

STATE OF ILLINOIS
103rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
REGULAR SESSION
SENATE TRANSCRIPT

5th Legislative Day

1/25/2023

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

The regular Session of the 103rd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? The invocation today will be given by Rabbi Mendy Turin, Chabad Jewish Center of Springfield, Springfield, Illinois.

RABBI MENDY TUREN: (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)

Blueroomstream seeks leave to video stream the proceedings. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. And the State Journal Register requests permission to record and do video. Seeing no objections, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Tuesday, January 24th, 2023.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

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 approval 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.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 25, offered by Senator Sally Turner and all Members. It is a celebration of life resolution, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 26, offered by President Harmon and Senate Resolution 27, offered by Senator Curran. They are both substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 144, offered by Senator Sally Turner, an Act concerning elections. Senator 145, offered by Senator Sally Turner, an Act concerning gaming. Senate Bill 146, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 147, offered by Senator Holmes, an Act concerning safety. Senate Bill 148, offered by Senator fine, an Act concerning state government. Senate Bill 149, offered by Senator Fine, an Act concerning state government. Senate Bill 150, offered by Senator Bennett, an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 151, offered by Senator Ventura, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 152, offered by Senator Anderson, an Act concerning health. Senate Bill 153, offered by Senator McClure, an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 154, offered by Senator Anderson, an Act concerning employment. Senate Bill 155, offered by Senator Anderson, an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 156, offered by Senator Anderson, an Act concerning education. 1st Reading of the bills.

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We will now proceed to the Order of Congratulatory Resolution Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolution on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, 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. Senator (Loughran) Cappel, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LOUGHRAN CAPPEL:

Thank you, Madam President. I'd like to make a point of announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

State your announcement.

SENATOR LOUGHRAN CAPPEL:

I'd like to recognize Ashlyn Deakin. She started with the Senate in 2014 as a Legislative Assistant for Senator Heather Steans. She helped Senator Steans through the legalization of cannabis, organizing all the meetings and keeping the opponents and proponents calm while waiting to see Senator Steans. She also helped Senator Steans shepherd the State through the budget impasse and was with her when the State finally ended the impasse in 2018. Ashlyn more recently has been the assistant for Policy and Budget staff, and she's going on to lobby where we wish her the best of luck. Next Friday is her last day, and I just wanted to recognize her for all her work that she's done in the Senate. I do have a

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little personal note there. When I started and my new LA started, she was also very, very helpful and we wish her the best of luck.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Best of luck to you. Ladies and Gentlemen, will the Committee on Assignments please meet in the front room? The Committee on Assignments will be meeting. Stand at ease. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Lightford, Chair of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Resolution 26. Signed, Senator Kimberly A. Lightford, Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Ladies and Gentlemen, Supplemental Calendar No.1 has been printed and distributed to your desks. On our Supplemental Calendar, we will go to Senate Resolution 26. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 26, offered by President Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Harmon.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Resolution 26 is an amendment to our recently adopted Senate Rules. The primary changes are born of a situation which I don't think has ever been described on the Senate Floor. We just don't have enough lawyers. So, we are proposing to return to the practice from twenty years ago, where the Judiciary Committee has jurisdiction over both Civil and Criminal Law. So,

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we would dispatch the Criminal Law Committee for the time being in this General Assembly. We would also make some other accommodations because there are so few lawyers in the General Assembly. I think it is reasonable to expect that both Leader Curran and I will be Members of the Judiciary Committee. We would amend our rules to allow the the two caucus leaders to substitute ourselves on committees, even if we are in the building, a departure from traditional Senate practice. We're also restoring a rule, we used to have, that allows the Committee on Assignments to make direct assignments to subcommittees of a committee once they've been created by the Chair. Again, this is not exclusively for the Judiciary Committee, by any means, but a recognition of managing our workflow. I'm happy to answer any questions you might have, but I'd ask for your support in amending our rules.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HOLMES)

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 26 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 45 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 voting Present. Resolution 26, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. We will now proceed to the Order of Celebration of Life Resolutions Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, all those resolutions read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolution on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Madam President.

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