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SENATOR JAMAAL T. BAILEY, Acting President

ALEJANDRA N. PAULINO, ESQ., Secretary

1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
3 Senate will come to order.

4 I ask everyone to please rise and
5 recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: In the
9 absence of clergy, let us bow our heads in a
10 moment of silent reflection or prayer.

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

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Reading
14 of the Journal.

15 THE SECRETARY: In Senate,
16 Wednesday, March 26, 2025, the Senate met
17 pursuant to adjournment. The Journal of Tuesday,
18 March 25, 2025, was read and approved. On
19 motion, the Senate adjourned.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Without
21 objection, the Journal stands approved as read.

22 Presentation of petitions.

23 Messages from the Assembly.

24 Messages from the Governor.

25 Reports of standing committees.

1 Reports of select committees.

2 Communications and reports from
3 state officers.

4 Motions and resolutions.

5 Senator Gianaris.

6 SENATOR GIANARIS: Good afternoon,
7 Mr. President.

8 On behalf of Senator Hinchey, on
9 page 20 I offer the following amendments to
10 Calendar Number 404, Senate Print 1721, and ask
11 that said bill retain its place on the
12 Third Reading Calendar.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
14 amendments are received, and the bill will retain
15 its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

16 Senator Gianaris.

17 SENATOR GIANARIS: At this time,
18 Mr. President, we're going to simultaneously call
19 an immediate meeting of the Finance Committee in
20 Room 332 and take up the calendar on the floor.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: There
22 will be an immediate meeting of the
23 Finance Committee in Room 332.

24 And the Secretary will read.

25 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number

1 113, Senate Print 1688, by Senator Skoufis, an
2 act to amend the Executive Law.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Read the
4 last section.

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

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Call the
8 roll.

9 (The Secretary called the roll.)

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Announce
11 the results.

12 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 57.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The bill
14 is passed.

15 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
16 189, Senate Print 1535, by Senator Parker, an act
17 to amend the Public Service Law.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Read the
19 last section.

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

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Call the
23 roll.

24 (The Secretary called the roll.)

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Announce

1 the results.

2 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
3 Calendar 189, voting in the negative are
4 Senators Borrello, Canzoneri-Fitzpatrick,
5 Helming, Mattera, Oberacker, Rhoads, Stec and
6 Walczyk.

7 Ayes, 49. Nays, 8.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The bill
9 is passed.

10 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
11 359, Senate Print 866, by Senator Bailey, an act
12 to amend the Penal Law.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Read the
14 last section.

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

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Call the
18 roll.

19 (The Secretary called the roll.)

20 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Announce
21 the results.

22 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 57.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The bill
24 is passed.

25 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number

1 472, Senate Print 1912A, by Senator Rivera, an
2 act to amend the Social Services Law.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Read the
4 last section.

5 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
6 act shall take effect on the 180th day after it
7 shall have become a law.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Call the
9 roll.

10 (The Secretary called the roll.)

11 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Announce
12 the results.

13 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
14 Calendar 472, voting in the negative are
15 Senators Borrello, Lanza, Oberacker, Ortt, Rhoads
16 and Walczyk.

17 Ayes, 53. Nays, 6.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The bill
19 is passed.

20 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
21 553, Senate Print 6283, by Senator
22 Scarcella-Spanton, an act to amend the
23 Cannabis Law.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Read the
25 last section.

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

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Call the
4 roll.

5 (The Secretary called the roll.)

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Announce
7 the results.

8 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 59.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The bill
10 is passed.

11 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
12 557, Senate Print 2075, by Senator Mayer, an act
13 to amend the State Finance Law.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Read the
15 last section.

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

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Call the
19 roll.

20 (The Secretary called the roll.)

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Announce
22 the results.

23 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 59.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The bill
25 is passed.

1 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
2 573, Senate Print 1373, by Senator Serrano, an
3 act to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Read the
5 last section.

6 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
7 act shall take effect on the 30th day after it
8 shall have become a law.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Call the
10 roll.

11 (The Secretary called the roll.)

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Announce
13 the results.

14 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
15 Calendar 573, voting in the negative:
16 Senator Walczyk.

17 Ayes, 58. Nays, 1.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The bill
19 is passed.

20 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
21 578, Senate Print 1798, by Senator Persaud, an
22 act to amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Read the
24 last section.

25 THE SECRETARY: Section 5. This

1 act shall take effect immediately.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Call the
3 roll.

4 (The Secretary called the roll.)

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Announce
6 the results.

7 THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 59.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The bill
9 is passed.

10 Senator Gianaris, that completes the
11 reading of today's calendar.

12 SENATOR GIANARIS: Mr. President,
13 we're going to stand at ease as we wait for the
14 Finance Committee to conclude its work.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
16 Senate will stand at ease.

17 (Whereupon, the Senate stood at ease
18 at 12:19 p.m.)

19 (Whereupon, the Senate reconvened at
20 12:27 p.m.)

21 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
22 Senate will return to order.

23 Senator Gianaris.

24 SENATOR GIANARIS: Mr. President,
25 there's a report of the Finance Committee at the

1 desk. Let's take that up, please.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
3 Secretary will read.

4 THE SECRETARY: Senator Krueger,
5 from the Committee on Finance, reports the
6 following bill:

7 Senate Print 3002, Budget Bill, an
8 act making appropriations for the legal
9 requirements of the state debt service.

10 SENATOR GIANARIS: Move to accept
11 the report of the Finance Committee.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: All those
13 in favor of accepting the report of the
14 Finance Committee please signify by saying aye.

15 (Response of "Aye.")

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Opposed,
17 nay.

18 (No response.)

19 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
20 report of the Finance Committee is accepted.

21 Senator Gianaris.

22 SENATOR GIANARIS: Let's take up
23 the supplemental calendar, please.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
25 Secretary will read.

1 Excuse me. There's a substitution
2 at the desk. The Secretary will read.

3 THE SECRETARY: Senator Krueger
4 moves to discharge, from the Committee on
5 Finance, Assembly Bill Number 3002 and substitute
6 it for the identical Senate Bill Number 3002,
7 Third Reading Calendar 619.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
9 substitution is so ordered.

10 The Secretary will read.

11 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
12 619, Assembly Bill Number 3002, Budget Bill, an
13 act making appropriations for legal requirements
14 of the state debt service.

15 SENATOR LANZA: Lay it aside.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Lay it
17 aside.

18 That completes the reading of the
19 supplemental calendar.

20 Senator Gianaris.

21 SENATOR GIANARIS: Let's go to the
22 controversial calendar, please.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
24 Secretary will ring the bell.

25 The Secretary will read.

1 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
2 619, Assembly Bill Number 3002, Budget Bill, an
3 act making appropriations for the legal
4 requirements of the state debt service.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Senator
6 O'Mara, why do you rise?

7 SENATOR O'MARA: Yes.
8 Mr. President, if the sponsor or chair of the
9 Finance Committee would answer some questions.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY:
11 Senator Krueger, do you yield?

12 SENATOR KRUEGER: I will be happy
13 to be Senator Budget at the moment, yes.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Senator
15 Budget yields.

16 SENATOR O'MARA: Very good.

17 Senator Krueger, here we are, 12:30
18 on March 27th, taking up the first budget bill.
19 There are nine other bills that make up this
20 budget that we do not have before us at this
21 time.

22 Can you explain to us where we stand
23 in this budget process?

24 SENATOR KRUEGER: Thank you very
25 much. Mr. President, through you. We are still

1 in negotiations on the remainder of the budget.

2 But as is the pattern of this
3 legislative body for I don't actually know how
4 many years, we always end up doing this
5 budget bill first because I think most of us
6 recognize this budget bill, the debt service
7 bill, is an assurance and guarantee to all 19 and
8 a half million New Yorkers, and anyone who we
9 have borrowed money from through the bonding
10 system, that we are going to continue to make our
11 payments on time.

12 So that is why this bill always
13 comes first and why it's critical that this bill
14 get done before April 1st. While we always hope
15 to get the complete budget done by April 1st, we
16 often -- again, look at the history, you'll
17 notice we often do not hit that target. But we
18 always try to hit the target with this bill
19 first.

20 SENATOR O'MARA: Through you,
21 Mr. President, if the sponsor will continue to
22 yield.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Will the
24 sponsor yield?

25 SENATOR KRUEGER: Of course.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
2 sponsor yields.

3 SENATOR O'MARA: Senator Krueger,
4 do you believe it's important for this
5 State Legislature and the Governor to pass a
6 budget by April 1st?

7 SENATOR KRUEGER: Through you,
8 Mr. President. I get concerned if the budget is
9 so late that it could actually impact the people
10 of New York.

11 If you look at our record over the
12 last -- goodness, probably now close to a decade,
13 we are usually very close to April 1st, and so
14 the actual impact on anyone in the real world is
15 not even noticeable. Because we also have the
16 budget extender option -- which, if that was
17 going to be asked of me, would likely happen on
18 Tuesday when we return to session so that we can
19 assure, yet again, all New Yorkers that while we
20 continue to negotiate to get the best budget we
21 can on very complicated issues, that the business
22 of the State of New York will continue, the
23 people of the State of New York will get paid if
24 they work for the state, the payments due by the
25 State of New York will continue to get made.

1 So if there were no other options
2 and flexibility allowed, April 1st could be a
3 scarier number. But in fact we know from
4 experience and history that the exact date of
5 April 1st is not necessarily particularly
6 significant as long as we are getting our work
7 done.

8 And I know most of my constituents,
9 when I explain to them why usually we are some
10 number of days late but we are fighting for a
11 better budget outcome for them, recognize that
12 they also want us to fight for a better budget
13 outcome.

14 SENATOR O'MARA: Mr. President, if
15 the Senator will continue to yield.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Will the
17 sponsor yield?

18 SENATOR KRUEGER: Absolutely.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
20 Senator yields.

21 SENATOR O'MARA: I'm glad you
22 mentioned other people in the real world.

23 Fortunately, other people in the
24 real world, when they have a deadline, like an
25 April 15th tax filing and payment deadline, they

1 have to make that on time. Yet here we are, year
2 after year, disregarding the constitutionally
3 mandated March 31st to have the budget by
4 April 1st. Yet we continue to disregard that.
5 But that's par for the course around here.

6 But I'll get to my question,
7 Senator. There's currently, to my understanding,
8 about \$55 billion in outstanding debt owed by the
9 state.

10 SENATOR KRUEGER: My numbers show
11 56.5 billion. But I think it's close enough for
12 the discussion.

13 SENATOR O'MARA: All right.
14 Through you, Mr. President, if the sponsor will
15 continue to yield.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Does the
17 sponsor yield?

18 SENATOR KRUEGER: Of course.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
20 sponsor yields.

21 SENATOR O'MARA: So 56-point-
22 whatever-you-said billion in outstanding debt,
23 which we need to authorize to pay. I can
24 guarantee you that every member on this side of
25 the aisle wants to assure that we will be paying

1 and making our payments.

2 Yet this bill, this budget bill,
3 this debt service bill, I believe totals
4 65.1 billion, so nearly 10 billion more than what
5 the outstanding debt is. Why is that?

6 SENATOR KRUEGER: So yes, the debt
7 service appropriations compared to last year will
8 be \$10.7 billion.

9 And I want to make sure I heard the
10 second part of the question. Could you please
11 repeat that? Through you, Mr. President.

12 SENATOR O'MARA: We have some
13 \$56 billion in outstanding debt, yet this debt
14 service bill to authorize payments on that is for
15 65 billion. Why is it 10 billion more than what
16 is actually outstanding and owed?

17 SENATOR KRUEGER: Because we --
18 even though we have not resolved the final budget
19 yet, we are -- I think you and I are both
20 assuming here that we will be accepting the
21 Governor's analysis that for next year it will be
22 \$64.9 billion.

23 SENATOR O'MARA: So through you,
24 Mr. President, if the sponsor will yield.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Will the

1 sponsor yield?

2 SENATOR KRUEGER: Yes.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
4 sponsor yields.

5 SENATOR O'MARA: So in a bill yet
6 to be -- yet to be negotiated, yet to be put in
7 print, yet to be put before us, which I assume is
8 going to be the capital budget, there's going to
9 be an extra \$10 billion that we're going to
10 commit the state to paying. Yet none of us -- on
11 this side of the aisle, for sure -- know what is
12 all in there.

13 SENATOR KRUEGER: Through you,
14 Mr. President. The debt service bill obligates
15 us to pay our debts. It doesn't assume that we
16 must make payments that aren't put into a budget
17 and actually need to be paid for. So it gives
18 the flexibility to the state to be able to
19 increase payments if money is bonded and borrowed
20 at those levels. But there's nothing in this
21 bill that would make us have to pay out money
22 that we have not borrowed.

23 SENATOR O'MARA: Through you,
24 Mr. President, if the Senator will continue to
25 yield.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Will the
2 sponsor yield?

3 SENATOR KRUEGER: Yes.

4 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
5 Senator yields.

6 SENATOR O'MARA: So we're
7 authorizing that if we come up with these new
8 debt expenditures, we'll have the authority to
9 make payments on those.

10 You know, my general take on life,
11 and certainly in this Legislature, is that when
12 you have that cushion and ability to spend,
13 you're going to spend it.

14 And there's \$10 billion here that we
15 have no idea what it is, what the new spending,
16 what the new debt is being incurred for. So
17 that's the concerning part about this bill -- not
18 about authorizing payments on the 55 billion.

19 And as I've asked you in prior
20 years, why don't we just authorize the 55 --
21 56 billion at this juncture, since the other nine
22 budget bills are not in print, and then come back
23 and amend this bill at the time the rest of the
24 budget bills are in place?

25 SENATOR KRUEGER: Through you,

1 Mr. President. I accept that my colleague and I
2 can have differing opinions on that. What I'm
3 confident of is we want to get the debt service
4 bill done.

5 And frankly, we do take a long time
6 on the budget. As he's pointed out, we probably
7 won't get there by April 1st, and I have agreed.
8 So why make extra work for ourselves to have to
9 do double duty on the one bill that's relatively
10 clearcut, simple to understand, a necessity for
11 the State of New York?

12 And just to clarify, that April 15th
13 tax deadline also has flexibility, because of
14 course you can ask for extensions, you can prepay
15 your taxes on a quarterly basis. There are a
16 variety of reasons why individuals also end up
17 finding that nothing -- they don't necessarily
18 get everything done by April 15th.

19 We would like to get everything done
20 by April 1st. And it was recently brought to my
21 attention it's not in the Constitution that we
22 have to, either. That was a shock to me as well.
23 But I still support our goal of getting to the
24 April 1st target.

25 And as far as having the flexibility

1 within our law to allow the state to potentially
2 borrow more than we know the details of today,
3 that would still require a process and a
4 legislative process and all kinds of review and
5 sign-off. It's not so different than when you as
6 an individual might go and ask for a line of
7 credit from your bank, just in case, even though
8 you haven't made the final decisions about
9 whether you're adding the extra room to your
10 house or whether you need to put a new roof on.

11 So I think the state model for this
12 is not actually inconsistent with what
13 individuals make decisions about and need the
14 flexibility for in their personal lives either.

15 SENATOR O'MARA: Thank you,
16 Senator.

17 Mr. President, if the Senator will
18 continue to yield.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Will the
20 sponsor yield?

21 SENATOR KRUEGER: Yes.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
23 Senator yields.

24 SENATOR O'MARA: Now, this is
25 covering the \$56 billion of existing debt that's

1 out there. But there's a lot more debt in this
2 state through various authorities and everywhere
3 else that I think the general public would say
4 56 billion, that's not all that's owed by the
5 state.

6 But between all those other -- other
7 debts that are out there, by those various
8 things -- and I'm just going to mention one of
9 many of those that's not included in this, is the
10 \$6.5 billion owed to the federal government for
11 the Unemployment Insurance Fund that was borrowed
12 during COVID. There are no payments in this debt
13 service bill to pay that down. And the state
14 continues to pay about \$200 million a year in
15 interest on that.

16 Is another portion of this budget
17 coming going to deal with this Unemployment
18 Insurance Fund debt that we owe?

19 SENATOR KRUEGER: Through you,
20 Mr. President. In our one-house budget through
21 the Senate, we did factor in helping to pay the
22 interest rate owed by the businesses of the State
23 of New York in order to help them with the
24 interest rate payments on what we still owe the
25 federal government because of the pandemic

1 unemployment period. We also build in a tax
2 credit to assist businesses with that.

3 But the reason that's not part of
4 the debt service bill is because the unemployment
5 system is not part of the state budget. It is a
6 separate independent insurance system paid for by
7 workers and businesses to have a UIB system. So
8 it has never been part of the state budget.
9 Hence, it has never been part of debt service in
10 the state budget.

11 SENATOR O'MARA: Through you,
12 Mr. President, if the sponsor will continue to
13 yield.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Will the
15 sponsor yield?

16 SENATOR KRUEGER: Yes.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
18 sponsor yields.

19 SENATOR O'MARA: Do you consider
20 that 6.5 billion unemployment debt that's owed to
21 be an obligation of the state and the state
22 taxpayers?

23 SENATOR KRUEGER: It is legally an
24 obligation of businesses who are obligated to be
25 under the unemployment benefits system in our

1 state, as in every other state.

2 So no, it is not legally an
3 obligation of the state budget.

4 SENATOR O'MARA: Through you,
5 Mr. President, if the sponsor will continue to
6 yield.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Will the
8 sponsor yield?

9 SENATOR KRUEGER: Yes.

10 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The
11 sponsor yields.

12 SENATOR O'MARA: Well, I would
13 argue that it certainly should be, because it was
14 much of the policy of this state to shut down
15 businesses and make those employees unemployed
16 during that period.

17 Thirty-five or so other states in
18 the country used their federal COVID relief money
19 to pay down their Unemployment Insurance Fund
20 debt. Yet we're still not doing that in this
21 bill. And from what I'm hearing, it's not
22 proposed to be in any other bill.

23 I'll just go on the bill, I guess,
24 Mr. President. Thank you, Senator.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Senator

1 O'Mara on the bill.

2 SENATOR O'MARA: It is extremely
3 important that we pay our obligations in this
4 state. Fully supportive of that. Yet there's a
5 lot to be desired here.

6 And the excuse that, Well, we're
7 just going to do it now to save us the hassle of
8 coming back and amending it when we know exactly
9 what the number is, exactly what these other nine
10 budget bills, primarily the capital bill, is
11 going to require or authorize as appropriate debt
12 to be incurred, and then we would have a more
13 accurate figure here to deal with -- if this was
14 a debt service bill in the interim to get us from
15 April 1st till whenever we pass the budget, and
16 we were doing \$56 billion, I would certainly be
17 voting aye.

18 But I have to vote no for the
19 \$10 billion that we have no idea what it might be
20 for.

21 Thank you, Mr. President.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Are there
23 any other Senators wishing to be heard?

24 Seeing and hearing none, debate is
25 closed.

1 The Secretary will ring the bell.

2 Senator Gianaris.

3 SENATOR GIANARIS: Mr. President,
4 we've agreed to restore this to the
5 noncontroversial calendar.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Upon
7 consent, the bill has been restored to the
8 noncontroversial calendar.

9 Read the last section.

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

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Call the
13 roll.

14 (The Secretary called the roll.)

15 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: Announce
16 the results.

17 THE SECRETARY: In relation to
18 Calendar 619, voting in the negative are
19 Senators Borrello, Griffio, Helming, Lanza,
20 O'Mara, Ortt, Stec, Tedisco, Walczyk and Weik.

21 Ayes, 49. Nays, 10.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: The bill
23 is passed.

24 Senator Gianaris, that completes the
25 reading of today's supplemental calendar.

1 SENATOR GIANARIS: Is there any
2 further business at the desk?

3 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: There is
4 no further business at the desk.

5 SENATOR GIANARIS: I move to
6 adjourn until April Fools' Day, Tuesday,
7 April 1st --

8 (Laughter.)

9 SENATOR GIANARIS: -- at
10 11:00 a.m., with the intervening days being
11 legislative days.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT BAILEY: On
13 motion, the Senate stands adjourned until
14 April Fools' Day, April 1st, at 11:00 a.m., with
15 the intervening days being legislative.

16 And it's Opening Day, so let's go,
17 Mets!

18 (Whereupon, at 12:44 p.m., the
19 Senate adjourned.)

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