, 12 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3026, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. I'm going to go to House Bill 3050, Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary.. Senator Hastings seeks -- seeks leave the Body to return House Bill 3050 to the Order of Second Reading. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading, now is House Bill 3050. 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, on your amendment.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. I ask for its adoption. I'll explain 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?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hastings, on your amendment.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. I ask to adopt -- adopt the amendment, and we'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. Any

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further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3050, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hastings, on your bill.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Mr. President, Thank you. House Bill 3050 extends the length of a permit for construction or alteration of a swimming facility for one year to two years, defines cold spas as a basin of water that maintains a temperature between forty degrees Fahrenheit and sixty degrees Fahrenheit, and adds multiple safety provisions to the bill to address the risk of hypothermia. I know of -- we had no questions, and we passed a similar bill out of this Chamber earlier on this year, and I'll answer any questions. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3050 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 House Bill 3050, having received the required majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3096, Senator Cervantes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3096, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cervantes, on your bill.

SENATOR CERVANTES:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate -- I'm sorry -- House Bill 3096 amends the School Code, providing the beginning with the 2025-2026 school year. High schools must designate a member of their staff to serve as a point of contact for students. ISBE and ISAAC and matters - currently a free application for federal student Aid, FAFSA. The person's contact information must be provided to the high school, to both ISBE and ISAAC, so that they can convey useful FAFSA information from the relevant agencies to their schools -- to their schools -- student school. The designated point of contact will serve as a resource to students of FAFSA related matters that must complete the initial orientation upon being designated by the high school. Would like to be clear that House Bill 1396 does not require any high school staff to become experts on the FAFSA or to help families complete it, only to learn about existing FAFSA graduation requirements and where students and families can get help. We have no opposition, and we ask for your vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3096 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 58 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill

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3086, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Bryant, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. I wish to be recorded as a Yes vote on House Bill 3050. I was momentarily distracted by one of my colleagues.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Shame on them. The record will reflect your intention. Senator Wilcox, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR WILCOX:

I wish to be recorded a Yes on House Bill 3026.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intention. House Bill 3097, Senator Cervantes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3097, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cervantes, on your bill.

SENATOR CERVANTES:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3097 requires school districts to provide support to high school students completing the FAFSA beginning with the 2025-2026 school year. House Bill 3097 also states that FAFSA support may be offered in a variety of formats, times, and settings, and the support is required to include opportunities for students to request and receive help during the school day. We have received no opposition and I'm asking for a Yes vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR FOWLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of this legislation. We want our students to get as much money as possible to help support their education. This will make it less of a burden on our local schools, because they will have time to plan and prepare a program to help students going forward. You can't graduate without filling this out, and it will give our schools a path to comply and help students. I encourage a Yes vote, please. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cervantes, to close.

SENATOR CERVANTES:

Thank you, Senator Fowler, and I appreciate the support, and I would hope for a Yes vote from everybody, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 3097 pass. All those in favor of vote Aye. Oppose, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wis? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On the question, there 58 voting Yea, None voting Nay. None voting Present. And House Bill 3097, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3125, Senator Villa. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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House Bill 3125, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. Illinois and many states across the country are facing a shortage in driver's instructors due to a variety of reasons, including lack of competitive pay and benefits. This bill is going to expand opportunities for people to become qualified licensed driving training instructors so we can work to combat the shortage. In Illinois, there's many prerequisites for someone to qualify for a driver's license -- sorry, for -- for a license as an instructor to a driving -- in a driving school. Some of these qualifications include good moral character, criminal background check, passing an exam from the Secretary of State's on traffic laws and safe driving practices, and additionally, qualifications such as being physically able to operate a motor vehicle safely and having graduated from an accredited high school. Another qualification includes holding a valid Illinois driver's license. House Bill 3125 would allow a person applying to be a driving training instructor to have had a valid Illinois driver's license for any two years before trying to get their license, including a TVDL. I'm happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Indicates you will yield.

SENATOR WILCOX:

In Committee, we had asked a number of questions since none of the other criteria were changing, and the TVDL has not been issued since last July. Were we able to decide how many individuals this change may make available to become driving instructors?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

I don't have any actual number, but I do know that there are some folks that have already said that this bill would benefit them specifically, in the District of the House sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

They understand all of the other qualifications that would also be required despite this change?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

That's correct, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Since the TVDL was actually never meant to be valid identification, why should the State now treat that as a qualifying credential for a professional license?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

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SENATOR VILLA:

The TVDL does give the legal right to drive, and people would have had to go through all of the tests necessary in order to obtain the TVDL. So, this bill simply says that a person who is an instructor or applying to be an instructor, if they had a TVDL in the past, that it could qualify for that two year requirement. So, it could be either you had a TVDL or you had a driver's license.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

And since we had talked about the fact that the TVDL hasn't been given for a while, and that you've mentioned they only needed it in any of the two years, which could be a decade old or longer. Why wouldn't we just require at this point, since the TVDL's aren't being given out anymore, that they have a current valid driver's license to show competency on the roads?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

So, can you repeat the question? I'm sorry.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Since it'll have been eighteen months since TVDL's have been able to be given out, why would we not just require, instead of a valid TVDL in any two year period, which could mean they were a decade old, no indication of competency on the road. Why wouldn't we just maintain a current driver's license as the qualification to prove competency on our road system?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

To be able to expand the people who would be able to qualify to be instructors.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

How do we ensure that we're not just expanding the qualified base at the expense of actually having qualified driver experience on our roads?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

Senator, because you would have -- there was -- there's a long list of qualifications to be a driving instructor. And in order to have a TVDL, you still have to go through and pass the same exact test for -- for a regular driver's license. So, it's just expanding or having an additional, document that would be available for people who want to be driver's instructors.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

So, why the -- have that license in any two year in the previous period? Why not a current TVDL?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

Because TVDL's are no longer issued here in our State.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

I don't believe the TVDL was discontinued as a valid option for drive. They may not be being issued anymore, but you can still drive in Illinois on a TDVL, correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

So, we're trying to expand the group. So, the -- the people who can qualify for being teachers -- sorry, teachers for driving. So, I'm not really sure where your question is leading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

The question then is why the language of having a TVDL in any two years over the past? Why is the language not a current TVDL?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

Okay, so if I had a TVDL, in the past and -- and then I got a license, but -- but those two years I had the TVDL, I still want to make sure that those TVDL's are allowing those two years that I had the TVDL to count towards the hours that I needed, the years that I needed in order to be a driver now.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox, would like to speak to the bill? To the bill.

SENATOR WILCOX:

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I don't think we have any challenges with expanding the capability, it's a question of are the qualifications we're putting in place the right qualifications for driving instructors? And it's not the TVDL itself, necessarily, but the fact that you only needed to have it in any of the two years in the past. Some possible reasons for not having a TVDL now would be a DUI. And so, if a DUI occurred at some point, post a TVDL, but you had that TVDL for two years prior to that, you would still meet these qualifications. Now, we do appreciate that most of the other language in the requirements, the certified high school and everything still remain in place just a little bit of a challenge on the additional any two year period language. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, to close.

SENATOR VILLA:

Illinois has many prerequisites to be a licensed instructor, including, like I said in my opening, good moral character and a criminal background check. This would simply expand the ability for more people to be able to be qualified driver's instructors. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 3125 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 37 voting Yea, 20 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3125, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 3176, Senator Stadelman. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3176, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Stadelman, on your bill.

SENATOR STADELMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3176 requires restrictions on gaming operations to be included in any land management agreement between the Department of Natural Resources and the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation for purposes of operating the Shabbona Lake and State Park. I'm not aware of any opposition. Ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3176 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 53 voting Yes, 1 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3176, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 3248 -- I'm sorry. We're going to go to House Bill 3200, Senator Cunningham. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Cunningham seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 3200 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Out of the record. All right, we're going to go back to House Bill 3200. Senator Cunningham seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 3200 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 3200. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Cunningham.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham, on your amendment.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment moves -- removes the opposition to the bill. I move for its adoption.

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. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3200, an Act concerning employment. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham, on your bill.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3200 makes a number of changes to the Unemployment Insurance Act. The bill represents an agreement between IDES business and labor. Some of the changes the bill makes include expanding the pool of medical professionals who can determine physical fitness for work from just licensed physicians, to include nurse practitioners and physician's assistants. It also allows for unemployment benefits to be provided in cases involving mental health issues, and it expands the Department's ability to recover money that has been wrongly paid

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out by issuing liens against individuals who got benefits they were not entitled to. As I said, the amendment removes all opposition from the bill. I ask for the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion? The question is, shall House Bill 3200 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 54 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. House Bill 3200, having received the required majority, is declared passed. Let me go down to the bottom of page 12. Senate -- House Bill 3248, Senator Guzmán. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3248, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Guzmán, to explain your bill.

SENATOR GUZMÁN:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. President. I'm proud to present House Bill 3248, which would require all State employee health plans and private insurance plans to cover medically necessary laser hair removal. If the procedure is a prescribed medical treatment in accordance with generally accepted standards of medical care. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion? The question is, I'm sorry, late light -- Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you very much. I guess just to the bill, this is

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another one of these mandates that are being put on to just a small number of small employers in Illinois with their health insurance costs which takes Illinois for the last four years to over sixty added mandates more than any other state in the country. This for hair removal in a couple of the examples that I gave were already covered services. But I think there's probably more uses than was being talked about. As for the reason for this, this mandate, but I would urge people to vote No if they want to help small employers and help families so they can still afford their health insurance in Illinois. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Guzmán, to close.

SENATOR GUZMÁN:

To the bill. Thank you so much for the comment, although I will say that the bill, in itself, is pretty prescriptive about the three conditions that it speaks to help alleviate, which is HS, Hidradenitis Suppurativa, Gender Affirming Care, as well as, Polycystic Ovary Syndrome. And I think we really want to center the fact that we have folks in pain, in physical pain and mental health pain, and again, this is medically diagnosed and needed. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, should House Bill 3248 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 37 voting Yea, 19 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3248, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go back up on the page -- in the middle of the page

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12, House Bill 3094, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3094, an Act concerning employment. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, to explain your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3094 is trailer bill to legislation we passed last General Assembly that dealt with providing pretax commuter benefits. This legislation clarifies that it exempts employers that in the construction industry with respect to their collective bargaining agreements with construction employees, and it does expand the scope as to the type of employees that are included, I would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3094 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 44 voting Yea, 13 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3094, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. I turn the page to page 13, the top of the page we have House Bill 30 -- 3281, Senator Erica Harriss. Mr. Secretary, I'm sorry. Leader Curran. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Leader Curran seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 3281 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. And now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 3281. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Curran.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Curran, on the amendment.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Mr. President, I would seek to adopt the amendment and discuss 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. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3281, an Act concerning domestic violence. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Curran, on your bill.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3281 amends the Illinois Domestic Violence Act by modifying law enforcement procedures when responding to domestic violence incidents involving juveniles. This Act would give officers discretion to choose alternatives to arrest. Specifically, the officer can divert the juvenile or help the juvenile and their family find alternate placement using the Adolescent Domestic Battery Typology Tool. Very simply, what this bill seeks to address is one understanding and addressing the

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generational cycle of violence in juvenile domestic violence cases, as well as getting kids who commit DV. Resources they need. and in instances where appropriate or judged by law enforcement to be appropriate alternatives to arrest. Also importantly, in order for this to be effective, this also gives officers protection from being sued when they do choose that alternate path -- rather than arrest. I want to thank this initiative of the Kane County State's Attorney's Office. I want to thank State's Attorney Jamie Moser for her work on this matter, and there is no opposition to it. I'm happy to answer any questions and would seek an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3281 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 58 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3281, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Guzmán, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR GUZMÁN:

Yes, I'd like to request to update the record. I intended to vote Yes on 3094.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intention. Going to House Bill 3300, Senator Castro. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3300, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Castro, on your bill.

SENATOR CASTRO:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3300 amends the Board of Higher Education Act, providing that IBHE must annually identify and report to each public universities any program which exhibit low performance, which the university shall then review and report back to IBHE with a list of programs to be closed or consolidated. Provides that IBHE shall compile a report outlining the number, types, and locations of any new closed or consolidated programs, which they shall then submit to the General Assembly and Governor by March 15th. Establishes provisions permitting IBHE to receive gifts, grants and legacies from any source when made for higher education purposes. I know of no opposition. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3300 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 Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. House Bill 3300, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Sally Turner, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR S. TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just would like the record to reflect on Senate Bill 3-0-2-6, to vote No, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intention. We're going to go to House Bill 3352. Leader Lightford. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3352, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Lightford, on your bill.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, House Bill 3352 amends the Collection Agency Act to prohibit collection agencies from collecting debt incurred through corrosion, including in situations involving domestic violence and sexual assault. The vast majority of survivors of domestic violence suffer financial abuse by their abusers, and House Bill 3352, is aimed at addressing a significant aspect of financial abuse. When a victim is coerced or forced to take out debt in their name as a part of the abuse, then this is what we're trying to address. The bill is a product of extensive negotiations with the Creditors Bar Coalition, the Community Bankers Association, and the collection agencies. I'd be happy to answer questions.

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'd like to commend the sponsor on the hard work that went into ensuring that this legislation would help victims of abuse in a responsible way. Coerced debt allows abusers to take advantage of their victims financially, to allow them to continue

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to control and to manipulate them. This is especially dangerous for older adults and people with disabilities who have the opportunity to be financially exploited. It's a major tactic used in domestic abuse, because a person in debt or without financial stability or opportunity is more likely to stay in a bad situation. We need to provide more opportunities for victims to help themselves get out and stay out of abusive situations and relationships. This is a responsible, bipartisan way to help break the cycle of domestic abuse and give victims the hope and path to a better free and healthy, happy life. Thank you to the sponsor. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Senator Plummer.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates she will yield.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

I -- I know the sponsors worked very diligently on this legislation, and just for the sake of clarification, a lot of work went into this, and I just want to be clear for everyone on our side of the aisle that I believe the opposition to this was -- was moved to becoming the proponents or neutral in every instance. Is -- is that correct, Senator Lightford?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Lightford.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Yes. Actually, there is no longer any opposition. Those individuals have moved to neutral based on the amendment that we

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negotiated.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Plummer.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

I -- I just want to commend the sponsor for this is a touchy topic, could be difficult but worked hard to, kind of thread the needle, and get opposition to neutral and to the previous speaker's comments, this could help people who find themselves in very unfortunate situation. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Lightford, to close.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 3352 pass. 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 56 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3352, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Go to House Bill 3356, Senator Belt. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3356, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Belt, on your bill.

SENATOR BELT :

Thank you, Mr. President. But the previous bill, I didn't get an opportunity to vote on Senate Bill 30 -- was it Senate Bill or House Bill 3352? I wanted to be an Aye on that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The record will reflect your intention.

SENATOR BELT :

Mr. President, I would like to present House Bill 3556, which creates the Hair Braiding Opportunity Act and remove references to hair braiding from the Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Hair Braiding, and Nail Technology Act of 1985. The bill eliminates the designations of "licensed hair braiders" and "licensed hair braiding teacher", and provides that the "hair braiding" is a natural form of hair manipulation by braiding, cornrows, extending, lacing, locking, sewing, twisting, weaving or wrapping human hair, natural fibers, synthetic fibers, and hair extensions which doesn't -- which does not include the cutting or growing of human hair. Mr. President, I will yield and take any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3356 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 55 voting Yea, None voting Nay -- 56 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3356, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to House Bill 3377, Leader Curran. Mr. Secretary, please

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read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3377, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Curran, on your bill.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3377 helps provide more transparency for taxpayers and will allow us to make more informed decisions on the best way to support homeless students. This will help towards our goal of ensuring that every Illinois child has a chance at a quality education. This is an initiative of the Chicago Coalition to End Homelessness. There is no opposition to the legislation, and I would ask for your vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3077 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 58 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3377, having received the required constitutional majority is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 3487, Senator Ventura. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3487, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura, on your bill.

SENATOR VENTURA:

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Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3487 provides that the applicants and renewals for IDFPR include -- shall request -- the applicants may voluntarily provide, demographic information, including primary language spoken, anticipated date of retirement in the type of employment, and zip code. And I asked for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Is this on? Oh, there we go. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you. So, there was a few issues with this bill. The first is which IDFPR, which has had some very real problems over the last few years, not just making sure to expedite the licensing process, but also issues with investigating really bad violations at funeral homes. That happened in my district where they were very incompetent and so now this is going to require this agency to get a little more power and have a little more responsibility of collecting more data and that's not a good thing. And also, the amount of data that's collected is supposed to be used in order to just have a broad, general idea of what the applicants are doing, and yet, it's voluntary. So, it's not going to be accurate. It's going to be skewed data based upon the people that decide to participate versus the people that don't. So, the data is not really going to be useful. And a major concern I have, as well, is that some people may get their licenses expedited based upon whether or not they talk about some of these attributes, where

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their zip code is, whether they speak another language, excreta, when the fact of the matter is IDFPR should be processing everyone's application as quickly as possible and should not be playing favorites here. And so, and you know, they asked for things like your anticipated date of retirement, what twenty-two year old is going to know when they're going to retire? And so, some of this information is unnecessary, it's going to burden IDFPR and I'm concerned that they're going to pick winners and losers based upon zip codes. They should be treating all of our zip codes across the State the exact same, and they should start doing better with our licensing process. Because, right now, it is far behind where it should be. For those reasons, I encourage a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura, to close.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Thank you. These updates give Illinois a clear picture of where the workforce gaps exist by geographic, language access, and retirement trends so that we can target funding and support where it's needed most. As the State invests in addressing critical staffing shortages, this data ensures those investments are strategic and equitable. Importantly, all information is collected voluntarily, keeping the burden of applicant's minimum and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 3487 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 37 voting Yea, 19 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3487, having

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received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We will go to House Bill 3489, Senator Ventura. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3489, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura, on your bill.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3489 amends the Pharmacy Practice Act and the Illinois Public Aid Code to include the dispensing of hormonal and non-hormonal contraception, including emergency contraception and I'm open to any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Ventura, can you describe for me...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates she'll yield.

SENATOR TRACY:

Yes, please. Thank you. Could you describe for me what is considered non-hormonal or how we're going to define non-hormonal drugs for contraception?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Yes, for the purpose of this bill, the non-hormonal contraception's are hormonal blocker. This is typically used in

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women who are more overweight and traditional hormonal pill does not produce the results needed. And so, some medication is like, Ella, is an example of that medication that would prevent the hormones from creating the pregnancy, in a sense. And so, it's a type of birth control for Plan B or emergency contraception.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Under this bill, will the -- there be a prescription given by a medical provider, or is this just allowing the pharmacists to dispense the non-hormonal contraceptive abortion pill without any prescription by a medical provider?

SENATOR VENTURA:

Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

The standing order counts as a prescription.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

I'm sorry, I didn't understand. You said the what counts?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

The standing order.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Okay. I'm -- I'm -- I'm -- what -- what do we consider a standing order?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

IDPH issues a standing order that then pharmacists can then use to provide the medicine.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

All right then I -- I -- I'm considering then -- then the answer is it's -- there is -- it's a standing order of public health, but it's not a medical prescription by a physician, correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

So, each individual doesn't need an individual prescription because the standing order allows for that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

And are there any side effects to this Ella or non-hormonal contraceptive abortion pill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

With every medicine, there are side effects.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

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And are you -- provide in your bill that all of those side effects will be disclosed to the -- the person seeking the medication from the pharmacist?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

The Illinois Public Health can provide that as part of their standing order.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

So, I -- I take that to mean that no, there is nothing in the bill that will provide that any individual getting that medication will be informed as to the side effects.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

To clarify, that is not what I said. When you receive your prescription from a pharmacist, oftentimes with the medication, there is a detailed description of the side effects. A pharmacist can ask her any questions. I simply stated that that is a part of the standing order from the IDPH, as it would be with any other standing order that we have in the State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

And finally, can you describe how the non-hormonal pill actually stops the pregnancy?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Yes. So, I'm happy to take you back to biology when sperm and the egg enters into the uterus, there's certain hormones that need to take place for the egg to implement into the uterine wall. When that does not take place, the pregnancy is not viable and the body sheds the egg, hence no pregnancy.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

All right. Thank you. Thank you for those.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura, to close.

SENATOR VENTURA:

We want to make sure that there's a plethora of choices for all women to make the accurate choices for their birth control and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 3489 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 41 voting Yea, 16 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3489, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 3500, Senator Faraci. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3500, an Act concerning children. 3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Faraci, on your bill.

SENATOR FARACI:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3500, as amended, requires that Illinois ABLE materials be distributed by the Treasurer's office to the parents or guardians of students with a new or existing 504 plan, once -- at least once during the 2026 2027 school year. All the amendments have removed all opposition. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3500 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 House Bill 3500, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 3510, Senator Cunningham. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3510, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham, on your bill.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 3510 extends the deadline by which the Capital Development Board must adopt the stretch code for energy efficiency by one year. I know of no opposition would appreciate the Chamber's support.

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Is there any discussion? Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you. In committee, we -- on our side of the aisle voted No on the bill. I think that there are a lot of problems with CEJA piecemealing the answers or piecemealing fixes to it is not the answer. There are vast parts of CEJA that really need to be repealed, we should do that as -- do it together and in a very thoughtful manner. This is not the answer, I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham, to close.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 3510 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 House Bill 3510, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to page 14 on the top of the page we have 3566. House Bill 3566, Senator Villa. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3566, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Villa, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3566 is a bill that prohibits landlords from being able to name minors in evictions. When a tenant is evicted from their household, this can have long term consequences on the tenant and other individuals who are in the evicted household. House Bill 3566 protects minors from being named in these eviction actions and suffering these long-term consequences. Housing attorneys and advocates across the State are concerned over how frequently they see children being named in eviction cases, even though they were obviously and cannot be a leaseholder. I want to be very clear that this State law does not currently provide any protections for children impacted by this practice. House Bill 3566 states that a minor may not be named as a defendant on an eviction action, when a minor is improperly named, the action shall be dismissed and automatically sealed. When we talk about children as young as two years old being listed on evictions, we need to make sure that we are working to protect them from this undeserved consequence that can limit their ability to access quality and affordable housing into adulthood.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. President. I have questions of the sponsor, if she'll yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

She indicates she will yield.

SENATOR TRACY:

Senator Villa, I'm wondering how common this problem is. I'm

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trying to figure out why a landlord would list a minor on an eviction notice when they're not a party to the lease.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

This bill is necessary because throughout the State, legal aid organizations are seeing minors named in eviction actions. This bill is trying to end that practice by creating consequences for a plaintiff who -- whose names children in evictions and protections like sealing the court file for the child or the children who are named.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

And as I understand, the -- the effect of placing the minor on an eviction notice would negate the lawsuit. It would be dismissed, is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

Their -- their name would be removed and the -- their eviction would be sealed, the child's.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

I'm -- I'm thinking that, actually, the -- the lawsuit would be dismissed, and the landlord would be required to refile and incur fees again to submit the -- the complaint before the court?

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Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

They would need to refile, yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

And does your bill provide for damages for any landlord who might, inadvertently, put a minor on an eviction notice?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

If it's done on purpose, there would be damages. But if not, then no, there wouldn't be.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

I'm thinking that the bill provides that the defendant is entitled to reasonable attorney's fees, actual damages and liquidated damages of a thousand dollars, as I read the bill. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

Yes, when done so willfully and wantonly, yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank -- thank you. To - to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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To the bill.

SENATOR TRACY:

I certainly understand the intent of this bill. I'm trying to think having practiced law for a number of years, I can't imagine why anybody would list a minor on an eviction notice they're not a party to the -- to the lease. The standard practices is the landlord gives the lease to the attorney that's going to file the eviction notice, and they list the parties to the lease on the eviction notice. It's just simple and I -- I can't wrap my head around how this could occur very often. But certainly, I understand the intent. I just think it's creating bad law for individuals who might, inadvertently, cause a minor to be placed on a lease, even though it would be voidable by the minor if they so choose. But then the landlord is going to have to incur more fees in filing a new lawsuit if it's the eviction is automatically dismissed because of this bill, if it becomes law. It just seems to me that we're creating a -- a path where people are going to find that it's harder to rent. Landlords have been under quite a bit of scrutiny and mandates increased upon them. And at a time when we're trying to make housing more available, it seems counterintuitive to try to keep putting burdens upon them and -- and -- if you're in an eviction notice, there's a reason. You're not paying rent, or you've done something to break the lease. And -- and so, it just seems an unfair burden on -- on landlords, and I would urge a No vote. I just think it's overreaching, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Senator Arellano.

SENATOR ARELLANO:

Question for the sponsor.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates She'll yield.

SENATOR ARELLANO:

I -- I noticed the Property Owner's Association is against this. During these discussions, what was the nature of those concerns and what have we done to address that? I think, especially, coming out of COVID, being a landlord got to be almost a negative proposition, which we directly saw. We directly saw that the increased costs and bureaucracy for landlords went to the cost of housing and it went to the cost of renting. And ultimately, as any business owner can tell you, those costs are passed through to the consumer, which in this case means housing costs. So, I -- I'm very supportive of the core concept of the bill and I'm trying to understand, if, you know, what those -- what the nature of those concerns are and if there are steps taken to alleviate that, to make sure inadvertent processes don't trigger higher housing costs for renters.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

Senator -- I'm not sure about that opposition. When we added the Willful and Wanton language, in the House, that brought the Realtors and the Chicagoland Apartment Association to neutral. I'm not seeing that opposition that you are referencing, so I'm not sure if it was an older version of the bill, but the Illinois Realtors, Illinois Manufactured Housing Association, and Chicagoland Apartment Association are all neutral.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Arellano.

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SENATOR ARELLANO:

My next question goes to the process itself. Have there been discussions in the course of this bill and others, and again, forgive me being new to the Chamber, to streamline that process across the State -- across the State, both for landlords but also for tenants so that it is virtually impossible and it doesn't put the burden on the tenant or on -- on the landlord to prevent minors from getting caught up in this process.

SENATOR VILLA:

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

I can't speak to other bills, but this bill is attempting to curtail that practice from happening.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Arellano.

SENATOR ARELLANO:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR ARELLANO:

I -- First, I want to thank the sponsor for bringing this forward. I think, especially for minors, if you get launched into the world with your name, in any way connected to -- to negative legal actions, it can be hard to escape the trap of that sometimes. I think that is a worthy cause to, try to solve and try to make sure these folks are getting a decent launch in life. And, I think, typically, those least able to afford defending themselves from such adverse start to life, are also the ones most likely impacted by it, in terms of evictions. So, I encourage a Yes vote, I will

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be supporting this bill. But I also think we need to look at processes such that we are looking at the cost of housing, the ease of getting the housing, and making sure we understand when we add bureaucracy for landlords and to the businesses that provide housing, we are increasing the cost to tenants. If landlords get fined, get caught up in a bad process, those costs are going to get passed on to the consumer, and the consumer is the family's renting. So, I support an Aye vote on this, while we figure the rest of that out, minors should not be caught up in the problem. But I -- I ask that we continue that process and make sure that it's not -- we're not trying to solve it by bureaucracy, but by easing bureaucracy. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, to close.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you. I think my colleague from the other side of the aisle, closed lovely. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 3566 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 48 voting Yea, 7 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. And House Bill 3566, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 3572, Senator Villa. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3572, an Act concerning criminal law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3572 is a bill that is aiming to address and reduce the long inpatient waits in our State's county jails. When a defendant has been determined unfit for trial, they are sent to their local county jails, where they're either awaiting evaluation or awaiting treatment from the State. Due to an inadequate number of beds, these accused individuals are left in jail instead of receiving the clinical treatment that they're supposed to be receiving, in a timely manner. This leads to these individuals spending days, weeks, or even months in jails without the proper treatment for their mental health, which is both detrimental, to them, and financially unstable for the county jail and the court system. House Bill 3572 prioritizes the use of outpatient fitness restoration when appropriate, reduces the usage of fitness restoration for individuals with the lowest level offenses, and encourages the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts to create standards and a certification process for court ordered fitness evaluators. This is a -- this is a bill that has no opposition and passed unanimously out of the House and out of the Senate Criminal Law Committee. I'm happy to take any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3572 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 the question, there are 58 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3572, having received the required constitutional majority, is

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declared passed. We're going to go to House Bill 3616, Senator Guzmán. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3616, an Act concerning housing. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Guzmán, on your bill.

SENATOR GUZMÁN:

Thank you, Mr. President. HB 3616 requires the Illinois Housing Development Authority to make a number of calculations and determinations concerning the available inventory of affordable housing in each courtroom -- local government in Illinois. I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3616 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 Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3616, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 3637, Senator Villa. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3637, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. Everyone deserves access to the

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best health care possible, and healthcare professionals deserve to be able to administer this care without fear of being retaliated against for providing these services. House Bill 3637 is a necessary bill that works to enforce these rights and protections into the State law for all. These services -- the services that health care professionals provide can be lifesaving and life altering. We all know the nerves that a patient can feel when going into a doctor's office. Other states across the country are not only making visits more nerve wracking, but creating a culture of fear and uncertainty for patients seeking health care. In states like Louisiana, they have been working to indict a physician from the State of New York for prescribing medication for reproductive health -- healthcare to a patient in Louisiana through telehealth. Physicians like this are now afraid of being retaliated against by state governments for providing the services they are experts into patients. In Illinois, we have worked to ensure that all patients have access to the care that they need, and our healthcare professionals deserve to be able to provide this care with the necessary protections in place. House Bill 3637 does two things, it prevents disciplinary action from being taken on a health care provider who provides lawful care to patients in Illinois, regardless of whether or not the individual getting care is from the State. And number two, if the World Health Organization or WHO still recommends a drug, it can still be prescribed and dispensed in the scenario that the FDA revokes them. Health care should never be politicized and when we uplift health care providers, we are ensuring that patients can receive equitable, healthy and safe care, in a timely and professional manner by qualified providers. I'm happy to answer any questions.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion, Senator Tracy?

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question to the sponsor, please.  
If she'll yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Yes, she will yield.

SENATOR TRACY:

Senator Villa, under this bill if the FDA pulls back its  
prior approval of a drug for an intended use, will your bill still  
allow pharmacists to dispense it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

If the FDA previously approved it but pulled the approval,  
doctors can still prescribe it if the World Health Organization  
still allows it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

Would that be illegal for the pharmacist to dispense that  
medication?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

No, that's general off label prescribing and that's not the  
purpose of this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

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SENATOR TRACY:

What I'm asking is -- is if -- if the FDA withdraws its support for a medication because it's deemed unsafe, would a pharmacist that dispenses that medication be legally, illegally dispensing that medication?

SENATOR VILLA:

Senator Villa.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

It's important that first, if a drug was -- had previously been approved for a use under the FDA and then it was no longer approved by the FDA, there would still have to be approval by the World Health Organization. And then, yes, there would be protections.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy.

SENATOR TRACY:

To the bill, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR TRACY:

I think we need to recognize that the Federal Drug Administration is our gold standard. World Health Organization does not test, it does not do years of analyzes. I don't even -- I have no idea what they even have to do with this bill, but it just seems like it's a very awkward and dangerous slope to ignore what the Federal Drug Administration recommends of a -- of a medication. I think we're overlooking that federal law will preempt any State law and, politics aside, that cannot be ignored. And I think it's foolish of us to enact bills that are going to -- it

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could be preempted by federal law. To depend on the World Health Organization, whose highest contributors and -- and funding come from China, just seems very illogical to me in -- in something dealing with people's health. And -- and, I think the politics are playing into this, and I think people are overlooking recommendations of a long gold standard that has guided our country under the Federal Drug Administration for a number of years. And I would urge a No vote, we're just filing and -- bills that, to me, just are -- are irresponsible for people's health, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Questions for the sponsor, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates she will yield.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you. Senator, could you tell me what the World Health Organization, what responsibilities they have?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

The World Health Organization currently issues its recommendations using World Health Organization Model List of Essential Medicines. This list is developed by the Expert Committee on Selection and Use of Essential Medicines and International Panel of Experts, who meet every two years to review additions, amendments and deletions to the EML based on scientific evidence of efficacy and safety.

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Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you. Do they approve drugs?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

The World Health Organizations EML serves as a scientifically based check on the approval of a given drug. If both the FDA and WHO agree on the use -- that the drug is unsafe or unwarranted, pharmacists in Illinois can't legally distribute the drug. We are not relying on this legislation, this bill does not rely on the World Health Organization to decide on whether or not the approval -- the approved use of the drug, if the FDA rescinds approval for a drug's usage, that usage is rescinded.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Based off of this legislation, then do you, in your comments, do you feel that we need... What -- what's the purpose of the FDA then, should this bill pass?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

So, the FDA is used to approve drugs. But this bill, states that if the FDA previously approved the drug for use of a specific -- something specific, or for an off label use, the drug continues to be approved by the FDA or other uses, and the WHO continues to approve the drug for use. The drug would not be considered adulterated and therefore unsafe for use unless one or more of the

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following apply. One contamination so it has been contaminated at any time during the manufacturing process or the packing two unsanitary conditions. The drug is produced, prepped, packed, or held under unsanitary conditions that could lead to contamination. Three, substances mixed or packed with the drug to reduce the drug's quality or strength for substitution. A different substance is used in place of the intended drug, either partially or completely. Or five{sic} (four), failure to meet quality standards. The drug's strength, quality, or purity may fall below what is required by official standards or what the drug is represented to be.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

The sponsor, Mr. President. Question for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Yes, go ahead.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you. Has there been any other example where this has happened? Any other states where the World Health Organization supersedes the FDA in terms of drug approval?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa.

SENATOR VILLA:

I can get back to you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Sure. To the bill, Mr. President.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you. I, you know, as we talk through the bill, I understand what the bill proposes to do, but the problem that I have with the bill is that this is setting precedents. This clearly has not happened anywhere else in the country where we're asking the World Health Organization, which we're not sure if we'll be in existence in a year or could be considered political to be able to supersede the FDA. The FDA, by which we look at as the standard for approving drugs. So, for those reasons, I ask for a No vote, Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, to close.

SENATOR VILLA:

We are not asking the World Health Organization to approve any medication. I strongly urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 3637 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, 19 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3637, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Plummer.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

Nothing, Mr. President, you overlooked my switch. I intended to speak on the last piece of legislation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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I'm sorry, I didn't see it. On House Bill 3638, Senator Fine.  
Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. House Bill 3677, Senator Fine.  
Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3677, an Act concerning business. 3rd Reading of  
the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Fine, on your bill.

SENATOR FINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill will streamline the  
process for consumers to have timely repairs made to their complex  
rehabilitation technology, things like wheelchairs and other  
equipment. I know of No opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3677  
pass. All those in favor will say Aye -- we vote Aye. Opposed,  
Nay. 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  
House Bill 3677, having received the required constitutional  
majority, is declared passed. Go to House Bill 3710, Senator  
Villanueva. House Bill 3718, Senator Fine. Mr. Secretary, please  
read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3718, an Act concerning mental health. 3rd Reading  
of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Fine, on your bill.

SENATOR FINE:

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Thank you, Mr. President. This piece of legislation is an initiative of DHS. It updates the outdated flat discipline system at our seven State operated developmental centers that currently require administrative reassignments or paid administrative leave for every pending investigation. The new tiered system reserves leave for reassignment for more serious offenses that might result in listing on the health care registry. The new system allows us to prioritize both resident safety and staffing. We work with the SCOC family organizations, disability advocacy organizations, labor and government agencies to secure neutrality for this bill. And I would appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Arellano.

SENATOR ARELLANO:

I would just like to thank the sponsor for the work on this bill. We have a lot of work to do in our community serving the developmentally disabled. Proud to work in that field for a little bit myself. But I can tell you we do need to take seriously financial exploitation and some of the other challenges facing the State and this bill works towards that progress. So, I urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Fine, to close.

SENATOR FINE:

Thank you for your comments, and I would appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 3718 pass. All those in favor of vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all

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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 House Bill 3718, having  
received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed.  
Yes, we're going to go to House Bill 3725, Senator Syverson. Mr.  
Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3725, an Act concerning local government. 3rd  
Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Syverson, on your bill.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. A simple bill. This just prevents  
a surprise billing for utility companies, limiting their ability  
to go back years later and charge someone for -- for past utility  
bills. I know of no opposition for it and would ask for a favorable  
roll call. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3725  
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 58  
voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill  
3725, having received the required constitutional majority, is  
declared passed. We're going to go back up the page - pick up House  
Bill 3710, Senator Villanueva. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3710, an Act concerning criminal law. 3rd Reading  
of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villanueva, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Mr. President, House Bill 3710, amends the rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act. It provides that when a person reports being a crime victim, as defined in by the Act, the right to be treated with fairness and respect during the investigatory process, including the right to be free from deception. Deception is defined as a knowing communication of false facts about evidence. This is a good bill, and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3710 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 58 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3710, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Go to House Bill 3760, Senator Holmes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3760, an Act concerning wildlife. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Holmes, on your bill.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. The gray fox population in Illinois and most of the Midwest has been declining over the past thirty years. House Bill 3760 seeks to address that issue. So, when the biological balance of the gray fox is affected for any

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reason, the director may set the dates of length and shorten or close the season during which the gray fox may be taken. This action has already allowed for other species, including migratory birds. Finally, the bill will also provide the Department with emergency rulemaking authority so that the change reflected in this bill can be made prior to the potential November 2025 opening of the hunting and trapping season, and adequate notice can be provided to the public. I would appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none. Senator Balkema, do you wish to ask a question?

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

So, if I was a gray fox, would I be comfortable that we're going far enough in this bill to protect my biological balance as outlined?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Being there at this point in time. You're very scarce anyway that I think you would appreciate these controls on the season.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Balkema.

SENATOR BALKEMA:

With that compelling argument, I would urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Holmes, to close.

SENATOR HOLMES:

I would just ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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The question is, shall House Bill 3760 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 48 voting Yea, 8 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 3760, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Go to the bottom of the page. House Bill 3800, Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 3800, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Morrison, on your bill.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3800 is the Department of Insurance Administration bill. It resolves technical inconsistencies in the statute, eliminates confusion, provides clarity and consistency is quite a lengthy bill. I know of no opposition but would be glad to entertain your questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill -- House Bill 3800 pass. All those 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 46 voting Yea, 10 voting Nay, and None voting Present. And House Bill 3800, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll turn the page, we'll go up to -- we're going to go back -- we're going to go back and pick up two Senate Bills, and then we're going to return and go back to

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the top of the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading. We're going to go to Senate Bill 711. Leader Lightford seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 711 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now the Order 2nd Reading of Senate Bill 711. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Lightford.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Lightford, on your amendment.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Mr. President, I'd be happy to have it adopted and debated 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. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 711, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Leader Lightford, on your bill.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Thank you. Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, the Floor amendment that we just adopted removed all opposition.

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The bill amends the updated training, licensure, and instructional requirements for EMS personnel and programs. It allows the non-EMS systems personnel to use EMS vehicles under certain conditions, and it requires the Illinois Department of Public Health to explore bridge programs between EMS and nursing careers. This is a goal to create a better workforce system so that our EMS systems continue to develop more employees, as they're too facing a shortage. I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill 711 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 58 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And Senate Bill 711, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Leave of the Body, we go to the top of page 7. We're going to go to Senate Bill 852, Senator Villanueva. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill. Senator Villanueva seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 852 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now the Order 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 852. Mr. Secretary, please read.. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by -- Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Villivalam.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, on your amendment.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to adopt the amendment

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and have Senator Villanueva explain it 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. 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 852. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 852, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villanueva, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

Thank you, Mr. President. Since I am such an incredible Senator and like to work all the time with Senator Villivalam, we are tag teaming this bill. Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 852 clarifies that after July 1st, 2025, failure to appear suspensions will no longer be issued for minor traffic offenses and maintains the Secretary of State's ability to suspend an individual's license for failure to appear in court for offenses punishable by imprisonment. It also clarifies that a failure to appear suspension shall be rescinded if the suspension was issued between January 1st, 2020, and June 30th, 2025, and if the offense was punishable by fine only and did not result in the death of another person. This is a good bill we worked on with the Secretary of State, or I should say Senator Villivalam and the advocates

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worked on this with the Secretary of State, but we're just trying to get this one done.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Bill 852 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 53 voting Yea, 1 voting Nay, None voting Present. And Senate Bill 852, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Leave of the Body, we'll go to the top of page 9, we'll go to House Bill 1120, Senator Erica Harriss. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1120, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Harriss, on your bill.

SENATOR E. HARRISS:

Thank you, Mr. President, I would -- this bill will eliminate space on the back of our driver's license. It is an initiative of the Secretary of State, and something more useful will be able to be put in this place, and I would appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 1120 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 58 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. and House Bill 1120, having received the required constitutional majority, is

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declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 1226, Senator Villivalam.  
Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1226, an Act concerning transportation. 3rd  
Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise, today, to request support  
for House Bill 1226. This is an initiative that I've partnered  
with the Secretary of State, Alexi Giannoulis, and AARP. It's an  
issue that's been in the making for a few years. It has two main  
provisions. It implements new procedures to allow family members  
to report unsafe drivers of any age based on medical or cognitive  
issues. It also increases the age that Illinois drivers must take  
a behind the wheel test -- driving test from seventy-nine to  
eighty-seven, impacting three hundred and forty-eight thousand  
motorists. Illinois is currently the only State in the nation that  
mandates driving tests based on age, we have been that way for at  
least fifteen years. This is legislation that eliminates age  
discrimination. I would ask for an Aye vote, and I appreciate the  
bipartisan support that this initiative has received.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator DeWitte.

SENATOR DEWITTE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR DEWITTE:

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Thank you, Mr. President. Let me pass that right back at my transportation partner on the Senate side. This -- I want to thank, Senator Villivalam for getting this one over the finish line. This bill has been under discussion for quite some time, probably going on three years. If I actually added up all the discussions we've had. And it broke my heart to take calls from senior residents. You know, life is tough enough for our seniors across this State. But the phone calls we got from people who were being required to show up year after year for driver's tests, particularly during the pandemic, where they're having to jump into a vehicle with someone, they have no idea who they are. They may be state employees, but they've never met these people in their lives. This really removes that discrimination component that has driven these people and raised their anxiety levels, to the point where they would call in tears. I urge an Aye vote on this legislation. I think it's a great move forward. And it really takes out -- takes Illinois out of that dubious list of states who still do discriminate against our senior citizens simply because of their age, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, to close.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you again to my minority spokesperson, DeWitte, for the bipartisan support and his comments. Again, would urge an Aye vote to ensure that our -- easier access for our seniors and continuing to keep our roads safe. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 1226 pass. All those in

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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 House Bill 1226, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. And I thank you. We're going to go to House Bill 1364. Senator Joyce seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 1364 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order for 2nd Reading is House Bill 1364. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Joyce.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce, on your amendment.

SENATOR JOYCE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to adopt the amendment.

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 are approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1364, an Act concerning local government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce, on your bill.

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SENATOR JOYCE:

Thank you, Mr. President. As amended, House Bill 1364 extends the expiration date of the Joliet Arsenal Development Authority by five years. It also expands the territory jurisdiction of the authority to include municipalities and property along the Illinois Waterway through Will County. And additionally, the bill changes the composition of the Authority's Board of Directors. I know of no opposition; and I urge the Chamber's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 1364 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 House Bill 1364, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 1430, Senator Aquino. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1430, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino, on your bill.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill amends the Student Investment Account Act to authorize the State Treasurer to invest in -- and in refinance loans for Illinois residents with student loan debt and removes the authority to invest in income share agreements. The purpose of this bill is that there are more than one point five million student loan borrowers in Illinois

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collectively holding upwards of sixty billion dollars in student debt, with over two point five billion being private student loans. A refinance program directly puts money back into the pockets of Illinois residents immediately by lowering their costs of debt, and that's what we're trying to do put money back into people's pockets here in the State of Illinois. Look forward to a debate or an answer any questions but I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Plummer.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

I appreciate the sponsor bringing this legislation, we had some good conversation in Committee. However, concerns of folks opposed to this have not really been assuaged. So, I guess my question to the sponsor would be, you know, why do we feel like this is a role of the Treasurer's Office in the State of Illinois, especially after it's been conceded that this brings below market returns for the taxpayers of the State. And it also puts a significant amount of risk on the taxpayers of the State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

I'm sorry. I was listening to our counsel. Can you repeat the question? I apologize.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Plummer.

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SENATOR PLUMMER:

So, in Committee, it was acknowledged that this program brings below market returns for the Treasurer's Office portfolio, which, of course, is the taxpayers. And it also puts risk on the Treasurer's Office, and the taxpayers are responsible for any financial malfeasance that were to take place there. So, why is this a good thing? I understand it might be a good thing for a subset of the population, but I would hope the Treasurer's Office and this Body is looking after the well-being of Illinoisans as a whole.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Well, I think that the purpose of this Body and the Treasurer's Office is that any time we have an opportunity to put money back into the -- the pockets of the residents of Illinois, that's a good thing. And that's what the at the end of the day, this bill attempts to achieve. This program is in existence already, we're not recreating anything. We're just making some changes to our program to allow them to go into refinance programs, so that folks that are student borrowers that have loans, that we can bring down their interest rates and so that -- that, you know, ultimately, they have more money in their pockets.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Plummer.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

No, by definition, this does not put money back into the pockets of Illinoisans. It takes money out of the pockets of Illinoisans. What is the rate of return for the Treasurer's Office

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with this program?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

So, I'm just going to, try to get -- say what our counsel said, but I'm just going to go to straight to the point of this bill. At the end of the day, the -- I -- I think that some of the things that were suggested in terms of what was said in Committee, I don't think was interpreted right. The company that -- that is the Treasurer's Office is going to be working with, which is, is ISL Education Lending. They are the ones that take the risk in this, I would say that the reason that they were chosen is because they have a default rate of one point eight percent, which is in terms of the comparatively to the rest of the average default rate is significantly less. There is a thorough process of choosing this company, and they're allowing for to refinance a loan to have a better interest rate to these, to these borrowers. So ultimately, I -- I would contend with the thought that we're taking money out of the pockets of folks. We're refinancing a loan to a lower rate so that they have the ability and a choice. No one is required to use this -- this program. Yet, it's another tool, an option for Illinois residents and borrowers to be student -- student loan borrowers to be able to get into this program to eventually have a lower rate that they're paying.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Plummer.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

I appreciate all the talk. I really don't want to get filibustered. My question is simple. What is the rate of return

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for the Treasurer's Office on this program?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino

SENATOR AQUINO:

Yeah, I would have to get back to you. I don't have the -- I would have to look and review, but I don't have -- I think it's a nominal -- it's about two or three percent, I believe, from if I remember from the notes. But to be a specific answer, I would have to get back to you on that but it's a nominal one at that.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

Senator Plummer.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

Okay, so the sponsor of the bill just acknowledged the rate of return for the Treasurer's Office on this program is two or three percent. We all know the Treasurer's Office can invest money everywhere. Triple A, double A, super safe, no credit risk. Well north of two or three percent. The sponsor spoke of a company that's doing this. It's not a company that's doing this. It's an out-of-state, not for profit entity. He says the not for profit entity bears the credit risk. While true, what happens if something happens to that, to that not for profit company, which we see happen all the time? All of the credit risk falls back to the people of Illinois. It all falls right back to the Treasurer's Office. The speaker or the sponsor has acknowledged there's a very low rate of return here. We're depending on an out-of-state, not

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for profit entity that isn't the only body that bears the credit risk. We're ultimately standing behind them. While I understand that we might want to help some folks, that's great. But this isn't the role of the Treasurer's Office. The role of the Treasurer's Office is to safeguard the money of the taxpayers of the State. This program, as the sponsor just acknowledged, lowers our rate of return, increases risk in the portfolio, this is bad for the taxpayers of the State. It absolutely takes money out of all of our constituent's pockets to subsidize a small subset of the population. This is a bad bill. It's bad public policy and bills like this are the reason why Illinois is in the financial condition, it's in. I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino, to close.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, and thank you for the opportunity to go, as I actually did find the -- the answer here. So, the Treasurer's Office partners with financial institutions by providing them with low cost capital that they can then loan out to eligible students. The Treasurer's Office will receive a competitive rate of three percent of return on its investment. For perspective, the annual rate of return for the State portfolio was three point three one percent in fiscal year, twenty-three point four five percent in fiscal year 22, and from fiscal year 15 to 21, the annual rate of return never reached three percent. The current thirty day yield of the State investment portfolio is at four point eleven percent. The financial institution undertakes a prudent underwriting process to evaluate the borrower's credit worthiness and their ability to repay a loan. The financial institutions who underwrite

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the loans would take on all the risk of the default from a specific borrowers in the State, not the State Treasurer's Office, excuse me. The current lender, as I stated earlier, ISL Education Lending or Iowa's student lending, their average default rate is one point eight percent, which is significantly lower than the average default rate. There is a strict investment criteria determined by the Treasurer's Investment Policy Board, considered in the selection of financial institutions that participate. And lastly, the Treasurer's Office requires specific covenants with any financial institution they work with around qualified borrowers being Illinois residents attending Illinois institutions. At the end of the day, as I said earlier, this bill is about making sure that we have the ability to offer another option to Illinois borrowers so that they -- at -- at the end of the day, be able to have more money in their pockets and be able to afford the loans that they're currently underwater for. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 1430 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, 12 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 1430, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 1586, Senator Castro. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1586, an Act concerning State government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Castro, on your bill.

SENATOR CASTRO:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1586 amends the Personal Code. It provides that for any federal laws that were in effect on January 1st, 2025, and requires the state to adopt standards of merit for their Personal Codes, the State shall continue to administer its Personal Code in compliance with those federal standards, even in the event that those standards are repealed. I know of no opposition. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Question to the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates she will yield.

SENATOR WILCOX:

We had a little bit of discussion in Committee. Could you give your legislative intent on this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Castro.

SENATOR CASTRO:

Thank you. Yes, it is the intent of the General Assembly to protect the citizens of Illinois and the federal programs that fundamentally rely on for their overall health and well-being. To this end, it is a priority of the State of Illinois to ensure that federal funding and programs continue to be administered by the State employees rather than outside entities, regardless of any changes made at the federal level. As long as federal funding of these programs exists, the Illinois Personnel Code is being amended

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to safeguard this principle and maintain the status quo by codifying that the specified federal programs will continue to be administered by State employees to provide effective and consistent services to the -- to Illinois citizens. It is not the intent of this bill to prohibit other entities from involvement in the specified programs, with the administration of the programs being provided by the applicable State employee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Thank you. To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR WILCOX:

I was glad to sign on as a chief co-sponsor to ensure that we continue to enshrine a merit-based hiring system in our laws, especially given that the Pendleton Act is almost a century and a half old. We know and believe that enshrining a merit-based hiring in State law will continue to establish a more professional, qualified, and stable public workforce. I encourage an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Castro, to close.

SENATOR CASTRO:

I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 1586 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

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Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 1586, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 1628, Senator Aquino. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1628, an Act concerning government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino, on your bill.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you. Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 1628 amends the Seizure and Forfeiture Reporting Act to expand the reporting requirements for law enforcement agencies after the seizure of property under State law. The bill amends the reporting requirements both for individual asset seizure reports and for the annual report that each agency must file. This is the bill that we've been working on for a number of years. The -- the -- the House sponsor has sort of led the negotiations for about, I would say probably about three years. Initially had a lot of concern from law enforcement, in particular, from different Sheriff's Associations. I'm proud to say that this bill with the changes that were made, now, has all those Sheriff's Associations that were once in opposition to this bill to neutral. I ask for an Aye vote, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Any discussion? Senator Arellano.

SENATOR ARELLANO:

A question for the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Indicates he will yield.

SENATOR ARELLANO:

First, thanks for the work that's been done on this over the years. My understanding is this bill now is purely a reporting and transparency bill. It doesn't necessarily change some of the underlying dynamics, but it does open up transparency and reported, and my understanding is specifically changes not just the seizure part but, the forfeiture part when -- when private property is actually being taken away from a citizen by the government. It increases the amount of reporting that's done at that moment. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

I'm sorry. Yeah, I would describe it that way in that it is a reporting of -- bills that seeks for more transparency, understanding when and how, and -- and -- and from who assets are -- are seized from -- from the law enforcement entities, yeah.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Arellano.

SENATOR ARELLANO:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR ARELLANO:

First, once again, thank you. I'm really excited to speak in support of this particular bill. I think this is a serious issue, I know of a specific circumstances, for example, in which case a young woman was loaning a vehicle to the father of her child. There

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were some unfortunate circumstances, that vehicle got caught up into it and then at that point, now there are potentially two incomes getting hampered in that family that couldn't even afford to lose one of them. And she had to go through quite a struggle to try to defend her own rights and private property. I think we should have the same energy about due process when the government is coming to take guns, for example, as we do for cars or any other piece of private property. I view this bill as a transparency bill, but I also view it as a Fourth Amendment bill, and I had support on that basis. The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures shall not be violated, and no warrants shall be issued, but upon probable cause, supported by oath and affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched and the persons and things to be seized. This bill does exactly that and helps shine a spotlight on private property rights. Private property rights are the key and core to American rights and to Capitalism. And again, speaking to what I said earlier today about another bill, it is often the folks least capable of affording defending themselves that are most likely to be caught up in this kind of circumstance. I -- I encourage an Aye vote in defense of private property rights, in defense of transparency of when -- as a small government conservative very concerned about when the government is taking away and actually forfeiting private property for an individual citizen. And I urge an Aye vote in defense of the Fourth Amendment. Thank you for your work on this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Further discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

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Questions for the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you. Just a few questions for clarification, Senator. The information that is collected, is it -- does it include someone's name? Does it include their address? Can you please clarify that? I just want to make sure we get any privacy concerns addressed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Oh. Yeah, no, thank you for the question. I'll -- I'll read out. So, it has the list of information about the of each seizure of property that is already required to be collected from existing law enforcement records about that seizure, such as police reports, and reported to the Illinois State Police and that includes the name of the lead agency, if a State multi-district -- multi-jurisdictional task force seizes the property. The -- secondly, the county, municipality or township and zip code instead of the location of where the seizure occurred. Thirdly, the race, sex, age and residential zip code of the person from whom the property was seized, as self-reported to law enforcement. And lastly, a citation to the statutory authorities under which the property was seized and the accused person was arrested.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Okay -- okay, great, thank you. So, it's not specific to the

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individuals, it's just kind of generalized information. I think my concern initially seeing this was the fact that we've had some police databases Statewide get hacked into, and people's information was unfortunately able to be accessed by unauthorized individuals. So, you're saying that that specific information is not being sent to SPD? So, my question to ISP, excuse me. So, then my question is -- is -- does ISP going to be able to handle this information? And are any law enforcement groups opposed to this bill at this time?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you. Not that we know of, as I said, of those that -- that had filed in opposition, and this has been worked on for a few years, they are now at neutral. And so, we -- I don't know of any opposition and in terms of ISP, it does this work, they are also part of the stakeholders. The -- just kind of going back to your previous question, what I had read out, just -- I just want to emphasize that this was part of the negotiated language with law enforcement. So, understand your concerns with -- with -- in giving -- having too much personal information. This is not necessarily about the person, but yet the assets that were seized. And that's what the information is we're trying to gather.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure. Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you. To the bill, if I may?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

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SENATOR ROSE:

Ladies and Gentlemen, this is one of these rare instances where people are so far to the right or so far to the left, that they've come back around to the middle. I am absolutely in support of this bill and have been for a long time. The -- the power of a government to take your personal property that comes with restrictions and it comes with transparency, and it comes with doing things the right way. You have to afford ample opportunity. A long time ago, my third year of law school, I actually wrote a paper on asset forfeiture. When you're forfeiting someone's assets who have never actually been convicted of a crime, that's a real problem. That stuff the King would do in the old days. So, at the end of the day, as much as I am a former prosecutor, you can't take people's property without due process of law, without following the rules. And frankly, most of all, being transparent about what you're doing as a government. So, to that end, I find it odd that I'm about ready to salute the leader, but I salute the leader for bringing this forward. And thank you, Members.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Aquino, to close.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Well, I want to thank all my colleagues on the other side of the aisle. I want to address, what the last speaker spoke about. Look, I -- I -- I try to pride myself to be someone who, either left or right or whatnot wants to be able to work with folks, all types of folks. And when I believe a piece of legislation is not ready for prime time, as we say, it's not ready. And I'm more than willing to listen and to work on this with anyone else, that's more than willing to work with me to get to a better product. And

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I think that's ultimately what we have here today is a good product that is going is -- addresses that transparency that I think we all agree on, addresses due process, addresses accountability that our government should be to its people. And so, I agree with you on that, I'm glad that you agree with me on it. And so much so that I asked for an Aye vote for my colleagues, thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

So, the question is, shall House Bill 1628 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 House Bill 1628, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to the bottom of the page on page 9. House Bill 1806, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1806, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. As amended, House Bill 1806 creates the Wellness and Oversight for Psychological Resources Act and provides guidelines for professionals who use artificial intelligence in their practice. I know of no opposition would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 1806 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is

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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 House Bill 1806, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to turn the page on page 10, in the middle of the page, we have House Bill 2196 Senator Sally Turner. Senator Turner seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 2196 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now the Order 2nd Reading is House Bill 2196. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Sally Turner.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Turner, on your amendment.

SENATOR S. TURNER:

I'd like to adopt the amendment and present the bill.

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. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2196, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Turner, on your bill.

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SENATOR S. TURNER:

Thank you, Mr. President. We are referring to this as the chicken bill. I want to thank my partners on both sides of the aisle for -- for helping me with this bill. This brings Illinois -- Illinois farm poultry processing rules closer in line with federal and our neighboring states it approaches. It increases the number of poultry that farmers are safely allowed to process for meat. It also eliminates the thirty day requirement for ownership that requires someone processing an animal for their own family, and that also is important for farmers who market whole animals to people in communities who want to process that animal for familial, cultural or religious reasons, and celebrations. I want to thank, the Illinois Stewardship Alliance for helping bring this bill for the Farm Bureau, for partnering -- partnering with us and also Northern Illinois Public Health (Consortium). We worked out some difficulties that we had, and this is an agreed bill. We have no objections, and I appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 2196 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 House Bill 2196, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go down the page a little bit to House Bill 2397, Senator Johnson. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2397, an Act concerning criminal law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Johnson, on your bill.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2397 requires the Department of Corrections to prepare and publish an annual report regarding the Department's Hospice and Palliative Care Programs. This is an initiative of Access Living and I know of no opposition. But before I move on, I wanted to say that this bill is simply to gather information and data on the use of hospice and palliative care in Illinois correctional facilities to guide the General Assembly in making policies and decisions related to end of life care in correctional facilities. I again, there is no opposition and I'm happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Will the sponsor yield for questions?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

She indicates she will yield.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you. Senator, this is called the Eddie Thomas Act. And this is going to permanently memorialize Mr. Thomas and keep him remembered in our State's history books and also in our laws from here on out. Did you ask the family of the person who Eddy Thomas murdered if it was okay to memorialize him in this manner, in Illinois law?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

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Thank you, Senator. I did not reach out to the family.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you. I'll speak to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Eddie Thomas pushed a person headfirst down an elevator shaft, murdering them. I think there has to be a point in this Chamber when you recognize that it's very tough. We've got all these bills to try to rename roads for people who died overseas in the military. We've got now IDOT taking away the memorials for DUI victim's families that are there to try to keep the memories of their loved ones still alive. We can't -- can't memorialize these people. But we're going to have a guy who is a gang member who intentionally murdered somebody by pushing them headfirst down an elevator shaft. I think that's wrong. And I think if this is going to be done, the least that we can do as a Body is make the victim's family aware of what's happening and allow them to make a statement or give some sort of a position. I understand this bill started in the House, so Senator Johnson has it now, but this is wrong. And can you, can any of you imagine if your family member was murdered by someone and there's no road named after the family member that was murdered? There's no law to support that family member. I'm guessing there was probably not even a resolution for a celebration of life for this person. But the murderer gets their own Act and our State's laws permanently. That's wrong, I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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Senator Johnson, to close.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Before I close, I just want to respond to that. So, to my colleagues who are concerned about the naming of House Bill 2397, I invite you to sit with this truth. Names hold power and stories we -- stories uplift a part of the future we are hoping to create. Eddie Thomas was not perfect and none of us are. This bill, to be clear, isn't about glorifying harm. It is about honoring the complexities of human beings human, ensuring that even those who are incarcerated, even those near the end of life, are treated with dignity and care. This bill models what it means to not be reduced to your worst mistake. That is the kind of transformation we all believe in here in this Chamber. Please, let's not get deterred or distracted by the naming of this bill. The merits of this bill is grounded in recognizing the humanity of incarcerated people by providing them with an opportunity to die with dignity. This bill is asking that we simply collect data on the end of life care provided by IDOC for individuals in custody. And with that, I would like to thank the House Sponsor, Representative Grasse. She is a Chaplain, and she worked really hard on this, and she really understands the importance of advancing this legislative measure. I want to thank Access Living, thank you, Glen Grant Flynn, and I want to also thank you IDOC for your partnership working to advance House Bill 2397, and I also want to thank all of the advocates who have worked so hard to get this legislative measure to the finish line. And I want to thank all my colleagues in advance for your favorable votes. Thank you.

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The question is, should House Bill 2397 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 33 voting Yea, 19 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 2397, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 2409, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2409, an Act concerning safety. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is House Bill 2409 is an initiative that I'm sponsoring on behalf of the Associated Firefighters of Illinois Chicago Firefighters Union Local 2. This legislation phases out the sale of firefighting, personal protective clothing, and equipment containing intentionally added PFAS chemicals in the State, beginning with mandatory disclosure for firefighting personal protective clothing in 2026, progressing to a ban on the clothing in 2027, and culminating with a ban on both the clothing and equipment in 2030. I appreciate Senator Anderson's support as our chief co-sponsor on this legislation and would ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

To the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. And thank you, Senator, for bringing this legislation. As a 19-year veteran of the fire service, I can tell you that we deal with a lot of dangerous conditions, we have a presumptive illness with heart and lung. It's a dangerous job. Our lifespan doing the job is cut down drastically, because of the environment that we're in. I appreciate legislation like this because, this is one thing that we can control. We can't always control the environments that we go in and -- and save life and property. But this is something we can control and from myself and firefighters from around the State of Illinois, I want to say thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam, to close.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. I want to thank Senator Anderson for his comments and for his service to our State. I also want to thank my State Representative, Mike Kelly, who's also a firefighter for sponsoring this legislation in the House, and obviously thank the Associated Firefighters of Illinois for bringing this forward. This legislation is the very definition of what it means to stand with our first responders. Thank you all for the support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 2409 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 is, -- vote is 58 voting Yea, None

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voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 2409, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We're going to go to House Bill 2419, Senator Villa. Senator Villa, on House Bill 2419. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2419, an Act concerning safety. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villa, on your bill.

SENATOR VILLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill simply enables the Illinois Department of Transportation to charge a fee to cover the cost of emissions, studies of the governing authority who requests an emissions study. As amended, the Illinois Environmental Protection Act expanded the review of local city siting of a pollution control facility. It provides that during a local siting appeal process, the governing body must be conducted -- must conduct the hearing in a manner that's accessible to the public, including all individuals with disabilities and individuals who are non-native English speakers. Currently, the governing authority may request the Department of Transportation to conduct traffic impact studies for proposed or potential local locations of required pollution control facilities. I'm happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 2419 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 37

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voting Yea, 19 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 2419, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. On the top of page 11 we have House Bill 2488, Senator Johnson. No, I'm sorry, Senator Peters. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2488, an Act concerning employment. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Peters, on your bill.

SENATOR PETERS:

House Bill 2488, is a bill from the Department of Labor. It's a good bill, was unanimous in Committee and has no opposition. I asked for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 2488 pass. All those in favor of 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 56 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 2488, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We'll go to House Bill 2446 -- 2546, Senator Cervantes. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2546, an Act concerning criminal law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cervantes, on your bill.

SENATOR CERVANTES:

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Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2546 is a simple technical change and timing fix to the Youthful Parole Act. The technical fix corrects a drafting error. The timing fix clarifies when a hearing can be scheduled to reflect the legislation intent. It clarifies that a person can file a youthful parole petition up to three years before becoming eligible, and the hearing can be scheduled only one year in advance. More about this bill is that it makes no changes to current statute, makes no changes to the way the current practice is in the PRB, and we have no opposition and I'm hoping for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

To the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

To the bill.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you, Mr. President, and I understand the bill. My concern with the bill, however, is that these changes, these corrections, whatever you want to call them, are going to make it so that some people who currently would take a little bit more time incarcerated before they would get released, this would release them a little bit earlier. That's a problem for me, especially when you've got the Department of Corrections releasing people for -- for example, one person who was sentenced to eighty years for murder, released them after thirty years. Less than fifty percent of their time was served. So, under that environment and under what's been happening to our victims across our State, I urge a No vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cervantes, to close.

SENATOR CERVANTES:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just asking for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall House Bill 2546 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 33 voting Yea, 21 voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 2546, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. House Bill 2667, Senator Cunningham seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 2667 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 27 - 2667. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Cunningham.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham, on your amendment.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. The amendment deletes the bill and becomes the bill. I move for its adoption, 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, the amendment is adopted. any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2667, an Act concerning government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 2667 is an initiative of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules. It makes some changes to the process related to required or internal administrative rules under the Administrative Procedures Act. The intent is to increase transparency in those endeavors for agencies when they do promulgate rules. For clarity purposes and for the purposes of legislative intent, I want to state for the record that the term "procedures" as used in Section 5-15(b) of the Illinois Administrative Procedures Act does not include ministerial functions, an address change, a contact information change, and changes in freedom of information officer designation. I would answer any questions the Body might have, and I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 2667 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 the question, there are 58 voting Yea, None voting Nay, None voting Present. And House Bill 2667, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Leave of the Body, we'll go to page 13 the bottom,

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House Bill 3522. Senator Belt seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 3522 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Leave is granted. Now on the Order of 2nd Reading is House Bill 3522. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Belt.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Belt, on your amendment.

SENATOR BELT :

Thank you, Mr. President. I move to adopt 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. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3522, an Act concerning education. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Belt, to explain your bill.

SENATOR BELT :

Thank you, Mr. President. House Bill 3522 is a wonderful piece of legislation, that's designed to streamline the college admissions program and keep Illinois students in Illinois colleges and universities. Mr. President, at every step of the legislative

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process, whenever there was a hiccup, we amended it and got language to remedy that situation. The last amendment dealt with data collection and redisclosure and how to handle that information. And that last amendment moved our opposition to neutral. I know of no opposition, and I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall House Bill 3522 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 House Bill 3522, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Cunningham, in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we're going to continue on House Bills 3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we are going to move to the bottom of page 11 of your printed Calendar, where Senator Koehler brings House Bill 2994. He indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2994, an Act concerning civil law. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill allows a parent or guardian of a minor who receives special education services, regardless of the minor's age, to have access to the mental health records of the minor for services that the parent or guardian

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consented to on the minor's behalf. If the records are to be used for receiving special education services for their designated representative and individual over the age of eighteen who is receiving special education services shall have access to the individual's health -- mental health records upon request. I'll be happy to answer any questions and ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

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

SENATOR WILCOX:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

The sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

In the language, it appears like it's ensuring access for parents to children's mental health records when they're getting special services, but one could also read it in that it prohibits access to the parents if the services are sought by the underage child directly. Would you clarify your intent on this language?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

The clarification is, it does not do what you said, it only allows parents the access.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Your contention is, it is not restrictive, if the child requested the services and then the parents who did not request

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those services attempt to access the records.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Koehler.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

The parents would still have the current laws access to those files, yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Thank you for the clarification.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Is there any further discussion? Seeing none. Senator Koehler, do you wish to close?

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

The question is, shall House Bill 2994 pass. All those in favor of vote Yes. Opposed, No. 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 Senators voting Yes, 0 voting No, 0 voting Present. House Bill 2994, having received the constitutionally required majority, is declared passed. Senator Morrison, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MORRISON:

Mr. President, I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 2425 can be heard at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, May 27th, in the Senate Insurance Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Morrison moves to waive all notice and posting

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requirements so that House Bill 2425 can be heard at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, May 27th, in the Senate Insurance Committee. All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notice and posting requirements have been waived. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, as previously announced, and with leave of the Body, we will now proceed to the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading Agreed House Bills List. Please turn to page 15 on the regular Calendar, the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading Agreed House Bill List. Mr. Secretary, please read the bills on the Agreed Bill List for a third time.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 24, an Act concerning business. House Bill 28, an Act concerning receivership. House Bill 57, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 79, an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 663, an Act concerning local government. House Bill 1141, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 1149, an Act concerning education. House Bill 1168, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 1270, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 1278, an Act concerning employment. House Bill 1287, an Act concerning long term care. House Bill 1316, an Act concerning education. House Bill 1331, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 1368, an Act concerning education. House Bill 1447, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 1461, an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 1502, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 1538, an Act concerning local government. House Bill 1575, an Act concerning local government. House Bill 1577, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 1597, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 1615, an Act concerning government. House Bill 1648, an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 1710, an Act

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concerning State government. House Bill 1821, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 1842, an Act concerning local government. House Bill 1861, an Act concerning education. House Bill 1908, an Act concerning local government. House Bill 2142, an Act concerning local government. House Bill 2179, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 2337, an Act concerning education. House Bill 2359, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 2362, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 2366, an Act concerning safety. House Bill 2386, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 2391, an Act concerning safety. House Bill 2418, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 2442, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 2456, an Act concerning business. House Bill 2459, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 2462, an Act concerning health. House Bill 2506, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 2537, an Act concerning education. House Bill 2547, an Act concerning the Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs. House Bill 2548, an Act concerning business. House Bill 2551, an Act concerning government. House Bill 2572, an Act concerning veterans. House Bill 2574, an Act concerning education. House Bill 2589, an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 2602, an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 2675, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 2688, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 26 -- excuse me House Bill 2774, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 2801, an Act concerning education. House Bill 2802, an Act concerning education. House Bill 2873, an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 2874, an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 2877, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 2907, an Act concerning children. House Bill 2962, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 2966, an Act concerning

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education. House Bill 2983, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 3000, an Act concerning education. House Bill 3011, an Act concerning education. House Bill 3087, an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 3098, an Act concerning safety. House Bill 3141, an Act concerning safety. House Bill 3144, an Act concerning courts. House Bill 3160, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 3178, an Act concerning business. House Bill 3187, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 3214, an Act concerning public aid. House Bill 3238, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 3290, an Act concerning safety. House Bill 3327, an Act concerning children. House Bill 3328, an Act concerning regulation, House Bill 3359, an Act concerning courts, House Bill 3360, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 3373, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 3388, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 3428, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 3439, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 3444, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 3467, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 3528, an Act concerning education. House Bill 3645, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 3671, an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 3678, an Act concerning conservation. House Bill 3740, an Act concerning real property. House Bill 3744, an Act concerning safety. House Bill 3756, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 3761, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 3796, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 3849, an Act concerning regulation. And House Bill 3850, an Act concerning regulation. 3rd Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

The next roll call will be on the final passage of the House Bills just read by the Secretary. The question is, shall House --

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the House Bills on the Agreed Bill List 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 Senators voting Yes, 0 voting No, 0 voting Present. For those who filed intention slips with the Secretary of the Senate declaring his or her intent to vote No present or abstain, the record will appropriately reflect the Senator's voting intention. The House Bills on the Agreed Bill List, having received a constitutional majority by record votes, is declared passed. The record vote for each bill shall be entered into the Journal. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 343, offered by Senator Villivalam. It is congratulatory {sic} (substantive).

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Mr. Secretary, Introduction of Senate Bills for the first time.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2665, offered by Senator Lightford, an Act concerning appropriations. 1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Mr. Secretary, are there any Messages from the House?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President, I am a directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred with the Senate in the passage of the bill. The following title to wit: Senate Bill 1583, together with the following amendment, which is attached to the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate to wit:

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House Amendments 1 and 2, Senate Bill 1583, we have received Like Messages on Senate Bill 1827 with House Amendment 1, Senate Bill 1947 with House Amendment 1, Senate Bill 1958 with House Amendments 1 and 2, Senate Bill 2075 with House Amendment 1, Senate Bill 2108 with House Amendments 1 and 3, Senate Bill 2149 with House Amendment 1. Passed the House, as amended, May 22nd, 2025. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House. A Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President, I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred with the Senate in the passage of the bill of the following title, to wit: Senate Bill 405, together with the following amendment which is attached, the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit: House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 405. We received Like Messages on Senate Bill 1181 with House Amendment 1, Senate Bill 1343 with House Amendment 1, Senate Bill 1368 with House Amendment 1. Passed the House, as amended, May 22nd, 2025. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House. A Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President, I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives passed a bill with the following title in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate to wit: House Bill 250. Passed the House May 22nd, 2025. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 250, offered by President Harmon, an Act concerning civil law. 1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

The Committee on Assignments. The Committee on Assignments

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will meet immediately in the Anteroom. Committee on Assignments, please assemble in the Anteroom. Senator Koehler, back in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Cunningham, Chair of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Appropriations Committee - House Bill 3663; refer to Education Committee - House Bill 2997; refer to Executive Committee - House Bill 1085; refer to Higher Education Committee - House Bill 460; refer to Judiciary Committee - House Bill 2155; refer to Labor Committee House Bills 23, 27, {sic} (2327) and 2987. Signed, Senator Bill Cunningham, Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

We will now proceed to the Order of Consent Calendar congratulatory resolutions. 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 KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question shall be are 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. We'll now proceed to the Order of Consent Calendar celebration of life resolutions. With leave of the Body, all those resolutions written today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, are there any objections filed to any resolution on the Consent Calendar?

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Is there any discussion? If not, then the question shall be the resolutions on the Consent Calendar should be adopted. All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries, and the resolutions are adopted. And what we've been waiting for, there being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until 4:30 p.m. on the 26th Day of May 2025. The Senate stands adjourned.