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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

The regular Session of the 104th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Stephen Lawrence with Exodus Church of Springfield.

PASTOR STEPHEN LAWRENCE: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

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

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Lisa Yuscus with Blueroomstream, seeks leave to photograph the proceedings. Is there any objection? Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journals of May 20th, 21st and 22nd, 2025.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Glowiak Hilton.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Glowiak Hilton moves to approve the Journal just read by the Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Wednesday, October 15th, 2025.

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Senator Glowiak Hilton.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Madam 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 HOLMES)

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 Resolutions 466 through 474, offered by Senator Anderson and all Members. Senate Resolution 475, offered by Senator McClure and all Members. Senate Resolutions 476 through 479, offered by Senator Anderson and all Members. Senate Resolution 480, offered by Senator Cunningham and all Members. Senate Resolution 481, offered by Senators Stadelman, Syverson, and all Members. Senate Resolution 482, offered by Senator Villivalam and all Members. Senate Resolution 483, offered by Senator Koehler and all Members. Senate Resolutions 484, 485 and 488, offered by Senator Anderson and all Members. Senate Resolution 490, offered by Senator Koehler and all Members. Senate Resolution 491, offered by Senator Morrison and all Members. And Senate Resolution 492, offered by Senator Hastings and all Members. They are all celebration of life resolutions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 463, offered by Senator Peters. Senate Resolutions 486 and 489, offered by Senator Preston. And Senate

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Resolution 493, offered by Senator Edly-Allen. They're all congratulatory. Senate Resolutions 464 and 465, offered by Senator Villivalam. Senate Resolution 487, offered by Senator Ventura. And Senate Resolution 494, offered by Senator Hills. They are substantive.

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Mr. Secretary, Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Appointment Message 1040311, Governor's non-salaried appointment, to be a Member of the Illinois Affordable Housing Advisory Commission; Scott Berger. Appointment Message 1040302{sic} (312), Governor's non-salaried appointment, to be a Member of the Secure Choice Savings Board; Lotika Pai. Appointment Message 1040313, Governor's unsalaried appointment, to be a Member of the Children and Family Services Advisory Council; Kathryn Olfe Gordon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President, I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted the following Joint Resolution in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit: House Joint Resolution 1, offered by Senator Belt adopted by the House, October 16th, 2025. We have received a like message on House Joint Resolution 19, offered by Senator Porfirio, adopted by the House May 30th, 2025. John Hollman, Clerk of the House. They are all -- both substantive, Madam President.

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2720, offered by Senator Chesney, an Act concerning safety. Senate Bill 2721, offered by Senator Rezin, an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 2722, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 2723, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning gaming. Senate Bill 2724, offered by Senator Morrison, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 2725, offered by Senator Morrison, an Act concerning agriculture. Senate Bill 2726, offered by Senator Morrison, an Act concerning elections. Senate Bill 2727, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 2728, offered by Senator Preston, an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 2729, offered by President Harmon, an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 2730, offered by Senator Villanueva, an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 2731, offered by Senator Aquino, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 2732, offered by Senator Villa, an Act concerning education. 1st Reading of the bills. Excuse me. Also, Senate Bill 2733, offered by Senator Aquino, an Act concerning regulation. 1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Villanueva, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

For the purpose of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

State your announcement.

SENATOR VILLANUEVA:

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Thank you, Madam President. Today, I am honored to welcome to the Illinois Senate the students, alumni and staff of the University of Illinois at Chicago's Latin American Recruitment and Educational Service program, better known as LARES, as we celebrate its 50th Anniversary. For half a century, LARES opened the doors of higher education to Latino students across Illinois. What began in 1975 as a small effort to recruit and support a few hundred students has grown into a nationally recognized program serving more than 4,000 students each year, the largest Latino academic support unit in the State. LARES has not only helped students graduate, but empowered them to become leaders in our schools, our neighborhoods and across our nation. Through mentorship, advocacy, and cultural pride, LARES has changed the landscape of higher education in Illinois and continues to be a model for equity and success. To the staff, alumni and students here today, thank you for your dedication to advancing opportunity, representation and excellence. Your work reminds us that when our communities are given the tools to support -- and support to thrive, we all rise together. Congratulations on 50 years of transformative service, and here's to the next 50 years of empowering Latino students to dream bigger and lead boldly -- boldly. And I would like for my colleagues to help me welcome the incredible leaders from LARES at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Welcome to the Illinois Senate. The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. The Members of the Committee on Assignments will meet in the Senates backroom, immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease)

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PRESIDING OFFICER:: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Will the Senate come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Cunningham, Chair of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures been assigned: refer to Executive Committee - House Bills 643 and 3266; refer to Judiciary Committee - Senate Bill 1698 and House Bill 250; Be Approved for Consideration: House Bills 872, 1085, 1836, 2970, 3005, 3799, 3492. Senate Resolutions 464 and 465. Motion to Accept Specific Recommendations for Change to House Bill 2568. Signed, Senator Bill Cunningham, Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 495, offered by Senator McClure and all Members. And Senate Resolution 496, offered by Senator McClure and all Members. They are both celebration of life resolutions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2717, offered by Senator Chesney, an Act concerning regulations. Senate Bill 2718, offered by Senator Chesney, an Act concerning safety. Senate Bill 2719, offered by Senator Chesney, an Act concerning regulation. 1st Reading of the bills.

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Senator Martwick, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MARTWICK:

Thank you, Madam President. I rise for purposes of a motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Make your motion.

SENATOR MARTWICK:

Madam President, I move to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 250 and Senate Bill 1698 can be heard at 2:30 p.m. today, in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Martwick moves to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 250 and Senate Bill 1698 can be heard at 2:30 p.m. in the Senate Judiciary Committee. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notice and posting requirements have been waived. Senator Castro, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CASTRO:

Purpose of the motion, Madam President?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Make your motion.

SENATOR CASTRO:

To waive all notice and posting so House Bill 643 can be heard at 4 p.m. in the Senate Executive Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Castro moves to waive all notice and posting requirements so that House Bill 643 can be heard at 4 p.m. in the Senate Executive Committee. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and all notice and posting requirements have been waived. Senator Aquino, for what purpose do

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you rise?

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, Madam President, for an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Make your announcement, please.

SENATOR AQUINO:

The Senate Democrats will caucus in the President's Office at 1:30 for approximately one hour.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator McClure, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you, Madam President, for an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Go ahead with your announcement.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you. The Senate Republicans will caucus at approximately 1:15 in Room 400 of the Capitol.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

The Senate will stand in recess to the call of the Chair. After committees and caucus, the Senate will reconvene. The Senate stands in recess.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

The Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 498, offered by Senator Rose and all Members. Is a celebration of life resolution, Madam President.

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Resolutions Consent Calendar.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 497, offered by Senator Villivalam. It is substantive.

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2734, offered by Senator Morrison, an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 2735, offered by Senator Johnson, an Act concerning civil law. 1st Reading of the Bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER:: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President, I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed a bill with the following title and the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate to wit: House Bill 2333 passed the House October 28th, 2025. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER:: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 2333, offered by Senator Joyce, an Act concerning finance. 1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER:: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Hastings, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary, reports Senate Bill 1698 and House Bill 250; Do Pass. Senator

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Castro, Chair of the Committee on Executive, reports House Bill 643; Do Pass.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Supplemental Calendar 1 has been printed, it is now distributed, Members should have that at their desks. On Supplemental Calendar No. 1, we have the Order of 2nd -- Senate Bills 2nd Reading. Starting with Senate Bill 1698, Senator, would you like to proceed? She indicates she does. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1698, an Act concerning property. 2nd Reading of the bill. No Committee or Floor Amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

3rd Reading. House Bills 2nd Reading starting with House Bill 250, Senator Harris. He indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 250, an Act concerning civil law. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor Amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

3rd Reading. House Bill 643, Senator Hastings. He indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 643, an Act concerning local government. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor Amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

3rd Reading. House Bill 1836, Senator Sims. House Bill 3-0-0-5, Senator Peters. House Bill 3799, Senator Ellman. We are going to go back to House Bill 1836, Senator Sims. He indicates he wishes

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to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1836, an Act concerning criminal law. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor Amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

3rd Reading. We are still on House Bills 2nd Reading, going on to House Bill 3799. The sponsorship has been changed to President Harmon. President Harmon, how would you like to proceed on House Bill 3799? He indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill please.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3799, an Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor Amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

3rd Reading. The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. The Members of the Committee on Assignments we'll meet in the President's Anteroom immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) The Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Lightford, Chair of the Committee on Assignments reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: refer to Criminal Law Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 1836 and Floor Amendment 1 to House Bill 3492; refer to Executive Committee - Floor Amendment 3 to House Bill 1085. Be Approved for Consideration: Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 1437, Floor Amendments 2 and 3, to House Bill 1863, and Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 3065. Signed, Senator Kimberly A. Lightford, Chair.

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We are going to turn back to the Supplemental Calendar No. 1. We'll be going to House Bills 2nd Reading, starting with House Bill 3-0-0-5. Senator Peters, how would you like to proceed? Mr. Secretary, he indicates he'd like to proceed, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3005, an Act concerning state government. 2nd Reading of the Bill. No committee or Floor Amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

3rd Reading. Now, with House Bill 3492 again, Senator Peters, would you like to proceed? Senator Peters? House Bill 3492, he indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3492, an Act concerning criminal law. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Have there been any Floor Amendments approved for consideration? 3rd Reading. Criminal law will be meeting tomorrow morning at 9:30 in Room 409. Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading. Senate Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2736, offered by Senator Arellano, an Act concerning safety. 1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until 10:30 a.m. on the 29th day of October 2025. The Senate stands adjourned.

PERFUNCTORY SESSION

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Pursuant to the directive of the Senate President, the regular Session of the Senate is now a Perfunctory Session. Communication from the President. A letter dated October 28th, 2025. Dear Mr. Secretary - Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-10, I am scheduling a perfunctory Session to convene on October 28th, 2025. Signed, Don Harmon, Senate President. Messages from 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 passed bills, the following titles and the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit: House Bill 507. We have received like messages on House Bills 576, 762 and 767. Passed the House October 28th, 2025. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House. House Bills 1st Reading. House Bill 507, offered by President Harmon, an Act concerning employment. House Bill 576, offered by President Harmon, an Act concerning government. House Bill 762, offered by President Harmon, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 767, offered by President Harmon, an Act concerning regulation. 1st Reading of the bills. There being no further business to come before this perfunctory Session, the Senate stands adjourned until Wednesday, October 29th, 2025, or until the call of the President. The Senate stands adjourned.