

83RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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PRESIDENT:

The Senate will come to order. Will the members be at their desks and will our guests in the gallery please rise. Prayer this afternoon by the Reverend W. P. Witkop from Faith Lutheran Church in Springfield, Illinois. Reverend.

BEVEREND WITKOP:

(Prayer given by Reverend Witkop)

PRESIDENT:

Thank you, Reverend. Reading of the Journal. Senator Johns.

SENATOR JOHNS:

Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the Journals of Tuesday, June the 12th and Wednesday, June the 13th, in the year 1984, be postponed pending arrival of the printed Journal.

PRESIDENT:

You've heard the motion as placed by Senator Johns. Any discussion? If not, all in favor indicate by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The motion carries and it's so ordered. Senator Degnan, for what purpose do you arise, sir?

SENATOR DEGNAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. On a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT:

State your point.

SENATOR DEGNAN:

I'd like the Senate to recognize from the City of Chicago the Healy Elementary School seated in the gallery.

PRESIDENT:

Will our guest from the Healy School please rise and be recognized. Welcome to Springfield. Channels 2 and 5 have requested leave to film the proceedings. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. Committee reports.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Pursuant to amended Rule 5, the Rules Committee met on June 13th, 1984, and makes the following report. By unanimous vote, the committee ruled that the following bills can be considered this Session of the Senate: House Bill 2663, 2664, 2734, 2739, 2769, 2776, 2785, 2786, 2788, 2821 and 2372. The foregoing bills were ordered sent to the Committee on Assignment of Bills. Signed, Philip J. Bock, chairman.

Senator Savickas, the chairman of the Committee on Assignment of Bills, reports the following assignment:

To the Committee on Appropriations I - House Bill 2372, 2663, 2664, 2739, 2769, 2785, 2786, 2788, 2821; House...Appropriations II - House Bill 2734, 2776.

Senator Buzbee, the chairman of the Committee on Appropriation II, reports House Bill 2734 with the recommendation the bill Do Pass.

Senator Lechowicz, vice-chairman of the Committee on Appropriation I, reports House Bill 2663 with the recommendation the bill Do Pass as Amended.

PRESIDENT:

Messages from the House.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate the House of Representatives has adopted the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

House Joint Resolution 161.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred with the

Senate in the passage of a bill with the following title:

Senate Bill 1459 with House Amendment No. 1.

A like Message on Senate Bill 835 with House Amendment 3.

A like Message on Senate Bill 1951 with House Amendment
No. 1.

A like Message on Senate Bill...1949 with House Amendment
No. 1.

A like Message on Senate Bill 1929 with House Amendment
No. 1.

A like Message on Senate Bill 1928 with House Amendments
Nos. 1 and 2.

A like Message on Senate Bill 1870 with House Amendment
1.

A like Message on Senate Bill...1791 with House Amendment
1.

A like Message on Senate Bill 1618 with House Amendment
1.

A like Message on Senate Bill 1399 with House Amendment
1.

And on Senate Bill 1385 with House Amendment No. 2.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Luft, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR LUFT:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd ask leave to have my name
removed as a hyphenated sponsor of Senate Bill 1236.

PRESIDENT:

1-2-3-6. The gentleman seeks leave to have his name
removed as the cosponsor. Is leave granted? Leave is
granted.

PRESIDENT:

Message from the House.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, 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 concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

House Joint Resolution 162.

{Secretary reads HJR 162}

PRESIDENT:

Senator Savickas.

SENATOR SAVICKAS:

Yes, Mr. President, I've placed on the desk the adjournment resolution.

PRESIDENT:

Yes, that's what we're...

SENATOR SAVICKAS:

And it calls...it calls for us to leave today, hopefully at three, return Monday at one. So, I would move its adoption.

PRESIDENT:

All right, Senator Savickas has moved to suspend the rules for the immediate consideration and adoption of House Joint Resolution 162, the adjournment resolution, which calls for us to leave here today, hopefully as early as possible if we can have some cooperation, and to return to Springfield for Session at one o'clock on Monday. All in favor of the motion to suspend indicate by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The rules are suspended. Senator Savickas now moves the adoption of House Joint Resolution 162. Discussion? Senator Johns.

SENATOR JOHNS:

Mr. President, what about next weekend? You know, occasionally we're scheduled to go through weekends...

PRESIDENT:

We...we are...

SENATOR JOHNS:

...and I just wanted to know if there's anticipation of

that?

PRESIDENT:

Yes.

SENATOR JOHNS:

We will be here...

PRESIDENT:

Both...both...both the House and the Senate are scheduled to...

SENATOR JOHNS:

...we'll run complete...

PRESIDENT:

...for a continuous run from next Monday until adjournment, which we hope will be on or before June 30.

SENATOR JOHNS:

I just thought that ought to be cleared up, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT:

Thank you. All right, Senator Savickas has moved the adoption of House Joint Resolution 162. All in favor of the adoption indicate by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. Resolution is adopted. Resolutions.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Senate...Resolution 683 offered by Senator Lemke, and it's congratulatory.

PRESIDENT:

Consent Calendar. Senator Holmberg, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR HOLMBERG:

With leave of the Body, I would like to be removed as the sponsor of House Bill 2740 and have Senator Lemke's name...on instead.

PRESIDENT:

All right. The lady seeks leave to have her name removed as the sponsor of 2740 and substitute that of Senator Lemke.

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3rd Reading

Is leave granted? Leave is granted. All right, UPI has requested the opportunity to take some photographs. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. All right, with leave of the Body, we'll move the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. Senator Berman, are you ready? All right, with leave of the Body, we'll move to Senate bills 3rd reading, Senate Bill 1236. On the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading, top of page 3, is Senate Bill 1236. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Senate Bill 1236.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Berman.

SENATOR BERMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1236 as amended is emergency legislation address...addressing the needs, essentially, of Continental Bank. Of course, it is drafted in broad language and is limited to banks in excess of one billion dollars in assets. As explained yesterday on 2nd reading, the bill provides that the president of a bank to be acquired, that would be the Illinois Bank, shall give notice to the Illinois Banking Commissioner that the bank is experiencing liquidity difficulties, that the acquisition...a proposed acquisition is desirable to protect the interest of its depositors and creditors, that an offer has been made which is acceptable to the bank and that that offer is from a bank outside of Illinois and that it has not received an acceptable acquisition offer from an Illinois bank. Then, the bill...further provides that the Federal regulator shall certify to the Illinois Commissioner that the bank has experienced liquidity...difficulties, that the acquisition is in the overall interests of the U. S. Banking System, that the bank

to be acquired has access...assets exceeding one billion dollars and that fourteen days have elapsed since the bank to be acquired first notified the commissioner and that no Illinois bank in that fourteen-day period has made an offer which furthers the objectives of protecting depositors and the interest of the banking system. The...upon receipt of these certifications, the Commissioner of the Banks of Illinois shall notify the bank to be acquired that it may complete the transaction. There is a sunset provision in this bill which reflects its emergency nature, and the sunset date is July 1 of 1985. I would be glad to respond to any questions and I solicit your Aye vote.

PRESIDENT:

Is there any discussion? Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JEREMIAH JOYCE:

Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Body. I rise in support of Senate Bill 1236. This is the result of a long process which arose out of a crisis that no one asked for. It was dumped on our laps. I believe what is before us right now is probably the best that we can come up with given the facts and circumstances of this case. I've had conversations with the Comptroller of the Currency, I've had conversations with the chairman of the FDIC and the president of the Federal Reserve. They think that is a responsible piece of legislation, that it allows the Continental Bank an option that will help towards solving their problem, and I ask your support.

PRESIDENT:

Is there any further discussion? Any further discussion? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, thank you, very much, Mr. President, I just have a...a question. I think...

PRESIDENT:

All right, will the members please take the conferences off the Floor. We are trying to expedite today's proceedings, and I would appreciate your cooperation. We'll move just as quickly as possible under the circumstances. Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

...I just would request of the Chair a ruling as to how many votes that this measure, in fact, would take.

PRESIDENT:

It is the opinion of the Chair that Senate Bill 1236 as amended will require thirty affirmative votes for passage. Further discussion? Any further discussion? Senator Berman, you wish to close?

SENATOR BERMAN:

Merely to say, Mr. President, that I want to acknowledge the cooperation of the leadership of both sides of the aisle, the members of the Finance Committee and the very fine participation and a good example of legislative activity by the interested banking associations, the IEA and the Continental First National Bank of Chicago and all others, including a lot time spent by members of the committee. There were differences of opinion, they were discussed, negotiated and resolved in what I think is a very important bill to address the needs of Illinois' largest bank. I solicit your Aye vote.

PRESIDENT:

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1236 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 51 Ayes, 4 Nays, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 1236 having received the required constitutional majority is declared passed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Leave...with leave of the Senate, we will now proceed to Senate Bill 1892 on page 3 of your Calendar. Is there leave? Leave is granted. Senator Rock, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. If I can have the attention of the membership, again, I reiterate, we are attempting to expedite the proceedings and deal with these rather weighty issues. I'm asking leave of the Body to return 1892 to the Order of 2nd Reading for purposes of amendments. There are two amendments I have filed representing the recommendations of the task force that worked long and hard over six weeks trying to put together a financial package which would underpin the efforts to expand McCormick Place, to provide some interim financing for the World's Fair and to shore up our activities in the area of tourism, particularly in downstate Illinois. I am aware, probably as aware as anyone, that the amendments that I have offered are not universally...have not met with universal approval; however, I am asking leave of this Body to place the amendments on Senate Bill 1892 with the full knowledge that when 1893 is called, Senator Philip and I will have another amendment representing a slightly different viewpoint but one that I hope will meet with majority approval in this Body. I think for the purposes of the record, however, it is better that we adopt the amendment and move the bill back to 3rd reading where it will remain. I do not intend to call it for the reason that, in my judgment, there are still some unanswered questions that have been raised by the members that I, for one, am not prepared to try to answer. So, I'd...I'd ask leave to move the bill back to 2nd for the purposes of an amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Rock has asked leave to return Senate Bill 1892

to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Is there leave? Leave is granted. Are there amendments, Mr. Secretary?

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Amendment No. 1 offered by Senator Rock.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR EBUCE)

Senator Rock on Amendment No. 1.

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Amendment No. 1 is that seventy-three page amendment which I distributed to all the members yesterday which provides a comprehensive financing mechanism for these three very worthwhile projects; the expansion of McCormick Place, the downstate tourism promotion effort and some interim financing for the World's Fair proposed for 1992. This amendment would establish...in broad outline a tourism fund which would be funded in part by an increase in the hotel-motel tax of one percent Statewide and...additionally a restaurant tax in the County of Cook and the City of Chicago, half a percent and one percent respectively, and would provide for utilizing some of the existing hotel-motel tax revenue to...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

May we have some order, please. Senator Rock.

SENATOR ROCK:

...to make up the balance of the funds required over a ten-year period for tourism and over the life of the bonds for McCormick Place and would provide some interim financing for the World's Fair. The amendment was...is the result, I might say, of six weeks of work by the seventeen-member task force put together by the Governor of Illinois, participated in by representatives of the City of Chicago, both the Office of the Mayor and the city council; representatives of the four leaders and representatives of McCormick Place and the

World's Fair Authority. I think they are to be commended for their diligence, and while their work product may not meet with majority approval at the moment, I think they are to be commended for their efforts because these projects are, in fact, worthwhile, and I would move the adoption of Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Motion is adopt Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1892. On that motion, is there discussion? Senator Savickas.

SENATOR SAVICKAS:

Yes, Mr. President and members of the Senate, I would question the adoption of this amendment now. When we're talking about an increase in the one percent on the food tax, we're talking on the same bill that we tried before to pass that couldn't get enough votes, an increase of...prepared food tax of one percent for McCormick Place. Now we're coming through for a World's Fair to create a tax that would probably...if it's enacted, increase with the BTA tax in the Chicago area nine...to nine percent the amount of money we're going to be taxing prepared food and food in restaurants. I don't think we should rush through this just because the task force worked on it for six weeks. The latest reports from the World's Fair in Atlanta...or New Orleans shows that it's been a losing proposition, that if we're going to be realistic, we want to penalize probably about seventeen thousand food service licenses in the whole county...in Cook County when about a hundred and twenty-five restaurants would gain benefit from the World's Fair area. I would suggest that maybe we can...separate these issues, concern ourselves with what is needed, the expansion of McCormick Place, and take a rest on this one percent food tax that will effect not only the grown people in restaurants but our school children in cafeterias.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Any further discussion? Further discussion? Question is on the adoption of Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1892. Those in favor say Aye...opposed Nay. Ayes have it. Amendment No. 1 is adopted. Are there further amendments? Senator Rock.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Amendment No. 2 offered by Senator Rock.

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you, Amendment No. 2 is a technical drafting error, and I would move its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Motion is to adopt Amendment No. 2. Discussion of the motion? Those in favor say Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it. Amendment No. 2 is adopted. Further amendments?

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

No further amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

3rd reading. (Machine cutoff)...wish to proceed to 1893? Senator Philip on the Floor? For what purpose does Senator Jones arise? Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES:

Yeah, thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. While we have a...a brief lull here and we're discussing the World's Fair, we have here the Gumperis eighth grade students from the 17th Senatorial District in Chicago. They're here to witness the debate on the World's Fair because they're going to be the ones that would benefit from it in 1992. Let's give them a great welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Certainly happy to have you and welcome to Springfield. Please stand and be recognized by the Senate. For what purpose does Senator Elcom arise?

SENATOR ELOOM:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President and fellow Senators. While we're getting arranged for the next phase of the amendment

process, seated in the President's Gallery are some fine constituents from Warren County, Farm Bureau members who are here to observe the proceedings. I wonder if we could recognize them as well.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Would our guests in the galleries please rise. We're happy to have you in Springfield. Resolutions.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Senate Resolution 684 offered by Senator Vadalabene and Schuneman. It's congratulatory.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Consent Calendar.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Senate Resolution 665 offered by Senator Fawell.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Executive Committee. If I might have the attention of the Senate for one moment, please. We have a very special guest with us today, Miss Illinois, and Senators Lemke, Vadalabene and Becker and Geo-Karis have introduced a resolution, and Senator Lemke has sought leave of the Senate to go to the Order of Senate Resolution 82 for the immediate consideration and adoption of that resolution. Is there leave? Leave is granted. Senator Lemke now moves the adoption of Senate Resolution 83...683 which honors Becky Bush, the Miss Illinois for 1983. On the motion, those in favor say Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. The Senate is certainly happy to have with us today, Miss Illinois, Becky Bush, with her chaperon, Nadine Bowers, and accompanied by Senator Vadalabene and Senator Lemke and Senator Marovitz. Oh, and I understand, Senator Marovitz, that you would like to say a word.

SENATOR MAROVITZ:

I just want you all to recognize the beauty from the 3rd Senatorial District in the City of Chicago. Becky Bush is

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typical of the scenery that we have in the 3rd Senate District in Chicago, so we invite all of you to come into our district and we are very proud of this fine young lady and the job she has done in honoring and representing the State of Illinois. Becky Eush, Miss Illinois.

MISS ILLINOIS:

(Remarks made by Becky Eush)

SENATOR VADALABENE:

On behalf of the General Assembly and the people of the State of Illinois, I'm proud and privileged to present to you these roses.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Rock, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you, Mr. President. If I can have the attention of the membership, there are a number of members who have indicated their desire to get back to their respective districts and I want to honor that desire; and matter of fact, I'd like to get back to my own, so I would ask that we again return to the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading, and I'm going to ask leave of the Body to call 1893 back to the Order of 2nd Reading for purposes of an amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

All right...all right, Senator Rock has asked leave of the Senate to return Senate Bill 1893 back to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of amendment. Is there leave? Leave is granted. Are there amendments, Mr. Secretary?

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Amendment No. 1 offered by Senators Philip, Rock, Maitland and Etheredge.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Philip is recognized on Amendment No. 1.

SENATOR PHILIP:

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

Senate. First, I'd ask leave that Senator Eock and I become the hyphenated cosponsors of Senate Bill 1893.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Is there leave? Leave is granted. Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

...as you know, the...the World's Fair, McCormick Place and tourism have become, to say the least, a little controversial. What I think this amendment does is address those three problems and, quite frankly, works out a reasonable compromise. What it does is provide ten million dollars for tourism, thirty-year financing for McCormick Place and 8.1 million dollars for a feasibility study of the World's Fair. To get these funds, we are suggesting a Statewide hotel-motel tax of one percent, a one percent restaurant tax in the City of Chicago and reallocating the current five percent hotel-motel tax, instead of taking one percent towards it, take two percent towards it. Also, allowing the current horse racing tax to remain in place and fund McCormick Place. I move the adoption of Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1893.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

The motion is...to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1893. Discussion? Senator Marovitz.

SENATOR MAROVITZ:

Just a question. I may have missed it, Senator Philip. What does this do to the restaurant tax? Is this the one that puts the one percent restaurant tax on the City of Chicago only?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

That is correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Marovitz.

SENATOR MAROVITZ:

Senator Rock's proposal has a one percent restaurant tax on Cook County. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

I think Senator Rock's proposal, and he may correct me if I'm wrong, is a one percent for the City of Chicago and a half percent for suburban Cook.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Marovitz.

SENATOR MAROVITZ:

So, basically that in regards to the County of Cook, this just removes the tax...the restaurant tax from the County of Cook. Keeps it...suburban part of Cook and keeps it in the City of Chicago only.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

That is correct. What it does is put a one percent restaurant tax only on the City of Chicago.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Marovitz.

SENATOR MAROVITZ:

Okay, well, let me just speak to the...the amendment then very briefly and I know it's briefly we're going to move along, but I really like your concept paid...I'm serious about the...the...the interim financing, I think that's an excellent idea. I do have a problem with the restaurant tax in the...in the City of Chicago only, and I think until we realize that this is a World's Fair and is going to benefit all of the people of the State of Illinois, we're really not going to get anywhere; and to tax the...the people of the City of Chicago only and make it a nine percent tax, the highest of any municipality in the country, is something that

those of us in the City of Chicago really should take a hard look at and be very hesitant to support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

...is there further discussion? Senator Savickas.

SENATOR SAVICKAS:

Yes, Mr. President and members of the Senate, I didn't think that we could make a bad bill worse, and evidently we have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Savickas...excuse me, Senator. I wonder...Ladies and Gentlemen, if we can clear the...the center aisle, if we could clear the aisle through here and...and Senator Savickas might be heard on this matter. May we have some order, please. Senator Savickas.

SENATOR SAVICKAS:

Yes, obviously, we've made a bad bill worse with the...this amendment that only affects Chicago, and once again, Chicago residents are asked to pay for what is billed as a great benefit to everybody in our State, and I would ask that a roll call on this amendment be...be called for.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

All right. Is there...Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

I...I...I'd like to answer Senator Savickas. Quite frankly, this one percent restaurant tax is for McCormick Place not for the World's Fair. There is no World's Fair funding in here other than the 8.1 million. There is no tax for the World's Fair at this point, Senator. Also, we downstaters have a one percent hotel-motel tax. Kind of hard to justify and add Illinois one percent for the World's...for McCormick Place or tourism, quite frankly. That's not an easy thing to justify, and...and, you know, very honestly, a lot of our suburban friends that go to the City of Chicago quite often and eat in your wonderful restaurants and, you know,

I...I spend as much time in Chicago as any suburbanite and eat at, quite frankly, the finer restaurants, which you have numerous, and I'm going to be paying that, probably more than...quite frankly, the citizens of the City of Chicago.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Is there further discussion? I have Senator Kelly and Jones. Senator Kelly...Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR KELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just briefly, I rise in support of this proposition. My district is suburban Cook County, and I know that this tax as it applies to Chicago for the food tax and the benefactor, let's face it, we want McCormick Place, that's the principal interest; and I think that Senator Philip has come up with an excellent compromise, and I'm very proud and pleased to see this and I'll be glad to vote for it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Geo-Karis was up first, Senator Jones, and I missed her light because of...

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I concur with the remarks of Senator Philip because, first of all, many of our people go to eat in Chicago, they want a nicer place, number one, so it doesn't just affect the people of Chicago. Second of all, the one that is going to be the...benefitted the greatest is the City of Chicago, whatever the overflow might be might come to the surrounding counties; and third of all, we are increasing the hotel tax substantially, and I think that this is a very fair compromise that we can all live with and...McCormick Place will benefit and will provide...this bill would provide an awful lot of jobs, most of them probably which will go to Chicago.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES:

Yeah, thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. It seems as though everybody likes to stick the people of the City of Chicago, and here we go again. To make a bad bill worse and I...I really have concern about the...the tax on...on the restaurant as it relates to food. I was just reading a report from the Restaurant Association last year and at least one-third of every meal that everyone eats is eaten in a restaurant, is eaten away from home, and more and more...we have in families where we have two people out of the one household working, both parents working, in some instances single-family parents are working, and these individuals are going to be paying the bulk of this tax which I...I feel it's totally unfair. It's just like the ad that ran in the paper yesterday, so those of you who are proposing this tax, I...I'd as soon call you the Sears of the State of Illinois, just like Sears ran an ad, and in yesterday's Sun Times was a sale on telephones. They ran the ad in Chicago for a phone with a listed price of a hundred and ninety-nine dollars in Chicago, and you come down here in Springfield and other suburban areas and that same phone lists for a hundred and forty-nine dollars. They talk about a sale for an identical phone where the sale price in Chicago of a hundred and nine dollars and a sale price here in Springfield, fifty-nine dollars. Same phone, same...same benefits and everything, but everybody wants to stick to the people of the City of Chicago, and you guys should really be...shame, shame, shame on yourselves. I know you like...I know you...I know you like the businesses from the City of Chicago, but don't do this to us because you get the benefits from McCormick Place, not the working person who works everyday who happens to buy their lunch and you want to put a tax on them. The tax that the people pay in the City of Chicago do not stay in the City of Chicago basically and you know that. So, again, you're

just like the Sears of...of the State of Illinois, you want to sock it to the poor people in the City of Chicago.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator...Senator Bloom.

SENATOR BLOOM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Just briefly, in response to some of the prior speakers, I suppose that the difference in the sale price is probably so that their stores in Chicago can pay for the property tax 'cause many of the people that are screaming against this amendment voted to increase property taxes by fifty cents last year in the City of Chicago. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Netsch.

SENATOR NETSCH:

...Senator Bloom, I'm sorry I could not resist that. I did not vote to support a fifty cent add-on of property tax in the City of Chicago, and I do object very strenuously to placing an extra one cent only on restaurant purchases in the City of Chicago. I think there are a lot of questions that can be raised about this entire package, let alone the World's Fair part of it which I realize is only peripherally involved right at the moment, but to say that...that it is only Chicago that benefits from McCormick Place is completely contrary to what all of you have been saying for the last ten years when I had been voting against every appropriation for McCormick Place. The whole argument was that it was a benefit for the entire...at least the regional area, if not the entire State, and it certainly does bring huge amounts of sales tax revenue into the State coffers. My objection to McCormick Place is always...which I lost twenty-five years ago, was that it should never have been on the lake front, but once it's there, it is a big business asset for the city and there's no question that it's going to have to

be...expanded. The one thing I want to point out, though, on the restaurant tax as long as I'm...I'm up and getting myself exercised about this is that any thought that the restaurant tax is going to be only on those who come to visit the city, like Senator Philip, whom we are delighted to have come, he probably spends most of his money in my district, is just simply not true. There are huge numbers of people now who have to eat in restaurants, frequently they are elderly people who may not have kitchen facilities or full kitchen facilities at least in their...their one room that they live in. There are simply too many people who have no alternative. The estimate I know that we get from the Restaurant Association and from some of the business writers is that at most sixteen percent of the restaurant sales are of the so-called white tablecloth variety. So that...what you are doing at a nine percent sales tax rate is you really are hurting very badly some of the poorer people in the City of Chicago, and that, it seems to me, is an unconscionable way to finance McCormick Place or the World's Fair or anything else. I do like the fact that you are slowing down the process on the fair, Senator Philip, and requiring that this Legislature have access to the environmental impact statements and other studies before we proceed. That part of the bill is very good, but there is no way anyone in our city, and I would hope in anywhere in the State of Illinois, could in good conscience put a nine percent sales tax on restaurant food only on those in Chicago.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Kustra.

SENATOR KUSTRA:

Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. I, too, am concerned about the funding and I appreciate the concerns of members of the other side of the aisle, especially those from the City of Chicago. I do feel...what has been

worked out is...is the best that we can possibly get at this particular point in time. Coming from suburban Cook, I would agree with Senator Kelly, I...I think it's inequitable to try to assess that tax in the suburbs because you hit some areas in the suburbs and you don't hit others when you try to draw geographical distinctions between Cook and the collar. I would like to say, though, that I hope it's not lost on all of our constituents, and I know many of my constituents have talked to me about the serious reservations they have had about the projections of this fair; the number of people it would bring, the kind of gate which would be required, and I think what's important about this compromise that we are considering today is that it does have within it an independent and engineering feasibility study to evaluate fair operations, to assure that revenues will exceed expenses and that investments from the public and the private sector will be paid back. As I have gone home on weekends and talked about the World's Fair, I'm hearing from my constituents some concern that all the studies that have been done thus far have been done by the authority. What we're doing here today is giving our constituents an opportunity to be reassured that the World's Fair will work, and I think, bottom line, my constituents anyway simply don't believe that to date. This particular proposal will reassure us, and that's the reason why I support it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Newhouse and then Senator Marovitz.

SENATOR NEWHOUSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I don't want to draw this out, but from time to time I think I have to...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

May we have some order, please. May we have...if we can have just a little order, we'll be out of here in a very

short while. Senator Newhouse.

SENATOR NEWHOUSE:

...thank you, Mr. President. I don't want to draw this out, but from time to time I think I have to represent my own constituency rather than think in Statewide terms, at least to reflect back to this Body how my constituency thinks on several issues. In the first instance,...there are those in my constituency who wept when McCormick Place was constructed, who cheered when it burned down and would not shed a tear if it dropped into the river tomorrow morning. That's the attitude on McCormick Place. They don't work there. They can...they hardly use it except on specific kinds of occasions, so there's no real thrust in my community for McCormick Place. As for the World's Fair, we have some very serious problems with that, and one of those problems is the lake front as was alluded to earlier. So, I think that when we start to talk about our own parochial interests, I think we ought to understand that everybody in Chicago is not a hundred percent sold on any of these concepts, and if we look very carefully at the impact statements and some of the other kinds of research that are being done to try to see that as little damage is done to the continuing communities in Chicago as we develop both these facilities as is possible. I'm going to vote No on this bill. I think it's just...it's a semi-disaster and that is not the way to levy a tax to provide services for people of the State of Illinois. Thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Grotheberg.

SENATOR GROTHEBERG:

Thank you, Mr. President and fellow members. There's been some conversation about the food tax and...and other elements in this bill, but the unspoken item that I have had a personal interest in and I think each of us in our own way

is the tourism portion of the bill, and it's addressed a little different in this amendment in that we guarantee in this amendment that ten million dollars that everybody has been talking about for tourism, and it goes into an earmarked fund, and in that manner it is slightly different from the previous amendment. The Hotel Association has been working very carefully and closely with several of us, and I think that the people who come to Illinois...what one of my personal goals is that we advertise the whole State of Illinois so that people take the time to not rush through the golden arches at St. Louis and rush to the loop without stopping...that they may actually stop in Springfield or Carbondale or Decatur or wherever we're at, and the treatment of the fund and the perpetuating of that fund in this amendment is handled very well, and I recommend an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR EBUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Marovitz.

SENATOR MAROVITZ:

I'm sorry to rise for the second time, Fate, but just briefly,...Fate, if you listen to these comments, you can see that there's a lot of us on this side of the aisle that really agree with much of what's in your bill, especially the feasibility study and the way that we're moving slowly toward a resolution of this thing and that a lot of us from the city do have some problems with the food tax and that seems to be the biggest thing that concerns most of us, and you can...you can see with a nine percent tax why that would concern those of us in the City of Chicago who have people that may not eat in Senator Netsch's district all the time but will eat at...have...be senior citizens and...and eat between five and seven and get those...those discount meals and..and eat at fast food chains because that's all that they can afford, and a nine percent tax, you might say, well, it's only one more percent, but every time we get up here and we add something,

it's only one more percent, now it's up to nine percent. So, I like your bill and I like what's in it, and I do think, perhaps, I disagree with one of the previous speakers. I think that McCormick Place is...is absolutely indispensable to the State of Illinois and to the whole tourism package, and if we don't get the money for McCormick Place, we can forget about competing with most of the other cities across the...this country for...for tourism and for conventions. So, it's important that we do come up with these dollars but, Pate, I think there's a different way, and I would hope that we can find it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR EBUCÉ)

Further discussion? Further discussion? Senator Rock.

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I rise in support of Amendment No. 1 and let me point out that it is different than Amendment No. 1 which was offered to 1892. It's different because of the scepticism that was reflected and expressed on this Floor when we had the Committee of the Whole hearing on the three subjects involved. There was some rampant scepticism with respect to the World's Fair Authority and what their needs were, what the projected costs are, and it was pointed out by many of the speakers who have since gotten up against Amendment No. 1 that they weren't at all happy with the World's Fair Authority and with what their plans were and were not convinced; and that, in fact, is what brought this Amendment No. 1 to fruition. This is a delay, frankly, in the planning for and financing for the World's Fair Authority in recognition of the fact that 1892 as amended simply can't pass. There will not be majority approval, and perhaps rightfully so because those questions simply are unanswered. This will provide the necessary funds for the planned unit development study which the City of Chicago requires, for the environmental impact

statement which the Federal Government requires and further is calling for an independent engineering feasibility study on just...just to get the answers to the questions that were asked, and I think the amendment is a good one; and let me point out, particularly to those of you from the City of Chicago who are expressing now some skepticism, for six weeks the task force worked to look for a revenue source, and they worked within some guidelines, obviously. It was pointed out by...by, I think, a majority of both Houses of the Assembly that there could not be a raid on the General Revenue Fund to expand McCormick Place because that would not pass, that there could not be the imposition of a Statewide tax to expand McCormick Place because that would not pass, that we did not want the full faith and credit of the State of Illinois to back up the bonds for McCormick Place because that would not pass, and so we gave the task force, frankly, very little to work with, and we worked with the hotel and motel people and they agreed that, yes, they will take a one percent increase in the hotel-motel tax because increased tourism in this State, and for those of you who watch any television at all you know that Indiana and Michigan and Missouri and Quebec and New York are just inundating our airwaves, inviting our people elsewhere, and we are inviting nobody to Illinois at the moment, and an increased tourism effort will mean it's...it's reasonably estimated an increased occupancy from the current sixty percent occupancy level in downtown Chicago. It will mean multiples of the average visitor spending three hundred dollars per visit. Trade show visitors, by the way, it's been calculated, spend between five hundred and fifty and six hundred dollars. We just had a major show in McCormick Place that brought to the State of Illinois seventy-five million dollars in revenue, and if we lose that show, and without the expansion of McCormick Place we could very well lose that show, we are

literally turning our back on otherwise readily available revenue. McCormick Place and its expansion are going to mean an additional one million visitors annually, five hundred and fifty million dollars in direct, definable spending that would otherwise not be here, 1.7 billion in overall spending in the region, thirty-six thousand jobs, Senator Newhouse; thirty-six thousand jobs will come to the City of Chicago with the expansion of McCormick Place, and one hundred and fifty-eight million dollars in tax revenue to the City of Chicago and the County of Cook and the State of Illinois, and what are we asking to pay for it with? One percent on the restaurant tax in the City of Chicago, and I dare say that those who lament the imposition of taxes, any taxes, as do we all, ought to realize what that means for the poor and the senior citizens. What is the cost that they pay for their average meal? five dollars? four dollars? eight dollars? ten dollars? Let's assume the senior citizen eats out once a week, twice a week and has a magnificent meal for ten dollars. Know what this bill is going to cost them? Ten cents. The whole thrust of the task force report was that those who are to be the primary beneficiaries of increased efforts in tourism, those who are to be the primary beneficiaries of the increased convention business in the City of Chicago; namely, the hotel-motel-restaurant-entertainment industry ought to bear the burden as opposed to the General Revenue Fund. With that concept, I agree. I don't like to impose an additional tax on anybody any more than anybody else does, but weigh the consequence. If we do not expand McCormick Place, we lose our position as the premier convention capital of the world, and if we lose it, we are sticking our head in the sand. There's too much money out there for us to benefit from, so that we don't have to stand here every June and fight about less than enough money for schools and less than enough money for the other social services that we

want to provide. This is tourist money and all we have to do is go get it. I urge the adoption of Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Maitland.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you, very much, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I along with Senator Etheredge, Senator Bruce and Senator Nedza had the privilege of serving on the task force. When I began my deliberation with that task force, I went in with a very open mind, was not anti-World's Fair, was not anti-McCormick Place and certainly was not anti-tourism, but I commend Secretary Kramer, Mr. O'Conner and the other members of the task force for presenting what I believe a fair and accurate assessment of the overall program. It became apparent to me early on that the additional expenditure for tourism was an absolute necessity. For your information, the State of Illinois, this year, we are collecting roughly thirty-eight million dollars from the hotel-motel tax. You know how much of that's going to tourism? About 3.8 million dollars. It's considered by most people that all that money is going to tourism but it is not. It is going into the General Revenue Fund, the remainder. As Senator Rock so carefully articulated, those states who have aggressive tourism plans are reeking...reaping benefits many times over back into their general revenue, and that's an absolute necessity. I shan't spend anymore time discussing McCormick Place. Previous speakers have articulated quite clearly the advantage to this State. Chicago is centrally located in the United States, a marvelous attraction by its own right without McCormick Place, things that...they have in Chicago attract people and that's why that convention center is such an absolute necessity. Senator Jones, we are not sticking it to Chicago. We are for you, we are with you, we are trying to help you...absolutely...necessary. It is my

strong feeling that were a vote to be taken today on the World's Fair, the whole package would go down the tube and I don't want that to happen. There are a number of areas that we simply could not agree on on the World's Fair, and yet we need to have more time for the independent studies to assure that the thrust toward the World's Fair in 1992 goes forward. This amendment does that. This amendment leaves the gates open. The World's Fair, if carefully run, properly planned, will be an absolute, unbelievable benefit to the State; but not carefully planned, not carefully operated, it can be an absolute disaster. We don't want that to happen. This amendment leaves that door open and I urge support of Senate Amendment No. 1 to...Senate Bill 1893.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Philip, did you wish to close?

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Let me suggest to my Chicago friends that when it comes to the expansion of McCormick Place, the biggest benefactor is the State of Illinois. The second biggest benefactor is the City of Chicago, not only in jobs but in revenue. We talk about ten million dollars for tourism, the greatest tourist attraction we have in Illinois happens to be the City of Chicago. The State will, of course, receive more revenues, but the number two benefactor will be the City of Chicago, not...only on more jobs but on more revenues. You know, I will say this that there are a lot...unanswered questions about the World's Fair. If we look what's happened down in New Orleans, quite frankly, it...it doesn't appear to be a very well run...managed fair and there are many unanswered questions about the World's Fair. We suggest spending 8.1 million dollars and doing various studies to see the impact on Lake Michigan, on how many jobs it's going to

create, how many people are going to be there, how many jobs...that just gives enough time to report back to the General Assembly and enough funds to report back to the General Assembly so that sometime in the near future we can make an intelligent decision on the World's Fair. I tend to be for the World's Fair. I think it would be great for the State of Illinois, great for the City of Chicago, but we should hold back, we should wait, we ought to give them some funds and let them come back and report to you, the members of the General Assembly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR EBUCE)

The question is, on the adoption of Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1893. Those in favor say Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it. Amendment No. 1 is adopted. Are there further amendments?

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

No further amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR EBUCE)

3rd reading. For intervening business, with leave of the Senate, we will go to...Senator Vadalabene on the Floor? Is there leave to go to the Order of Motions in Writing? Leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, have there been any motions in writing filed?

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

I...I move to discharge the Committee on Executive from further consideration of House Joint Resolution 158 and the resolution be placed on the Secretary's Desk for immediate consideration. Signed, Senator Vadalabene.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR EBUCE)

Senator Vadalabene, for an explanation of your motion in writing.

SENATOR VADALABENE:

Yes, the Committee on the Executive Appointments...House joint resolution will implement...it creates a Joint Commit-

tee for Veterans' Property Tax Exemption to prepare an explanation of the...of the amendment proposed to the voters in November. This is urgent...an emergency. As you recall, we passed the...the bill to exempt the service organizations from property tax. This is to implement how it should appear on the ballot, and I would move for its consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Is there discussion on the motion to discharge HJR 158 from the Committee on Executive Appointments? On the motion to discharge, those in favor say Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it, and the Committee on Executive Appointments is discharged from further consideration of EJE 158. Senator Vadalabene now moves the adoption of HJR 158. On the motion, those in favor say Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it. HJR 158 is adopted. For what purpose does Senator Grothberg arise?

SENATOR GROTHBERG:

Only for...thank you, Mr. President. From past experience on this...there are expenditures of monies on those ballot preparations, and maybe we need a roll call. I'm only asking the Chair to clarify that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Netsch.

SENATOR NETSCH:

Senator Grothberg, I think not this part of it that is being done. We just simply have to write the explanation and the arguments for and against. It's...it's the Secretary of State who has expenditures subsequently.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Rock, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you. With leave of the Body, having had intervening business, I would like to ask that Senate Bill 1893 as amended be read a third time and that we proceed to passage.

SB 1893
3rd reading

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

All right, Senator Rock has asked leave of the Senate to...return to the Order of Senate Bill 1893 for its immediate consideration. Is there leave? Leave is granted. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary, a third time.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Senate Bill 1893.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Rock.

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1893 as now amended establishes a tourism fund designed to support the ten million dollar proposed annual advertising campaign to promote Illinois tourism. It also provides the money for more than a million square foot expansion of McCormick Place and provides for some further financing toward the 1992 Chicago World's Fair. The revenue sources...was discussed when the amendment was under consideration are an increase in the State hotel-motel tax by one...Statewide by one percentage point, an allocation of forty percent of the existing hotel-motel tax and a tax on...a restaurant tax for the food and drink for immediate consumption of one percent in the City of Chicago. This amendment is as a result of literally months of work, six weeks in particular by the members of the task force. Most of the discussion that was had in the Committee of the Whole which lasted the better part of a day in this Senate, and we are attempting to accommodate our colleagues in the House by sending this Senate bill to them with two...two weeks remaining in the Session so that they, too, will have time to deliberate. It has become pretty apparent over the last week or ten days, in my judgment, that the full financial package

for the Chicago World's Fair, even as proposed in 1892, with four hundred and fifty million coming from the private sector, simply would not meet with a majority approval. 1893 as amended by Senator Philip and myself provides the necessary funding for the tourism campaign and for the expansion of McCormick Place and defers, really, a decision by this Body and by the Governor and the mayor on the...advancing of the 1992 World's Fair. I think this is worthy of the support of all of us. When you take a look at...realistically take a look at what the economic impact of 1893 as amended will mean to the people of Illinois in terms of return of dollars to the people of Illinois, it's a small price to pay; and those who are the primary beneficiaries, as I indicated earlier, are shouldering the burden, and the burden I suggest is a very light one when balanced against what the ultimate return will be. This will immediately result in in the next two years twenty thousand additional jobs in the City of Chicago. I urge your favorable support for Senate Bill 1893.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Is there discussion? Senator Nedza.

SENATOR NEDZA:

...thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Mr. President, a parliamentary...inquiry. Will this necessitate thirty or thirty-six votes...three-fifths or thirty votes?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Well...

SENATOR NEDZA:

Because there's debt incurred, I believe.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

...I...I anticipated your question, Senator Nedza. Do you wish the ruling now or do you wish it later on?

SENATOR NEDZA:

Now.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

All right. I have reviewed Senate Bill 1893 as amended by Amendment No. 1, and it is contained in Amendment No. 1 Section 3 the language that there is hereby created a body...a political subdivision, a unit of local government, body politic and municipal corporation by the name and style of Metropolitan Fair and Exposition Authority in the metropolitan area. Under the...under Article IX, Section 9 of the Illinois Constitution, it is the ruling of the Chair that Senate Bill 1893 does not cause the State to...incur debt as defined in that article and section, and further the Chair is in...in review of Day versus Regional Transportation Authority, in that case the court held that the State debt does not include bonds or other evidence of indebtedness incurred by units of local government; therefore, because in the amendment which has been adopted by this Body the unit of local government has been established, Senate Bill 1893 as amended will require thirty affirmative votes for passage. Further discussion? Senator Savickas.

SENATOR SAVICKAS:

Well, I understand part of this has eminent domain powers and with that in there, wouldn't that require thirty-six votes? Yes, that is in here, eminent domain.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

All right. Senator Rock.

SENATOR ROCK:

In response to the gentleman's question, direct response, the answer is, no. That does not require an extraordinary vote, but, further, to allay any fears that might exist with respect to the power of...eminent domain, let me suggest that under the Federal tax law, there are but three indices of whether or not one can...issue tax exempt bonds. One has to be a unit of local government in order to do that, and the three indices that the...that the Federal Government uses

are; one, the right of eminent domain; two, the exercise of the police power; and three, frankly, I forget at the moment, I've got it somewhere. We decided on...on limited power of eminent domain to qualify the Metropolitan Fair and Exposition Authority as one who can issue tax exempt bonds. The right of eminent domain is specifically limited to that property which, in fact, will contain the additional building, and further it is conditioned on compliance with the City of Chicago's lake front protection ordinance and the City of Chicago's zoning ordinance. It is, frankly, no more and no less than a legal device to qualify the Metropolitan Fair and Exposition Authority as one who under the federal tax law can issue tax exempt bonds.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

And, Senator Savickas, the Chair has had a chance to review the Illinois Constitution. Under Article I, Section 15 Right of Eminent Domain, "Private property shall not be taken or damaged for public use without just compensation as provided by law. Such compensation shall be determined by a jury as provided by law." In Section V, Subsection F, the right of eminent...domain is conferred but the Constitution will not require an extraordinary majority for that conferring of the right of eminent domain. Further discussion? Senator Iechowicz.

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REEL #2

SENATOR LECHOWICZ:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I stand in support of the amended Senate Bill 1893. The fact that there are three specific questions that are before us; one, do you want the expansion of McCormick Place and the opportunities that that provides, or do you want the tourist industry to review other sites and make other adjustments as was pointed out in Crane Newspaper for the past two weeks? You mentioned the importance of the electronics show that was just in Chicago, as the President pointed out, it brought seventy-five million dollars of revenue to the State of Illinois, but it also pointed out in that article of this week that they are seriously considering changing that site in '85 to possibly Atlanta and in '86 to New York. Well, I, for one, do not believe that the State of Illinois cannot be placed in that position of unfair competition and the number of...number of trade shows moving away from Illinois. It's been pointed out ten years ago, McCormick Place was the hub of excitement and trade shows and bringing in people into Illinois. Within that ten-year period, from eighteen sites in the nation, there are over sixty in competition for that same tourist dollar. In order to be competitive, this expansion has to come through. As Pate Philip pointed out, you have ten million dollars here for tourism. Every state is...in our airwaves, in our media presentations are promoting travel to other states. We have a lot to be proud of in Illinois. It's our...it's our responsibility to promote it, and under this bill that will happen. I think this is a very good compromise measure...those questions about the World's Fair and we do provide money for...responsible study with that

responsibility coming back to us. This is a good compromise and it should be supported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIĆ)

Further discussion? Senator Bruce.

SENATOR BRUCE:

...thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. I rise in support of this particular compromise, and with almost every compromise there are things that I personally would have thought would have been more equitable. I have heard from those in the City of Chicago I think that it would have been fair, perhaps, to have a restaurant tax extended and that's what I had proposed in the task force; knowing how difficult that tax is to pass and in review of all the different problems we have, it seems that we are unable, in fact, to pass that one percent in the city and a half a percent in the suburban area of Cook County. This compromise has been worked over by the task force, does the one thing that I thought we ought to do and that is limits to an 8.8 million dollar study, and we're going to come back with hard data on exactly what kind of demands the World's Fair will require over a longer period of time. It gives us a chance to spend 8.8 million dollars of very precious State revenue and come back in here by June 1st of 1985 and make a commitment to what we are going to do. I believe that the task force, Senator Nedza, Senator Maitland, Senator Etheredge, worked very hard. The compromise is not perfect, but if we are going to have the expansion of McCormick Place which brings in literally millions of dollars to the economy of the State of Illinois and creates numerous jobs, if we're going to bring in tourism dollars which we desperately need to do in the State of Illinois, they are...the expenditure of tourist dollars in this State are very cheap dollars for us. The

investment of ten million dollars returns to the State Treasury a great deal of money. We do not have to provide schools much in the way of transportation. All the services that the normal citizen of the State of Illinois requires and demands, and rightfully so, is not demanded by the tourist who comes to the State of Illinois. Finally, the World's Fair. I believe that what we have done in the amendment...the requirement that the private industry have a written commitment of four hundred and fifty million dollars up-front which we estimate to be one half of the total cost of nine hundred million dollars, I think is fair. I think it's fair to the State of Illinois that we say that if the World's Fair is going to come to the State of Illinois and private enterprise will benefit from that coming, then we also should hear from private enterprise that they...that they say it is a good project and it's good enough that we're going to put up one half of the money. Now there's a lot of discussion about who gets paid back first, and I'm sure there's going to be ongoing debate for a long time over that discussion and that is not terminated, but this requires a four hundred and fifty million dollar up-front commitment, four hundred and fifty million dollars from the State of Illinois. I think that we ought to get along with the business; the World's Fair, the McCormick Place and tourism are all three projects the State of Illinois ought to support and we ought to have it in this State. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LEMUZIO)

Further discussion? Senator Netsch.

SENATOR NETSCH:

Thank you. I'm not sure that everyone has been listening to what some of us have been saying, so let me repeat it just once more just in case. In a sense, Senator Eloom, it is sort of like the property tax increase, the fifty cents last year for the Chicago schools. It is very easy for all of

you, that is you on that side and my downstate colleagues on this side, to give us the opportunity to tax ourselves into oblivion in the City of Chicago, and that is exactly what is happening. We...you were quite happy to let us add fifty cents to our property tax burden which is already quite considerable last year, and now you are telling us you're quite happy to let us add another cent onto our restaurant sales tax which, again, I remind you, is not just a luxury, we are talking about the only way that very substantial numbers of people in the City of Chicago can eat. They don't go into the grocery store and buy their food which is now tax-free from the sales tax, they have to eat in restaurants. It's...if it just...there's got to be a limit to this. We need some money to open our schools next year. I don't believe all of the figures that the Chicago Board of Education gives us either, but there is one thing that is absolutely crystal clear, our school system is on the brink of not opening next year because it will not have a balanced budget. What you are doing here is you're removing from us another source of taxation by adding on another source of sales taxation and making it even more impossible for us to fund our own major problem which is keeping the schools open and at a quality level. The more you force us to pile taxes onto ourselves for other things without sharing it throughout the State, the more you make it impossible for us to do that thing which is most critical of all to the economic development of the City of Chicago and that is a decent school system. We cannot keep doing this forever, you've got to stop. All of you have said...if you go back and look at this record, all of you have said, McCormick Place is a major asset to the State of Illinois. It helps the economic base of the entire State of Illinois. Then why don't you help us pay for it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DEMUZIO)

Further discussion? Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES:

Yeah, thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. During the amendment process of...remarks were made as it relates to the fifty cent as well as it...the previous sponsor did...relate to the fifty cents property tax for the Chicago Public School System. As a person who sponsored that tax, let me clear the air. There's a distinct difference between that tax and this tax. That tax benefited the children of the Chicago Public School System who happen to reside...who happen to reside within the City of Chicago and attend that system, that's why I sponsored it. But the difference in this tax is that this particular tax is going to benefit those individuals who do not reside within the City of Chicago and they're the ones...they're the ones that should be paying the tax. The persons that come to the City of Chicago who receive all the great benefits of McCormick Place and so forth and...and talk about the jobs and everything of that nature, those who receive the benefits should help absorb the costs, but don't bring to me the...all the information about the jobs because it's very ironic when I go to McCormick Place, and those who are going to be doing all the expansion work in the trade unions and everything, I see very, very, very few of my people, something is wrong there. We must deal with this, but I know the emergency nature of this legislation and I...I...the sponsor has agreed to work with us with the unions that deal with the problem that we have. I know this need, but it still sticks the people of the City of Chicago and it's a difference between this tax and the fifty cents property tax that we passed to educate the children of the City of Chicago.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Davidson.

SENATOR DAVIDSON:

Well, one of the previous speakers said, help us pay for

it, apparently didn't read the amendment. That amendment has two percent of that Statewide hotel-motel tax which will produce sixteen million dollars a year which go entirely to be paying the debt service on McCormick Place. So, we, the rest of the State, who are benefiting, we hope...we know that the City of Chicago will benefit from whatever extra sales tax...motel tax that the City of Chicago collects and all the other things which is spent by those who attend the trade shows in the City of Chicago, we are helping, and this is a good amendment. No one gets everything they want when you work out a compromise. This is good for all the people of Illinois, and I would urge an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Marcovitz.

SENATOR MAROVITZ:

Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. You know, one of the problems that we had when we discussed the World's Fair and as we discussed tourism and we discussed McCormick Place, it's projection and figures, and we've had a lot of stuff passed out over the last several months and just coming across our desks are some projections from 1893 which are an overview and summary of Senate Bill 1893 which is the yellow sheet. We've also gotten a white sheet passed out by Senator Philip and...take look at these figures which we're suppose to use as the basis of...of an analysis of this important piece of legislation. Now on the white sheet here that Senator Philip passed out, the levy of a one percent restaurant tax of the City of Chicago will generate 10.5 million dollars in Fiscal '85, that is what this figure says, 10.5 million, Fiscal '85. On this yellow sheet, which is an overview of this bill, the levy of a one percent tax...restaurant tax in the City of Chicago will generate 8.7 percent...8.7 million dollars in the City of Chicago. With...with a two million dollar difference on these two very

basic pieces of analysis on this bill, what are we supposed to believe? We've questioned Tom Ayers, we questioned McCormick Place, we questioned tourism, we questioned the World's Fair, we really don't have the answers; and...in...in...in determining any funding package for tourism, we all have to be kidding ourselves to think that McCormick Place isn't an intricate part and an imperative part of any tourism package. You can't have tourism in the State of Illinois without McCormick Place. It's a State necessity, it's a State concern, it's a State problem, it should be a State solution and not one in which a particular regressive tax is hit on just the people of the City of Chicago, that's our concerns. I'm not against this, I'm...I'm for the fair, I'm for McCormick Place and I'm for tourism. I have some concerns. This is the funding package. We have...obviously, have to move it along, Fate, but again, we do have some concerns about that portion of the revenue that we're not even sure what it's going to be. Is it 8.7, as this says? Is it 10.5, as this says? What is it? Shall we throw them up in the air and come up with 9.6? What is it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator DeAngelis, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR DeANGELIS:

I just want to clear up Senator Marovitz' problem. I think the numbers you're looking at, one, is the number for Fiscal '85. The other one is an annualized average from '85 to '93.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator...

SENATOR DeANGELIS:

...be happy to give you my copy.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

...Senator Marovitz.

SENATOR MARCVITZ:

...the white sheet here says, Fiscal 1985, 10.5 million dollars. That's what it says, number for Fiscal '85. I'm reading from that one column. The yellow sheet here says, 1985, 8.7 million dollars. Now, with these two sheets that were passed out the very same day, how can we have a disparity of figures like that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY:

Thank you, Mr. President and fellow Senators. I just wanted to point out that some of those who have been speaking in opposition to this bill are also the same people who had voted a year ago to support the increase in the State Income Tax surcharge and also which had a increase in the sales tax. All of a sudden when we reach a level of...from...from seven/eight it didn't make that much difference, but from eight to nine it makes a lot of difference. I...I feel this is the best compromise we can have. The...certainly the World's Fair isn't getting as much as they would like to have, and I think that's justly so, provided when we look down at the fair...they're having the World's Fair down in Louisiana, so this is an excellent...proposal. I'm very proud and pleased to support it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Further discussion? Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Yes, question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Rock is the sponsor, Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Okay.

SENATOR COLLINS:

Senator Rock,...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

May we have some order, please, so we can...we're back into questioning. If we can clear the aisles. If we can take our caucuses off of the floor. Thank you. Senator Collins.

SENATOR COLLINS:

...yes, before...before I proceed to make a...a few comments on...in reference to the bill, I would like to ask Senator Rock...Senator Rock, the next time that you bring before the Body an amendment this complicated before we have a chance to look at it, you do either or two things; you have a Democratic Caucus first or you disallow the media; otherwise, we'll be here all evening discussing over and over the same thing. Now, I think it has been...articulated here over and over again that is not the final product. I don't think any of us in Chicago...are satisfied with putting taxes on food, and I'm sure that none of us would support this issue and it will be back over here again if it remains on there. I am very optimistic that we can, in fact, come up with some alternative sources...are for supplementing the food portion in this bill. At least we can go on and vote it out and give the...House a chance to work on it and then it will be back over here and we'll have another shot. I move the previous question.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

All right. All right. Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen, very briefly, one of my colleagues on that side has complained that the trade unions are not giving the jobs, not helping his people, but let me advise him that he has been voting for all the union bills, so I'm sure that he has some rapport that he can go

to these trade unions and get jobs for his people.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senator Netsch alluded to the possibility by us passing this one percent on restaurants in the City of Chicago might preclude the schools for doing likewise. Now...now, she's a lawyer and she knows better than that, naughty, naughty. You know the school board cannot put on a restaurant tax, Senator Netsch, we all know that. May I compliment, particularly two of the members on my side, Senator Etheredge and Senator Maitland that worked long and hard on this and I think have done a great job and this happens to be a reasonable compromise. I want to also...compliment Senator Rock who has worked long and hard on this, and it does, quite frankly, address two problems; it takes care of tourism, it takes care of McCormick Place and it gives you 8.1 million dollars for a feasibility study for the World's Fair. This gets the job done and I would certainly hope that everybody in good conscience could support Senate Bill...1893.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

...Senator Rock.

SENATOR ROCK:

Thank you. Very briefly, in closing, let me just add for those of you who are students of government, the third index of a...is the power to levy a tax and we decided that the...MFEA should not have the power to levy a tax, that was the one that I forgot about. This is probably the single most important economic development matter that will be called upon to vote upon this year. It is a way of increasing our revenue down the road, and make no mistake about it, the

numbers as projected, I suggest, Senator Marovitz, are quite correct, and as you look down the road, you can see a dramatic increase because the expanded McCormick Place is hopefully...will be operational in 1985 or late '85 or '86, and that will show a dramatic increase in the revenue to the State of Illinois. This, as amended, is most worthy of Aye support, and I solicit your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1893 pass. Those in favor vote Aye. Those opposed vote 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, the Ayes are 42, the Nays are 13, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 1893 having received the required constitutional majority is declared passed. Senator Rock, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR ROCK:

I would just like the record to reflect that Senator Carroll is absent due to illness.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

All right. Is there leave to go to the Order of Resolutions? Leave is granted. Resolutions.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Senate Joint Resolution 121 offered by Senators Lechowicz, Lemke, Rock, Nedza and all members of the Senate, and it's a death resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Resolution Consent Calendar.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Senate Joint Resolution 122 offered by Senator Philip.

And Senate Joint Resolution 123 offered by Senators Barkhausen and Egan.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Executive Committee. The Chair is happy to recognize the

presence of the Governor of the State of Illinois, Jim Thompson. For what purpose does Senator Lemke arise?

SENATOR LEMKE:

...I think we had a death resolution there for a former colleague of the General Assembly, former Congressman John Fairy. Is that correct? Could we have that announced that, you know...I think it's only in our fitting that we should have it read into the record. The man was a colleague and...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

May we...may we...Senator Lemke, hold it. May we have some order. We have just a few items of business. Senator Lemke, we will handle that as the last order of business, leaving here today.

SENATOR LEMKE:

...I...I appreciate it be read into the record. I think it's only fitting that we do this for a former colleague and, of course, a colleague that's been very good to most of us here in the General Assembly, especially those that were in the House. When it got late hours, John always took care of us, made sure we had a little...vittles to have something to eat.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

All right.

SENATOR LEMKE:

And I would like that read into the record...at the end of closing.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

All right, we had planned to do that, Senator Lemke. Any...any announcements? Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I'd like the record to indicate that Senator Mahar is convalescing in the hospital; and that secondly, Senator Hudson is attending his son's wedding; in fact, he's the best

man.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR EBUCE)

All right. Mr. Secretary, have any Senators filed objection to the resolutions placed on the Resolution Consent Calendar?

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

No objections have been filed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR EBUCE)

With no objections, Senator Demuzio moves the...adoption of the resolutions on the Resolution Consent Calendar. On that motion, those in favor say Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it. Resolutions are adopted. All right, the adjournment resolution took us out of Session today at adjournment and we would be back Monday at one o'clock. We have a death resolution. Would the members please be in their seat. Senator Rock for an announcement.

SENATOR ROCK:

Yes, prior to that, I have passed out a copy of the proposed schedule from Monday, June 18th until the end of Session, which we hope will be Saturday, June 30. It does, in fact, call for us to be in Session over the weekend. Now, obviously, as...Senator Philip and I have discussed previously, that is adjustable or flexible, but the fact is that both the House and the Senate are scheduled to be in Session on Saturday, June 23rd and Sunday, June 24th, and I would hope the members would plan accordingly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR EBUCE)

Senator Johns.

SENATOR JOHNS:

Just a note of precaution to a lot of those people who are not aware of it, but next weekend is also the custom car show in Springfield, and you better be sure you get your rooms.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR EBUCE)

Senator Johns, you are quite right in reminding members. It is a large show. Senator Demuzic for an announcement.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I have been...asked to announce that the Association of Beer Distributors event has been moved up from...from 5:00 to 3:00 p.m. this afternoon, so those...who wish to participate can go over at three o'clock.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

All right. Now, may I have the attention...would the Senators please be in their seats. Would the sergeant-at-arm please remove all those people who are not entitled to the floor. If the Senators would be in their seats. Senator Geokaris, if you can find a...Senator Jones, if you can take your seat, please. Senator Kelly and Senator Vadalabene, if we can...find...we have a death resolution, Senator. Senator Lemke. Will the members please be in their seats and would the sergeant-at-arms...if we could close these doors and leave them closed for the next two or three minutes and not take any messages. The Secretary will read Senate Joint Resolution 121. May we have some order, please.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Senate Joint Resolution 121.

(Secretary reads SJR 121)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR BRUCE)

Senator Lemke moves the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 121, and will those in favor please rise. Resolution is adopted. The stands in adjournment until Monday, June the 18th, at the hour of one o'clock.