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SENATOR JOSEPH A. GRIFFO, Acting President

STEVEN M. BOGGESS, Secretary

P R O C E E D I N G S

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Senate will come to order.

I ask everyone present to please rise and repeat with me the Pledge of Allegiance.

(Whereupon, the assemblage recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: In the absence of clergy, I would ask everyone to bow their heads for a moment of silent prayer.

(Whereupon, the assemblage respected a moment of silence.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The reading of the Journal.

THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Tuesday, March 13, the Senate met pursuant to adjournment. The Journal of Monday, March 12, was read and approved. On motion, Senate adjourned.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Without objection, the Journal stands approved as read.

Presentation of petitions.

Messages from the Assembly.

Messages from the Governor.

Reports of standing committees.

Reports of select committees.

Communications and reports from state officers.

Motions and resolutions.

I recognize Senator Bonacic.

SENATOR BONACIC: Thank you, Mr. President.

This is to amend a bill on the calendar third reading. On page number 16 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 209, Senate Print Number 1091, and ask on behalf of Senator Saland that the bill retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received and adopted, and the bill will retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

SENATOR BONACIC: Thank you.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, if we could adopt the Resolution Calendar at

this time.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: All in favor of adopting the Resolution Calendar signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Opposed.

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Resolution Calendar is adopted.

Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, there will be an immediate meeting of the Rules Committee in the Majority Conference Room, and the Senate will stand at ease.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Announce an immediate meeting of the Rules Committee in the Majority Conference Room, Room 332.

The Senate will stand at ease.

(Whereupon, the Senate stood at ease at 11:04 a.m.)

(Whereupon, the Senate reconvened at 11:10 a.m.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senate

is in session.

Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, if we could return to reports of standing committees, there's a report of the Rules Committee at the desk. I ask that it be read at this time.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Senator Bruno, from the Committee on Rules, reports the following bill directly to third reading:

Senate Print 1584A, by Senator Libous, an act to establish the "Flood Assessment Relief Act of 2007."

SENATOR SKELOS: Move to accept the report of the Rules Committee.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: All in favor of accepting the report of the Rules Committee signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Opposed.

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The

Rules report is accepted.

Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, if we could go to the noncontroversial reading of the calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 99, by Senator Maziarz, Senate Print 1630, an act to amend Part E2 of Chapter 62 of the Laws of 2003.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 40.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 137, by Senator Morahan, Senate Print 2442, an act to amend the General Business Law, in relation to prohibiting.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect on the 30th day.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 40.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 204, by Senator Young, Senate Print 365, an act to amend the Highway Law, in relation to permitting.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 40.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number

208, by Senator Marcellino, Senate Print 619, an act to amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law, in relation to the enforcement of the offense of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This act shall take effect on the first of November.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 39. Nays, 1. Senator Duane recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 211, by Senator Farley, Senate Print 1241, an act to amend the Highway Law, in relation to changing the course.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 40.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 219, by Senator Skelos, Senate Print 438, an act to amend the Correction Law, in relation to the failure to register.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect on the 30th day.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 40.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 225, by Senator Little, Senate Print 1136, an act to amend the General Municipal Law, in relation to procurement.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read

the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 40. Nays, 1. Senator Hassell-Thompson recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 233, by Senator Flanagan, Senate Print 837, an act to amend the Public Authorities Law, in relation to tort claims.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 41.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 237, by Senator Trunzo, Senate Print 1775, an act to amend Chapter 672 of the Laws of 1993, amending the Public Authorities Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 41.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 295, by Senator Alesi, Senate Print 1654, an act to amend the Retirement and Social Security Law, in relation to option election.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 41.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 344, by Senator Libous, Senate Print 1584A, an act to establish the "Flood Assessment Relief Act of 2007."

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 41.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

Senator Skelos, that completes the noncontroversial reading of the calendar.

SENATOR SKELOS: Thank you, Mr. President.

There will be an immediate meeting of the Finance Committee in the Majority Conference Room to take up certain nominations, and then we will return and take

up those nominations and adjourn.

So there will be an immediate meeting of the Finance Committee.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: There will be an immediate meeting of the Finance Committee in the Majority Conference Room.

The Senate is at ease.

(Whereupon, the Senate stood at ease at 11:16 a.m.)

(Whereupon, the Senate reconvened at 12:10 p.m.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Senate will come to order.

Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, if we could return to reports of standing committees, there's a report of Finance Committee at the desk. I ask that it be taken up at this time.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Reports of standing committees.

The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Senator O. Johnson, from the Committee on Finance, reports the following nominations.

As commissioner of the Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, Diana Jones Ritter, of Niskayuna.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, I believe the nominees are not quite here yet, so we'll just stand at ease for a moment.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Senate will stand at ease.

(Whereupon, the Senate stood at ease at 12:11 p.m.)

(Whereupon, the Senate reconvened at 12:13 p.m.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Little.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you, Mr. President.

Would you please recognize Senator Morahan.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The chair recognizes Senator Morahan.

SENATOR MORAHAN: Thank you, Mr. President.

It's my privilege and pleasure to move the nomination of Diana Jones Ritter as

the commissioner of the Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Farley.

SENATOR FARLEY: Thank you, Mr. President.

I do rise to support the nomination of Diana Jones Ritter, who is with us in the gallery. And not only is she my constituent from Niskayuna, but also her husband is my constituent.

You know, this is a person that has risen right through the ranks of state government. She's been in the Comptroller's office, in the division of audit and state financial services. She's been in the Office of Public Health. And she's eminently qualified.

It is so, I guess, infrequently that you see a commissioner that comes up through the ranks and reaches the top. And if anybody deserves it, Diana Jones Ritter does.

And I am thrilled to support her nomination as commissioner for Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities.

It's an area that really needs a lot of attention, and I know that we're going to be blessed by her service.

Good luck to you, Diana.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator O. Johnson.

SENATOR OWEN JOHNSON: Move the nomination.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The question is on the nomination of Diana Jones Ritter as commissioner of the Office of Mental Health. All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Opposed.

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Diana Jones Ritter is hereby confirmed as commissioner of the Office of Mental Health. Congratulations, Commissioner.

Excuse me, commissioner of the Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities.

(Applause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator

Little.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you, Mr. President.

I would like to congratulate our new commissioner, but I'd also like to correct for the record that she is being nominated and confirmed to the position of commissioner of the Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities.

Thank you and congratulations, Commissioner.

(Applause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Congratulations, Commissioner.

My apologies; I'm a freshman.

And I appreciate the opportunity to congratulate the commissioner and to acknowledge her husband, Larry Ritter, who is here; sons, Larry, Jr., and Kameron Ritter, who are here in the gallery; mother, Marion Jones; brother and sister-in-law, Charles and Sue Jones; nieces, Kyla Jones and Yolanda Bostic; and special guest Elizabeth Moore.

Our congratulations and best wishes for a successful tenure.

(Applause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Little.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you, Mr. President.

Would you please recognize Senator Morahan.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Morahan.

SENATOR MORAHAN: Thank you, Mr. President. I now move the nomination of Michael F. Hogan, Ph.D., to serve as the commissioner of the Office of Mental Health.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: As commissioner of the Office of Mental Health, Michael F. Hogan, Ph.D., of Alplaus.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Johnson.

SENATOR OWEN JOHNSON: Move the nomination.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Farley.

SENATOR FARLEY: Thank you. Let

me say that I rise and I think it's is appropriate in St. Patrick's Week that we nominate and confirm Dr. Michael Hogan, of Alplaus.

And not only is he a constituent of mine, but his father, I just recently learned, was the head of the English department at Niskayuna High School, one of the finest school systems in the world.

Dr. Hogan comes to us having served in Connecticut and in Ohio. But let me just say this. He's a graduate of Cornell University, of which Senator Nozzolio was terribly impressed, and he got his master's degree from the University at Brockport and also a Ph.D. from Syracuse University. Was very disappointed that they didn't make the big dance.

But outside of that, Dr. Hogan is eminently qualified to be our commissioner of Mental Health, even though we did our best to try to get Diana Jones Ritter to be that commissioner.

(Laughter.)

SENATOR FARLEY: This department

will be yours, or this agency will be yours, Dr. Hogan.

You're eminently qualified. I congratulate the Governor on your appointment. And we all look forward to working with you, and we wish you well in your tenure.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Volker.

SENATOR VOLKER: Mr. President, very quickly.

In case anybody wondered what happened to everybody here, it's classic Legislature. We have people that are in conference, that are preparing for conference committees. In fact, I just got my script. But that's why some people are not here.

But let me just say, Commissioner Hogan, as I said in the Finance Committee, you probably have one of the finest resumes for -- and I've been here a lot of years. I can't remember anybody who was confirmed to the Office of Mental Health who had a better management resume in mental health.

And as I said before, we used to put psychiatrists in there. And after a year

or so, those psychiatrists ended up needing psychiatrists, because you need somebody that can manage, not just know about mental health.

So it's a great appointment, good man -- despite the fact he comes from Senator Farley's district, we'll forget that. And you're a good man.

(Laughter.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The question is on the nomination of Dr. Michael Hogan as commissioner of the Office of Mental Health. All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Opposed.

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Commissioner Hogan is hereby confirmed.

Congratulations, Dr. Hogan, and our best wishes to you.

(Applause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: As commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles, David J.

Swarts, of Elma.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Johnson.

SENATOR OWEN JOHNSON: Move the nomination.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Maziarz.

SENATOR MAZIARZ: I'll defer to Senator Volker. I'll go after Senator Volker.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Volker.

SENATOR VOLKER: Yeah, the reason they're deferring to me is because he's my constituent.

In fact, Senator Stachowski, who had to run off and do some duties, said he's my constituent now, he previous to that was Senator Stachowski's, and so forth.

But I've known David for many, many years. He's been the county clerk in Erie County, been through the last-nine-year wars in Erie County with the budget problems and so forth. In fact, probably no county clerk in Erie County history has had to go through the terrible situation that David went through.

And if anybody can get through that and keep the place even operating, as far as I'm concerned he deserves to be not only Motor Vehicles commissioner but probably should be even something higher.

But I do say he's a good man, good administrator, fine family. And I'm proud to throw his name forward for DMV commissioner.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Maziarz.

SENATOR MAZIARZ: Thank you very much, Mr. President.

Mr. President, this has nothing to do with Dave Swarts, but I feel compelled, since every meeting I've been to this morning people have been getting in the names of their universities, where they went. And particularly, Niag University not only made the big dance, but they actually won their first game yesterday, Mr. President.

(Laughter.)

SENATOR MAZIARZ: So for the record, that's my alma mater. It is not Dave Swarts' alma mater.

But despite that, Dave Swarts is an

excellent nominee for the position of commissioner of Motor Vehicles. I served with Dave in an adjoining county as county clerk. When he was in Erie County, I was in the Niagara County Clerk's office. And Dave, despite being on an opposite political team, when I was first elected was one of the first people to call me up to help me out in the office, you know, particularly in the area of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

As I said in the Finance Committee meeting, the biggest interaction that any county clerk has is with the Department of Motor Vehicles. Tens of thousands, hundreds of thousands of taxpaying residents interact with the county clerks through the Department of Motor Vehicles. It is not always a pleasant experience.

But not only did Dave do an excellent job in Erie County, but he had so much respect from county clerks across New York, Mr. President, that the County Clerks Association for a number of years unofficially and officially appointed Dave as the liaison between the State Department of

Motor Vehicles and the county clerks' office.

So it's with a great deal of pride that I see there are many people here who have been associated with Dave over the years to stand and to second this nomination.

And it's great that Senator Sabini, somebody from the Democratic side, has been able to join us. Given Dave's long experience in helping out their side of the aisle, it's good that Senator Sabini could join us.

But, Mr. President, I think this is an excellent nomination on the part of the Governor. I strongly urge my colleagues to give this exceptional nominee unanimous support.

Thank you.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Libous.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Thank you, Mr. President.

Today we certainly have a slate of extremely qualified nominees. But I want to speak right now on Mr. Swarts, who was before the Transportation Committee.

Unlike Senator Volker, I can't say

he's my constituent. Unlike Senator Stachowski, I can't say I've known him for over 20 years. But I can tell you that I've known him for a short period of time and I've talked to many people that he's dealt with, not only those in state associations who have worked directly with him but individuals who he has served with.

And it is told time and time again that he has a quality that is very important to be the commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles, that he cares about the customer. And that's really what this is about, the customer, the constituents that we serve.

So I look forward, as the chairman of the Transportation Committee, to working with you, Dave. I know that there are a host of issues and challenges that we have before us. But I do know that you will tackle them efficiently and effectively.

And I would also say that anybody who took 70 percent of the vote the last time he ran in Erie County must be doing something right. The customers believe in you.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Fuschillo.

SENATOR FUSCHILLO: Thank you very much, Mr. President.

I just want to concur with my colleagues, this is an excellent choice from the Governor on this nomination.

In his brief tenure as acting commissioner, my office and myself have dealt with Mr. Swarts, and he's been extremely professional and very responsive, and I appreciate that.

And I relayed in the committee, the confirmation hearings, what it used to be like. We used to go to the DMV and pack a lunch, and we would spend the entire day there just trying to get through the lines and the mazes of human bodies. But that's all changed.

One of the areas I've asked the commissioner, soon-to-be commissioner to consider is the administrative law judges under the guidance of the commissioner in respect to giving back a driver's license on a restricted or confined basis to those who have

been convicted of multiple DWIs.

As I said to you and I'll say to this body, it's a danger to this society when individuals who have been convicted of multiple drinking and driving offenses in this state get restricted licenses. And that's something I hope that we can work together and take a serious look at.

I enthusiastically support this nominee, and I welcome him into his new position.

Congratulations.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Sabini.

SENATOR SABINI: Thank you, Mr. President. On the nomination.

First of all, let me apologize to Senator Maziarz that we weren't in the chamber. We had a meeting with an important state employee. I guess you guys remember what that was like one time. But we had to be there.

And we were urged to support the nomination of Mr. Swarts as commissioner of DMV. We have had a number of conversations

since the Governor has proposed his name and have found him to be responsive and concerned about some of the issues that I and my colleagues on both sides of the aisle have brought up.

And DMV is often an agency that in almost every state is sort of kidded about as a bureaucracy, as something that's inefficient. Our DMV has, as Senator Fuschillo said, moved light years in the last few years to be more efficient. Mr. Swarts's reputation in Erie County is one of running a very efficient office as well. And I'm sure he will be part of the increased user-friendly DMV that we'd like to see in this administration.

He has a number of issues in front of him that he'll tackling in the next couple of months, and I look forward to working with him and congratulate him on his nomination, congratulate the Governor on a very good appointment.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Thank you, Senator Sabini.

The question is on the nomination of David J. Swarts as commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles. All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Opposed.

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Congratulations to Commissioner Swarts. He's accompanied by his wife, Susan.

We wish you the best of luck and success.

(Applause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Little.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you, Mr. President. We have some housekeeping.

On page number 14, I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 160, Senate Print Number 1093, and ask that said bill retain its place on Third Reading Calendar, on behalf of Senator Saland.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received and adopted, and the

bill will retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you, Mr. President.

On behalf of Senator DeFrancisco, on page number 15 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 178, Senate Print 242, and ask that said bill retain its place on Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received and adopted, and the bill will retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you, Mr. President.

On behalf of Senator Libous, I wish to call up Senate Print Number 1584A, recalled from the Assembly, which is now at the desk.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 344, by Senator Libous, Senate Print 1584A, an act to establish.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Little.

SENATOR LITTLE: Mr. President, I now move to reconsider the vote by which this bill was passed and ask that the bill be restored to the order of third reading.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will call the roll on reconsideration.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you, Mr. President.

I now move to discharge, from the Committee on Rules, Assembly Print Number 4868B and substitute it for my identical bill.

The Senate bill on first passage was voted unanimously. I now move that the substituted Assembly bill have its third reading at this time.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: So ordered.

The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 344, by Member of the Assembly Lupardo, Assembly Print Number 4868B, an act to establish.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

Senator Little.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you.

Mr. President, I move to take from the table Senate Bill Number 2104A, which was lost on March 12. I further move to reconsider the vote by which the bill was lost.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will call the roll on reconsideration.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar Number 333.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The

bill is restored to the Third Reading Calendar.

Senator Little.

SENATOR LITTLE: Mr. President, I now move to recommit Senate Print Number 2104B, Calendar 333 on the order of third reading, to the Committee on Rules.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: So ordered.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you.

Mr. President, is there any further business to come before the Senate today?

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: There is no further business at the desk.

SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you.

I ask that we adjourn until Monday, March 19th, at 3:00 p.m., intervening days being legislative days.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: On motion, the Senate stands adjourned until Monday, March 19th, at 3:00 p.m., intervening days being legislative days.

(Whereupon, at 12:26 p.m., the Senate adjourned.)