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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2023**

**12:04 O'CLOCK P.M.**

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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Welch in the chair.

Prayer by Bishop Dr. Reginald Saffo, the Pastor at United Faith MB Church.

Representative Hoffman led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:

114 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Blair-Sherlock and Burke were excused from attendance.

### **REQUEST TO BE SHOWN ON QUORUM**

Having been absent when the Quorum Roll Call for Attendance was taken, this is to advise you that I, Representative Buckner, should be recorded as present at the hour of 1:15 o'clock p.m.

Having been absent when the Quorum Roll Call for Attendance was taken, this is to advise you that I, Representative Robinson, should be recorded as present at the hour of 1:17 o'clock p.m.

### **REPORTS**

The Clerk of the House acknowledges receipt of the following correspondence:

2023 Loans and Grants to Social Equity Applicant Report.pdf, submitted by the Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity on February 15, 2023

Bilingual Employee Report aka State Assurances Act Report\_2023, submitted by the Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity on February 15, 2023

FY23 Q2 Capital Quarterly Report, submitted by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget on February 15, 2023

ILGA 2022, submitted by the Marion County State's Attorney on February 15, 2023

illinois-power-agency-fy-2022-annual-report-final, submitted by the Illinois Power Agency on February 15, 2023

Status of Developmental Education Reform in the Illinois Community College System in Fiscal Year 2023, submitted by the Illinois Community College Board on February 15, 2023

### **LETTERS OF TRANSMITTAL**

February 15, 2023

John Hollman  
Clerk of the House  
Room 400, Capitol Building  
Springfield, IL 60701

Dear Clerk Hollman,

Please be advised of the following appointments to the Subcommittees of the Judiciary-Criminal Committee by Minority Spokesman, Representative Windhorst:

**Criminal Administration and Enforcement Subcommittee**

\* Appointments to the Subcommittee: Representative Windhorst and Representative Tipsword

**Firearms and Firearm Safety Subcommittee**

\* Appointments to the Subcommittee: Representative Windhorst and Representative Tipsword

**Juvenile Justice and System Involved Youth Subcommittee**

\* Appointments to the Subcommittee: Representative Windhorst and Representative Grant

**Sentencing, Penalties and Criminal Procedure Subcommittee**

\* Appointments to the Subcommittee: Representative Windhorst and Representative Friess

**Sex Offenses and Sex Offender Registration Subcommittee**

\* Appointments to the Subcommittee: Representative Windhorst and Representative Friess

Sincerely,

s/ Patrick Windhorst  
Representative Patrick Windhorst  
Minority Spokesman, Judiciary-Criminal Committee

CC:

Rep. Justin Slaughter, Chairman  
Rep. Kelly M. Cassidy, Vice-Chairman  
James Hartmann, Counsel to the Speaker

**TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Representative Ford replaced Representative Gordon-Booth in the Committee on Rules on February 15, 2023.

Representative DeLuca replaced Representative Williams, Jawaharial in the Committee on Public Utilities on February 14, 2023.

Representative Guzzardi replaced Representative Blair-Sherlock in the Committee on Energy & Environment on February 14, 2023.

Representative Swanson replaced Representative Elik in the Committee on Energy & Environment on February 14, 2023.

Representative Cassidy replaced Representative Buckner in the Committee on Judiciary - Civil on February 15, 2023.

Representative McCombie replaced Representative Ugaste in the Committee on Judiciary - Civil on February 15, 2023.

Representative Stephens replaced Representative Friess in the Committee on Judiciary - Civil on February 15, 2023.

Representative Keicher replaced Representative Weber in the Committee on Judiciary - Civil on February 15, 2023.

### REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Gabel, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on February 15, 2023, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

#### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education: HOUSE BILL 1385.  
 Appropriations-Health & Human Services: HOUSE BILLS 1222, 1438 and 2173.  
 Appropriations-Higher Education: HOUSE BILL 1368.  
 Appropriations-Public Safety: HOUSE BILL 1553.  
 Consumer Protection: HOUSE BILLS 1080, 2099 and 2121.  
 Counties & Townships: HOUSE BILLS 1067, 1236, 1613 and 2079.  
 Cybersecurity, Data Analytics, & IT: HOUSE BILL 2130.  
 Elementary & Secondary Education: Administration, Licensing & Charter Schools: HOUSE BILLS 1123, 1214, 1291, 2155, 2156 and 2160.  
 Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies: HOUSE BILLS 1107, 1371, 1383 and 1633.  
 Energy & Environment: HOUSE BILLS 1190, 1608, 2096, 2174 and 2192.  
 Executive: HOUSE BILLS 1054, 1055, 1187, 1255, 1256, 1269, 1408, 1568, 1579, 1635, 2055 and 2124.  
 Financial Institutions and Licensing: HOUSE BILLS 1519, 1636 and 2043.  
 Health Care Availability & Accessibility: HOUSE BILLS 1358, 2078 and 2118; HOUSE RESOLUTION 57.  
 Health Care Licenses: HOUSE BILLS 1572, 2077 and 2126.  
 Higher Education: HOUSE BILLS 1213, 1264, 1374, 1378 and 1643.  
 Human Services: HOUSE BILLS 1117, 1197, 1286, 1558, 2046, 2076 and 2214.  
 Immigration & Human Rights: HOUSE BILLS 1272 and 1554.  
 Insurance: HOUSE BILLS 1049, 1059, 1068, 1565, 2070, 2071, 2072, 2089 and 2203.  
 Judiciary - Civil: HOUSE BILLS 1137, 1155, 1252, 1275, 1391, 1434, 1555, 2123 and 2231.  
 Judiciary - Criminal: HOUSE BILLS 1053, 1057, 1062, 1064, 1112, 1136, 1270, 1276, 1305, 1379, 1399, 1404, 1429, 1432, 1433, 1621 and 2093.  
 Labor & Commerce: HOUSE BILLS 1065, 1198, 1215, 1258, 1530 and 1615.  
 Personnel & Pensions: HOUSE BILLS 1297, 2035, 2057 and 2147.  
 Public Utilities: HOUSE BILL 1079.  
 Restorative Justice: HOUSE BILL 2054.  
 Revenue & Finance: HOUSE BILLS 1058, 1060, 1061, 1063, 1154, 1188, 1208, 1238, 1263, 1271, 1360, 1410, 1411, 1578, 1642, 1646, 1647, 2058 and 2134; HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 6.  
 State Government Administration: HOUSE BILLS 1273, 1346, 1409 and 2088.  
 Transportation: Regulations, Roads & Bridges: HOUSE BILL 2048.  
 Transportation: Vehicles & Safety: HOUSE BILLS 1209 and 2091.  
 Veterans' Affairs: HOUSE BILL 1217.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measure(s) is as follows:  
 5, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Gabel(D), Chairperson  
 Y Ford(D)(replacing Gordon-Booth)  
 Y Spain(R)

Y Hammond(R), Republican Spokesperson  
 Y Manley(D)

### REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Williams, Ann, Chairperson, from the Committee on Energy & Environment to which the following were referred, action taken on February 14, 2023, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and placed on the order of Second Reading -- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 1440.

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE BILL 1440 is as follows:  
17, Yeas; 8, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Williams, Ann(D), Chairperson	Y Costa Howard(D), Vice-Chairperson
A Severin(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Guzzardi(D)(replacing Blair-Sherlock)
N Caulkins(R)	A Davis, Will(D)
N Swanson(R)(replacing Elik)	Y Faver Dias(D)
Y Guerrero-Cuellar(D)	Y Harper(D)
Y N. Hernandez(D)	Y Hirschauer(D)
Y Ladisch Douglass(D)	N Marron(R)
Y Mayfield(D)	N Meier(R)
N Miller(R)	Y Moeller(D)
Y Mussman(D)	Y Ness(D)
Y Ortiz(D)	A Ozinga(R)
Y Rashid(D)	N Rosenthal(R)
Y Smith(D)	A Walsh(D)
N Weaver(R)	N Wilhour(R)
Y Williams, Jawaharial(D)	

Representative Walsh, Chairperson, from the Committee on Public Utilities to which the following were referred, action taken on February 14, 2023, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and placed on the order of Second Reading -- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 1602.

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE BILL 1602 is as follows:  
21, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Walsh(D), Chairperson	Y Delgado(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Davidsmeyer(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Andrade(D)
Y Bunting(R)	Y Cabello(R)
Y Caulkins(R)	Y Coffey(R)
Y Crespo(D)	Y Ford(D)
Y Guerrero-Cuellar(D)	Y Hammond(R)
Y Hoffman(D)	A Hurley(D)
Y Jiménez(D)	Y Ladisch Douglass(D)
A Mayfield(D)	Y Miller(R)
Y Moeller(D)	Y Slaughter(D)
A Ugaste(R)	Y Vella(D)
Y DeLuca(D)(replacing Williams, Jawaharial)	Y Yednock(D)

Representative Collins, Chairperson, from the Committee on Health Care Availability & Accessibility to which the following were referred, action taken on February 14, 2023, reported the same back with the

following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and placed on the order of Second Reading -- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 1186.

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE BILL 1186 is as follows:  
9, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Collins(D), Chairperson	Y Manley(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Haas(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Hauter(R)
Y Huynh(D)	Y Jiménez(D)
Y Mah(D)	Y Schmidt(R)
Y Yang Rohr(D)	

Representative DeLuca, Chairperson, from the Committee on Cities & Villages to which the following were referred, action taken on February 14, 2023, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and placed on the order of Second Reading -- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 1220.

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE BILL 1220 is as follows:  
17, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y DeLuca(D), Chairperson	Y Rita(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Stephens(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Benton(D)
Y Canty(D)	Y Carroll(D)
Y Davis, Jed(R)	Y Egofske(R)
Y Halbrook(R)	Y Hanson(D)
Y Hernandez, Barbara(D)	Y Kelly(D)
Y McLaughlin(R)	Y Moylan(D)
Y Sosnowski(R)	Y Syed(D)
Y West(D)	

Representative Gong-Gershowitz, Chairperson, from the Committee on Judiciary - Civil to which the following were referred, action taken on February 15, 2023, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and placed on the order of Second Reading -- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 1591.

The committee roll call vote on HOUSE BILL 1591 is as follows:  
12, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Gong-Gershowitz(D), Chairperson	Y Williams, Ann(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y McCombie(R)(replacing Ugaste)	Y Cassidy(D)(replacing Buckner)
Y Costa Howard(D)	Y Delgado(D)
Y Didech(D)	Y Stephens(R)(replacing Friess)
Y Hoffman(D)	A Jones(D)
Y Ladisch Douglass(D)	A McLaughlin(R)
A Ozinga(R)	Y Tarver(D)
Y Keicher(R)(replacing Weber)	

**MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE**

A message from the Senate by  
Mr. Anderson, Secretary:  
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of the following joint resolution, to-wit:

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9**

Concurred in the Senate, February 15, 2023.

Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate

**AGREED RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 67**

Offered by Representative Elik:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened by the death of former State Representative Robert John "Bob" Walters, who passed away on January 21, 2023 at the age of 92; and

WHEREAS, Rep. Walters was born to Joseph and Liguori Walters in Alton; he attended Campion Jesuit High School and St. Ambrose College; and

WHEREAS, Upon graduation, Rep. Walters proudly served in the U.S. Army in Korea from 1953 until 1954; and

WHEREAS, Following his service, Rep. Walters worked for his family's business before being elected in 1970 to the Illinois House of Representatives, where he would proudly serve his constituents for two terms; and

WHEREAS, Rep. Walters worked for 22 years as the Executive Director of the Southwestern Illinois Employers Association before being appointed in 2005 to the Illinois State Board of Elections, where he worked until his retirement in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Rep. Walters was known for his support of youth sports as he was not only an athlete but also a coach and an avid fan of Alton Marquette Catholic High School, Alton High School, and Lewis & Clark Community College athletics; he attended many games, and his presence radiated throughout the crowd; and

WHEREAS, Rep. Walters married his beloved wife, Jeanne Osseck, in 1956, and they raised nine children, Robert Walters Jr., Jim Walters, Theresa Logan, Linda Scheiter, Tom Walters, Mike Walters, Carolyn McCluskey, Mary Zamorski, and David Walters, and were blessed with 20 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Rep. Walters will be remembered for his commitment to his faith, his eternal love for his family and his wife, Jeanne, and his outstanding accomplishments in serving the people of Illinois and beyond; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of former State Representative Robert "Bob" John Walters and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Rep. Bob Walters as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 68**

Offered by Representative Ortiz:

Congratulates Marie Sklodowska Curie Metropolitan High School for being named the World's Best School Supporting Healthy Lives.



**HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 66**

Offered by Representative Hoffman:

WHEREAS, The Department of Human Services (DHS), through its Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD), oversees the administration of Independent Service Coordination (ISC) activities around the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, ISC agencies serve as the primary connection between individuals and guardians who are seeking or receiving developmental disability services through DHS' DDD; and

WHEREAS, ISC agencies are essential to providing accurate individual information for statewide planning as well as collaborating with service providers to ensure individuals' health, safety, welfare, well-being, and satisfaction with services funded by DDD; and

WHEREAS, Prior to FY20, 17 organizations, mostly not-for-profits, provided ISC services for the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, On January 2, 2019, DHS, after the use of a competitive procurement process, announced that the number of ISC agencies to serve the entire state was cut from 17 to 8; and

WHEREAS, In April of 2020, the Auditor General released a management audit of the DHS process for the selection of ISC providers that serve the front line by providing information and assistance to help individuals and families make informed choices for services; and

WHEREAS, The audit found significant problems with the competitive procurement process used to select the ISC providers, resulting in 13 recommendations, including 274 scoring irregularities in this one grant opportunity, a failure to uniformly apply the grant criteria to applicant proposals, a failure to maintain documentation to show how protest resolutions were made, and a failure to follow selection criteria for the grant opportunity; and

WHEREAS, The Auditor General, given the failures by DDD, could not conclude with absolute certainty that the correct proposers were selected by DHS for the awards, estimated to value over \$38 million; and

WHEREAS, In FY23, ISC costs had increased to nearly \$55 million; and

WHEREAS, In July of 2018, the Auditor General released a performance audit of the Community Integrated Living Arrangements (CILA) program which reported, in part, a failure by DHS to ensure that ISCs maintained documentation on all required visits to individuals that transitioned from State Operated Developmental Centers to CILAs, and that ISCs only conducted 62 percent of weekly and 82 percent of monthly required visits to individuals in CILAs; and

WHEREAS, Oversight of programs designed to assist individuals with developmental disabilities is vitally important to ensure that transitions to living arrangements are successful; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Auditor General is directed to conduct a performance audit of the oversight of the Independent Service Coordination (ISC) program by the Department of Human Services' Division of Developmental Disabilities; and be it further**

**RESOLVED, That the audit include, but not be limited to, for the period of FY21 to FY23, an examination of the caseloads, by ISC, around the State to determine whether ISCs are providing coverage based on agreements with the State, an examination of whether ISCs maintain documentation and report allegations of suspected abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation to the appropriate oversight entity, and an examination of the oversight and monitoring of ISCs by DHS ensuring that the ISC complies with statutory, regulatory, and contract requirements, including site visits and inspections of records and premises; and be it further**

**RESOLVED, That DHS and any other entity having information relevant to this audit cooperate fully and promptly with the Auditor General's Office in the conduct of this audit; and be it further**

**RESOLVED, That the Auditor General commence this audit as soon as possible and report his findings and recommendations upon completion in accordance with the provisions of Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act; and be it further**

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Auditor General and the Department of Human Services.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 10

Offered by Representative Yednock:

WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General Assembly pays honor and respect to truly great individuals who have served our country and, in doing so, have made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Michael J. Vangelisti was born in Ottawa on June 26, 1947; he graduated from Marseilles High School in 1965; he attended Southern Illinois University and Bradley University before enlisting in the U.S. Air Force in August 1967; and

WHEREAS, SGT Vangelisti entered active duty on January 18, 1968, and he was assigned to Vietnam in September 1969; and

WHEREAS, SGT Vangelisti died on April 28, 1970 due to injuries sustained in an aircraft accident; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the section of Route 6 in the City of Marseilles that runs from the intersections of Route 6 and Jefferson Street to Route 6 and Main Street as the "SGT Michael J. Vangelisti Memorial Highway"; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs giving notice of the name "SGT Michael J. Vangelisti Memorial Highway"; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the family of SGT Vangelisti, the Mayor of Marseilles, and the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 11

Offered by Representative Yednock:

WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General Assembly pays honor and respect to truly great individuals who have served our country and, in doing so, have made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Army Specialist 4 Norman Eugene Treest was born in Aurora in 1947; he graduated from Ottawa High School in 1965; he enlisted in the U.S. Army on May 18, 1966; and

WHEREAS, SPC Treest was wounded on December 18, 1966, and he returned to Vietnam on April 20, 1967; and

WHEREAS, While on patrol on July 1, 1967, SPC Treest was wounded a second time and succumbed to his injuries on July 5, 1967; and

WHEREAS, SPC Treest was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the section of Route 6 in the City of Marseilles that runs from the intersections of Route 6 and Oakdale Street to Route 6 and Main Street as the "SPC Norman Treest Memorial Highway"; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs giving notice of the name "SPC Norman Treest Memorial Highway"; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the family of SPC Treest, the Mayor of Marseilles, and the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation.

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 12

Offered by Representative Yednock:

WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General Assembly pays honor and respect to veterans who have served their country and the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Private First Class Ralph E. Snell was a member of the 136th Infantry, 33rd Division of the U.S. Army; he entered into service on April 22, 1942, and he was stationed at various camps in the United States until he went overseas on July 5, 1943; he served in the New Guinea and Philippine campaigns and returned to the United States on November 4, 1945; he was honorably discharged at Camp Grant on November 24, 1945; and

WHEREAS, On May 6, 1945, the 136th Infantry was met by heavy mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire from the flanks and from caves on the reverse slope; as it reached the crest of the hill, a machine gun on the right flank opened fire and wounded four men; PFC Snell moved forward alone and destroyed the weapon and its crew; he then directed his fellow soldiers in destroying three Japanese strong points; although wounded himself, he led his fellow soldiers forward, secured the enemy positions, captured the hill, and only then allowed himself to be evacuated; and

WHEREAS, On June 9, 1946, PFC Snell was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the army's second highest award for conspicuous gallantry above and beyond the call of duty; along with the cross, he received the Good Conduct Medal, the American Campaign Ribbon, the Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon with two Bronze Battle Stars, the Philippine Liberation Medal with one Bronze Battle Star, and the Purple Heart; and

WHEREAS, PFC Snell displayed inspiring leadership, indomitable fighting spirit, and heroic effort despite his wounds; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the Utica River Bridge as the "Ralph E. Snell Memorial Bridge"; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs giving notice of the name of the "Ralph E. Snell Memorial Bridge"; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the family of PFC Snell and the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation.

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 13

Offered by Representative West:

WHEREAS, There are over 1,000,000 Illinois residents that are not proficient in English; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois recognizes that comprehensive communication with one's health care provider is critical; and

WHEREAS, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 guarantees individuals the right to receive interpreter services from health facilities that receive federal funds; and

WHEREAS, The Language Assistance Services Act affirms that the intent of the General Assembly is to provide quality health care despite the persistence of language barriers; and

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic has facilitated a transition to telehealth services in which Limited English Proficiency (LEP) patients face structural barriers in accessing and utilizing, including lack of access to technology, need for medical interpreters, unfriendly patient portals, and increased privacy concerns; and

WHEREAS, The American Geriatric Society has published findings indicating LEP patients over 60 are at a higher risk for worse mental and physical outcomes; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights heard testimony that LEP patients do not always receive interpreter services in health facilities and that, even when interpreter services are provided, it is not always an accurate interpretation; and

WHEREAS, A survey of hospitals conducted by the American Medical Association found that over 80% of the hospitals indicated that they frequently encounter patients with limited English proficiency; and

WHEREAS, The current law does not hold health care providers and medical interpretation service companies accountable for failing to work with qualified or certified interpreters or for failing to work with best practices in providing medical interpretation services; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the Statewide Task Force on Limited English Proficient Patient Access to Quality Interpreter Services is hereby created to provide recommendations regarding access to quality interpreting services for Limited English Proficiency (LEP) patients; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall focus on issues including, but not limited to:

- (1) The barriers preventing LEP patients from accessing quality interpreting services;
- (2) The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic relating to its effects on access to quality interpreter services;
- (3) Issues concerning funding for services and reimbursement for health care providers;
- (4) The number and quality of certified interpreters;
- (5) Effective communication of the law to health care providers; and
- (6) Creating a plan for realistic enforcement of violations of the Language Assistance Services Act; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall consist of the following voting members, who shall have racial, ethnic, gender, and geographic diversity and include the following:

- (1) One member appointed by the Director of the Illinois Department of Public Health, who shall serve as chair;
- (2) Two members of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the Speaker of the House and one appointed by the House Minority Leader;
- (3) Two members of the Senate, one appointed by the President of the Senate and one appointed by the Senate Minority Leader;
- (4) One member of the Governor's policy leadership team appointed by the Governor; and
- (5) 16 public members appointed by the Task Force chair:
  - (a) 8 members who should equitably represent the following groups:
    - (i) An association that advocates on behalf of the health of the Chinese-American community;
    - (ii) An association that advocates on behalf of the health of the Hispanic/Latino community; and
    - (iii) An association that advocates on behalf of the health of the midwest Asian-American community;
  - (b) Three members who are nationally board certified medical interpreters who can highlight challenges as well as opportunities for State action to enhance the number of nationally board certified medical interpreters;
  - (c) One member from an association that advocates on behalf of hospitals and health care providers;
  - (d) One member from an association that advocates on behalf of civil rights;
  - (e) One member from the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services who deals primarily with non-English speaking residents;
  - (f) One member from the Illinois Department of Human Services who is knowledgeable on how LEP affects rural, low income families; and
  - (g) One physician licensed by the State whose practice focuses on emergency medicine and can speak to the importance of quality communication as it relates to emergency medicine;

RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall have all appointments made within 30 days of the adoption of this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Task Force members shall receive no compensation for their service but may receive reimbursement for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, subject to the availability of funds for that purpose; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Public Health shall provide administrative support for the Task Force; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall meet at the call of the chair and then shall meet at least monthly until it completes its work; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall submit its final report to the General Assembly and the Governor no later than January 1, 2025, and, upon the filing of its final report, is dissolved; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Director of the Illinois Department of Public Health, the Speaker of the House, the House Minority Leader, the President of the Senate, the Senate Minority Leader, and the Governor.

### RECESS

At the hour of 12:10 o'clock p.m., Speaker of the House Welch moved that the House do now take a recess for the Governor to address the Joint Session.

The motion prevailed.

### JOINT SESSION 12:10 O'CLOCK P.M.

The hour having arrived, the time heretofore fixed by Joint Resolution adopted by the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Joint Session convened for the purpose of receiving the Governor to deliver his Budget Message in person to the One Hundred Third General Assembly.

The Senate, preceded by the Honorable Senator Lightford, and Members of the Senate, appeared in the Hall of the House of Representative and, by direction of the Speaker, took the seats assigned to them.

The two Houses being convened in Joint Session, Senator Lightford of the Senate announced that a quorum of the Senate was present.

Speaker Welch, of the House of Representatives, announced that a quorum of the House was present.

A majority of each House of the General Assembly being present, the Speaker of the House announced the Joint Session duly formed.

Representative Gabel offered the following resolution and moved its adoption.

### JOINT SESSION RESOLUTION 1

**RESOLVED**, That a committee of ten be appointed, five from the House, by the Speaker of the House, and five from the Senate, by the President of the Senate, to wait upon Governor JB Pritzker and invite him to address the Joint Assembly.

Representative Jehan Gordon-Booth  
 Representative Natalie Manley  
 Representative Edgar Gonzalez  
 Representative John Egofske  
 Representative Jason Bunting  
 Senator Elgie Sims  
 Senator Celina Villanueva  
 Senator Paul Faraci  
 Senator Erica Harriss  
 Senator Seth Lewis

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

### MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

#### State of the State and Budget Address Wednesday, February 15th, 2023

Mr. Speaker, Mr. President, Leader McCombie, Leader Curran, Lieutenant Governor Stratton, our Constitutional Officers, members of the General Assembly, Members of our Supreme Court, Cabinet

Members, First Lady MK Pritzker, Second Gentleman Bryan Echols, esteemed guests — it's a distinct honor to come before you today.

The last time I stood at this podium was back in early 2020. Three of the four current legislative leaders had not yet taken up their current posts. And the fourth, the Senate President, was just weeks into his new job and, well, back then, he had more hair. Then a year later Chris Welch became Speaker, and I began to wonder if baldness was a new sign of power in Illinois state government. But I want to thank Leader McCombie and Leader Curran for dispelling the myth and joining the Hair Club. I appreciate your full heads of hair vaulting us back into the majority.

But I digress.

The last time I stood here seems like a lifetime ago. So many fiscal challenges laid ahead. And so much progress has been made. What was once an Illinois with \$17 billion in overdue bills is now an Illinois that pays its bills on time. What was once an Illinois that went years without a budget is now an Illinois that has passed four balanced budgets in a row. What was once a state with no cushion to protect it in an economic downturn is now an Illinois on track to have a \$2.3 billion Rainy Day Fund. What was once an Illinois with a credit rating on the verge of junk status is now an Illinois getting credit upgrades.

Our fiscal progress is remarkable.

Remember the \$230 million in College Illinois debt? Paid.

Remember the \$900 million in group health insurance debt? Paid.

How about the \$800 million Thompson center liability? Paid.

\$4.5 billion Unemployment Trust Fund debt? Paid.

The \$1.3 billion debt owed to Illinois' treasury funds swept by previous governors? Paid.

\$8 billion of overdue bills? Paid.

As of Fiscal Year 2023, all our state's short-term and medium-term liabilities — will have been eliminated. All of it. Our budgets are built on a solid foundation of normalized state revenue and more efficient management of state resources.

We have used our surpluses to chip away at our long term liabilities too, including \$500 million more into our pension stabilization fund over the last two years and my proposal this year to increase that by another \$200 million. The percent of the budget needed to meet our statutory obligations has declined as our revenues have grown and our fiscal fortunes have improved.

Maybe some who are listening to this are asking, "What does this all mean to me?"

Here's what it means. We've reduced the burden on Illinois taxpayers by eliminating hundreds of millions of dollars in interest payments. We've reduced taxes on those who can least afford them, and we're finally investing in what really matters — improving education and making college more affordable, modernizing our transportation systems, improving public safety and assisting law enforcement to make our neighborhoods safer, reducing homelessness and increasing mental healthcare, cutting taxes and fees on small businesses, attracting new businesses, giving more state revenue to local governments and schools so they can stop raising your property taxes, and so much more. Getting our fiscal house in order is improving our economy, which crossed the threshold of \$1 trillion in GDP at the end of last year.

In the age old fight between happy warriors and misery's carnival barkers — we've shown that if we resolve to do it, happy warriors win every time. And we are ... winning.

Which is why here in Illinois in 2023, I'm confident in saying the state of our State is stronger than it has been in decades, and we're getting stronger every day.

Fiscal responsibility isn't easy, nor is it a one time fix. It's an annual effort that requires persistence. It requires conservative revenue estimates, as all of my budget proposals have. But when done right,

consistent balanced budgets strengthen the institutions our residents rely upon, creates new opportunities for success, and makes life easier for the people of Illinois.

People like Anne Tyree. For more than two decades, Anne has worked at Centerstone — a nonprofit that provides treatment for mental health and substance use disorders. For her, behavioral health is a personal issue that has touched her own family in profound ways.

In years past, Anne saw state funding slashed for Centerstone's patients, young and old alike, who are among the most vulnerable Illinoisans. She describes the experience as nothing short of traumatic. When Illinois couldn't pay its bills, Centerstone was forced to close outpatient facilities and shutter vital programs. Many other behavioral health providers faced a similar fate.

It was heartbreaking. People on their way to recovery — single parents, children in rural communities, people struggling financially — didn't have access to critical resources and services that could have saved their lives.

Anne will tell you that she's seen a complete transformation over the last four years because of stable budgeting and a dedication to mental health and substance use disorder treatment. The statistics tell the story. During the prior administration Illinois was 16th in the nation for behavioral health services. Today, we are number nine and climbing.

I've been so adamant about balancing the budget because we need to ramp up our investments in services like behavioral health, and we couldn't promise it unless we were sure we could pay for it.

Anne Tyree is here with us today, and I know we all want to express our gratitude to her and Centerstone and behavioral health providers everywhere for all they've done for our most vulnerable.

I do not tell you Anne's story to say, "our work here is done." Rather, it demonstrates that without fiscal responsibility, we end up with trauma and chaos for the people we serve. Our responsible approach to budgeting has moved us away from the days of lurching from crisis to crisis, and instead is producing better outcomes and a brighter future for Illinois.

You, the majority of the General Assembly, are succeeding. You, the majority of the people of Illinois who elected the General Assembly, the Constitutional officers, and me, are succeeding. Together, we've slogged through the tough times and are making the responsible decisions for our future.

In the first year of the pandemic, we focused on meeting the core needs of our state's residents, like healthcare, housing, and food, and we balanced the budget. The next year, when federal relief came, we distributed vaccines and invested in recovery for our people and our businesses, and we responsibly balanced our budget. When the economy began to recover, we paid off overdue debts, improved our long term fiscal outlook, and gave tax relief to every Illinoisan — and we balanced the budget. At every turn, a majority of the General Assembly embraced the necessary fiscal stabilization measures to set us on the right path. You returned dollars to taxpayers, and you made prudent, transformative investments for Illinois' future.

Today I ask you to partner with me once again, this time on the long-term investment that has the greatest return for taxpayers with the most positive social and economic impact I have ever come to you with.

It's called Smart Start Illinois, and it will make our state the best place in the nation to raise young children. Smart Start is comprised of four elements: pre-K, childcare, early intervention and home visiting. It also makes our existing programs more equitable, giving moderate income families greater access to quality programs and investing in an early childhood workforce made up largely of women and people of color.

Smart Start Pre-K is a four year plan that will allow access to pre-school for every three and four year old in Illinois. It will increase our funding for the Early Childhood Block Grant program this year by \$75 million. That's \$179 million more than when I took office.

Smart Start Pre-K will provide new center-based and school-based classrooms, improve quality across the board, attract new professionals to the field, and ensure we reach our most vulnerable. In the first year alone, 5,000 more seats will be available for children across the state.

Of course, adding preschool seats only works if you have the staff to support them. That's where the Early Childhood ACE Scholarship program comes in. Last year with the legislative leadership of Senator Cristina Pacione-Zayas, we began investing in community colleges and universities to build a pipeline of early childhood educators. Already nearly 1500 people are on a path to get up-skilled, and I propose to continue providing this opportunity for the next four years.

Next, Childcare. Working parents need more quality childcare options. The broader shortage of labor we are seeing across the state right now can't be addressed without growing the availability of childcare for working families. But Illinois' current childcare assistance program is based on unreliable and unpredictable funding that makes it hard for providers to invest in their workers or to grow. The current system is based on attendance in a given month, which as all parents know fluctuates if kids are sick or parents' work status changes. When attendance falls under a certain minimum level in a month, the provider's reimbursement rate for that month gets cut even though their fixed costs for providing services that month don't change. As any small business owner knows, that causes tremendous uncertainty for the future. Going forward, that's going to change. So I propose Smart Start Workforce Compensation Contracts to move us towards more stable funding to support high-quality programming and competitive wages for caregivers. The contracts will create a more equitable system for child care providers and families alike, and it will require an improved standard of care across the field.

Although we provide childcare assistance for parents who already have jobs, we've never before provided childcare for someone who's unemployed but looking for a job. It's nearly impossible to interview with an employer if you're simultaneously the 24/7 primary caregiver for your family. So in 2021 we initiated a program that provides three months of childcare for unemployed parents who are engaged in a job search or a job training program in preparation for a new job. Here with us today is Itanzia Dawson, one of those parents. Our new childcare assistance for job seekers gave Itanzia the opportunity to go back to school and now she has a new career as a teacher's aide at the Carole Robertson Center for Learning in Little Village on the West Side of Chicago. Let's recognize Itanzia for her hard work and commitment to building a better life for her family.

From Chicago to Peoria to Marion, this transformative new program is putting industrious parents like Itanzia to work. Smart Start Childcare makes this program permanent.

Too many families can't access early childhood programs at all because they live in an early childhood desert where no providers or available spots exist within a reasonable radius of their home or work. Smart Start Illinois will allocate \$100 million of new capital to double the Rebuild Illinois investment already helping providers build new and expand existing facilities. This program will be the beginning of the end of early childhood deserts in Illinois, and working families will have more and better options for their children.

Third, Smart Start Early Intervention funding will support the essential state program that gives infants and toddlers birth to age three with developmental delays, autism or other diagnosed medical conditions, the services they need, including for speech and language challenges, and occupational and physical therapies. For years, these families have suffered from underfunding of Early Intervention services. Not any longer. A \$40 million increase is allocated in the FY24 budget, which will increase rates and allow thousands of children and their families to maintain access to these critical services.



Finally, home visiting in Illinois is an evidence based program that has a long history of improving maternal and child health, preventing child abuse and neglect, preventing crime and domestic violence, and promoting children's development and readiness to participate in school. We aren't reaching enough families in these vital infant and toddler years, but Smart Start's expanded Home Visiting funding will allow us to help even more families.

Thanks to our stronger fiscal standing, we can afford to do this, and as every provider, teacher and parent in this state knows, we can't afford to wait.

The research is clear. Smart Start Illinois will save taxpayers \$7 for every one dollar invested and will vault Illinois to national leadership in early childhood development. Enhancing quality early care and education is a win-win solution for re-mobilizing parents in the workforce, enhancing brain development and kindergarten readiness, saving taxpayers money, and increasing economic activity now and in the decades ahead.

On a broader scale, our increased investments in education have already been paying off. Last year, Illinois high schoolers notched their highest graduation rate in over a decade — with a notable increase among Black and Hispanic students. Every demographic group in Illinois experienced accelerated growth in both English language arts and math — outpacing pre-pandemic levels. More students took Career and Technical Education or dual credit courses than ever before. And US News and World Report ranked Illinois 6th in the nation for Pre-K to 12 education, and among the top ten most populous states, we're NUMBER ONE.

Compare that to 2018, prior to the implementation of evidence-based funding, when 168 districts in Illinois were funded at levels under 60 percent of adequacy targets. Today, only 2 districts are in that lowest category.

Every year, an international organization based in London evaluates and chooses the world's best schools. In 2022, Chicago's Curie High School, a public school on the Southwest side of Chicago, was one of just five schools in the world to earn this ranking, and it was the only one chosen in North America. By melding great academics with an exceptional arts program, along with individualized mental and social-emotional support, Curie High School students are given the resources they needed to thrive.

I wanted to recognize the commitment of Curie's educators, social workers, counselors and support staff, so I asked Curie High School's Principal Homero Penuelas to join us here today. Principal Penuelas, thank you for setting such a great example of educational growth and showing the excellence Illinois schooling has to offer.

When it comes to K-12 education, we've come a long way, and we still have a long way to go. Which is why I'm proposing we increase our investment in K-12 education by another \$506 million: including \$350 million in EBF, an \$86 million increase in grants for transportation and special education, and an additional \$70 million targeted at educator shortages. My teacher pipeline proposal directs the \$70 million annually over each of the next three years to the 170 school districts with the most acute needs and vacancies. Those districts represent over 80% of the unfilled teaching positions in our state. Filling them will improve the student-teacher ratio for over 871,000 students.

When we talk about early childhood and K-12 education, what we're really talking about is preparing them for what comes next, which can be a post-secondary degree or a job. But unless we're making it affordable to attend the institutions and programs that provide the necessary 21st century degrees and skills, we're not fulfilling on our promise of cradle to career opportunity.

Here with us today is the Mayor of Bloomington, Mboka Mwilambwe. Born the youngest of seven children in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Mboka came to the United States in 1989 to pursue a college education. And thanks to financial assistance from ISU, Mboka did that right here in Illinois, graduating from with a bachelor's degree in mathematics and then a masters in education. He became a U.S. citizen in

2008, and after a career as a college administrator, Mboka was elected Mayor of Bloomington, the first African American ever to hold that position.

Seated next to him is Jaichan Smith [Jay-Shawn] from Chicago who is currently a junior at University of Illinois-Springfield, majoring in psychology with a minor in child advocacy studies. He plans to pursue a career as a child clinical psychologist so he can help the next generation of young Illinoisans. In Jaichan's [Jay-Shawn's] words, he could not have attended college without the MAP Grant program.

Mboka and Jaichan, you represent the promise of what college affordability can do for someone's future, and how our state benefits from it. Your success is our success. Please stand so we can recognize you both.

I am determined to make sure that every person in Illinois has that same opportunity.

When I first took office, our state was losing high school graduates to other states because Illinois state government had cut funding for higher education and had fallen behind other states in providing financial support for students. Think about that for a moment: we were losing our brightest young people to other state universities because we weren't providing enough students with scholarships or providing a large enough award, so other states were simply doing what was in their own best interests by stealing our best economic assets — our brightest minds. And we know that when students leave their home state for college, 70% of them never come back.

I set out to change that, and working with the majority in the General Assembly, that's exactly what we did. This year, every single student who is eligible for a MAP grant now gets one, and we are providing larger scholarships than ever before. While other states battle dwindling enrollment numbers, our public universities are seeing extraordinary growth. For the second year in a row, freshman enrollment at our state universities has increased substantially, and at a much faster rate than the rest of the nation.

But we can do more.

With a \$100 million increase to MAP, we can make history. Together with Pell grants, virtually everyone at or below median income in Illinois can go to community college tuition-free. That means higher wages and better jobs in healthcare, IT, construction management, manufacturing, accounting, and much more.

For decades we neglected direct investments in our state universities and community colleges. I propose we raise our direct investment in them by \$100 million — the largest increase in more than two decades. This is yet another way to make college more affordable.

After years of decline, we're seeing growth across higher education in Illinois that's well above the national average. This is our moment to take it all to the next level.

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Just a few weeks ago, Illinois was named the number one state in our region for workforce development. That's because we're making the necessary investments in job training. Let's hold onto that title by investing another \$25 million into Illinois Works for diverse hiring in the trades, \$10 million for high school vocational training for the electric vehicle workforce, \$1 million for data center operator training, and \$20 million in grants to recruit, train, and rapidly upskill workers for job openings at Illinois companies.

And we're going to need every one of those skilled workers and many more, because as of today, we have more than 81,000 more job openings in Illinois than we have skilled workers to fill them. And our economy and our industries are continuing to grow.

Capital investments in Illinois through EDGE agreements nearly tripled since before the pandemic — from \$348 million in 2019 to \$1 billion in 2022. And the number of new jobs created by EDGE has jumped nearly 60 percent.

The data center industry is booming in Illinois, creating more than 8,000 jobs just since the passage of our bipartisan Data Center Tax Credit in 2019. Since then, Illinois has become the second largest data center market in the United States, and the fifth largest in the world. And our expansion of clean energy production under CEJA is expected to feed our data center growth for years to come.

Thanks to our Film Tax Credit, TV and film production revenue in Illinois reached a record high last year of almost \$700 million, including \$400 million in wages paid and more than 15,400 jobs.

Cannabis legalization has created more than 30,000 jobs since 2020, and Illinois is home to the country's most diverse cannabis industry and some of the largest companies.

From Kellogg and 4Front to Ferrero and Tyson to Rivian and Lion Electric, large businesses are moving to and expanding in Illinois.

So too are small businesses. After a successful first round of grants, we are adding an additional \$20 million to our Rebuild Illinois Downtowns and Main Streets Capital Program to spruce up and modernize central business districts all across Illinois so small businesses will thrive. To make it easier to do business in Illinois, we are creating a "one-stop business portal" to help small businesses and aspiring entrepreneurs figure out what they need to do to start and grow a business, get permits and win business with state government. And with equity as a guiding principle, we are providing \$10 million in assistance for minority-owned businesses who plan to expand in Illinois. There's more to do, but we're ensuring that Illinois is open for business.

But we need to be safe in our businesses and our homes. So we've beefed up support for law enforcement to reduce crime. In 2022, Illinois State Police's Metropolitan Enforcement Groups and Drug Task Forces across the state seized 679 firearms and over 13 tons of drugs including multiple major interdictions of deadly fentanyl, and 1,942 individuals involved in crimes were arrested. With increased patrols and technology, ISP cut the number of homicides on Chicago area expressways by 88% and shootings dropped nearly in half. That's real progress, and this year's budget continues funding the hiring of additional troopers and upgrading the tools to catch perpetrators.

Hand in hand with public safety are the human services necessary for people most in need. Over the last decade, human services in Illinois were challenged in two ways: first by massive budget cuts and then by the pandemic. Among the areas most in need has been behavioral health services. In so many ways, the pandemic exposed the cracks in this system — leaving too many to deal with crises without any help.

We've looked at ways both big and small to address these needs.

Today in Illinois there is no single, consistent front door for young people or for families to walk through if they need behavioral health care. There is no central website that parents can search or phone number to call. Instead, they are left to navigate a confusing and overlapping multiple agency bureaucracy on their own.

That's going to change. The FY24 budget invests \$10 million to create our first care portal and resource referral tools for families seeking care. They can learn about the resources available to them and be matched with what meets their needs best, all in one place.

Nearly a year ago, I launched the Children's Behavioral Health Transformation Initiative to evaluate and redesign the delivery of behavioral health services for children and adolescents throughout our state. This initiative recognizes that while DCFS and DHS are on the frontlines of caring for our most vulnerable children, it will take a whole of government, inter-agency approach to truly provide the care our children deserve.

In alignment with the initiative's recommendations, we are investing another \$10 million towards a two-year expansion of the Comprehensive Community Based Youth Services program focused on youth aged 11 to 17 who are at risk of involvement in the child welfare system or the juvenile justice system. This funding will expand 24/7 services to youth — including assessments, crisis stabilization, and housing.

This fiscal year, for the first time in a decade, DHS began selecting children from the PUNS waiting list, a database that registers individuals with developmental disabilities, to receive home and community-based care. This work must continue. Over the next fiscal year DHS plans to offer services to an additional 500 children on the list. This will provide these children and their families access to needed services and supports while decreasing the State's waitlist for services.

One of the most difficult challenges we face right now in the field of social and mental health services are the critical worker shortages we are seeing across the country. Let me be clear: there is no bigger challenge in this arena than the workforce problem. And we are competing with 49 other states to try and attract people to these jobs here in Illinois. Providing more competitive wages to develop and support our workforce is an absolute necessity.

For the last several years, I have directed state funds towards supporting wage increases for our private sector provider partners including those who work with the Department of Children and Family Services — that continues in this budget proposal. And an additional \$120 million in the FY24 budget for the Department of Human Services allows us to continue rate increases to make Illinois more competitive in the market for workers who serve people with developmental disabilities.

The investments we've made in social service agencies over the past four years and that we are proposing for the coming year will finally have reversed the hollowing out that occurred in human services under the previous administration if we are able to hire up enough staff in this tight labor market. We are cautiously optimistic that we can do so.

This entire budget proposal rests on our shared goal: to give Illinois families the support and opportunities for the big building blocks of a good life: food access, housing, and healthcare. Certainly most people won't need to rely on government for those things. But we will have failed everyone in Illinois if we don't place a higher priority on tackling poverty — because fewer people living in financial distress means a better quality of life for everyone in our state.

So, this budget proposes increasing Temporary Assistance for Needy Families — TANF — by \$50 million so our families have more help to cover basic necessities like transportation, electricity, and food.

We also need to recognize that it does no good to provide a family with more money to purchase food if they have no local grocery store to shop at.

Government at the state and local level has tried hard to attract big retail food chains to neighborhoods that need them with tax incentives and flashy ribbon cutting ceremonies.

But after the cameras leave, often so do the commercial chains — leaving poorer rural and urban communities high and dry. It's time we return to a tried and true model — one where those communities are served by independent, local grocery stores that sell food grown by Illinois farmers.

This budget includes a first of its kind investment of \$20 million to launch the Illinois Grocery Initiative, assisting municipalities and independent grocers to open or expand grocery stores in underserved rural towns and urban neighborhoods — with an additional \$2 million going towards purchasing healthy, nutritious food from Illinois farmers.

When you're addressing poverty, hand in hand with food to eat is a place to call home. In Illinois, over 120,000 people experience homelessness annually and over 76,000 children face doubled up homelessness

living in overcrowded shared housing. In Illinois, Black people are eight times more likely to experience homelessness than white people, but the faces of Illinoisans with no home to go to are not homogenous...they include single parents with infants and toddlers, 6th graders trying to complete their homework using toilets as a desk in temporary shared housing, and LGBTQ+ high schoolers who were kicked out of their homes by their parents. Homelessness is not an identity, it's a set of circumstances.

Today, I am proud to unveil Home Illinois, a plan with a goal to invest \$50 million this year into prevention, crisis response, housing units, and staffing.

To see success, look no further than Rockford, Illinois.

Working in partnership with community organizers, judges, and housing authorities, Mayor Tom McNamara and the City of Rockford have engaged in successfully assisting homeless residents in their transition to apartments and helping struggling families avoid eviction from their homes.

The state should help other communities do the same — mobilizing every agency and every resource at our disposal, so no Illinoisan is without a home. Thank you for your leadership, Mayor McNamara.

Some of the most marginalized people in our society are women, especially women of color, who earn the least and take on some of the greatest societal burdens. When conservatives on the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade, they didn't strip the right to an abortion from wealthy women, they took it from the most vulnerable women.

I won't accept that for the women of Illinois, and neither do the majority of the people of Illinois. That's why last month we expanded our pool of abortion providers and eliminated barriers to access: allowing birth centers to provide all reproductive care, eliminating copays for birth control and abortive medications.

Since Roe was overturned, all the states around us have taken away reproductive freedom from their residents, so Illinois healthcare providers are seeing triple the demand, with desperate patients showing up at the crack of dawn every day.

That's why we are establishing a Reproductive Health Public Navigation Hotline, so patients can call ahead for a risk assessment and find the services that will meet their needs. From transportation and lodging to insurance coverage options, the hotline will help patients traverse a complex and overwhelmed system. To address the shortage of reproductive healthcare workers, we are providing \$5 million toward learning collaboratives for worker training.

Let's not pull punches — this is the result of a national conservative crusade to legislate against the most intimate matters of a woman's basic healthcare. I'm sure there are some elected officials who would like us to stop talking about abortion.

Well, too bad.

There are women in this country right now who are facing untold mental and physical anguish because of the fall of Roe v. Wade. Here in Illinois women know their rights are protected, but that doesn't take away our obligation as Americans to speak up for the rest of the nation.

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In the past few years, we saw the critical role that our public health infrastructure plays in our residents' wellbeing. No one was prepared for a disease that took more than 36,000 Illinoisans' lives in 30 months and affected hundreds of thousands of others. And every responsible public health expert will tell you that the next pandemic will not take another 100 years to arrive. We must act on the lessons from COVID and build a more robust state and local public health infrastructure so we are prepared for whatever comes our way.

We must invest \$45 million in upgrading our Department of Public Health's IT for Illinois' National Electronic Disease Surveillance system and Long-Term Care systems — which are tools states use to monitor the spread of disease, prevent outbreaks, and protect our most vulnerable residents. And we'll couple that with an \$8.5 million investment to assist public health professionals identifying and projecting the potential impact of new and emerging diseases on the horizon. If COVID-19 taught us anything, we must invest in the tools to quickly and aggressively contain their spread.

Every day I've held this office since the outbreak of COVID, I think about the healthcare workers who risked their lives to save others — going home but needing to keep their distance from their spouses, parents or children, battling exhaustion and burnout, and too often having to deliver the worst possible news despite their best efforts. Our healthcare workers are heroes — and though there is never enough we can do to repay them for their sacrifice, I propose we make their lives just a little bit easier by reducing the debt burden they face.

That's why the FY24 budget includes \$3 million for Healthcare Worker Loan Repayment and Scholarship programs — alongside a \$25 million rate increase for practitioners to broaden access to critical healthcare services, from an obstetrician for a pregnant woman to a behavioral health specialist for a struggling teen.

Delivering what matters to Illinois residents and their families is what defines good governance. We've all been asked to represent our constituents with tenacity and honor. And to speak up when our common American values are challenged.

Our history is a series of stops and starts, of ups and downs, of our ancestors getting it tragically wrong and courageously right. The only thing we can hope for in this work is that the values we attach our names to will make our grandchildren proud.

After all, this is the Land of Lincoln. We have a responsibility to that legacy.

As Elie Wiesel said, "We must always take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the tormented."

With that in mind, I want to take sides on something I feel obligated to speak out about, especially given the history of anti-Semitism and discrimination suffered by my ancestors and that persists for so many others today.

There is a virulent strain of nationalism plaguing our nation, led by demagogues who are pushing censorship, with a particular attack right now on school board members and library trustees. It's an ideological battle by the right wing, hiding behind a claim that they would protect our children — but whose real intention is to marginalize people and ideas they don't like. This has been done in the past, and it doesn't stop with just snuffing out ideas.

This afternoon I've laid out a budget agenda that does everything possible to invest in the education of our children. Yet it's all meaningless if we become a nation that bans books from school libraries about racism suffered by Roberto Clemente and Hank Aaron, and tells kids they can't talk about being gay, and signals to Black and Brown people and Asian Americans and Jews and Muslims that our authentic stories can't be told.

I'm the father of two children. I care a great deal about their education. Like every good parent I want to be involved in what they learn. I'm also a proud American. Our nation has a great history, and much to be proud of. I want my children to learn that history. But I don't want them to be lied to. I want them to learn our true history, warts and all. Illinois' young people shouldn't be kept from learning about the realities of our world. I want them to become critical thinkers, exposed to ideas that they disagree with, proud of what our nation has overcome, and thoughtful about what comes next.

Here in Illinois, we don't hide from the truth, we embrace it. That's what makes us strong.

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I want to conclude today with sharing a story of someone who exemplifies the tenacity of our people here in the Prairie State.

In 1951, at the age of 18, Joyce DeFauw arrived on Northern Illinois University's campus to pursue a degree in economics. But life had other plans. She met her husband, Don Freeman Sr. and left NIU to raise a family.

Seven decades later — nine children, and dozens of grandchildren and great-grandchildren later — Joyce decided she could focus on herself again, and she re-enrolled in college to finish her degree. Once again, life had other plans...a once-in-a-generation pandemic. But that didn't deter her. She finished her classes on a laptop given to her as a gift — and just two months ago, at age 90, Joyce walked across the stage to receive her Bachelor of General Studies, becoming the oldest person in history to graduate from NIU.

Joyce's story is a classic Illinois tale. We are a stubborn people — we persevere no matter the challenge. We welcome opportunity for improvement. And when we rise, we rise together.

I see it in Mboka Mwilambwe who received a tuition waiver from this welcoming state and has returned it tenfold as Bloomington's Mayor, and in Jaichan Smith [Jay-Shawn] who is on his way to becoming a child clinical psychologist. I see it in Itanzia Dawson, a mom determined to provide a better life for her family and who now educates the children of Little Village. I see it in Anne Tyree, who supports mental health patients and their families who are going through the same thing she has. I see it in neighbors who helped each other through the pandemic, in small businesses contributing to their communities' success, in the determination of our young people to make positive change for our state and nation.

We are a people with enough empathy to be kind to one another, enough grit to persevere, and just enough confidence to believe we can make a difference in this world. That's the Illinois that I know. That's the Illinois we all represent.

Thank you. God bless the great state of Illinois and the United States of America.

At the hour of 1:09 o'clock p.m., Senator Lightford moved that the Joint Assembly do now arise.  
The motion prevailed.

At the hour of 1:10 o'clock p.m., The Senate having withdrawn, the House resumed its session.  
Speaker Welch in the Chair

### **AGREED RESOLUTIONS**

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 67 and 68 were taken up for consideration.  
Representative Gabel moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.  
The motion prevailed and the agreed resolutions were adopted.

At the hour of 1:26 o'clock p.m., Speaker Welch moved that the House do now adjourn until Thursday, February 16, 2023, at 12:00 o'clock p.m., allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.  
The motion prevailed.  
And the House stood adjourned.

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
ONE HUNDRED THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
QUORUM CALL

February 15, 2023

0 YEAS

0 NAYS

116 PRESENT

P Ammons	P Ford	P Kifowit	P Scherer
P Andrade	P Frese	P Ladisch Douglass	P Schmidt
P Avelar	P Friess	P LaPointe	P Severin
P Benton	P Fritts	P Lilly	P Slaughter
E Blair-Sherlock	P Gabel	P Mah	P Smith
P Buckner(ADDED)	P Gong-Gershowitz	P Manley	P Sosnowski
P Bunting	P Gonzalez	P Marron	P Spain
E Burke	P Gordon-Booth	P Mason	P Stava-Murray
P Cabello	P Grant	P Mayfield	P Stephens
P Canty	P Guerrero-Cuellar	P McCombie	P Stuart
P Carroll	P Guzzardi	P McLaughlin	P Swanson
P Cassidy	P Haas	P Meier	P Syed
P Caulkins	P Halbrook	P Meyers-Martin	P Tarver
P Chung	P Hammond	P Miller	P Tipsword
P Coffey	P Hanson	P Moeller	P Ugaste
P Collins	P Harper	P Morgan	P Vella
P Costa Howard	P Hauter	P Moylan	P Walker
P Crespo	P Hernandez, Barbara	P Mussman	P Walsh
P Croke	P Hernandez, Lisa	P Ness	P Weaver
P Davidsmeyer	P Hernandez, Norma	P Nichols	P Weber
P Davis, Jed	P Hirschauer	P Niemerg	P West
P Davis, Will	P Hoffman	P Olickal	P Wilhour
P Delgado	P Hurley	P Ortiz	P Williams, Ann
P DeLuca	P Huynh	P Ozinga	P Williams, Jawaharial
P Didech	P Jacobs	P Rashid	P Windhorst
P Egofske	P Jiménez	P Reick	P Yang Rohr
P Elik	P Johnson	P Rita	P Yednock
P Evans	P Jones	P Robinson(ADDED)	P Mr. Speaker
P Faver Dias	P Keicher	P Rosenthal	
P Flowers	P Kelly	P Sanalidro	

E - Denotes Excused Absence



At the hour of 3:41 o'clock p.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

### **INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS**

The following bill was introduced, read by title a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules:

HOUSE BILL 1981 (CORRECTED). Introduced by Representative McCombie, AN ACT making appropriations.

The following bills were introduced, read by title a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules:

HOUSE BILL 2390. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2391. Introduced by Representative Scherer, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2392. Introduced by Representative Scherer, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2393. Introduced by Representative Delgado, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 2394. Introduced by Representative Evans, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2395. Introduced by Representative Evans, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2396. Introduced by Representatives Canty - Avelar, Williams, Ann, Cassidy, Morgan, Faver Dias, Manley, Syed, Collins, Evans and Guzzardi, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2397. Introduced by Representative Delgado, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2398. Introduced by Representative Delgado, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2399. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning liquor.

HOUSE BILL 2400. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2401. Introduced by Representative Ford, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2402. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2403. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2404. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2405. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2406. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2407. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2408. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2409. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2410. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2411. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2412. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning the Illinois State Police.

HOUSE BILL 2413. Introduced by Representative Cabello, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2414. Introduced by Representative Cabello, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 2415. Introduced by Representative Marron, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 2416. Introduced by Representative Marron, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2417. Introduced by Representative Spain, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2418. Introduced by Representative Keicher, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 2419. Introduced by Representative Keicher, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2420. Introduced by Representative Keicher, AN ACT concerning environmental safety.

HOUSE BILL 2421. Introduced by Representative McLaughlin, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2422. Introduced by Representative Crespo, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 2423. Introduced by Representative Moylan, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2424. Introduced by Representative Moylan, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2425. Introduced by Representative Moylan, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2426. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2427. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 2428. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 2429. Introduced by Representative Guzzardi, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2430. Introduced by Representative Evans, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 2431. Introduced by Representative Evans, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2432. Introduced by Representative Hirschauer, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2433. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2434. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2435. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2436. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 2437. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2438. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 2439. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2440. Introduced by Representative Stava-Murray, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 2441. Introduced by Representative Carroll, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2442. Introduced by Representative Guerrero-Cuellar, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2443. Introduced by Representative Chung, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2444. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 2445. Introduced by Representative Manley, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2446. Introduced by Representative Syed, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 2447. Introduced by Representative Avelar, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2448. Introduced by Representative Johnson, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2449. Introduced by Representative Williams, Ann, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2450. Introduced by Representative Morgan, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2451. Introduced by Representative Johnson, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2452. Introduced by Representative Gonzalez, AN ACT concerning essential services for persons with developmental disabilities.

HOUSE BILL 2453. Introduced by Representative Slaughter, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2454. Introduced by Representative Collins, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 2455. Introduced by Representative Tarver, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 2456. Introduced by Representative LaPointe, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 2457. Introduced by Representative Davis, Will, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2458. Introduced by Representative Canty, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 2459. Introduced by Representative Moylan, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 2460. Introduced by Representative Moylan, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2461. Introduced by Representative Walsh, AN ACT concerning wildlife.

HOUSE BILL 2462. Introduced by Representative Hanson, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2463. Introduced by Representative Costa Howard, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 2464. Introduced by Representative Cassidy, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2465. Introduced by Representative Mayfield, AN ACT concerning liquor.

HOUSE BILL 2466. Introduced by Representative Ness, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2467. Introduced by Representative Mah, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2468. Introduced by Representative Harper, AN ACT concerning agriculture.

HOUSE BILL 2469. Introduced by Representative Ortiz, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2470. Introduced by Representative Ortiz, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2471. Introduced by Representative West, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2472. Introduced by Representative Morgan, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2473. Introduced by Representative Evans, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2474. Introduced by Representative Ness, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2475. Introduced by Representative Guerrero-Cuellar, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2476. Introduced by Representative Cassidy, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2477. Introduced by Representative Croke, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 2478. Introduced by Representative Moeller, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2479. Introduced by Representative Williams, Ann, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2480. Introduced by Representative Evans, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2481. Introduced by Representative Mussman, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 2482. Introduced by Representative Buckner, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 2483. Introduced by Representative Buckner, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 2484. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2485. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2486. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2487. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 2488. Introduced by Representative West, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2489. Introduced by Representative Johnson, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 2490. Introduced by Representative Buckner, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2491. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2492. Introduced by Representative Williams, Ann, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2493. Introduced by Representative Ortiz, AN ACT concerning employment.

HOUSE BILL 2494. Introduced by Representative Mussman, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2495. Introduced by Representative Huynh, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2496. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 2497. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2498. Introduced by Representative Costa Howard, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2499. Introduced by Representative Morgan, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2500. Introduced by Representative Benton, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2501. Introduced by Representative N. Hernandez, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 2502. Introduced by Representative Tarver, AN ACT concerning liquor.

HOUSE BILL 2503. Introduced by Representative Stuart, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2504. Introduced by Representative Ammons, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 2505. Introduced by Representative Moylan, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2506. Introduced by Representative Mussman, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2507. Introduced by Representative Croke, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2508. Introduced by Representative Mussman, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 2509. Introduced by Representative Delgado, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2510. Introduced by Representative Ness, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2511. Introduced by Representative Ladisch Douglass, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2512. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2513. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2514. Introduced by Representative Davis, Will, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 2515. Introduced by Representative Kifowit, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 2516. Introduced by Representative Stuart, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2517. Introduced by Representative Hirschauer, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2518. Introduced by Representative Croke, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2519. Introduced by Representative Stuart, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 2520. Introduced by Representative Harper, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 2521. Introduced by Representative Harper, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 2522. Introduced by Representative Harper, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 2523. Introduced by Representative Harper, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 2524. Introduced by Representative Harper, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 2525. Introduced by Representative Ladisch Douglass, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2526. Introduced by Representative Hirschauer, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2527. Introduced by Representative Walsh, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2528. Introduced by Representative Ammons, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2529. Introduced by Representative Avelar, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2530. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 2531. Introduced by Representative Davis, Will, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2532. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 2533. Introduced by Representative Ladisch Douglass, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 2534. Introduced by Representative Robinson, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2535. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning aging.

HOUSE BILL 2536. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 2537. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2538. Introduced by Representative Robinson, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 2539. Introduced by Representative Hirschauer, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2540. Introduced by Representative Mason, AN ACT concerning veterans.

HOUSE BILL 2541. Introduced by Representative Mah, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2542. Introduced by Representative Mason, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 2543. Introduced by Representative Olickal, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 2544. Introduced by Representative Mason, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2545. Introduced by Representative Hirschauer, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2546. Introduced by Representative Olickal, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2547. Introduced by Representative Olickal, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2548. Introduced by Representative Delgado, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2549. Introduced by Representative Hernandez, Elizabeth, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 2550. Introduced by Representative Yang Rohr, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2551. Introduced by Representative Hernandez, Elizabeth, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 2552. Introduced by Representative Evans, AN ACT concerning utilities.

HOUSE BILL 2553. Introduced by Representative Yang Rohr, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2554. Introduced by Representative Meyers-Martin, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2555. Introduced by Representative Ness, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 2556. Introduced by Representative Harper, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2557. Introduced by Representative Harper, AN ACT concerning agriculture.

HOUSE BILL 2558. Introduced by Representative Moylan, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2559. Introduced by Representative Moylan, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 2560. Introduced by Representative Moylan, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 2561. Introduced by Representative Moylan, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2562. Introduced by Representative Huynh, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 2563. Introduced by Representative Vella, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2564. Introduced by Representative Vella, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 2565. Introduced by Representative Stuart, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2566. Introduced by Representative Stuart, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 2567. Introduced by Representative Stuart, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2568. Introduced by Representative Stuart, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2569. Introduced by Representative Ness, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 2570. Introduced by Representative Andrade, AN ACT concerning gaming.

HOUSE BILL 2571. Introduced by Representative Andrade, AN ACT concerning human rights.

HOUSE BILL 2572. Introduced by Representative Faver Dias, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 2573. Introduced by Representative Yednock, AN ACT concerning agriculture.

HOUSE BILL 2574. Introduced by Representative Guerrero-Cuellar, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 2575. Introduced by Representative Williams, Ann, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2576. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning courts.

HOUSE BILL 2577. Introduced by Representative Hoffman, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 2578. Introduced by Representative Cabello, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 2579. Introduced by Representative Sosnowski, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2580. Introduced by Representative Hauter, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2581. Introduced by Representative Hauter, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2582. Introduced by Representatives Fritts - Syed, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2583. Introduced by Representative Elik, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2584. Introduced by Representative Swanson, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2585. Introduced by Representative Swanson, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2586. Introduced by Representative Swanson, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2587. Introduced by Representative Davis, Jed, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2588. Introduced by Representative Weaver, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2589. Introduced by Representative Weaver, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 2590. Introduced by Representative Niemerg, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 2591. Introduced by Representative Niemerg, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2592. Introduced by Representative Spain, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2593. Introduced by Representative Caulkins, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2594. Introduced by Representative Miller, AN ACT concerning revenue.

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HOUSE BILL 2600. Introduced by Representative Niemerg, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2601. Introduced by Representative Niemerg, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2602. Introduced by Representative Niemerg, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 2603. Introduced by Representative Niemerg, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2604. Introduced by Representative Niemerg, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2605. Introduced by Representative Niemerg, AN ACT concerning firearms.

HOUSE BILL 2606. Introduced by Representative Niemerg, AN ACT concerning abortion.

HOUSE BILL 2607. Introduced by Representative Niemerg, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 2608. Introduced by Representative Niemerg, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 2609. Introduced by Representative Davis, Jed, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2610. Introduced by Representative Davis, Jed, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2611. Introduced by Representative Davis, Jed, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 2612. Introduced by Representative Davis, Jed, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2613. Introduced by Representative Davis, Jed, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2614. Introduced by Representative Elik, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2615. Introduced by Representative Friess, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 2616. Introduced by Representative Friess, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2617. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning courts.

HOUSE BILL 2618. Introduced by Representative Elik, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2619. Introduced by Representative Gabel, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 2620. Introduced by Representative Costa Howard, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 2621. Introduced by Representative Kifowit, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2622. Introduced by Representative Mussman, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 2623. Introduced by Representative Kifowit, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 2624. Introduced by Representative Syed, AN ACT concerning courts.

HOUSE BILL 2625. Introduced by Representative Syed, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 2626. Introduced by Representative Syed, AN ACT concerning elections.

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HOUSE BILL 2627. Introduced by Representative Syed, AN ACT concerning firearms.

HOUSE BILL 2628. Introduced by Representative Syed, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 2629. Introduced by Representative Syed, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 2630. Introduced by Representative Cassidy, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 2631. Introduced by Representative Evans, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 2632. Introduced by Representative Tarver, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

At the hour of 3:58 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.