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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

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 Curt Fleck, Civil Servant Ministries, Springfield, Illinois. Pastor.

PASTOR CURT FLECK: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

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

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

WAND and BlueRoomStream seeking leave to photograph videotape the proceedings. Is there any objections? Seeing no objections, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Journal of Wednesday, March 4th, 2026.

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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 HUNTER)

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.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 650, offered by Senator McClure and all Members. Senate Resolution 651, offered by Senator Doris Turner and all Members. Senate Resolution 652, offered by Senator Belt and all Members and Senate Resolution 654 through 656, offered by Senator Anderson and all Members. They are all celebration of -- celebration of life resolutions. Madam President.

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Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 653, offered by Senator Villivalam. It is substantive.

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Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Castro, Chair of the Committee on Executive reports - Senate Bills 3374 and 3438 Do Pass. Senator Glowiak Hilton, Chair of the Committee on Licensed Activities reports - Senate Bills 3213, 3393 and 3896 Do Pass. Senator Joyce, Chair of the Committee on State Government reports - Senate Bills 3008, 3731 and 3964 Do Pass and Senate Bill 2295 Do Pass, as Amended. Senator Hastings, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary reports - Senate Bills 3107 and 3291 Do Pass, Senate Bills 3183, 3398, 3415, and 3706 Do Pass, as Amended. Senator Johnson, Chair of the Committee on Local Government, reports Senate Bills 3471 and 3925 Do Pass and Senate Bill 3321 Do Pass, as Amended. Senator Murphy, Chair of the Committee on Executive Appointments, reports Appointment Messages 1040092, 93, 94, 97, 105, 106, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 153, 167, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 178, 180,

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181, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 189, 190, 193, 194, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 209, 210 and 211 Do Recommend Consent. Senator Ellman, Chair of the Committee on Environment Conservation reports - Senate Bill 3917 Do Pass.

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Mr. Secretary, introducing -- Introductions and Reading of the Senate Bills for the first time.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 4167, offered by Senator Feigenholtz, an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 4168, offered by Senator Hastings, an Act concerning gaming. 1st Reading of the bills.

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Mr. Secretary, Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Appointment Message 1040448, Governor's salaried appointment, To be a Member of the Pollution Control Board; Michelle Gibson. Appointment Message 1040449, Governor's non-salaried appointment, To be a Member of the Will County Metropolitan Exposition and Auditorium Authority; William Kent.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Ladies and Gentlemen, please come to the Floor. We are going to move bills from the 2nd Reading to 3rd Readings. Please come to the Floor, all Members. Thank you. Senator McClure, seeking recognition. What purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MCCLURE:

An introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your introduction, Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

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Thank you, Madam President. Today it's great to have the John A. Logan College Model Illinois Government team here. They're in the gallery behind me and they are here for a simulation which starts today and runs through Sunday. They are led by Professor Matt Lees. It's great to see students that actually are interested in State government and want to learn the process and want to make a difference someday in this State. So, I would just ask that the Chamber welcome them and thank them for coming to Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Welcome to Springfield, please rise. Welcome to Springfield, please rise. Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen, there's also a reminder that tomorrow at 3 o' clock is the deadline to file amendments to committee -- to bill committees. Tomorrow is the deadline to file amendments. Thank you very much. At the top of page 2, Senate Bill 1454, Martwick. Senate Bill 2737, Preston. Senate Bill 2761, Turner -- Doris Turner, 2761. 3rd Reading. Mrs. -- Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2761, an Act concerning education. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Education adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2762, Anderson. Anderson. Senate Bill 2797, Morrison. Senate Bill 2799, Morrison. Senate Bill 2802, Holmes. Holmes. Senate Bill 2806, Lewis. Lewis. Senate Bill 2878

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-- corrections 2818, Holmes. Senate Bill 2872, Morrison. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2872, an Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2895, Hills. Hills, 2895. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 2895, an Act concerning State government. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Child Welfare adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2918, Preston. Senate Bill 2921, Fine. Senate Bill 3029, Hastings. Hastings. Senate Bill 3051, Morrison. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3051, an Act concerning education. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Education adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Have there been any amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3071, Guzmán. Guzmán. Senate Bill 3226, D. Turner. Doris Turner, Senate Bill 3226. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3226, an Act concerning education. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Education adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Have there been any -- any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3255, Murphy. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3255, an Act concerning State government. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3295, Morrison. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3295, An Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3331, Bryant. Bryant. Senate Bill 3352, Halpin. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3352, an Act concerning State government. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3361, Simmons. Senate Bill 3405, Martwick. Senate Bill 3422, Ventura. Ventura. Senate Bill 3508, Morrison. Senate Bill 3545, Halpin. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3545, an Act concerning government. 2nd Reading of the bill. Committee on Criminal Law reported Committee Amendment 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3641, Morrison. Senate Bill 3698, Guzmán. Senate Bill 3737, Porfirio. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3737, an Act concerning veterans. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3774, Belt. Belt. Senate Bill 3815, Ellman. Ellman. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3815, an Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3818, Porfirio. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

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Senate Bill 3818, an Act concerning State government. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3903, Walker. Senate Bill 3912, Koehler. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3912, an Act concerning education. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3913, Koehler. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3913, an Act concerning education. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 3942, Edly-Allen. Edly-Allen. Senate Bill 3967, Guzmán. Guzmán. Senate Bill 4010, McClure. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 4010, an Act concerning public employee benefits. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. Returning to the Calendar on page 2, Senate Bill 3029, Hastings. Hastings. Senate -- Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3029, an Act concerning business. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Insurance adopted Amendment No. 1.

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Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

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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 will come to the President's Anteroom immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Murphy, Chair of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2891; refer to Appropriations Public Safety Infrastructure - Senate Bill 3627; refer to Criminal Law Committee - Senate Bill 3433 and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2892; refer to Education Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3669 and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3729; refer to Energy and Public Utilities Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3268; refer to Executive Committee - Senate Bill 3181, Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2279, Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2912, Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3084 and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3120; refer to Insurance Committee Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3295 and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3517; refer to Local Government Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2952; refer to Revenue Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3494; refer to State

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government Committee - Senate Bill 3661. Signed, Senator Laura Murphy, Chair.

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Returning to the Order of 2nd Readings, we will proceed to page 2. Senate Bill 1454, Martwick. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 1454, an Act concerning public employee benefits. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. Towards the bottom of page 2, Senate Bill 3071, Guzmán. Guzmán. Guzmán. Senate Bill 30 -- Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3071, an Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Health and Human Services adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. Towards the top of page 3, Senate Bill 3403, Martwick. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3403, an Act concerning public employee benefits. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. Towards the middle of page 3, Senate Bill 3698, Guzmán. Guzmán. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3698, an Act concerning education. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. At the top of page 4, Senate Bill 3942, Edly-Allen. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3942, an Act concerning courts. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. At the top -- continuing at the top of page 4, Senate Bill 3967, Guzmán. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3967, an Act concerning regulation. 2nd Reading the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

3rd Reading. We will now proceed to the Order of Consent Calendar celebration of life resolutions. With leave of the Body, all of those resolutions read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolutions on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted? All those in favor

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will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries, and the resolutions are adopted. We will now proceed to the Order of Consent Calendar, congratulatory resolutions. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolutions on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall -- shall the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted? All those in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries, and the resolutions are adopted. There being no further business to come before the Senate pursuant to House Resolution 57, the Senate stands adjourned until noon on the 10th day of March, 2026, or to the call of the Senate President, the Senate stands adjourned.