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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Madigan in the chair.

Prayer by Reverend John Howat of the Canna Baptist Church in Creal Springs, IL.

Representative John Bradley 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:

117 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representative Lindner was excused from attendance.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken earlier today, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the Floor Amendment be reported "recommends be adopted":

Motion to Concur with Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 600.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:

3, Yeas; 2, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie, Barbara(D), Chairperson

N Black, William(R)

Y Hannig, Gary(D)

N Hassert, Brent(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Turner, Arthur(D)

MOTION SUBMITTED

Representative Madigan submitted the following written motion, which was referred to the Committee on Rules:

MOTION

I move to concur with Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 600.

PENSION NOTE SUPPLIED

A Pension Note has been supplied for HOUSE BILL 600, as amended.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Hawker, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill of the following title to-wit:

HOUSE BILL 621

A bill for AN ACT in relation to economic development.

Together with the attached amendment thereto (which amendment has been printed by the Senate), in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit:

Senate Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 621

Passed the Senate, as amended, January 14, 2004.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

AMENDMENT NO. 2. Amend House Bill 0621 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following:

"Section 5. The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative

Code of Illinois is amended by changing Section 605-332 as follows:

(20 ILCS 605/605-332)

Sec. 605-332. Financial assistance to energy generation facilities.

(a) As used in this Section:

"New electric generating facility" means a newly-constructed electric generation plant or a newly constructed generation capacity expansion at an existing facility, including the transmission lines and associated equipment that transfers electricity from points of supply to points of delivery, and for which foundation construction commenced not sooner than July 1, 2001, which is designed to provide baseload electric generation operating on a continuous basis throughout the year; and :

(1) ~~which~~ has an aggregate rated generating capacity of at least 400 megawatts for all new units at one site, uses coal or gases derived from coal as its primary fuel source, and supports the creation of at least 150 new Illinois coal mining jobs; or

(2) uses coal gasification or integrated gasification-combined cycle units that generate electricity or chemicals, or both, and that supports the creation of Illinois coal-mining jobs; or

(3) is a public utility that is owned and operated by any political subdivision or municipal corporation or that is owned by such an entity and is operated by any lessee or any operating agent of that entity and that supports the creation of Illinois coal-mining jobs; or

(4) is owned in whole or in part by an electric cooperative, as defined in Section 3.4 of the Electric Supplier Act, and supports the creation of Illinois coal-mining jobs; or

(5) is a State-owned facility and supports the creation of Illinois coal-mining jobs.

"Eligible business" means an entity that proposes to construct a new electric generating facility and that has applied to the Department to receive financial assistance pursuant to this Section. With respect to use and occupation taxes, wherever there is a reference to taxes, that reference means only those taxes paid on Illinois-mined coal used in a new electric generating facility.

"Department" means the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Community Affairs.

(b) The Department is authorized to provide financial assistance to eligible businesses for new electric generating facilities from funds appropriated by the General Assembly as further provided in this Section.

An eligible business seeking qualification for financial assistance for a new electric generating facility, for purposes of this Section only, shall apply to the Department in the manner specified by the Department. Any projections provided by an eligible business as part of the application shall be independently verified in a manner as set forth by the Department. An application shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) the projected or actual completion date of the new electric generating facility for which financial assistance is sought;

(2) copies of documentation deemed acceptable by the Department establishing either (i) the total State occupation and use taxes paid on Illinois-mined coal used at the new electric generating facility for a minimum of 4 preceding calendar quarters or (ii) the projected amount of State occupation and use taxes paid on Illinois-mined coal used at the new electric generating facility in 4 calendar year quarters after completion of the new electric generating facility. Bond proceeds subject to this Section shall not be allocated to an eligible business until the eligible business has demonstrated the revenue stream sufficient to service the debt on the bonds; and

(3) the actual or projected amount of capital investment by the eligible business in the new electric generating facility.

The Department shall determine the maximum amount of financial assistance for eligible businesses in accordance with this paragraph. The Department shall not provide financial assistance from general obligation bond funds to any eligible business unless it receives a written certification from the Director of the Bureau of the Budget (now Governor's Office of Management and Budget) that 80% of the State occupation and use tax receipts for a minimum of the preceding 4 calendar quarters for all eligible businesses or as included in projections on approved applications by eligible businesses equal or exceed 110% of the maximum annual debt service required with respect to general obligation bonds issued for that purpose. The Department may provide financial assistance not to exceed the amount of State general obligation debt calculated as above, the amount of actual or projected capital investment in the energy generation facility, or \$100,000,000, whichever is less. Financial assistance received pursuant to this Section may be used for capital facilities consisting of buildings, structures, durable equipment, and land at the new electric generating facility. Subject to the provisions of the agreement covering the financial assistance, a portion of the financial assistance may be required to be repaid to the State if certain conditions for the governmental purpose of the assistance were not met.

An eligible business shall file a monthly report with the Illinois Department of Revenue stating the amount of Illinois-mined coal purchased during the previous month for use in the new electric generating facility, the purchase price of that coal, the amount of State occupation and use taxes paid on that purchase to the seller of the Illinois-mined coal, and such other information as that Department may reasonably require. In sales of Illinois-mined coal between related parties, the purchase price of the coal must have been determined in an arms-length transaction. The report shall be filed with the Illinois Department of Revenue on or before the 20th day of each month on a form provided by that Department. However, no report need be filed by an eligible business in a month when it made no reportable purchases of coal in the previous month. The Illinois Department of Revenue shall provide a summary of such reports to the Governor's Office of Management and Budget Bureau of the Budget.

Upon granting financial assistance to an eligible business, the Department shall certify the name of the eligible business to the Illinois Department of Revenue. Beginning with the receipt of the first report of State occupation and use taxes paid by an eligible business and continuing for a 25-year period, the Illinois Department of Revenue shall each month pay into the Energy Infrastructure Fund 80% of the net revenue realized from the 6.25% general rate on the selling price of Illinois-mined coal that was sold to an eligible business.

(Source: P.A. 92-12, eff. 7-1-01; 93-167, eff. 7-10-03; revised 8-23-03.)

Section 10. The Illinois Enterprise Zone Act is amended by changing Section 5.5 as follows:

(20 ILCS 655/5.5) (from Ch. 67 1/2, par. 609.1)

Sec. 5.5. High Impact Business.

(a) In order to respond to unique opportunities to assist in the encouragement, development, growth and expansion of the private sector through large scale investment and development projects, the Department is authorized to receive and approve applications for the designation of "High Impact Businesses" in Illinois subject to the following conditions:

- (1) such applications may be submitted at any time during the year;
- (2) such business is not located, at the time of designation, in an enterprise zone designated pursuant to this Act;

(3) (A) the business intends to make a minimum investment of \$12,000,000 which will be placed in service in qualified property and intends to create 500 full-time equivalent jobs at a designated location in Illinois or intends to make a minimum investment of \$30,000,000 which will be placed in service in qualified property and intends to retain 1,500 full-time jobs at a designated location in Illinois. The business must certify in writing that the investments would not be placed in service in qualified property and the job creation or job retention would not occur without the tax credits and exemptions set forth in subsection (b) of this Section. The terms "placed in service" and "qualified property" have the same meanings as described in subsection (h) of Section 201 of the Illinois Income Tax Act; or

(B) the business intends to establish a new electric generating facility at a designated location in Illinois. "New electric generating facility" for purposes of this Section, means a newly-constructed electric generation plant or a newly-constructed generation capacity expansion at an existing electric generation plant, including the transmission lines and associated equipment that transfers electricity from points of supply to points of delivery, and for which such new foundation construction commenced not sooner than July 1, 2001. Such facility shall be designed to provide baseload electric generation and shall operate on a continuous basis throughout the year; and shall have an aggregate rated generating capacity of at least 1,000 megawatts for all new units at one site if it uses natural gas as its primary fuel and foundation construction of the facility is commenced on or before December 31, 2004, or shall have an aggregate rated generating capacity of at least 400 megawatts for all new units at one site if it uses coal or gases derived from coal as its primary fuel and shall support the creation of at least 150 new Illinois coal mining jobs, or shall use coal gasification or integrated gasification-combined cycle units that generate electricity or chemicals, or both, and shall support the creation of Illinois coal-mining jobs, or shall be a public utility that is owned and operated by any political subdivision or municipal corporation or that is owned by such an entity and operated by any lessee or any operating agent of that entity and supports the creation of Illinois coal-mining jobs, or shall be owned in whole or in part by an electric cooperative, as defined in Section 3.4 of the Electric Supplier Act, and support the creation of Illinois coal-mining jobs, or shall be a State-owned facility and supports the creation of Illinois coal mining jobs. The business must certify in writing that the investments necessary to establish a new electric generating facility would not be placed in service and the job creation in the case of a coal-fueled plant would not occur without the tax credits and

exemptions set forth in subsection (b-5) of this Section. The term "placed in service" has the same meaning as described in subsection (h) of Section 201 of the Illinois Income Tax Act; or

(C) the business intends to establish production operations at a new coal mine, re-establish production operations at a closed coal mine, or expand production at an existing coal mine at a designated location in Illinois not sooner than July 1, 2001; provided that the production operations result in the creation of 150 new Illinois coal mining jobs as described in subdivision (a)(3)(B) of this Section, and further provided that the coal extracted from such mine is utilized as the predominant source for a new electric generating facility. The business must certify in writing that the investments necessary to establish a new, expanded, or reopened coal mine would not be placed in service and the job creation would not occur without the tax credits and exemptions set forth in subsection (b-5) of this Section. The term "placed in service" has the same meaning as described in subsection (h) of Section 201 of the Illinois Income Tax Act; or

(D) the business intends to construct new transmission facilities or upgrade existing transmission facilities at designated locations in Illinois, for which construction commenced not sooner than July 1, 2001. For the purposes of this Section, "transmission facilities" means transmission lines with a voltage rating of 115 kilovolts or above, including associated equipment, that transfer electricity from points of supply to points of delivery and that transmit a majority of the electricity generated by a new electric generating facility designated as a High Impact Business in accordance with this Section. The business must certify in writing that the investments necessary to construct new transmission facilities or upgrade existing transmission facilities would not be placed in service without the tax credits and exemptions set forth in subsection (b-5) of this Section. The term "placed in service" has the same meaning as described in subsection (h) of Section 201 of the Illinois Income Tax Act; and

(4) no later than 90 days after an application is submitted, the Department shall notify the applicant of the Department's determination of the qualification of the proposed High Impact Business under this Section.

(b) Businesses designated as High Impact Businesses pursuant to subdivision (a)(3)(A) of this Section shall qualify for the credits and exemptions described in the following Acts: Section 9-222 and Section 9-222.1A of the Public Utilities Act, subsection (h) of Section 201 of the Illinois Income Tax Act, and Section 1d of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act; provided that these credits and exemptions described in these Acts shall not be authorized until the minimum investments set forth in subdivision (a)(3)(A) of this Section have been placed in service in qualified properties and, in the case of the exemptions described in the Public Utilities Act and Section 1d of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, the minimum full-time equivalent jobs or full-time jobs set forth in subdivision (a)(3)(A) of this Section have been created or retained. Businesses designated as High Impact Businesses under this Section shall also qualify for the exemption described in Section 51 of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act. The credit provided in subsection (h) of Section 201 of the Illinois Income Tax Act shall be applicable to investments in qualified property as set forth in subdivision (a)(3)(A) of this Section.

(b-5) Businesses designated as High Impact Businesses pursuant to subdivisions (a)(3)(B), (a)(3)(C), and (a)(3)(D) of this Section shall qualify for the credits and exemptions described in the following Acts: Section 51 of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, Section 9-222 and Section 9-222.1A of the Public Utilities Act, and subsection (h) of Section 201 of the Illinois Income Tax Act; however, the credits and exemptions authorized under Section 9-222 and Section 9-222.1A of the Public Utilities Act, and subsection (h) of Section 201 of the Illinois Income Tax Act shall not be authorized until the new electric generating facility, the new transmission facility, or the new, expanded, or reopened coal mine is operational, except that a new electric generating facility whose primary fuel source is natural gas is eligible only for the exemption under Section 51 of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act.

(c) High Impact Businesses located in federally designated foreign trade zones or sub-zones are also eligible for additional credits, exemptions and deductions as described in the following Acts: Section 9-221 and Section 9-222.1 of the Public Utilities Act; and subsection (g) of Section 201, and Section 203 of the Illinois Income Tax Act.

(d) Existing Illinois businesses which apply for designation as a High Impact Business must provide the Department with the prospective plan for which 1,500 full-time jobs would be eliminated in the event that the business is not designated.

(e) New proposed facilities which apply for designation as High Impact Business must provide the Department with proof of alternative non-Illinois sites which would receive the proposed investment and job creation in the event that the business is not designated as a High Impact Business.

(f) In the event that a business is designated a High Impact Business and it is later determined after reasonable notice and an opportunity for a hearing as provided under the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, that the business would have placed in service in qualified property the investments and created or retained the requisite number of jobs without the benefits of the High Impact Business designation, the Department shall be required to immediately revoke the designation and notify the Director of the Department of Revenue who shall begin proceedings to recover all wrongfully exempted State taxes with interest. The business shall also be ineligible for all State funded Department programs for a period of 10 years.

(g) The Department shall revoke a High Impact Business designation if the participating business fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the designation.

(h) Prior to designating a business, the Department shall provide the members of the General Assembly and Illinois Economic and Fiscal Commission with a report setting forth the terms and conditions of the designation and guarantees that have been received by the Department in relation to the proposed business being designated.

(Source: P.A. 91-914, eff. 7-7-00; 92-12, eff. 7-1-01; revised 3-7-02.)".

The foregoing message from the Senate reporting Senate Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL 621 was placed on the Calendar on the order of Concurrence.

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Hawker, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill of the following title to-wit:

HOUSE BILL 900

A bill for AN ACT in relation to economic development.

Together with the attached amendment thereto (which amendment has been printed by the Senate), in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit:

Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 900

Passed the Senate, as amended, January 14, 2004.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

AMENDMENT NO. 1. Amend House Bill 900 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following:

"Section 5. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Western Illinois Economic Development Authority Act.

Section 10. Findings. The General Assembly determines and declares the following:

(1) that labor surplus areas currently exist in western Illinois;

(2) that the economic burdens resulting from involuntary unemployment fall, in part, upon the State in the form of increased need for public assistance and reduced tax revenues and, in the event that the unemployed worker and his or her family migrate elsewhere to find work, the burden may also fall upon the municipalities and other taxing districts within the areas of unemployment in the form of reduced tax revenues, thereby endangering their financial ability to support necessary governmental services for their remaining inhabitants;

(3) that the State has a responsibility to help create a favorable climate for new and improved job opportunities for its citizens by encouraging the development of commercial and service businesses and industrial and manufacturing plants within the western region of Illinois;

(4) that a lack of decent housing contributes to urban blight, crime, anti-social behavior, disease, a higher need for public assistance, reduced tax revenues, and the migration of workers and their families away from areas which fail to offer adequate, decent, and affordable housing;

(5) that decent, affordable housing is a necessary ingredient of life affording each citizen basic human dignity, a sense of self-worth, confidence, and a firm foundation upon which to build a family and educate children;

(6) that in order to foster civic and neighborhood pride, citizens require access to educational institutions, recreation, parks and open spaces, entertainment, sports, a reliable transportation network, cultural

facilities, and theaters; and

(7) that the main purpose of this Act is to promote industrial, commercial, residential, service, transportation, and recreational activities and facilities, thereby reducing the evils attendant upon unemployment and enhancing the public health, safety, morals, happiness, and general welfare of the State.

Section 15. Definitions. In this Act:

"Authority" means the Western Illinois Economic Development Authority.

"Governmental agency" means any federal, State, or local governmental body and any agency or instrumentality thereof, corporate or otherwise.

"Person" means any natural person, firm, partnership, corporation, both domestic and foreign, company, association or joint stock association and includes any trustee, receiver, assignee or personal representative thereof.

"Revenue bond" means any bond issued by the Authority, the principal and interest of which is payable solely from revenues or income derived from any project or activity of the Authority.

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the Western Illinois Economic Development Authority.

"Governor" means the Governor of the State of Illinois.

"City" means any city, village, incorporated town, or township within the geographical territory of the Authority.

"Industrial project" means the following:

(1) a capital project, including one or more buildings and other structures, improvements, machinery and equipment whether or not on the same site or sites now existing or hereafter acquired, suitable for use by any manufacturing, industrial, research, transportation or commercial enterprise including but not limited to use as a factory, mill, processing plant, assembly plant, packaging plant, fabricating plant, ethanol plant, office building, industrial distribution center, warehouse, repair, overhaul or service facility, freight terminal, research facility, test facility, railroad facility, port facility, solid waste and wastewater treatment and disposal sites and other pollution control facilities, resource or waste reduction, recovery, treatment and disposal facilities, and including also the sites thereof and other rights in land therefore whether improved or unimproved, site preparation and landscaping and all appurtenances and facilities incidental thereto such as utilities, access roads, railroad sidings, truck docking and similar facilities, parking facilities, dockage, wharfage, railroad roadbed, track, trestle, depot, terminal, switching and signaling equipment or related equipment and other improvements necessary or convenient thereto; or

(2) any land, buildings, machinery or equipment comprising an addition to or renovation, rehabilitation or improvement of any existing capital project.

"Commercial project" means any project, including, but not limited to, one or more buildings and other structures, improvements, machinery, and equipment, whether or not on the same site or sites now existing or hereafter acquired, suitable for use by any retail or wholesale concern, distributorship, or agency.

"Project" means an industrial, housing, residential, commercial, or service project, or any combination thereof, provided that all uses fall within one of the categories described above. Any project automatically includes all site improvements and new construction involving sidewalks, sewers, solid waste and wastewater treatment and disposal sites and other pollution control facilities, resource or waste reduction, recovery, treatment and disposal facilities, parks, open spaces, wildlife sanctuaries, streets, highways, and runways.

"Lease agreement" means an agreement in which a project acquired by the Authority by purchase, gift, or lease is leased to any person or corporation that will use, or cause the project to be used, as a project, upon terms providing for lease rental payments at least sufficient to pay, when due, all principal of and interest and premium, if any, on any bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness of the Authority, issued with respect to the project, providing for the maintenance, insurance, and operation of the project on terms satisfactory to the Authority and providing for disposition of the project upon termination of the lease term, including purchase options or abandonment of the premises, with other terms as may be deemed desirable by the Authority.

"Loan agreement" means any agreement in which the Authority agrees to loan the proceeds of its bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, issued with respect to a project, to any person or corporation which will use or cause the project to be used as a project, upon terms providing for loan repayment installments at least sufficient to pay, when due, all principal of and interest and premium, if any, on any bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness of the Authority issued with respect to the project, providing for maintenance, insurance, and operation of the project on terms satisfactory to the Authority and providing for other terms deemed advisable by the Authority.

"Financial aid" means the expenditure of Authority funds or funds provided by the Authority for the development, construction, acquisition or improvement of a project, through the issuance of revenue bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness.

"Costs incurred in connection with the development, construction, acquisition or improvement of a project" means the following:

- (1) the cost of purchase and construction of all lands and improvements in connection therewith and equipment and other property, rights, easements, and franchises acquired which are deemed necessary for the construction;
- (2) financing charges;
- (3) interest costs with respect to bonds, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness of the Authority prior to and during construction and for a period of 6 months thereafter;
- (4) engineering and legal expenses; and
- (5) the costs of plans, specifications, surveys, and estimates of costs and other expenses necessary or incident to determining the feasibility or practicability of any project, together with such other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the financing, insuring, acquisition, and construction of a specific project and the placing of the same in operation.

Section 20. Creation.

(a) There is created a political subdivision, body politic, and municipal corporation named the Western Illinois Economic Development Authority. The territorial jurisdiction of the Authority is that geographic area within the boundaries of the following counties: Warren, Henderson, Hancock, McDonough, Fulton, Mason, Cass, Schuyler, Brown, Adams, Scott, Morgan, and Pike and any navigable waters and air space located therein.

(b) The governing and administrative powers of the Authority shall be vested in a body consisting of 21 members as follows:

(1) Ex officio members. The Director of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, or a designee of that Department, and the Director of Central Management Services, or a designee of that Department, shall serve as ex officio members.

(2) Public members. Six members shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The county board chairmen of the following counties shall each appoint one member: Warren, Henderson, Hancock, McDonough, Fulton, Mason, Cass, Schuyler, Brown, Adams, Scott, Morgan, and Pike. All public members shall reside within the territorial jurisdiction of the Authority. The public members shall be persons of recognized ability and experience in one or more of the following areas: economic development, finance, banking, industrial development, state or local government, commercial agriculture, small business management, real estate development, community development, venture finance, organized labor, or civic or community organization.

(c) 11 members shall constitute a quorum.

(d) The chairman of the Authority shall be elected annually by the Board and must be a public member that resides within the territorial jurisdiction of the Authority.

(e) The terms of all initial members of the Authority shall begin 30 days after the effective date of this Act. Of the 6 original public members appointed by the Governor, 2 shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2005; 1 shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2006; 1 shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2007; 1 shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2008; and 1 shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2009. The initial terms of the original public members appointed by the county board chairman shall be determined by lot, according to the following schedule: (i) 3 shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2005, (ii) 3 shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2006, (iii) 3 shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2007, (iv) 2 shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2008, and (v) 2 shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2009. All successors to these original public members shall be appointed by the original appointing authority and all appointments made by the Governor shall be made with the advice and consent of the Senate, pursuant to subsection (b), and shall hold office for a term of 6 years commencing the third Monday in January of the year in which their term commences, except in the case of an appointment to fill a vacancy. Vacancies occurring among the public members shall be filled for the remainder of the term. In case of vacancy in a Governor-appointed membership when the Senate is not in session, the Governor may make a temporary appointment until the next meeting of the Senate when a person shall be nominated to fill the office and, upon confirmation by the Senate, he or she shall hold office during the remainder of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualified. Members of the Authority are not entitled to compensation for their services as members but are entitled to reimbursement for all necessary expenses incurred in connection with the performance of their duties as members.

(f) The Governor may remove any public member of the Authority in case of incompetence, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office. The chairman of a county board may remove any public member appointed by that chairman in the case of incompetence, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office.

(g) The Board shall appoint an Executive Director who shall have a background in finance, including familiarity with the legal and procedural requirements of issuing bonds, real estate, or economic development and administration. The Executive Director shall hold office at the discretion of the Board. The Executive Director shall be the chief administrative and operational officer of the Authority, shall direct and supervise its administrative affairs and general management, perform such other duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the members, and receive compensation fixed by the Authority. The Department of Commerce and Community Affairs shall pay the compensation of the Executive Director from appropriations received for that purpose. The Executive Director shall attend all meetings of the Authority. However, no action of the Authority shall be invalid on account of the absence of the Executive Director from a meeting. The Authority may engage the services of the Illinois Finance Authority, attorneys, appraisers, engineers, accountants, credit analysts, and other consultants if the Western Illinois Economic Development Authority deems it advisable.

Section 25. Duty. All official acts of the Authority shall require the approval of at least 11 members. It shall be the duty of the Authority to promote development within the geographic confines of Warren, Henderson, Hancock, McDonough, Fulton, Mason, Cass, Schuyler, Brown, Adams, Scott, Morgan, and Pike counties. The Authority shall use the powers conferred upon it to assist in the development, construction, and acquisition of industrial, commercial, housing, or residential projects within those counties.

Section 30. Powers.

(a) The Authority possesses all the powers of a body corporate necessary and convenient to accomplish the purposes of this Act, including, without any intended limitation upon the general powers hereby conferred, the following powers:

- (1) to enter into loans, contracts, agreements, and mortgages in any matter connected with any of its corporate purposes and to invest its funds;
- (2) to sue and be sued;
- (3) to utilize services of the Illinois Finance Authority necessary to carry out its purposes;
- (4) to have and use a common seal and to alter the seal at its discretion;
- (5) to adopt all needful ordinances, resolutions, bylaws, rules, and regulations for the conduct of its business and affairs and for the management and use of the projects developed, constructed, acquired, and improved in furtherance of its purposes;
- (6) to designate the fiscal year for the Authority;
- (7) to accept and expend appropriations;
- (8) to acquire, own, lease, sell, or otherwise dispose of interests in and to real property and improvements situated on that real property and in personal property necessary to fulfill the purposes of the Authority;
- (9) to engage in any activity or operation which is incidental to and in furtherance of efficient operation to accomplish the Authority's primary purpose;
- (10) to acquire, own, construct, lease, operate, and maintain bridges, terminals, terminal facilities, and port facilities and to fix and collect just, reasonable, and nondiscriminatory charges for the use of such facilities. These charges shall be used to defray the reasonable expenses of the Authority and to pay the principal and interest of any revenue bonds issued by the Authority;
- (11) subject to any applicable condition imposed by this Act, to locate, establish and maintain a public airport, public airports and public airport facilities within its corporate limits or within or upon any body of water adjacent thereto and to construct, develop, expand, extend and improve any such airport or airport facility; and
- (12) to have and exercise all powers and be subject to all duties usually incident to boards of directors of corporations.

(b) The Authority shall not issue any bonds relating to the financing of a project located within the planning and subdivision control jurisdiction of any municipality or county unless: (i) notice, including a description of the proposed project and the financing for that project, is submitted to the corporate authorities of the municipality or, in the case of a proposed project in an unincorporated area, to the county board and (ii) the corporate authorities of the municipality do not, or the county board does not, adopt a resolution disapproving the project within 45 days after receipt of the notice.

(c) If any of the powers set forth in this Act are exercised within the jurisdictional limits of any municipality, all ordinances of the municipality remain in full force and effect and are controlling.

Section 35. Tax avoidance. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Authority shall not enter into any agreement providing for the purchase and lease of tangible personal property which results in the avoidance of taxation under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, the Use Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act, or the Service Occupation Tax Act, without the prior written consent of the Governor.

Section 40. Bonds.

(a) The Authority, with the written approval of the Governor, shall have the continuing power to issue bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$250,000,000 for the following purposes: (i) development, construction, acquisition, or improvement of projects, including those established by business entities locating or expanding property within the territorial jurisdiction of the Authority; (ii) entering into venture capital agreements with businesses locating or expanding within the territorial jurisdiction of the Authority; (iii) acquisition and improvement of any property necessary and useful in connection therewith; and (iv) for the purposes of the Employee Ownership Assistance Act. For the purpose of evidencing the obligations of the Authority to repay any money borrowed, the Authority may, pursuant to resolution, from time to time, issue and dispose of its interest-bearing revenue bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness and may also from time to time issue and dispose of such bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness to refund, at maturity, at a redemption date or in advance of either, any bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness pursuant to redemption provisions or at any time before maturity. All such bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness shall be payable solely and only from the revenues or income to be derived from loans made with respect to projects, from the leasing or sale of the projects, or from any other funds available to the Authority for such purposes. The bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness may bear such date or dates, may mature at such time or times not exceeding 40 years from their respective dates, may bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding the maximum rate permitted by the Bond Authorization Act, may be in such form, may carry such registration privileges, may be executed in such manner, may be payable at such place or places, may be made subject to redemption in such manner and upon such terms, with or without premium, as is stated on the face thereof, may be authenticated in such manner and may contain such terms and covenants as may be provided by an applicable resolution.

(b) The holder or holders of any bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the Authority may bring suits at law or proceedings in equity to compel the performance and observance by any corporation or person or by the Authority or any of its agents or employees of any contract or covenant made with the holders of the bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, to compel such corporation, person, the Authority, and any of its agents or employees to perform any duties required to be performed for the benefit of the holders of the bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness by the provision of the resolution authorizing their issuance and to enjoin the corporation, person, the Authority, and any of its agents or employees from taking any action in conflict with any contract or covenant.

(c) If the Authority fails to pay the principal of or interest on any of the bonds or premium, if any, as the bond becomes due, a civil action to compel payment may be instituted in the appropriate circuit court by the holder or holders of the bonds on which the default of payment exists or by an indenture trustee acting on behalf of the holders. Delivery of a summons and a copy of the complaint to the chairman of the Board shall constitute sufficient service to give the circuit court jurisdiction over the subject matter of the suit and jurisdiction over the Authority and its officers named as defendants for the purpose of compelling such payment. Any case, controversy, or cause of action concerning the validity of this Act relates to the revenue of the State of Illinois.

(d) Notwithstanding the form and tenor of any bond, note, or other evidence of indebtedness and in the absence of any express recital on its face that it is non-negotiable, all such bonds, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness shall be negotiable instruments. Pending the preparation and execution of any bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, temporary bonds, notes, or evidences of indebtedness may be issued as provided by ordinance.

(e) To secure the payment of any or all of such bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, the revenues to be received by the Authority from a lease agreement or loan agreement shall be pledged, and, for the purpose of setting forth the covenants and undertakings of the Authority in connection with the issuance of the bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness and the issuance of any additional bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness payable from such revenues, income, or other funds to be derived from projects, the Authority may execute and deliver a mortgage or trust agreement. A remedy for any breach or default of the terms of any mortgage or trust agreement by the Authority may be by mandamus

proceeding in the appropriate circuit court to compel performance and compliance under the terms of the mortgage or trust agreement, but the trust agreement may prescribe by whom or on whose behalf the action may be instituted.

(f) Bonds or notes shall be secured as provided in the authorizing ordinance which may include, notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, in addition to any other security, a specific pledge, assignment of and lien on, or security interest in any or all revenues or money of the Authority, from whatever source, which may, by law, be used for debt service purposes and a specific pledge, or assignment of and lien on, or security interest in any funds or accounts established or provided for by ordinance of the Authority authorizing the issuance of the bonds or notes.

(g) In the event that the Authority determines that moneys of the Authority will not be sufficient for the payment of the principal of and interest on its bonds during the next State fiscal year, the chairman, as soon as practicable, shall certify to the Governor the amount required by the Authority to enable it to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds. The Governor shall submit the certified amount to the General Assembly as soon as practicable, but no later than the end of the current State fiscal year. This Section shall not apply to any bonds or notes to which the Authority determines, in the resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds or notes, that this Section shall not apply. Whenever the Authority makes this determination, it shall be plainly stated on the face of the bonds or notes and the determination shall also be reported to the Governor. In the event of a withdrawal of moneys from a reserve fund established with respect to any issue or issues of bonds of the Authority to pay principal or interest on those bonds, the chairman of the Authority, as soon as practicable, shall certify to the Governor the amount required to restore the reserve fund to the level required in the resolution or indenture securing those bonds. The Governor shall submit the certified amount to the General Assembly as soon as practicable, but no later than the end of the current State fiscal year.

(h) The State of Illinois pledges to and agrees with the holders of the bonds and notes of the Authority issued pursuant to this Section that the State will not limit or alter the rights and powers vested in the Authority by this Act so as to impair the terms of any contract made by the Authority with the holders of bonds or notes or in any way impair the rights and remedies of those holders until the bonds and notes, together with interest thereon, with interest on any unpaid installments of interest, and all costs and expenses in connection with any action or proceedings by or on behalf of the holders, are fully met and discharged. In addition, the State pledges to and agrees with the holders of the bonds and notes of the Authority issued pursuant to this Section that the State will not limit or alter the basis on which State funds are to be paid to the Authority as provided in this Act, or the use of such funds, so as to impair the terms of any such contract. The Authority is authorized to include these pledges and agreements of the State in any contract with the holders of bonds or notes issued pursuant to this Section.

(i) Not less than 30 days prior to the commitment to issue bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness for the purpose of developing, constructing, acquiring, or improving housing or residential projects, as defined in this Act, the Authority shall provide notice to the Executive Director of the Illinois Housing Development Authority. Within 30 days after the notice is provided, the Illinois Housing Development Authority shall, in writing, either express interest in financing the project or notify the Authority that it is not interested in providing financing and that the Authority may finance the project or seek alternative financing.

Section 45. Bonds and notes; exemption from taxation. The creation of the Authority is in all respects for the benefit of the people of Illinois and for the improvement of their health, safety, welfare, comfort, and security, and its purposes are public purposes. In consideration thereof, the notes and bonds of the Authority issued pursuant to this Act and the income from these notes and bonds may be free from all taxation by the State or its political subdivisions, exempt for estate, transfer, and inheritance taxes. The exemption from taxation provided by the preceding sentence shall apply to the income on any notes or bonds of the Authority only if the Authority in its sole judgment determines that the exemption enhances the marketability of the bonds or notes or reduces the interest rates that would otherwise be borne by the bonds or notes. For purposes of Section 250 of the Illinois Income Tax Act, the exemption of the Authority shall terminate after all of the bonds have been paid. The amount of such income that shall be added and then subtracted on the Illinois income tax return of a taxpayer, subject to Section 203 of the Illinois Income Tax Act, from federal adjusted gross income or federal taxable income in computing Illinois base income shall be the interest net of any bond premium amortization.

Section 50. Acquisition.

(a) The Authority may, but need not, acquire title to any project with respect to which it exercises its authority.

(b) The Authority shall have power to acquire by purchase, lease, gift, or otherwise any property or rights therein from any person or persons, the State of Illinois, any municipal corporation, any local unit of government, the government of the United States and any agency or instrumentality of the United States, any body politic, or any county useful for its purposes, whether improved for the purposes of any prospective project or unimproved. The Authority may also accept any donation of funds for its purposes from any of these sources.

(c) The Authority shall have power to develop, construct, and improve, either under its own direction or through collaboration with any approved applicant, or to acquire, through purchase or otherwise, any project, using for this purpose the proceeds derived from its sale of revenue bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness or governmental loans or grants and shall have the power to hold title to those projects in the name of the Authority.

(d) The Authority shall have the power to enter into intergovernmental agreements with the State of Illinois, the counties of Warren, Henderson, Hancock, McDonough, Fulton, Mason, Cass, Schuyler, Brown, Adams, Scott, Morgan, or Pike, the Illinois Development Finance Authority, the Illinois Housing Development Authority, the Illinois Education Facilities Authority, the Illinois Farm Development Authority, the Rural Bond Bank, the United States government and any agency or instrumentality of the United States, any unit of local government located within the territory of the Authority, or any other unit of government to the extent allowed by Article VII, Section 10 of the Illinois Constitution and the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act.

(e) The Authority shall have the power to share employees with other units of government, including agencies of the United States, agencies of the State of Illinois, and agencies or personnel of any unit of local government.

(f) The Authority shall have the power to exercise powers and issue bonds as if it were a municipality so authorized in Divisions 12.1, 74, 74.1, 74.3, and 74.5 of Article 11 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

Section 55. Enterprise zones. The Authority may by ordinance designate a portion of the territorial jurisdiction of the Authority for certification as an Enterprise Zone under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act in addition to any other enterprise zones which may be created under that Act, which area shall have all the privileges and rights of an Enterprise Zone pursuant to the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, but which shall not be counted in determining the number of Enterprise Zones to be created in any year pursuant to that Act.

Section 60. Designation of depository. The Authority shall biennially designate a national or State bank or banks as depositories of its money. Such depositories shall be designated only within the State and upon condition that bonds approved as to form and surety by the Authority and at least equal in amount to the maximum sum expected to be on deposit at any one time shall be first given by such depositories to the Authority, such bonds to be conditioned for the safe keeping and prompt repayment of such deposits. When any of the funds of the Authority shall be deposited by the treasurer in any such depository, the treasurer and the sureties on his official bond shall, to such extent, be exempt from liability for the loss of any such deposited funds by reason of the failure, bankruptcy, or any other act or default of such depository; provided that the Authority may accept assignments of collateral by any depository of its funds to secure such deposits to the same extent and conditioned in the same manner as assignments of collateral are permitted by law to secure deposits of the funds of any city.

Section 65. Taxation prohibited. The Authority shall have no right or authority to levy any tax or special assessment, to pledge the credit of the State or any other subdivision or municipal corporation thereof, or to incur any obligation enforceable upon any property, either within or without the territory of the Authority.

Section 70. Fees. The Authority may collect fees and charges in connection with its loans, commitments, and servicing and may provide technical assistance in the development of the region.

Section 75. Reports. The Authority shall annually submit a report of its finances to the Auditor General. The Authority shall annually submit a report of its activities to the Governor and to the General Assembly.

Section 95. The Tri-City Regional Port District Act is amended by changing Section 4 as follows:
(70 ILCS 1860/4) (from Ch. 19, par. 287)

Sec. 4. The Port District has the following rights and powers:

1. To issue permits: for the construction of all wharves, piers, dolphins, booms, weirs, breakwaters, bulkheads, jetties, bridges or other structures of any kind, over, under, in, or within 40 feet of any navigable waters within the Port District; for the deposit of rock, earth, sand or other material, or any matter of any kind or description in such waters; except that nothing contained in this paragraph 1 shall be construed so that it will be deemed necessary to obtain a permit from the District for the erection, operation or maintenance of any bridge crossing a waterway which serves as a boundary between the State of Illinois and any other State, when such erection, operation or maintenance is performed by any city within the

District;

2. To prevent or remove obstructions in navigable waters, including the removal of wrecks;
3. To locate and establish dock lines and shore or harbor lines;
4. To regulate the anchorage, moorage and speed of water borne vessels and to establish and enforce regulations for the operation of bridges, except nothing contained in this paragraph 4 shall be construed to give the District authority to regulate the operation of any bridge crossing a waterway which serves as a boundary between the State of Illinois and any other State, when such operation is performed or to be performed by any city within the District;
5. To acquire, own, construct, lease for any period not exceeding 99 years, operate and maintain terminals, terminal facilities and port facilities, to fix and collect just, reasonable, and nondiscriminatory charges for the use of such facilities, and, except as provided herein for short term financing, to use the charges so collected to defray the reasonable expenses of the Port District and to pay the principal of and interest on any revenue bonds issued by the District;
6. To acquire, erect, construct, reconstruct, improve, maintain, operate and lease in whole or part for any period not exceeding 99 years, central office or administrative facilities for use by the Port District, any tenant, occupant or user of the District facilities, or anyone engaged in commerce in the District.
7. To sell, assign, pledge or hypothecate in whole or in part any contract, lease, income, charges, tolls, rentals or fees of the District to provide short term interim financing pending the issuance of revenue bonds by the District, provided that when such revenue bonds are issued, such contracts, leases, income, charges, tolls, rentals or fees shall be used to defray the reasonable expenses of the Port District and pay the principal of and income on any revenue bonds issued by the District;
8. To acquire, own, construct, lease for any period not exceeding 99 years, operate, develop and maintain Port District water and sewerage systems including but not limited to pipes, mains, lines, sewers, pumping stations, settling tanks, treatment plants, water purification equipment, wells, storage facilities and all other equipment, material and facilities necessary to such systems, for the use upon payment of a reasonable fee as set by the District, of any tenant, occupant or user of the District facilities, or anyone engaged in commerce in the District, provided that the District shall not acquire, own, construct, lease, operate, develop and maintain such water and sewerage systems if such services can be provided by a public utility or municipal corporation upon request of the District, and provided further that if the District develops its own water and sewerage systems such systems may be sold or disposed of at anytime to any public utility or municipal corporation which will continue to service the Port District.
9. To create, establish, maintain and operate a public incinerator for waste disposal by incineration by any means or method, for use by municipalities for the disposal of municipal wastes and by industries for the disposal of industrial waste; and to lease land and said incineration facilities for the operation of an incinerator for a term not exceeding 99 years and to fix and collect just, reasonable and non-discriminatory charges for the use of such incinerating facilities, and to use the charges or lease proceeds to defray the reasonable expenses of the Port District, and to pay the principal of and interest on any revenue bonds issued by the Port District.
10. To locate, establish and maintain a public airport, public airports and public airport facilities within its corporate limits or within or upon any body of water adjacent thereto, and to construct, develop, expand, extend and improve any such airport or airport facilities;
11. To operate, maintain, manage, lease or sublease for any period not exceeding 99 years, and to make and enter into contracts for the use, operation or management of, and to provide rules and regulations for, the operation, management or use of, any public airport or public airport facility;
12. To fix, charge and collect reasonable rentals, tolls, fees, and charges for the use of any public airport, or any part thereof, or any public airport facility;
13. To establish, maintain, extend and improve roadways and approaches by land, water or air to any such airport and to contract or otherwise provide, by condemnation if necessary, for the removal of any airport hazard or the removal or relocation of all private structures, railways, mains, pipes, conduits, wires, poles, and all other facilities and equipment which may interfere with the location, expansion, development, or improvement of airports or with the safe approach thereto or take-off therefrom by aircraft, and to pay the cost of removal or relocation; and, subject to the "Airport Zoning Act", approved July 17, 1945, as amended, to adopt, administer and enforce airport zoning regulations for territory which is within its corporate limits or which extends not more than 2 miles beyond its corporate limits;
14. To restrict the height of any object of natural growth or structure or structures within the vicinity of any airport or within the lines of an approach to any airport and, when necessary, for the reduction in the height of any such existing object or structure, to enter into an agreement for such reduction or to

accomplish same by condemnation;

15. To agree with the state or federal governments or with any public agency in respect to the removal and relocation of any object of natural growth, airport hazard or any structure or building within the vicinity of any airport or within an approach and which is owned or within the control of such government or agency and to pay all or an agreed portion of the cost of such removal or relocation;

16. For the prevention of accidents, for the furtherance and protection of public health, safety and convenience in respect to aeronautics, for the protection of property and persons within the District from any hazard or nuisance resulting from the flight of aircraft, for the prevention of interference between, or collision of, aircraft while in flight or upon the ground, for the prevention or abatement of nuisances in the air or upon the ground or for the extension or increase in the usefulness or safety of any public airport or public airport facility owned by the District, the District may regulate and restrict the flight of aircraft while within or above the incorporated territory of the District;

17. To police its physical property only and all waterways and to exercise police powers in respect thereto or in respect to the enforcement of any rule or regulation provided by the ordinances of the District and to employ and commission police officers and other qualified persons to enforce the same. The use of any such public airport or public airport facility of the District shall be subject to the reasonable regulation and control of the District and upon such reasonable terms and conditions as shall be established by its Board. A regulatory ordinance of the District adopted under any provision of this Section may provide for a suspension or revocation of any rights or privileges within the control of the District for a violation of any such regulatory ordinance. Nothing in this Section or in other provisions of this Act shall be construed to authorize such Board to establish or enforce any regulation or rule in respect to aviation, or the operation or maintenance of any airport facility within its jurisdiction, which is in conflict with any federal or state law or regulation applicable to the same subject matter;

18. To enter into agreements with the corporate authorities or governing body of any other municipal corporation or any political subdivision of this State to pay the reasonable expense of services furnished by such municipal corporation or political subdivision for or on account of income producing properties of the District;

19. To enter into contracts dealing in any manner with the objects and purposes of this Act;

20. To acquire, own, lease, sell or otherwise dispose of interests in and to real property and improvements situate thereon and in personal property necessary to fulfill the purposes of the District;

21. To designate the fiscal year for the District;

22. To engage in any activity or operation which is incidental to and in furtherance of efficient operation to accomplish the District's primary purpose ; -

23. To apply to proper authorities of the United States of America pursuant to appropriated Federal Law for the right to establish, operate, maintain and lease foreign trade zones and sub-zones within the limits of the Tri-City Regional Port District or within the jurisdiction of the United States Customs Service Office of the St. Louis Port of Entry and to establish, operate, maintain and lease such foreign trade zones and the sub-zones ; -

24. To operate, maintain, manage, lease, or sublease for any period not exceeding 99 years any former military base owned or leased by the District and within its jurisdictional boundaries, to make and enter into any contract for the use, operation, or management of any former military base owned or leased by the District and located within its jurisdictional boundaries, and to provide rules and regulations for the development, redevelopment, and expansion of any former military base owned or leased by the District and located within its jurisdictional boundaries;

25. To locate, establish, re-establish, expand or renew, construct or reconstruct, operate, and maintain any facility, building, structure, or improvement for a use or a purpose consistent with any use or purpose of any former military base owned or leased by the District and located within its jurisdictional boundaries;

26. To acquire, own, sell, convey, construct, lease for any period not exceeding 99 years, manage, operate, expand, develop, and maintain any electrical or telephone system, including, but not limited to, all equipment, materials, and facilities necessary or incidental to that electrical or telephone system, for use, at the option of the District and upon payment of a reasonable fee set by the District, of any tenant or occupant situated on any former military base owned or leased by the District and located within its jurisdictional boundaries;

27. To cause to be incorporated one or more subsidiary business corporations, wholly-owned by the District, to own, operate, maintain, and manage facilities and services related to any telephone system, pursuant to paragraph 26. A subsidiary corporation formed pursuant to this paragraph shall (i) be deemed a telecommunications carrier, as that term is defined in Section 13-202 of the Public Utilities Act, (ii) have

the right to apply to the Illinois Commerce Commission for a Certificate of Service Authority or a Certificate of Interexchange Service Authority, and (iii) have the powers necessary to carry out lawful orders of the Illinois Commerce Commission;

28. To improve, develop, or redevelop any former military base situated within the boundaries of the District, in Madison County, Illinois, and acquired by the District from the federal government, acting by and through the United States Maritime Administration, pursuant to any plan for redevelopment, development, or improvement of that military base by the District that is approved by the United States Maritime Administration under the terms and conditions of conveyance of the former military base to the District by the federal government.

(Source: P.A. 83-690.)

Section 999. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law."

The foregoing message from the Senate reporting Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 900 was placed on the Calendar on the order of Concurrence.

A message from the Senate by
Ms. Hawker, Secretary:
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill of the following title to-wit:

HOUSE BILL 1045

A bill for AN ACT concerning real property.
Together with the attached amendment thereto (which amendment has been printed by the Senate), in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit:
Senate Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 1045
Passed the Senate, as amended, January 14, 2004.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

AMENDMENT NO. 2. Amend House Bill 1045 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following:

"Section 5. The Director of Agriculture, on behalf of the State of Illinois, is authorized to exchange certain real property in Perry County, Illinois, hereinafter referred to as Parcel 1, for certain real property of equal value in Perry County, Illinois, hereinafter referred to as Parcel 2, with the NOTFA Land Trust #1, such Parcels being described as follows:

PARCEL 1

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

A part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 6 South, Range 1 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Perry County, Illinois

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the said Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence Easterly along the South line of the said Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter a distance of 62.62 feet to an iron rebar found in the East Right-of-Way line of U.S. Route 51; thence Northerly along the said East Right-of-Way said line being 60 feet Easterly of the centerline of U.S. Route 51 a distance of 854.56 feet to an iron rebar found being the point of beginning for this description; from said point of beginning continuing Northerly along said Right-of-Way line a distance of 438.91 feet to a point on the proposed South Right-of-Way line of Bob Green Drive; thence Easterly along the proposed South Right-of-Way line of Bob Green Drive with a deflection angle of 90 degrees 24 minutes 35 seconds a distance of 576.05 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line with a deflection of 89 degrees 35 minutes 25 seconds a distance of 435.46 feet to a point; thence Westerly along a line with a deflection of 90 degrees 03 minutes 56 seconds a distance of 576.04 feet to the point of beginning containing 5.78 acres more or less.

PARCEL 2

Part of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 20, Township 6 South, Range 1 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Perry County, Illinois, more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 20, Township 6

South, Range 1 West of the Third Principal Meridian, Perry County, thence S 00 degrees 02 minutes 14 seconds E, an assumed bearing along the West line of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of said Section 20, a distance of 1132.54 feet, to the point of beginning for the tract herein described; thence continuing S 00 degrees 02 minutes 14 seconds E, along the West line of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of said Section 20, a distance of 143.52 feet; thence S 89 degrees 04 minutes 51 seconds E, a distance of 175.04 feet, to an iron pin; thence S 00 degrees 00 minutes 30 seconds E, a distance of 75.00 feet, to an iron pin in the South line of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of said Section 20; thence S 89 degrees 03 minutes 51 seconds E, along the South line of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of said Section 20, a distance of 1137.90 feet, to an iron pin; thence N 00 degrees 00 minutes 58 seconds W, a distance of 363.05 feet, to an iron pin; thence N 89 degrees 03 minutes 51 seconds W, a distance of 654.24 feet, to an iron pin; thence S 00 degrees 12 minutes 17 seconds E, a distance of 112.02 feet, to an iron pin; thence N 88 degrees 46 minutes 16 seconds W, a distance of 420.40 feet, to an iron pin; thence S 41 degrees 29 minutes 05 seconds W, a distance of 38.74 feet, to an iron pin; thence S 89 degrees 03 minutes 07 seconds W, a distance of 154.42 feet, to the point of beginning, containing 8.80 acres, more or less.

Section 10. Whereas, the transaction described in Section 5 will be to the mutual advantages of both parties, each party shall be responsible for any and all title costs associated with their respective properties.

Section 15. The Director of Agriculture shall obtain an opinion of title from the Illinois Attorney General certifying that the State of Illinois will receive merchantable title to the real property referred to as Parcel 2 in Section 5.

Section 20. The Director of Agriculture shall obtain a certified copy of the portions of this Act containing the title, the enacting clause, the effective date, the appropriate Sections containing the land descriptions of property to be transferred, and this Section within 60 days after this Act's effective date and, upon receipt of payment or other consideration required by the appropriate Sections, shall record the certified document in the Recorder's office in the county in which the land is located.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law."

The foregoing message from the Senate reporting Senate Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL 1045 was placed on the Calendar on the order of Concurrence.

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Hawker, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill of the following title to-wit:

HOUSE BILL 599

A bill for AN ACT in relation to pensions.

Together with the attached amendment thereto (which amendment has been printed by the Senate), in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit:

Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 599

Passed the Senate, as amended, January 14, 2004.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

AMENDMENT NO. 1 . Amend House Bill 599 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following:

"Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by changing Sections 4-109.1, 4-109.2, and 4-114 as follows:

(40 ILCS 5/4-109.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-109.1)

Sec. 4-109.1. Increase in pension.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (e), the monthly pension of a firefighter who retires after July 1, 1971 and prior to January 1, 1986, shall, upon either the first of the month following the first anniversary of the date of retirement if 60 years of age or over at retirement date, or upon the first day of the month following attainment of age 60 if it occurs after the first anniversary of retirement, be increased by 2% of the originally granted monthly pension and by an additional 2% in each January thereafter. Effective January 1976, the rate of the annual increase shall be 3% of the originally granted monthly pension.

(b) The monthly pension of a firefighter who retired from service with 20 or more years of service, on or before July 1, 1971, shall be increased, in January of the year following the year of attaining age 65 or in January 1972, if then over age 65, by 2% of the originally granted monthly pension, for each year the firefighter received pension payments. In each January thereafter, he or she shall receive an additional increase of 2% of the original monthly pension. Effective January 1976, the rate of the annual increase shall be 3%.

(c) The monthly pension of a firefighter who is receiving a disability pension under this Article shall be increased, in January of the year following the year the firefighter attains age 60, or in January 1974, if then over age 60, by 2% of the originally granted monthly pension for each year he or she received pension payments. In each January thereafter, the firefighter shall receive an additional increase of 2% of the original monthly pension. Effective January 1976, the rate of the annual increase shall be 3%.

(c-1) On January 1, 1998, every child's disability benefit payable on that date under Section 4-110 or 4-110.1 shall be increased by an amount equal to 1/12 of 3% of the amount of the benefit, multiplied by the number of months for which the benefit has been payable. On each January 1 thereafter, every child's disability benefit payable under Section 4-110 or 4-110.1 shall be increased by 3% of the amount of the benefit then being paid, including any previous increases received under this Article. These increases are not subject to any limitation on the maximum benefit amount included in Section 4-110 or 4-110.1.

(c-2) On January 1, 2004, every pension payable to or on behalf of a minor or disabled surviving child that is payable on that date under Section 4-114 shall be increased by an amount equal to 1/12 of 3% of the amount of the pension, multiplied by the number of months for which the benefit has been payable. On January 1, 2005, January 1, 2006, January 1, 2007, and January 1, 2008, every pension payable to or on behalf of a minor or disabled surviving child that is payable under Section 4-114 shall be increased by 3% of the amount of the pension then being paid, including any previous increases received under this Article. These increases are not subject to any limitation on the maximum benefit amount included in Section 4-114.

(d) The monthly pension of a firefighter who retires after January 1, 1986, shall, upon either the first of the month following the first anniversary of the date of retirement if 55 years of age or over, or upon the first day of the month following attainment of age 55 if it occurs after the first anniversary of retirement, be increased by 1/12 of 3% of the originally granted monthly pension for each full month that has elapsed since the pension began, and by an additional 3% in each January thereafter.

The changes made to this subsection (d) by this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly apply to all initial increases that become payable under this subsection on or after January 1, 1999. All initial increases that became payable under this subsection on or after January 1, 1999 and before the effective date of this amendatory Act shall be recalculated and the additional amount accruing for that period, if any, shall be payable to the pensioner in a lump sum.

(e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), upon the first day of the month following (1) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (2) the attainment of age 55, or (3) July 1, 1987, whichever occurs latest, the monthly pension of a firefighter who retired on or after January 1, 1977 and on or before January 1, 1986 and did not receive an increase under subsection (a) before July 1, 1987, shall be increased by 3% of the originally granted monthly pension for each full year that has elapsed since the pension began, and by an additional 3% in each January thereafter. The increases provided under this subsection are in lieu of the increases provided in subsection (a).

(Source: P.A. 90-32, eff. 6-27-97; 91-466, eff. 8-6-99.)

(40 ILCS 5/4-109.2) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-109.2)

Sec. 4-109.2. Minimum pension.

(a) Beginning January 1, 1984, the minimum disability pension granted under Section 4-110 or 4-111, the minimum surviving spouse's pension, and the minimum retirement pension granted to a firefighter with 20 or more years of creditable service, shall be \$300 per month, without regard to whether the death, disability or retirement of the firefighter occurred prior to that date.

Beginning July 1, 1987, the minimum retirement pension payable to a firefighter with 20 or more years of creditable service, the minimum disability pension payable under Section 4-110 or 4-111, and the minimum surviving spouse's pension shall be \$400 per month, without regard to whether the death, retirement or disability of the firefighter occurred prior to that date.

Beginning July 1, 1993, the minimum retirement pension payable to a firefighter with 20 or more years of creditable service and the minimum surviving spouse's pension shall be \$475 per month, without regard to whether the firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1993.

(b) Beginning January 1, 1999, the minimum retirement pension payable to a firefighter with 20 or more

years of creditable service, the minimum disability pension payable under Section 4-110, 4-110.1, or 4-111, and the minimum surviving spouse's pension shall be \$600 per month, without regard to whether the firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly.

In the case of a pensioner whose pension began before the effective date of this amendatory Act and is subject to increase under this subsection (b), the pensioner shall be entitled to a lump sum payment of the amount of that increase accruing from January 1, 1999 (or the date the pension began, if later) to the effective date of this amendatory Act.

(c) Beginning January 1, 2000, the minimum retirement pension payable to a firefighter with 20 or more years of creditable service, the minimum disability pension payable under Section 4-110, 4-110.1, or 4-111, and the minimum surviving spouse's pension shall be \$800 per month, without regard to whether the firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly.

(d) Beginning January 1, 2001, the minimum retirement pension payable to a firefighter with 20 or more years of creditable service, the minimum disability pension payable under Section 4-110, 4-110.1, or 4-111, and the minimum surviving spouse's pension shall be \$1000 per month, without regard to whether the firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly.

(e) Beginning January 1, 2004, the minimum retirement pension payable to a firefighter with 20 or more years of creditable service, the minimum disability pension payable under Section 4-110, 4-110.1, or 4-111, and the minimum surviving spouse's pension shall be \$1030 per month, without regard to whether the firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

(f) Beginning January 1, 2005, the minimum retirement pension payable to a firefighter with 20 or more years of creditable service, the minimum disability pension payable under Section 4-110, 4-110.1, or 4-111, and the minimum surviving spouse's pension shall be \$1060.90 per month, without regard to whether the firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

(g) Beginning January 1, 2006, the minimum retirement pension payable to a firefighter with 20 or more years of creditable service, the minimum disability pension payable under Section 4-110, 4-110.1, or 4-111, and the minimum surviving spouse's pension shall be \$1092.73 per month, without regard to whether the firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

(h) Beginning January 1, 2007, the minimum retirement pension payable to a firefighter with 20 or more years of creditable service, the minimum disability pension payable under Section 4-110, 4-110.1, or 4-111, and the minimum surviving spouse's pension shall be \$1125.51 per month, without regard to whether the firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

(i) Beginning January 1, 2008, the minimum retirement pension payable to a firefighter with 20 or more years of creditable service, the minimum disability pension payable under Section 4-110, 4-110.1, or 4-111, and the minimum surviving spouse's pension shall be \$1159.27 per month, without regard to whether the firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

(Source: P.A. 91-466, eff. 8-6-99.)

(40 ILCS 5/4-114) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-114)

Sec. 4-114. Pension to survivors. If a firefighter who is not receiving a disability pension under Section 4-110 or 4-110.1 dies (1) as a result of any illness or accident, or (2) from any cause while in receipt of a disability pension under this Article, or (3) during retirement after 20 years service, or (4) while vested for or in receipt of a pension payable under subsection (b) of Section 4-109, or (5) while a deferred pensioner, having made all required contributions, a pension shall be paid to his or her survivors, based on the monthly salary attached to the firefighter's rank on the last day of service in the fire department, as follows:

(a) To the surviving spouse, a monthly pension of 40% of the monthly salary, and to the guardian of any minor child or children including a child which has been conceived but not yet born, 12% of such monthly salary for each such child until attainment of age 18 or until the child's marriage, whichever occurs first. Beginning July 1, 1993, the monthly pension to the surviving spouse shall be 54% of the monthly salary for all persons receiving a surviving spouse pension under this Article, regardless of whether the deceased firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1993.

Beginning January 1, 2004, the total monthly pension payable under this paragraph (a) to the surviving spouse of a firefighter who died while receiving a retirement pension, including any amount payable on account of children, shall be no less than 100% of the monthly retirement pension that the deceased firefighter was receiving at the time of death, including any increases under Section 4-109.1. This minimum applies to all such surviving spouses who are eligible to receive a surviving spouse pension, regardless of whether the deceased firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, and notwithstanding any limitation on maximum pension under paragraph (d) or any other provision of this Article.

The pension to the surviving spouse shall terminate in the event of the surviving spouse's remarriage prior to July 1, 1993; remarriage on or after that date does not affect the surviving spouse's pension, regardless of whether the deceased firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1993.

The surviving spouse's pension shall be subject to the minimum established in Section 4-109.2.

(b) Upon the death of the surviving spouse leaving one or more minor children, to the duly appointed guardian of each such child, for support and maintenance of each such child until the child reaches age 18 or marries, whichever occurs first, a monthly pension of 20% of the monthly salary.

(c) If a deceased firefighter leaves no surviving spouse or unmarried minor children under age 18, but leaves a dependent father or mother, to each dependent parent a monthly pension of 18% of the monthly salary. To qualify for the pension, a dependent parent must furnish satisfactory proof that the deceased firefighter was at the time of his or her death the sole supporter of the parent or that the parent was the deceased's dependent for federal income tax purposes.

(d) The total pension provided under paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this Section shall not exceed 75% of the monthly salary of the deceased firefighter (1) when paid to the survivor of a firefighter who has attained 20 or more years of service credit and who receives or is eligible to receive a retirement pension under this Article, or (2) when paid to the survivor of a firefighter who dies as a result of illness or accident, or (3) when paid to the survivor of a firefighter who dies from any cause while in receipt of a disability pension under this Article, or (4) when paid to the survivor of a deferred pensioner. For all other survivors of deceased firefighters, the total pension provided under paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this Section shall not exceed 50% of the retirement annuity the firefighter would have received on the date of death.

The maximum pension limitations in this paragraph (d) do not control over any contrary provision of this Article explicitly establishing a minimum amount of pension or granting a one-time or annual increase in pension.

(e) If a firefighter leaves no eligible survivors under paragraphs (a), (b) and (c), the board shall refund to the firefighter's estate the amount of his or her accumulated contributions, less the amount of pension payments, if any, made to the firefighter while living.

(f) An adopted child is eligible for the pension provided under paragraph (a) if the child was adopted before the firefighter attained age 50.

(g) If a judgment of dissolution of marriage between a firefighter and spouse is judicially set aside subsequent to the firefighter's death, the surviving spouse is eligible for the pension provided in paragraph (a) only if the judicial proceedings are filed within 2 years after the date of the dissolution of marriage and within one year after the firefighter's death and the board is made a party to the proceedings. In such case the pension shall be payable only from the date of the court's order setting aside the judgment of dissolution of marriage.

(h) Benefits payable on account of a child under this Section shall not be reduced or terminated by reason of the child's attainment of age 18 if he or she is then dependent by reason of a physical or mental disability but shall continue to be paid as long as such dependency continues. Individuals over the age of 18 and adjudged as a disabled person pursuant to Article XIa of the Probate Act of 1975, except for persons receiving benefits under Article III of the Illinois Public Aid Code, shall be eligible to receive benefits under this Act.

(i) Beginning January 1, 2000, the pension of the surviving spouse of a firefighter who dies on or after January 1, 1994 as a result of sickness, accident, or injury incurred in or resulting from the performance of an act of duty or from the cumulative effects of acts of duty shall not be less than 100% of the salary attached to the rank held by the deceased firefighter on the last day of service, notwithstanding subsection (d) or any other provision of this Article.

(Source: P.A. 91-466, eff. 8-6-99.)

Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding Section 8.28 as follows:

(30 ILCS 805/8.28 new)

Sec. 8.28. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law."

The foregoing message from the Senate reporting Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 599 was placed on the Calendar on the order of Concurrence.

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Hawker, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of their amendment to a bill of the following title, to-wit:

SENATE BILL NO. 1676

A bill for AN ACT in relation to local government.

House Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL NO. 1676.

Action taken by the Senate, January 14, 2004.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Hawker, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has receded from their amendment 2 to a bill of the following title, to-wit:

HOUSE BILL NO. 719

A bill for AN ACT in relation to vehicles.

Action taken by the Senate, January 14, 2004.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Hawker, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill of the following title to-wit:

HOUSE BILL 2735

A bill for AN ACT making appropriations.

Together with the attached amendments thereto (which amendments have been printed by the Senate), in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit:

Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL NO. 2735

Senate Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL NO. 2735

Passed the Senate, as amended, January 15, 2004.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

AMENDMENT NO. 1 Amend House Bill 2735, by deleting everything after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

ARTICLE 1

Section 1. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-92, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Section 10 of Article 1 as follows:

(P.A. 93-92, Art. 1, Sec. 10)

Sec. 10. In addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated, the following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to the Department of Public Aid for

Medical Assistance:

FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE ILLINOIS PUBLIC AID CODE
AND THE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM ACT

Payable from General Revenue Fund:

For Physicians	513,590,700
For Dentists	88,590,800
For Optometrists.....	11,319,800
For Podiatrists.....	2,367,200
For Chiropractors	1,300,600
For Hospital In-Patient, Disproportionate Share and Ambulatory Care	2,256,723,200
For Skilled, Intermediate, and Other Related Long Term Care Services	901,304,000
For Community Health Centers.....	109,485,500
For Hospice Care.....	35,202,300
For Independent Laboratories.....	25,364,100
For Home Health Care, Therapy, and Nursing Services.....	49,940,300
For Appliances	54,936,000
For Transportation.....	78,392,700
For Other Related Medical Services and for development, implementation, and operation of managed care and children's health programs including operating and administrative costs and related distributive purposes	65,654,700
For Medicare Part A Premiums	8,700,000
For Medicare Part B Premiums	121,300,000
For Medicare Part B Premiums for Qualified Individuals under the Federal Balanced Budget Act of 1997	6,633,700
For Health Maintenance Organizations and Managed Care Entities.....	182,223,600
For Division of Specialized Care for Children.....	51,620,900
Total	\$4,566,300,100

In addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated, the following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated to the Department of Public Aid for Medical Assistance under the Illinois Public Aid Code and the Children's Health Insurance Program Act for Prescribed Drugs, including costs associated with the implementation and operation of the SeniorCare program:

Payable from:

General Revenue Fund	\$1,042,258,000
General Revenue Fund	915,258,000
Drug Rebate Fund	405,000,000
Tobacco Settlement Recovery Fund.....	298,652,900
Medicaid Buy-In Program Revolving Fund	100,000
Total	\$1,647,010,900

The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated to the Department of Public Aid for the purposes hereinafter named:

FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Payable from General Revenue Fund:

For Grants for Medical Care for Persons Suffering from Chronic Renal Disease	1,214,300
For Grants for Medical Care for Persons Suffering from Hemophilia.....	4,553,600
For Grants for Medical Care for Sexual	

Assault Victims	657,800
For Grants to Altgeld Clinic	<u>400,000</u>
Total	\$6,825,700

The Department, with the consent in writing from the Governor, may reappropriation not more than two percent of the total General Revenue Fund appropriations in Section 2 above among the various purposes therein enumerated.

In addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated, the amount of \$8,507,300, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated to the Department of Public Aid from the General Revenue Fund for expenses relating to the Children's Health Insurance Program Act, including payments under Section 25 (a)(1) of that Act, and related operating and administrative costs

Section 2. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-92, approved June 3, 2003, is amended by changing Section 3 of Article 5 as follows:

(P.A. 93-92, Art. 5, Sec. 3)

Sec. 3. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for the objects and purposes hereinafter named:

ILLINOIS VETERANS' HOME AT ANNA

Payable from General Revenue Fund:

For Personal Services	142,500
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid by Employer	5,700
For State Contributions to the State	
Employees' Retirement System	19,200
For State Contributions to	
Social Security	10,900
<u>For Contractual Services</u>	<u>806,900</u>
<u>For Contractual Services</u>	<u>1,606,900</u>
For Travel	0
For Commodities	0
For Printing	0
For Equipment	0
For Electronic Data Processing	0
For Telecommunications Services	0
For Operation of Auto Equipment	0
Total	\$1,785,200

In addition to any amounts heretofore appropriated, the amount of \$1,400,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for the ordinary and contingent expenses of operating the Illinois Veterans' Home at Anna.

Payable from the Anna Veterans' Home Fund:

For Contractual Services	1,993,700
For Travel	2,100
For Commodities	500
For Printing	100
For Equipment	9,600
For Electronic Data Processing	100
For Telecommunications Services	10,400
For Operation of Auto Equipment	1,800
For Refunds	<u>13,000</u>
Total	\$2,031,300

Section 3. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-62, approved June 30, 2003, is amended by changing Section 3 of Article 11 as follows:

(P.A. 93-62, Art. 11, Sec. 3)

Sec. 3. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated from the Savings and Residential Finance Regulatory Fund to the Office of Banks and Real Estate to meet the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Office of Banks and Real Estate and the Illinois Residential Mortgage Board and the Illinois Board of Savings Institutions in the Office of Banks and Real Estate:

MORTGAGE BANKING AND THRIFT REGULATION

For Personal Services	2,534,410
For Personal Services	2,416,300
For Personal Services:	
Per Diem	1,000
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid by Employer	100,468
Paid by Employer	96,700
For State Contributions to State	
Employees' Retirement System	340,573
Employees' Retirement System	324,700
For State Contributions to	
Social Security	193,835
Social Security	184,800
For Group Insurance	484,000
For Group Insurance	451,000
For Contractual Services	571,900
For Contractual Services	550,300
For Travel	148,900
For Travel	134,500
For Commodities	27,800
For Commodities	25,400
For Printing	42,100
For Equipment	106,300
For Equipment	76,300
For Electronic Data Processing	258,300
For Electronic Data Processing	228,300
For Telecommunications Services	49,280
For Telecommunications Services	45,500
For Operation of Automotive Equipment	3,500
For Refunds	1,500
For Refunds	500
Total	\$4,580,900

Section 4. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-587, approved August 22, 2003, is amended by adding new Sections 17, 18, 19 and 20 (also new section) to Article 1 as follows:

(P.A. 93-587, Art. 1, Sec. 17, new)

Sec. 17. In addition to any funds heretofore appropriated for such purposes, the sum of \$2,650,000 is appropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Capital Development Board for the Secretary of State for planning and design, providing a study, historical analysis, asbestos abatement and all other costs associated with the upgrade of the HVAC system in the Capitol Building.

(P.A. 93-587, Art. 1, Sec. 18, new)

Sec. 18. The sum of \$2,500,000 is appropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Capital Development Board for the Office of the Architect of the Capitol for equipment, remodeling and all other costs related to the maintenance, renovation or restoration of areas located in the Capitol Building.

(P.A. 93-587, Art. 1, Sec. 19, new)

Sec. 19. The sum of \$7,500,000 is appropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Capital Development Board for the Office of the Architect of the Capitol for all costs related to asbestos and environmental abatement in the Capitol Building.

(P.A. 93-587, Art. 1, Sec. 20, new)

Sec. 20. In addition to any funds heretofore appropriated for such purposes, the sum of \$1,000,000 is appropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Capital Development Board for the Secretary of State for all costs related to the planning and design of life safety and fire protection system improvements, hazardous material abatement, historical restoration and construction in the Capitol Building.

Section 5. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-587, approved August 22, 2003, is amended by changing Section 30 of Article 2 as follows:

(P.A. 93-587, Art. 2, Sec. 30)

Sec. 30. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remain unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations and reappropriations heretofore made in Article 1, Section 14 and Article 2, Sections 24, 24.1, 28, 33, 43, 45, 96, 97 and 108 of Public Act 92-717, are reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Capital Development Board for the Illinois Board of Higher Education for the projects hereinafter enumerated:

CHICAGO STATE UNIVERSITY

(From Article 1, Section 14 of Public Act 92-717)

For roof replacement projects	4,400,000
For the construction of a conference center	5,000,000
For the construction of a day care facility	4,982,104
For the construction of a student financial outreach building	5,000,000

(From Article 2, Section 28 of Public Act 92-717)

For constructing a new library facility, site improvements, utilities, and purchasing equipment, in addition to funds previously appropriated	15,021,338
For technology improvements and deferred maintenance	1,792,800
For remodeling Building K, in addition to funds previously appropriated	9,127,174

(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)

For planning and beginning to remodel Building K and improving site	1,005,474
For planning, site improvements, utilities, construction, equipment and other costs necessary for a new library facility	10,946,401

(From Article 2, Section 96 of Public Act 92-717)

For a grant to Chicago State University for all costs associated with construction of a Convocation Center	8,623,383
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(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)

For upgrading campus infrastructure, in addition to the funds previously appropriated	1,052,466
For renovating buildings and upgrading mechanical systems	679,179

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

(From Article 2, Section 28 of Public Act 92-717)

For renovating and expanding the Fine Arts Center, in addition to funds previously appropriated	39,705,500
For planning and beginning to renovate and expand the Fine Arts Center - Phase 1, in addition to funds previously appropriated	1,621,559

(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)

For planning and beginning to renovate and expand the Fine Arts Center	1,824,490
For upgrading campus buildings for health, safety and environmental improvements	386,432
For constructing an addition and renovating Booth Library	164,611

GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY

(From Article 2, Section 28 of Public Act 92-717)

For constructing addition and remodeling the teaching & learning complex, in addition to funds previously appropriated	15,979,731
(From Article 2, Section 97 of Public Act 92-717)	
For costs associated with establishing a campus-wide fire alarm system at Governor's State University	865,796
(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)	
For constructing a child development center and an addition to the main building and remodeling Wings E and F	354,731
For planning and beginning the main building renovations, a child development center, and faculty offices	7,464
For upgrading and replacing cooling and refrigeration systems and equipment	260,036
For remodeling the main building.....	171,802
ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY	
(From Article 2, Section 28 of Public Act 92-717)	
For the upgrade and remodeling of Schroeder Hall.....	17,345,093
(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)	
For planning and beginning to rehabilitate Schroeder Hall	527,176
For planning, site improvements, utilities, construction, equipment and other costs necessary for a new facility for the College of Business	10,814,323
For remodeling Julian and Moulton Halls	1,355,468
NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY	
(From Article 2, Section 28 of Public Act 92-717)	
For renovating Building "C" and remodeling and expanding Building "E" and Building "F"	9,064,300
(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)	
For planning and beginning to remodel Buildings A, B and E.....	3,718,870
For remodeling in the Science Building to upgrade heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems	2,021,400
For replacing fire alarm systems, lighting and ceilings.....	1,871,089
For renovating the auditorium in Building E	2,345,730
For renovation of Buildings E, F, and the auditorium, and demolition and replacement of Buildings G, J and M, in addition to amounts previously appropriated.....	102,848
For remodeling the library	84,571
NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY	
(From Article 2, Section 28 of Public Act 92-717)	
For renovating the Founders Library basement, in addition to funds previously	

appropriated.....	768,745
(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)	
For planning a classroom building and developing site in Hoffman Estates	1,314,500
For completing the construction of the Engineering Building, in addition to amounts previously appropriated for such purpose	3,777,651
For renovating Altgeld Hall and purchasing equipment.....	1,853,450
For upgrading storm waterway controls in addition to funds previously appropriated	1,265,161
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY (From Article 2, Section 24.1 of Public Act 92-717)	
For planning, construction and equipment for a cancer center	14,314,690
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY – CARBONDALE (From Article 1, Section 14 of Public Act 92-717)	
For renovating and constructing an addition to the Morris Library, in addition to funds previously appropriated.....	25,690,000
(From Article 2, Section 108 of Public Act 92-717)	
For planning a renovation and addition to the Morris Library	1,523,552
(From Article 2, Section 28 of Public Act 92-717)	
For renovating Altgeld Hall and Old Baptist Foundation, in addition to funds previously appropriated.....	4,924,540
(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)	
For upgrading and remodeling Anthony Hall	0
For site improvements and purchasing equipment for the Engineering and Technology Building.....	11,190
(From Article 2, Section 43 of Public Act 92-717)	
For construction of an engineering building annex	61,448
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY - EDWARDSVILLE (From Article 2, Section 24.1 of Public Act 92-717)	
For planning, construction and equipment for an advanced technical worker training facility	1,029,729
(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)	
For construction of the Engineering Facility building and related site improvements.....	24,511
(From Article 2, Section 43 of Public Act 92-717)	
For replacement of the high temperature water distribution system	168,709
SIU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE – SPRINGFIELD (From Article 2, Section 24 of Public Act 92-717)	
For constructing and for equipment for an addition to the combined laboratory, in addition to funds previously appropriated.....	12,368,319
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO (From Article 1, Section 14 of Public Act 92-717)	
Plan, construct, and equip the Chemical	

Sciences Building	57,600,000
(From Article 2, Section 24.1 of Public Act 92-717)	
For planning, construction and equipment for a chemical sciences building	6,400,000
To plan and begin construction of a medical imaging research/clinical facility	3,326,338
(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)	
For remodeling the Clinical Sciences Building	1,906,902
For the renovation of the court area and Lecture Center, in addition to funds previously appropriated	1,571,369
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO (From Article 2, Section 45 of Public Act 92-717)	
For remodeling Alumni Hall, Phase II, including utilities	22,874
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHAMPAIGN-URBANA (From Article 1, Section 14 of Public Act 92-717)	
Expansion of Microelectronics Lab	18,000,000
(From Article 2, Section 24.1 of Public Act 92-717)	
For planning, construction and equipment for a biotechnology genomic facility	67,500,000
For planning, construction and equipment for a supercomputing application facility	24,713,878
For planning, construction and equipment for a technology transfer incubator facility	130,165
To plan and begin construction of a biotechnology/genomic facility	3,224,471
To plan and begin construction of a supercomputing application facility	868,928
To plan and begin construction of a technology transfer incubator facility	179,276
(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)	
For remodeling the Mechanical Engineering Laboratory Building	125,428
(From Article 2, Section 45 of Public Act 92-717)	
For initiating a campus flood control project	75,852
UNIVERSITY CENTER OF LAKE COUNTY (From Article 1, Section 14 of Public Act 92-717)	
For constructing a university center and purchasing equipment, in addition to funds previously appropriated	8,000,000
(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)	
For land, planning, remodeling, construction and all costs necessary to construct a facility	11,000,000
facility	10,622,467
WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY – MACOMB (From Article 1, Section 14 of Public Act 92-717)	
Plan and construct performing arts center	4,000,000
(From Article 2, Section 28 of Public Act 92-717)	

For improvements to Memorial Hall	11,931,823
(From Article 2, Section 33 of Public Act 92-717)	
For constructing a utility tunnel system, in addition to funds previously appropriated	113,118
For remodeling Horrabin Hall and beginning to convert Simpkins Hall gymnasium and adjacent areas into a performing arts facility	56,564
Total	\$495,841,044

Section 6. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-62, approved June 30, 2003, is amended by adding new Section 5 to Article 12 as follows:
(P.A. 93-62, Art. 12, Sec. 5, new)

Sec. 5. The amount of \$15,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated to the Prisoner Review Board from the General Revenue Fund for expenses relating to the victim notification units.

Section 7. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Section 5 of Article 7 as follows:
(P.A. 93-91, Art. 7, Sec. 5)

Sec. 5. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to the Department of State Police for the following purposes:

DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION

Payable from General Revenue Fund:

For Personal Services	7,239,000
For Personal Services	7,364,000
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid by Employer.....	306,900
For State Contributions to State Employees' Retirement System.....	989,600
For State Contributions to Social Security	496,300
For Contractual Services	4,208,200
For Travel.....	86,100
For Commodities.....	416,200
For Printing.....	99,800
For Equipment.....	121,700
For Telecommunications Services.....	231,900
For Operation of Auto Equipment.....	232,400
For Repairs and Maintenance and Permanent Improvements	54,000
For Expenses of Apprehension of Fugitives	0
For Contractual Services:	
For Payment of Tort Claims.....	60,500
For Refunds	7,400
For Expenses regarding implementation of the Juvenile Justice Reform provisions.....	548,000
For Expenses associated with the Videotaping of Interrogations	1,000,000
Total.....	\$16,223,000

Payable from Missing and Exploited Children

Trust Fund:

For the Administration and fulfillment of its responsibilities under the Intergovernmental Missing Child Recovery Act of 1984	0
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Payable from the State Police Wireless Service Emergency Fund:	
For costs associated with the administration and fulfillment of its responsibilities under the Wireless Emergency Telephone Safety Act	\$500,000
Payable from the State Police Vehicle Fund:	
For equipment:	
Purchase of Police Cars - FY04	\$50,000
Section 8. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-65, approved July 1, 2003, is amended by changing Section 1 of Article 7 as follows:	
(P.A. 93-65, Art. 7, Sec. 1)	
Sec. 1. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated from the General Revenue Fund for the objects and purposes hereinafter named, to meet the ordinary and contingent expenses of the State Police Merit Board:	
For Personal Services	344,900
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid by Employer.....	13,800
For State Contributions to State Employees' Retirement System.....	46,400
For State Contributions to Social Security	27,700
For Contractual Services	447,800
For Contractual Services	322,800
For Travel.....	5,000
For Commodities.....	8,000
For Printing.....	6,000
For Equipment.....	8,100
For Electronic Data Processing	8,000
For Telecommunications Services.....	12,000
For Operation of Automotive Equipment.....	2,700
Total	\$805,400

Section 99. Item and reduction veto not restored. Nothing in this Article shall be construed to restore an item or reduction veto.

ARTICLE 2

Section 1. The following named amounts are appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Court of Claims to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

No. 99-CC-0134, Home Care Medical Services Inc and Behavioral Service Providers, Inc. Contract, against the Departments of Human Services and Public Aid	\$660,316.46
No. 93-CC-0554, Aubrey Volious. Tort, against Chicago State University	\$13,500.00
No. 93-CC-0556, Ronald Eskridge. Tort, against Chicago State University	\$33,000.00
No. 01-CC-2609, Kimberly Colbert. Personal injury, against the Department of Corrections	\$22,000.00
No. 02-CC-3662, Lawrence Hayes. Medical Malpractice, against the Department of Corrections.....	\$6,250.00
No. 03-CC-2701, Steven Linscott. Illegal Incarceration, against the Department of Corrections	\$60,150.00
No. 03-CC-2702, Paula Gray. Illegal	

Incarceration, against the Department of Corrections	\$120,300.00
No. 03-CC-3105, Melinda Erickson.	
Discrimination, against Northeastern Illinois University	\$85,000.00
No. 03-CC-4017, Leroy Orange. Illegal	
Incarceration, against the Department of Corrections.....	\$161,005.24
No. 03-CC-4227, Franklin Thompson.	
Illegal Incarceration, against the Department of Corrections	\$138,004.49
No. 03-CC-4364, Gary Dotson. Illegal	
Incarceration, against the Department of Corrections	\$120,300.00
No. 03-CC-4365, Gary Gauger. Illegal	
Incarceration, against the Department of Corrections	\$60,150.00
No. 03-CC-4566, Madison Hobley. Illegal	
Incarceration, against the Department of Corrections	\$161,005.24
No. 03-CC-4655, Miguel Castillo. Illegal	
Incarceration, against the Department of Corrections	\$127,786.76
No. 03-CC-4899, Oscar Walden Jr. Illegal	
Incarceration, against the Department of Corrections	\$120,300.00
Section 2. The following named amounts are appropriated from the Road Fund to the Court of Claims to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:	
No. 91-CC-0927, Commercial Union Insurance Co.	
Personal Injury and Property Damage, against the Department of Transportation.....	\$205,144.66
Section 3. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 218, Professional Indirect Cost Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:	
For payments of awards for lapsed appropriation claims less than \$50,000.....	\$13,878.01
Section 4. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 304, Statistical Services Revolving Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:	
No. 03-CC-0509, Computer Associates Intl. Inc., Debt, against the Department of Central Management Services	\$154,420.00
Section 5. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 312, Communications Revolving Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:	
For payments of awards for lapsed appropriation claims less than \$50,000.....	\$23,019.17
Section 6. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 344, Care Provider Fund for Persons with Developmental Disability, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:	
For payments of awards for lapsed appropriation claims less than \$50,000.....	\$65,028.38
No. 03-CC-4509, Shore Community Services, Inc, Debt, against the Department of Central Management Services	\$62,388.49
Section 7. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from Federal	

Fund 488, Criminal Justice Trust Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

For payments of awards for lapsed
appropriation claims less than \$50,000 \$16,363.76

Section 8. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 523, Department of Corrections Reimbursement Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

For payments of awards for lapsed
appropriation claims less than \$50,000 \$22,466.56

Section 9. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 528, Domestic Violence Abuser Services Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

For payments of awards for lapsed
appropriation claims less than \$50,000 \$16,568.01

Section 10. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 718, Community Mental Health Medicaid Trust Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

For payments of awards for lapsed
appropriation claims less than \$50,000 \$127,274.88

No. 03-CC-4203, Human Service Center of
Illinois, Debt, against the Department
of Human Services \$76,467.18

Section 11. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from Federal Fund 726, Federal Industrial Services Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

For payments of awards for lapsed
appropriation claims less than \$50,000 \$21,000.00

Section 12. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 828, Hazardous Waste Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

For payments of awards for lapsed
appropriation claims less than \$50,000 \$7,961.00

Section 13. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from Federal Fund 911, Juvenile Justice Trust Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

For payments of awards for lapsed
appropriation claims less than \$50,000 \$14,270.38

No. 03-CC-0966, Department of Corrections.
Debt, against the Department of
Human Services \$94,884.30

Section 14. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 920, Metabolic Screening and Treatment Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

For payments of awards for lapsed
appropriation claims less than \$50,000 \$35,137.51

Section 15. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 944, Environmental Protection Permit and Inspection Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

For payments of awards for lapsed
appropriation claims less than \$50,000 \$5,532.00

Section 16. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 997, Insurance Financial Regulation Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

For payments of awards for lapsed
appropriation claims less than \$50,000 \$14,577.50

Section 17. The following named amounts are appropriated to the Court of Claims from State Fund 323, Motor Vehicle Review Board Fund, to pay claims in conformity with awards and

recommendations made by the Court of Claims as follows:

No. 04-CC-0082, William Collins & Bax, P.C.

Contract, against the Secretary of State \$24,562.50

ARTICLE 3

Section 1. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 3, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by changing Sections 5 and 15 of Article 15 as follows:

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 15, Sec. 5)

Sec. 5. The following named sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to the Supreme Court to pay the ordinary and contingent expenses of certain officers of the court system of Illinois as follows:

For Personal Services:

Judges' Salaries \$126,750,800

For Judges appointed after

December 1, 2003 190,200

For Travel:

Judges of the
Supreme Court 28,500

Judges of the
Appellate Court 143,400

Judges of the
Circuit Court 737,900

Judicial Conference and
Supreme Court Committees 699,800

For State Contributions

to Social Security 1,871,100

Total, this Section \$130,231,500

Sec. 15. The following named sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, for the objects and purposes hereinafter named, are appropriated to the Supreme Court to meet the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Judges of the Appellate Courts, and the Clerks of the Appellate Courts, and the Appellate Judges Research Projects:

Administration of the First Appellate District

For Personal Services \$6,455,400

For State Contributions

to State Employees' Retirement 666,200

For State Contributions

to Social Security 493,900

For Contractual Services 426,300

For Travel 2,100

For Commodities 56,000

For Printing 39,800

For Equipment 84,000

For Telecommunications 122,000

Total \$8,345,700

Administration of the Second Appellate District

For Personal Services 2,629,900

For State Contributions

to State Employees' Retirement 271,400

For State Contributions

to Social Security 201,300

For Contractual Services 618,700

For Travel 4,800

For Commodities 25,800

For Printing 12,900

For Equipment 159,200

For Operation of

Automotive Equipment 00

For Telecommunications 52,300

Total	\$3,977,100
Administration of the Third Appellate District	
For Personal Services.....	\$1,971,100
For Extra Help	0
For State Contributions to	
State Employees' Retirement.....	209,000
For State contributions	
to Social Security.....	150,800
For Contractual Services.....	486,000
For Travel	4,600
For Commodities	23,900
For Printing.....	20,600
For Equipment	268,900
For Telecommunications	58,700
<u>For Operations of the Third Appellate</u>	
<u>District upon the appointment of Judges</u>	
<u>following December 1, 2003.....</u>	<u>\$276,500</u>

Total	\$3,193,600
Administration of the Fourth Appellate District	
For Personal Services.....	1,993,200
For State Contributions	
to State Employees' Retirement.....	205,700
For State Contributions	
to Social Security.....	152,500
For Contractual Services.....	500,000
For Travel	5,800
For Commodities	12,200
For Printing.....	9,400
For Equipment	125,600
For Telecommunications	<u>53,800</u>
Total	\$3,058,200

Administration of the Fifth Appellate District	
For Personal Services.....	2,017,700
For Extra Help	0
For State Contributions to	
State Employees' Retirement.....	208,200
For State Contributions to	
Social Security.....	154,300
For Contractual Services.....	390,600
For Travel	5,200
For Commodities	23,100
For Printing.....	15,700
For Equipment	168,600
For Telecommunications	40,000
For Operation of	
Automotive Equipment	<u>1,200</u>
Total	\$3,024,600

Section 2. "An Act making appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Sections 5, 10, and 15 of Article 20 as follows:

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 20, Sec. 5)

Sec. 5. The following amounts, or so much of those amounts as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to the State Board of Elections for its ordinary and contingent expenses as follows:

The Board	
For Contractual Services.....	\$17,600
For Travel	15,600
For Equipment	<u>500</u>
TOTAL	33,700

Administration	
For Personal Services.....	526,200
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid By Employer.....	21,000
For State Contributions to State Employees'	
Retirement System.....	54,300
For State Contributions to	
Social Security.....	38,300
For Contractual Services.....	347,300
For Travel.....	13,300
For Commodities.....	16,200
For Printing.....	10,500
For Equipment.....	1,900
For Telecommunications.....	81,200
For Operation of Automotive Equipment.....	<u>2,900</u>
TOTAL.....	1,113,100
Elections	
For Personal Services.....	1,231,700
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid By Employer.....	49,300
For State Contributions to State	
Employees' Retirement System.....	127,100
For State Contributions to	
Social Security.....	93,500
For Contractual Services.....	20,400
For Travel.....	42,900
For Printing.....	28,600
For Equipment.....	2,800
For Software Development and	
implementation of the Statewide	
Voter Registration System.....	<u>550,000</u>
TOTAL.....	2,146,300
General Counsel	
For Personal Services.....	221,900
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid By Employer.....	8,900
For State Contributions to State	
Employees' Retirement System.....	22,900
For State Contributions to	
Social Security.....	16,300
For Contractual Services.....	138,400
For federal litigation	
<u>regarding the punch-card</u>	
<u>voting system in Illinois.....</u>	<u>\$61,000</u>
For Travel.....	4,800
For Equipment.....	<u>500</u>
TOTAL.....	413,700
Campaign Financing	
For Personal Services.....	650,400
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid By Employer.....	26,000
For State Contributions to State	
Employees' Retirement System.....	67,100
For State Contributions to	
Social Security.....	49,800
For Contractual Services.....	11,200
For Travel.....	11,600

For Printing.....	16,900
For Equipment	<u>12,800</u>
TOTAL	845,800
EDP	
For Personal Services.....	312,700
For Personal Services.....	285,700
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid By Employer.....	12,500
Paid by Employer.....	11,400
For State Contributions to State	
Employees' Retirement System	43,200
Employees' Retirement System	29,500
For State Contributions to	
Social Security.....	23,900
Social Security.....	21,900
For Contractual Services.....	314,300
For Travel	11,300
For Commodities	14,000
For Printing.....	700
For Equipment	<u>94,500</u>
TOTAL	783,300

(P.A. 93-91, Article 20, Section 10)

Sec. 10. The following amounts, or so much of those amounts as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to the State Board of Elections for grants to local governments as follows:

For Reimbursement to Counties for increased	
Compensation to Judges and other	
Election Officials, as provided in	
<u>Public Acts 81-850, 81-1149, and 90-672</u>	<u>\$1,419,100</u>
Public Acts 81-850, 81-1149, and 90-672	\$1,364,100
For Payment of Lump Sum Awards to County	
Clerks, County Recorders, and Chief Election Clerks as	
Compensation for Additional Duties required	
of such officials by consolidation of	
elections law, as provided in Public Acts	
82-691 and 90-713	812,500
For Payment to Election Authorities for expenses	
in supplying voter registration tapes to the	
State Board of Elections pursuant to	
<u>Public Act 85-958.....</u>	<u>19,500</u>
Public Act 85-958.....	12,400

(Total, this Section \$2,189,000)

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 20, Sec. 15)

Sec. 15. In addition to all other amounts appropriated in fiscal year ~~2004~~ 2003, the amount of \$75,000,000, or so much of that amount as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Help Illinois Vote Fund to the State Board of Elections for the purposes provided in the Election Code for that Fund.

Section 3. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-92, approved July 3, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by changing Section 55 and Section 65 of Article 4 as follows:

(P.A. 93-92, Art. 4, Sec. 55)

Sec. 55. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated to the Department of Public Health for the objects and purposes hereinafter named:

OFFICE OF HEALTH PROMOTION

Payable from the General Revenue Fund:

For Grants for Vision and Hearing	
Screening Programs	690,300
For a Grant to SIU Parkinson	
Disease Center for Research,	

Treatment, Diagnostic Services and Counseling	375,000
For a Grant to Robert Morris	
College Hygiene Program	100,000
For Grants Associated with Donated	
Dental Services	75,000
<u>For a Grant to the Amyotrophic Lateral</u> <u>Sclerosis (ALS) Association for</u> <u>research into discovering the cause</u> <u>and cure for Amyotrophic Lateral</u> <u>Sclerosis</u>	1,000,000
<u>For a Grant to Study the Increase of</u> <u>Asthma among African-Americans in</u> <u>the City of Chicago</u>	200,000
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$2,440,300</u>

(P.A. 93-92, Art. 4, Section 65)

Sec. 65. In addition to any amounts previously appropriated, the sum of \$1,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Tobacco Settlement Recover Fund for the research, evaluation, and assessment of tobacco control programs.

Payable from the Prostate Cancer Research Fund:

For Grants to Public and Private Entities in Illinois for Prostate Cancer Research	\$100,000	\$300,000
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Section 6. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-115, approved July 9, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by changing Section 25 of Article 1 as follows:

(P.A. 93-115, Art. 1, Sec. 25)

Sec. 25. The following amounts, or so much of those amounts as may be necessary, respectively, for the objects and purposes named, are appropriated to the Illinois State Board of Education for Grants-In-Aid:

From the General Revenue Fund:

For orphanage tuition claims and State-owned housing claims as provided under Section 18-3 of the School Code	\$14,651,000
For tuition of disabled children attending schools under Section 14-7.02 of the School Code	\$59,423,000
For reimbursement to school districts for extraordinary special education and facilities under Section 14-7.02a of the School Code	\$229,502,000
For reimbursement to school districts for services and materials used in programs for the use of disabled children under Section 14-13.01 of the School Code	\$314,860,000
For reimbursement on a current basis only to school districts that provide for education of handicapped orphans from residential institutions as well as foster children who are mentally impaired or behaviorally disordered as provided under	

Section 14-7.03 of the School Code	\$97,370,000
For financial assistance to Local Education Agencies with over 500,000 population to meet the needs of those children who come from environments where the dominant language is other than English under Section 34-18.2 of the School Code	\$34,896,600
For financial assistance to Local Education Agencies with under 500,000 population to meet the needs of those children who come from environments where the dominant language is other than English under Section 10-22.38a of the School Code	\$27,655,400
For reimbursement to school districts qualifying under Section 29-5 of the School Code for a portion of the cost of transporting common school pupils	\$242,424,000
For reimbursement to school districts for a portion of the cost of transporting disabled students under subsection (b) of Section 14-13.01 of the School Code	\$263,081,000
For all costs associated with the supplementary payments to school districts as provided in Section 18-8.2, Section 18-18.3, Section 18-8.5, and Section 18-8.05 (I) of the School Code	\$1,669,400
For reimbursement to school districts and for providing free lunch and breakfast programs under the provision of the School Breakfast and Lunch Program Act	\$19,565,000
For Tax-Equivalent Grants pursuant to Section 18-4.4 of the School Code	\$222,600
For grants associated with the School Breakfast Incentive Program	\$723,500
For the Regional Offices of Education, including, but not limited to, ROE, School Bus Driver Training, ROE School Services, and ROE Supervisory Expense	\$6,500,000
<u>For a grant to the South Cook Intermediate Service Center for ordinary and contingent expenses</u>	<u>\$300,000</u>
For grants associated with	

Reading for Blind and Dyslexic Persons, and for programs and services in support of Illinois citizens with visual and reading impairments	\$168,800
For Grants to the Local Education Agencies to Conduct Agricultural Education Programs.....	\$1,881,200
For grants associated with the Metro East Consortium for Child Advocacy	\$217,100
For financial assistance to Local Education Agencies for the purpose of maintaining an educational materials coordinating unit as provided for by Section 14-11.01 of the School Code	\$1,121,000
For grants associated with the Transition of Minority Students	\$578,800
For Residential Services Authority (RSA) for Behavior Disorders and Severely Emotionally Disturbed Children and Adolescents:	
For Personal Services.....	\$320,100
<u>For Personal Services.....</u>	<u>\$352,100</u>
For Employee Retirement Paid by Employer	15,500
For Retirement Contributions	20,000
For Social Security Contributions.....	16,400
<u>For Other RSA Operations.....</u>	<u>100,700</u>
For Other RSA Operations.....	68,700
Total.....	\$472,700
For financial assistance to Local Education Agencies for the Philip J. Rock Center and School as provided by Section 14-11.02 of the School Code	\$2,855,500
For supplementary payments (General State Aid - Hold Harmless) to school districts under subsection (J) of Section 18-8.05 of the School Code	\$38,600,000
For summer school payments as provided by Section 18-4.3 of the School Code.....	\$6,370,000
For costs associated with Teach for America	\$450,000
For transitional assistance.....	\$5,200,000
For Reading Improvement Block Grant	\$79,221,100
For Early Childhood Block Grant	\$213,405,700
For the Charter Schools Program:	
For Personal Services	\$159,200
For Employee Retirement Paid by Employer.....	6,800
For Retirement Contributions.....	12,100
For Social Security Contributions	8,700
For Other Charter Schools Operations	319,600
For Grants.....	<u>3,693,600</u>
Total.....	\$4,200,000
For all costs associated with providing	

the loan of textbooks to Students under Section 18-17 of the School Code	\$29,126,500
From the Common School Fund:	
For compensation of Regional Superintendents of Schools and Assistants under Section 18-5 of the School Code	\$8,500,000
From the Common School Fund: For general apportionment (General State Aid) provided by Section 18-8.05 of the School Code	\$2,763,700,000
From the School District Emergency Financial District <u>Assistance</u> Fund:	
For emergency financial assistance pursuant to Section 1B-8 of the School Code	\$5,333,000
From the Education Assistance Fund:	
For general apportionment (General State Aid) as provided by Section 18-8.05 of the School Code	\$681,900,000
From the Temporary Relocation Expenses Revolving Grant Fund:	
For temporary relocation expenses as provided in Section 2-3.77 of the School Code	\$1,130,000
From the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund:	
For grants to the Golden Apple Foundation	\$10,000
Total, Section 25	\$5,156,984,900

Section 7. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-0091, approved July 3, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by changing Section 10 of Article 16 as follows:
(P.A. 93-91, Art. 16, Sec. 10)

Sec. 10. The following named amounts, or so much of those amounts as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated for the objects and purposes hereinafter named to meet the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Commission on Intergovernmental Cooperation for the Springfield Office:

For Personal Services.....	\$500,604
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid by Employer	<u>20,024</u> <u>67,276</u>
For State Contributions to State Employees' Retirement System	<u>67,276</u> <u>20,024</u>
For State Contributions to Social Security	38,296
For Contractual Services.....	547,500
For Model Illinois Government Activities	3,000
For Travel	5,000
For Commodities	3,200
For Printing.....	3,500
For Equipment	100
For Electronic Data Processing.....	500
For Telecommunication Services.....	9,000
Total	\$1,198,000

Section 8. "An Act making appropriations", Public Act 93-68, approved July 1, 2003, is amended by changing Section 4 of Article 1 as follows:
(P.A. 93-68, Art. 1, Sec. 4)

Sec 4. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency for the objects and purposes hereinafter named:
DISASTER RELIEF, PUBLIC

Whenever it becomes necessary for the State or any governmental unit to furnish in a disaster area emergency services directly related to or required by a disaster and existing funds are insufficient to provide such services, the Governor may, when he considers such action in the best interest of the State, release funds from the General Revenue disaster relief appropriation in order to provide such services or to reimburse local governmental bodies furnishing such services. Such appropriation may be used for payment of the Illinois National Guard when called to active duty in case of disaster, and for the emergency purchase or renting of equipment and commodities. Such appropriation shall be used for emergency services and relief to the disaster area as a whole and shall not be used to provide private relief to persons sustaining property damages or personal injury as a result of a disaster.

<u>Payable from General Revenue Fund</u>	220,200
<u>Payable from General Revenue Fund</u>	420,200
<u>Payable from General Revenue Fund:</u>	
<u>For costs incurred in prior years</u>	250,000
<u>Payable from General Revenue Fund:</u>	
<u>For costs incurred in prior years</u>	50,000
Total	\$470,200

Payable from the Federal Aid

Disaster Fund:

For Federal Disaster Declarations:

In Prior Years..... 45,000,000

Federal Disaster Declarations:

In Fiscal Year 2004..... 30,000,000

For State Administration of the

Federal Disaster Relief Program..... 1,000,000

For State Administration of the

Hazard Mitigation Program..... 1,000,000

Disaster Relief - Hazard Mitigation..... 8,000,000

Disaster Relief - Hazard Mitigation

in Prior Years..... 35,000,000

Total

\$120,000,000

Section 9. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-90, approved July 3, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by inserting new Section 30 immediately after Section 25 of Article 12 as follows:

Sec. 30. The amount of \$200,000, or so much thereof of that amount as may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Board of Trustees of Chicago State University for all costs associated with the Illinois Commission of the 50th anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education.

(P.A. 93-90, Art. 12, Sec. 30, new)

Section 10. "An Act making appropriations", Public Act 93-93, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Sections 12 and 13 of Article 1 as follows:

(P.A. 93-93, Art. 1, Sec. 12)

Sec. 12. The sum of \$437,800, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 71, Section 12 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Historic Preservation Agency for costs associated with the acquisition or improvements of Sugar Loaf and/or Fox Mounds or other properties within the Cahokia Mounds National Historic Landmark boundary.

(P.A. 93-93, Art. 1, Sec. 13)

Sec. 13. The sum of \$460,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 71, Section 13 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Historic Preservation Agency for support facilities, acquisition, or improvements for Sugar Loaf and/or Fox Mounds or other properties within the Cahokia Mounds National Historic Landmark boundary.

Section 11. "An Act making appropriations", Public Act 93-90, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Section 35 of Article 2 as follows:

(P.A. 93-93, Art. 2, Sec. 35)

Sec. 35. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively,

are appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission for the following purposes:

Grants and Scholarships

For payment of matching grants to Illinois institutions to supplement scholarship programs, as provided by law	\$950,000
For payment of Merit Recognition Scholarships to undergraduate students under the Merit Recognition Scholarship Program provided for in Section 31 of the Higher Education Student Assistance Act	5,400,000
For the payment of scholarships to students who are children of policemen or firemen killed in the line of duty, or who are dependents of correctional officers killed or permanently disabled in the line of duty, as provided by law	275,000
For payment of Illinois National Guard and Naval Militia Scholarships at State-controlled universities and public community colleges in Illinois to students eligible to receive such awards, as provided by law	4,500,000
For payment of military Veterans' scholarships at State-controlled universities and at public community colleges for students eligible, as provided by law	19,250,000
For college savings bond grants to students eligible to receive such awards	650,000
For payment of Minority Teacher Scholarships..	3,100,000
For payment of ITEACH Teacher Shortage Scholarships	2,900,000
For payment of Illinois Incentive for Access grants, as provided by law	7,200,000
<u>For payment of Illinois Scholars</u>	
<u>Scholarships</u>	<u>3,514,300</u>
<u>Scholarships</u>	<u>2,914,300</u>
Total	\$47,139,300

Section 12. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-76, approved July 1, 2003, is amended by changing Section 5 of Article 1 as follows:

(P.A. 93-76, Art. 1, Sec. 5)

Sec. 5. The following named sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, for the objects and purposes hereinafter named, are appropriated to meet the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of Military Affairs:

FOR OPERATIONS

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Payable from General Revenue Fund:

For Personal Services	1,269,600
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid By Employer	50,800
For State Contributions to State	
Employees' Retirement System.....	170,600
For State Contributions to	
Social Security	97,100
For Contractual Services	19,000
For Travel.....	15,400
For Commodities.....	6,200

For Printing.....	4,400
For Equipment.....	5,500
For Electronic Data Processing	24,000
For Telecommunications Services.....	39,200
For Operation of Auto Equipment.....	32,000
For State Officer's Candidate School.....	800
For Lincoln's Challenge Stipend Payments	528,000
For Lincoln's Challenge.....	<u>3,248,800</u>
Total	\$5,511,400

Payable from Federal Support Agreement Revolving Fund:

Army/Air Reimbursable Positions.....	6,951,050
Army/Air Reimbursable Positions.....	6,613,300
Lincoln's Challenge	4,889,700
Lincoln's Challenge Stipend Payments.....	<u>1,200,000</u>
Total	\$12,703,000

FACILITIES OPERATIONS

Payable from General Revenue Fund:

For Personal Services	4,760,200
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid by Employer.....	190,400
For State Contributions to State	
Employees' Retirement System.....	639,700
For State Contributions to	
Social Security	364,200
For Contractual Services	1,959,300
For Commodities.....	89,400
For Equipment.....	<u>17,600</u>
Total	\$8,020,800

Section 13. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 3, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by adding Section 96 of Article 3 as follows:

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 3, Sec. 96, new)

Sec. 96. The amount of \$500,000 is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for the purpose of funding Public Act 93-46.

Section 14. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-98, approved July 3, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by adding Section 80 as follows:

(P.A. 93-98, Sec. 80, new)

Sec. 80. The sum of \$150,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated to the Attorney General to meet the ordinary and contingent expenses for the Office of Inspector General.

Section 15. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 3, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by adding Section 75 of Article 17 as follows:

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 17, Sec. 75, new)

Sec. 75. The sum of \$150,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated to the General Assembly's Office of the Inspector General to meet their ordinary and contingent expenses.

Section 16. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 3, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by adding Section 6 of Article 11 as follows:

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 11, Sec. 6, new)

Sec. 6. The sum of \$150,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated to the Office of the Comptroller to meet the ordinary and contingent expenses for the Office of Inspector General.

Section 17. "An Act making appropriations", Public Act 93-587, approved in part and item-vetoed in part on August 22, 2003, is amended by changing Section 27 of Article 2 as follows:

(P.A. 93-587, Article 2, Section 27)

Sec. 27. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remain unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations and reappropriations heretofore made for such purposes in Article 1, Section 14 and Article 2, Sections 25 and 110 of Public Act 92-717, are reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Capital Development Board for the Board of Higher Education for the projects hereinafter enumerated:

ILLINOIS MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE ACADEMY - AURORA

(From Article 1, Section 14 of Public Act 92-717)

For constructing a mezzanine level in east gymnasium and purchasing equipment, in addition to funds previously appropriated..... \$5,943,800

(From Article 2, Section 110 of Public Act 92-717)

To plan and begin construction of a space for the delivery of teacher training and development and student enrichment programs mezzanine level in the east gymnasium..... 1,996,393

(From Article 2, Section 25 of Public Act 92-717)

For replacing carpeting, constructing storage building and various site improvements, including extending communications conduit system..... 188,823

For the purchase, renovation and improvement of the North Campus High School site of the Aurora West School District 129, including construction of four dormitories, equipment purchases and other expenses for use by the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy..... 185,532

Total \$8,314,548

Section 18. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-0091, approved July 3, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by changing Section 5 of Article 6 as follows:

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 6, Sec. 5)

Sec. 5. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated for the objects and purposes hereinafter named, to meet the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Property Tax Appeal Board:

Payable from the General Revenue Fund:

For Personal Services..... \$1,325,300

For Employee Retirement Contributions
Paid by Employer 51,300

For State Contributions to State
Employees' Retirement
System 179,300

For State Contributions to
Social Security 102,100

For Contractual Services..... 44,000

For Travel 32,000

For Commodities 10,000

For Printing 1,000

For Equipment 8,000

For Electronic Data
Processing 50,000

For Telecommunication
Services..... 44,500

For Operation of Auto
Equipment..... 11,300

For Refunds 200

For the purpose of reestablishing the Cook County Office..... 220,000

Total 1,862,000

Section 19. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-72, approved July 1, 2003, is amended by adding Section 30 of Article 1 as follows:

(P.A.93-72, Art. 1, Sec. 30, new)

Sec.30. The sum of \$1,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Arts Council for the purpose of providing grants and related operational expenses.

Section 20. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-90, approved July 3, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by adding Section 125 of Article 3 as follows:

(P.A.93-90, Art. 3, Sec. 125, new)

Sec. 125. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Illinois Community College Board for a grant to Kishwaukee College for technology and computer related equipment.

Section 21. "An Act regarding appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 3, 2003, with certain items vetoed or reduced is amended by adding Section 27 of Article 8 as follows:

(P.A.93-91, Art. 8, Sec. 27, new)

Sec. 27. The sum of \$320,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for traffic signalization and road construction improvements for Illinois Route 57 at Radio Road.

Section 22. Item and reduction veto not restored. Nothing in this Article shall be construed to restore an item or reduction veto.

ARTICLE 4

Division FY 01. This Division contains appropriations initially made for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, for the purposes of the Illinois FIRST Program.

Section 26. The amount of \$228,836, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 3, Division FY01, Section 26 of Public Act 92-0717, is reappropriated from the Build Illinois Bond Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Chicago Zoological Society for development and improvements at Brookfield Zoo.

Section 2-81. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made for such purpose in Article 3, Division FY00, Section 2-81 of Public Act 92-0717, as amended, is reappropriated from the Build Illinois Bond Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Village of Downers Grove for the Nigas bikeway in Woodbridge and Downers.

Section 2-83. The sum of \$87,574, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made for such purpose in Article 3, Division FY 00, Section 2-83 of Public Act 92-0717, as amended, is reappropriated from the Build Illinois Bond Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Village of Glenview for a bike trail extension from Lake Avenue to Metra Station.

Section 2-103. The sum of \$141,727, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made for such purpose in Article 3, Division FY00, Section 2-103 of Public Act 92-0717, as amended, is reappropriated from the Build Illinois Bond Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Village of Antioch for a bike path at Longview and Deep Lake Road.

Section 2-104. The sum of \$200,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made for such purpose in Article 3, Division FY00, Section 2-104 of Public Act 92-0717, as amended, is reappropriated from the Build Illinois Bond Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Village of Hanover Park for a bike path.

Division FY87a. The reappropriations in this Division continue certain appropriations initially made for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1986, for the purposes of the Build Illinois Program set forth below.

ARTICLE 5

Section 66. The sum of \$750,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 66 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Chicago Park District for all costs associated with the acquisition, development, renovation, repair or construction, and equipment for a regional indoor youth athletic facility.

Section 67. The sum of \$53,200, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains

unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 67 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Chicago Park District for all costs associated with acquisition, construction, development, and purchase of equipment for the planned park at the corner of Roscoe and Racine.

Section 67a. The sum of \$21,800, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 67a of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Lakeview Citizens Council for all costs associated with infrastructure improvements at Gil Park.

Section 68. The sum of \$300,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 68 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Chicago Park District for all costs of developing, planning, and constructing recreational facilities at Fosco Park.

Section 94. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 94 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Deerfield Park District.

Section 99. The sum of \$75,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 99 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the City of East Moline for the park garage and ravine flood repair in the City of East Moline.

Section 113. The amount of \$5,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 113 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Village of Arlington for the purpose of improving parks and creating recreational opportunities.

Section 115. The amount of \$50,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made for such purposes in Article 35, Section 115 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the City of Chicago for the purpose of redeveloping Burton Place Park.

Section 117. The amount of \$10,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 117 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Chicago Park District for the purpose of landscaping and restoration of a field house at McKiernan Park.

Section 118. The amount of \$20,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 118 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Chicago Park District for the purpose of landscaping and restoration of a field house at Palmer Park.

Section 127. The amount of \$300,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 127 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Village of Orland Park for the purpose of connecting bike paths.

Section 128. The amount of \$10,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 128 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the City of Chicago for the purpose of redeveloping a bus turnaround into a public park at Clark and Wisconsin in the 43rd Ward.

Section 129. The amount of \$55,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article

35, Section 129 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to F.P.D. of Cook County for the purpose of capital improvements for Edgebrook Community Center.

Section 136. The sum of \$1,100,786, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 136 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to Bronzeville Children's Museum for land acquisition and construction of a new museum.

Section 138. The sum of \$150,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 138 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the City of Pekin for Pekin Lake.

Section 140. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 140 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Dolton Park District for the purpose of a playground and maintenance equipment.

Section 141. The sum of \$125,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 141 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for a grant to the Illinois Valley YMCA to construct a walking/biking path, toboggan run, ice hockey rink and rollerblade park.

Section 147. The sum of \$635,629, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 147 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for grants to units of local government for infrastructure improvements including but not limited to park and recreational projects, facilities, bike paths, and equipment.

Section 149. The amount of \$4,214,737, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 149 of Public Act 92-538, approved June 10, 2002, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Natural Resources for grants to units of local government and not-for-profit entities for park and recreational projects, museums, facilities, infrastructure improvements and equipment.

Section 161. The sum of \$250,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 161 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of a grant to the Village of Cahokia for the Lewis and Clark Visitors Center.

Section 164. No contract shall be entered into or obligation incurred or any expenditure made from a appropriation herein made in Sections 31, 32, 33, 34, 39, 41, 52, 59, 61, 66, 67, 68, 109, 115, 153, 156, 160 and 161 until after the purpose and amount of such expenditure has been approved in writing by the Governor.

Section 167. The sum of \$700,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made for such purpose in Article 57, Division FY00, Section 2-101 of Public Act 92-8, as amended, is reappropriated from the Build Illinois Bond Fund to the Department of Natural Resources, Office of Water Resources for construction of the Rand Park Flood Control Project in the City of Des Plaines and for costs associated with the rehabilitation of Farmers and Prairie Creeks.

ARTICLE 6

Section 1. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-97, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Sections 10, 20, 35, 65, 90, 130, 135, 145, 200, 215, 240 and 270 of Article 1 as follows:

(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 10)

Sec. 10. The sum of \$5,400,000, new appropriation, is appropriated, and the sum of ~~\$4,688,500~~ \$5,182,982, less \$2,929,000, to be lapsed from the unexpended balance, or so much thereof as may be

necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations and reappropriations heretofore made in Article 35, Section 2 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, are reappropriated from the Conservation 2000 Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for the Conservation 2000 Program to implement ecosystem-based management for Illinois' natural resources.

(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 20)

Sec. 20. The sum of \$11,575,646 ~~\$7,645,400~~ or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made for such purposes in Article 35, Sections 3 and 4 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Conservation 2000 Projects Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for the acquisition, planning and development of land and long-term easements, and cost-shared natural resource management practices for ecosystem-based management of Illinois' natural resources, including grants for such purposes.

(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 35)

Sec. 35. The sum of \$7,087,237 ~~\$3,725,800~~, less \$1,000,000, to be lapsed from the unexpended balance, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 6 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for the non-federal cost share of a Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program to establish long-term contracts and permanent conservation easements in the Illinois River Basin; to fund cost-share assistance to landowners to encourage approved conservation practices in environmentally sensitive and highly erodible areas of the Illinois River Basin; and to fund the monitoring of long term improvements of these conservation practices as required in the Memorandum of Agreement between the State of Illinois and the United States Department of Agriculture.

(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 65)

Sec. 65. The sum of \$820,389 ~~\$476,800~~, less \$150,000 to be lapsed from the unexpended balance, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended, at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made in Article 35, Sections 12 and 13 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Plugging and Restoration Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for plugging and restoration projects.

(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 90)

Sec. 90. The sum of \$1,651,800, new appropriation, is appropriated, and the sum of \$3,974,832 ~~\$2,324,800~~, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made in Article 35, Section 8, on page 277, lines 2-5 and Section 9, on page 277, of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Wildlife and Fish Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for wildlife conservation and restoration plans and programs from federal funds provided for such purposes.

(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 130)

Sec. 130. The following named sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and is available for expenditure as provided herein, are appropriated from the Park and Conservation Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for the following purposes:

The sum of \$500,000, new appropriation, is appropriated and the sum of \$5,056,610 ~~\$4,056,600~~, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made in Article 35, Section 25 on page 298, lines 10 and 11 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated for land acquisition, development and maintenance of bike paths and all other related expenses connected with the acquisition, development and maintenance of bike paths.

The sum of \$65,300 or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 25, on page 298, lines 19-25 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated for land acquisition, development and grants, for the following bike paths at the approximate costs set forth below:

Great River Road/Vadalabene Bikeway	
through Grafton.....	\$1,700
Super Trail between the Quad Cities	
and Savannah.....	52,000
Illinois Prairie Path in	
Cook County.....	11,700

The sum of \$2,500,000, new appropriation, is appropriated, and the sum of \$14,593,202

~~\$11,593,200~~, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made in Article 35, Section 25, on page 298, lines 32-33 and page 299, lines 1-6 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated for grants to units of local government for the acquisition and development of bike paths.

The sum of \$56,700, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 35, Section 25, on page 299, lines 7-13 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated for land acquisition, development, grants and all other related expenses connected with the acquisition and development of bike paths.

No funds in this Section may be expended in excess of the revenues deposited in the Park and Conservation Fund as provided for in Section 2-119 of the Illinois Vehicle Code.

(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 135)

Sec. 135. The sum of \$1,500,000, new appropriation, is appropriated, and the sum of ~~\$4,582,508~~ ~~\$2,482,500~~, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made in Article 35, Section 26 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Park and Conservation Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for the development and maintenance of recreational trails and trail-related projects authorized under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, provided such amount shall not exceed funds to be made available for such purposes from state or federal sources.

(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 145)

Sec. 145. The following named sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made for such purposes, are reappropriated to the Department of Natural Resources for the objects and purposes set forth below:

Payable from General Revenue Fund:

(From Article 35, Section 28, on page 300, lines 28-33 and on page 301, lines 1-3, and Section 29 on page 303, lines 5-13 of Public Act 92-538)

For multiple use facilities and programs for conservation purposes provided by the Department of Natural Resources, including construction and development, all costs for supplies, material, labor, land acquisition, services, studies and all other expenses required to comply with the intent of this appropriation, less \$65,100 to be lapsed

from the unexpended balance	1,903,032
from the unexpended balance	1,021,700

Payable from State Boating Act Fund:

(From Article 35, Section 28 on page 301, lines 9-16, and Section 29 on page 303, lines 15-23 of Public Act 92-538)

For multiple use facilities and programs for boating purposes provided by the Department of Natural Resources including construction and development, all costs for supplies, materials, labor, land acquisition, services, studies and all other expenses required to comply with the intent of this appropriation

the intent of this appropriation	1,941,452
the intent of this appropriation	741,500

Payable from the Illinois Beach Marina Fund:

(From Article 35, Section 28 on page 301, lines 21-25, and Section 29

on page 303, lines 25-28 of Public Act 92-538)

For rehabilitation, reconstruction, repair, replacing, fixed assets, and improvement of facilities at North Point Marina at Winthrop Harbor	178,600
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Payable from Natural Areas Acquisition Fund:

(From Article 35, Section 28 on page 302, lines 12-18, and Section 29 on page 303, lines 30-34, and on page 304, line 1 of Public Act 92-538)

For the acquisition, preservation and stewardship of natural areas, including habitats for endangered and threatened species, high quality natural communities, wetlands and other areas with unique or unusual natural heritage qualities, less \$8,000,000 to be lapsed from the unexpended balance	10,896,169
to be lapsed from the unexpended balance	5,496,200

Payable from the State Parks Fund:

(From Article 35, Section 28 on page 302, lines 24-31, and Section 29 on page 304, lines 3-10 of Public Act 92-538)

For multiple use facilities and programs for park and trail purposes provided by the Department of Natural Resources, including construction and development, all costs for supplies, materials, labor, land acquisition, services, studies, and all other expenses required to comply with the intent of this appropriation	501,422
the intent of this appropriation	368,900

Total	\$16,116,500
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(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 200)

Sec. 200. The sum of \$725,000, new appropriation, is appropriated and the sum of ~~\$2,115,300~~ \$2,840,308 or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made in Article 35, Section 60 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the State Boating Act Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for the administration and payment of grants to local governmental units for the construction, maintenance, and improvement of boat access areas.

(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 215)

Sec. 215. To the extent federal funds including reimbursements are available for such purposes, the sum of \$100,000, new appropriation, is appropriated, and the sum of ~~\$237,058~~ \$137,100 or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made in Article 35, Section 71 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Wildlife and Fish Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for construction and renovation of waste reception facilities for recreational boaters, including grants for such purposes authorized under the Clean Vessel Act.

(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 240)

Sec. 240. The sum of \$120,000, new appropriation, is appropriated and the sum of ~~\$120,200~~ \$181,648 or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made in Article 35, Section 77 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the State Boating Act Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for the purposes of the Snowmobile Registration and Safety Act and for the administration and payment

of grants to local governmental units for the construction, land acquisition, lease, maintenance and improvement of snowmobile trails and access areas.

(P.A. 93-97, Art. 1, Sec. 270)

Sec. 270. The sum of \$6,000,000, new appropriation, is appropriated and the sum of \$10,472,502 ~~\$6,415,800~~, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made in Article 35, Section 83 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated to the Department of Natural Resources from the Abandoned Mined Lands Reclamation Council Federal Trust Fund for grants and contracts to conduct research, planning and construction to eliminate hazards created by abandoned mines, and any other expenses necessary for emergency response.

ARTICLE 7

Section 1. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Section 20 of Article 4 as follows:

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 4, Sec. 20)

Sec. 20. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated from the Working Capital Revolving Fund to the Department of Corrections:

ILLINOIS CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES

For Personal Services	10,185,200
For Employee Retirement Contributions	
Paid by Employer.....	560,100
For the Student, Member and Inmate	
Compensation	2,800,000
For State Contributions to State	
Employees' Retirement System.....	1,074,600
For State Contributions to	
Social Security	779,200
For Group Insurance.....	1,979,200
For Contractual Services	3,900,000
For Travel.....	154,500
For Commodities.....	35,000,000
For Printing.....	51,000
For Equipment.....	3,200,000
For Telecommunications Services.....	75,000
For Operation of Auto Equipment.....	800,000
For Repairs, Maintenance and Other	
Capital Improvements.....	750,000
For Refunds	<u>20,000</u>
Total	\$61,328,800

Section 2. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Section 45 of Article 3 as follows:

(P.A. 93-917, Art. 3, Sec. 45)

Sec. 45. The following named amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity:

BUREAU OF TECHNOLOGY AND INDUSTRIAL COMPETITIVENESS

GRANTS-IN-AID

Payable from General Revenue Fund:

For the Job Training and Economic Development	
Grant Program Act of 1997, as amended,	
including grants, contracts, and administrative	
expenses, including prior year costs	1,450,000
For Grants, Contracts and Administrative	
Expenses for the Industrial Training	
Program, Pursuant to 20 ILCS 605/	
605-800 and 20 ILCS 605/605-802,	
Including Prior Year Costs.....	9,521,500
For Grants and Administrative Expenses	

Pursuant to the High Technology School-to-Work Act, Including Prior Year Costs	981,500
For Grants and Administrative Expenses for the Illinois Technology Enterprise Corporation Program, including prior year costs	454,000
For all costs relating to the Center for Safe Food for Small Business at the Illinois Institute of Technology	200,000
For Current Workforce Training Grants	2,300,000
For Grants for the Workplace Skills Enhancement Program	400,000
For a grant to match private funds available to the Higher Education & Business Partnership Initiative	2,200,000
Total	\$17,507,000
Payable from the New Technology Recovery Fund:	
For Grants, Loans, Investments, and Administrative Expenses Pursuant to the Technology Advancement and Development Act, Including Prior Year Costs	3,155,400
Payable from the Workforce, Technology, and Economic Development Fund:	
For Grants, Contracts, and Administrative Expenses Pursuant to 20 ILCS 605/605-420, Including Prior Year Costs	11,400,000
Payable from the Tobacco Settlement Recovery Fund:	
For Grants and Administrative Expenses for the Illinois Technology Enterprise Corporation Program, Including Prior Year Costs	1,500,000
Payable from the Illinois Equity Fund:	
For Grants, Loans, and Investments in Accordance with the Provisions of Public Act 84-0109, as amended	2,850,000
Payable from the Digital Divide Elimination Fund:	
For Grants, Contracts, and Administrative Expenses Pursuant to 30 ILCS 780, Including Prior Year Costs	4,250,000
Payable from the Federal Workforce Training Fund:	
For Grants, Contracts and Administrative Expenses <u>and refunds</u> Associated with the Workforce Investment Act and other workforce training programs including prior year costs	240,000,000
Section 3. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-92, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Section 100 of Article 2 as follows: (P.A. 93-92, Art. 2, Sec. 100)	
Sec. 100. The following named sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated to the Department of Human Services for the following purposes:	
For costs related to Developmental Disability Community Transitions, Including Operations and Administration	2,450,000
For a Grant to the Autism Project for an Autism Diagnosis Education	

Program for Young Children:

Payable from the General Revenue Fund	2,500,000
For Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded and Alternative Community Programs in fiscal year <u>2004</u> 2003 and in all prior fiscal years:	
Payable from the General Revenue Fund	336,614,900
Payable from the Care Provider Fund for Persons With A Developmental Disability ..	36,000,000
For Costs Associated with Mental Health Services for Youths in the Juvenile Justice System:	
Payable from the General Revenue Fund	<u>1,864,300</u>
Total	\$379,564,900

Section 4. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-76, approved July 1, 2003, is amended by changing Section 60 of Article 1 as follows:
(P.A. 93-76, Art. 1, Sec. 60)

Sec. 60. No contract shall be entered into or obligation incurred for any expenditures made from an appropriation herein made in Sections 20, 45, 50 and 55 ~~4, 8 and 9~~ until after the purpose and amount have been approved in writing by the Governor.

Section 5. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 30, 2003, is amended by changing Section 30 of Article 8 as follows:
(P.A. 93-91, Art. 8, Sec. 30)

Sec. 30. No contract shall be entered into or obligation incurred or any expenditure made from an appropriation herein made in

- Section 2 Permanent Improvements
- Section 16b2 Series A Road Program
- Section 18b1 Series B (Aeronautics)
- Section 18b1a Series B Land Acquisition Third Airport Section 18b2GRF Capital (Aeronautics)
- Section 18b3 Airport Land Loan Revolving Fund
- Section 19b GRF Reduced Fares Downstate
- Section 19b1 GRF Reduced Fares RTA
- Section 19b2 Series B (Transit)
- Section 19b4 SCIP Debt Service I
- Section 19b5 SCIP Debt Service II
- ~~Section 19b9~~ ~~GRF Capital (Transit)~~
- Section 20a GRF Rail Passenger
- Section 20a1 GRF Rail Freight Program
- Section 20a2 State Rail Freight Loan Repayment
- Section 20a3 Fed Rail Freight Loan Repayment
- Section 20a4 GRF Rail Freight Match
- Section 20a5 Fed High Speed Rail Trust
- Section 20a6 Series B Rail

of this Article until after the purpose and the amount of such expenditure has been approved in writing by the Governor.

Section 6. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 30, 2003, is amended by changing Sections 3a1, 5b9, 5b16, 5b17, 8b3, 9a, 59, 60, 61, 62 and 64 of Article 8A as follows:

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 8A, Sec. 3a1)

Sec. 3a1. The sum of \$13,483,052 ~~\$10,757,102~~, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the appropriations and reappropriations heretofore made for Local Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreements and City, County and other State Maintenance Agreements in Article 51, Section 4b1 and Article 52, Section 3a1 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for the same purposes.

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 8A, Sec. 5b9)

Sec. 5b9. The following named sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains

unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the appropriations heretofore made in Article 51, Section ~~16b1~~ ~~46b2~~ of Public Act 92-538, are reappropriated from the State Construction Account Fund to the Department of Transportation for preliminary engineering and construction engineering and contract costs of construction, including reconstruction, extension and improvement of state highways, arterial highways, roads, access areas, roadside shelters, rest areas, fringe parking facilities and sanitary facilities, and such other purposes as provided by the "Illinois Highway Code"; for purposes allowed or required by Title 23 of the U.S. Code; for bikeways as provided by Public Act 78-0850; and for land acquisition and signboard removal and control, junkyard removal and control and preservation of natural beauty; and for capital improvements which directly facilitate an effective vehicle weight enforcement program, such as scales (fixed and portable), scale pits and scale installations, and scale houses, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations as follows:

District 1, Schaumburg	\$134,821,328
District 2, Dixon	19,623,072
District 3, Ottawa	12,028,771
District 4, Peoria	9,045,128
District 5, Paris	11,151,855
District 6, Springfield.....	20,617,417
District 7, Effingham	14,081,835
District 8, Collinsville.....	28,335,330
District 9, Carbondale	10,883,805
Statewide.....	<u>35,773,773</u>
Total	\$366,830,300

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 8A, Sec. 5b16)

Sec. 5b16. The sum of \$121,264,868, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 5b13a ~~5b13~~ of Public Act 92-538, for statewide purposes, is reappropriated from the Transportation Bond Series A Fund to the Department of Transportation for the same purposes.

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 8A, Sec. 5b17)

Sec. 5b17. The sum of \$12,782,973, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 5b13 ~~5b13a~~ of Public Act 92-538, for statewide purposes, is reappropriated from the Transportation Bond Series A Fund to the Department of Transportation for the same purposes.

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 8A, Sec. 8b3)

Sec. 8b3. The sum of \$12,931,527, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the appropriation and reappropriation concerning Public Transportation heretofore made in ~~Article 51, Section 19b9~~ and Article 52, Section 8b3 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Transportation for the same purposes.

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 8A, Sec. 9a)

Sec. 9a. The sum of \$4,405,523, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the appropriation and reappropriation concerning Rail Freight Service Assistance Program heretofore made in ~~Article 51, Section 20a1~~ and Article 52, Section 9a of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Transportation for the same purposes.

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 8A, Sec. 64)

Sec. 64. No contract shall be entered into or obligation incurred or any expenditure made from a reappropriation herein made in

- Section 2 Permanent Improvements
- Section 3a Rail Relocation - Federal
- Section 3a2 Rail Relocation - State
- ~~Section 5b6 CDB Enhancement~~
- Section 5b7 CDB - Enhancement
- Section 5b8 CDB - Enhancement
- ~~Section 5b13 Series A (Road Program)~~
- Section 5b15 Series A (Road Program)
- Section 5b16 Series A (Road Program)
- Section 5b17 Series A (Road Program)

- Section 6a1 Series B (Aeronautics)
 - Section 6a2 GRF Capital (Aeronautics)
 - Section 6b Series B (Land Acquisition Third Airport)
 - Section 8b Series B (Transit)
 - Section 8b1 Series B (Transit)
 - Section 8b2 Series B (Transit)
 - Section 8b3 GRF Capital (Transit)
 - Section 9a GRF Rail Freight Program
 - Section 9a1 State Rail Freight Loan Repayment
 - Section 9a2 Federal Rail Freight Loan Repayment
 - Section 9a3 GRF Rail Freight Match
 - Section 9a4 GRF High Speed Rail - Federal
 - Section 9a5 FHSRTF High Speed Rail - Federal
 - Section 9a6 GRF High Speed Rail - State
 - Section 9a7 Series B (Rail)
 - Section 32 Canadian National Railroad Tracks
 - Section 47 Reconstruction of Industrial Drive
 - Section 48 Reconstruction of Airport Rd and Chartres St
 - Section 49 Traffic signal at 51st St West in Rock Island
 - Section 53 Various Improvement Projects
 - Section 55 Reconstruction of Towanda-Barnes Road
- of this Article until after the purpose and the amount of such expenditure has been approved in writing by the Governor.

Section 7. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-62, approved June 30, 2003, is amended by changing Section 2 of Article 4 as follows:

(P.A. 93-62, Art. 4, Sec. 2)

Sec. 2. The sum of \$2,980,300, or so much thereof as may be necessary and as remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made for such purposes in Article 62, Section ~~1~~ ~~2~~ of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Drycleaner Environmental Response Trust Fund to the Drycleaner Environmental Response Trust Fund Council for use in accordance with the Drycleaner Environmental Response Trust Fund Act.

Section 8. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-587, approved August 27, 2003, is amended by changing Section 80 of Article 4 as follows:

(P.A. 93-587, Art. 4, Sec. 80)

Sec. 80. The amount of \$40,139, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made for such purpose in Article 12, Section ~~45~~ ~~55~~ of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated to Southern Illinois University from the Capital Development Fund for digitalization infrastructure for WUSI-TV (Olney).

Section 9. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-95, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Section 10 of Article 2 as follows:

(P.A. 93-95, Art. 2, Sec. 10)

Sec. 10. The following amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated to the Board of Trustees of the State Universities Retirement System for the State's contribution, as provided by law:

Payable from the Education Assistance Fund	\$175,000,000
Payable from the Common School Fund	\$250,000,000
Payable from the General Revenue Fund	121,080,000
Payable from the General Revenue Fund	46,080,000
Total	\$296,080,000

Section 10. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Sections 80 and 85 of Article 16 as follows:

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 16, Sec. 80)

Sec. 80. The amount of \$205,000, or so much of this amount as may be necessary and remains unexpended on June 30, 2003 from an appropriation heretofore made for such purpose in Section 85 of Article ~~19~~ ~~26~~ of Public Act ~~92-538~~ ~~92-8~~, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Legislative Space Needs Commission for plans, specifications, and continuation of work pursuant to the report and recommendations of the architectural, structural, and mechanical surveys of the State Capitol Building. This is for the continuation of the rehabilitation of the Capitol Building.

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 16, Sec. 85)

Sec. 85. The sum of \$830,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from appropriations heretofore made for such purposes in Section 90 of Article ~~19~~ ~~26~~ of Public Act ~~92-538~~ ~~92-8~~, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Legislative Space Needs Commission for remodeling, planning, relocation, permanent equipment, and other related expenses, including architectural and engineering fees associated with construction, for the remodeling of office space and other support areas under the jurisdiction of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Section 11. "AN ACT making appropriations", Public Act 93-91, approved July 3, 2003, is amended by changing Sections 55 and 70 of Article 17 as follows:

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 17, Sec. 55)

Sec. 55. The following named sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made for such purposes in Article ~~18~~ ~~53~~ of Public Act ~~92-538~~ ~~91-706~~ as amended by this Act, are appropriated for expenses in connection with the planning and preparation of redistricting of legislative and representative districts as required by Article IV, Section 3 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970:

For the Speaker.....	441,600
For the Minority Leader.....	<u>0</u>
Total	\$441,600

(P.A. 93-91, Art. 17, Sec. 70)

Sec. 70. As used in Sections ~~35 and 40~~ ~~30 and 35~~ hereof, except where the approval of the Speaker of the House of Representatives is expressly required for the expenditure of or the incurring of indebtedness against an appropriation for certain purchases on contract, "Speaker" means the leader of the party having the largest number of members of the House of Representatives as of January 13, ~~2003~~ ~~2001~~, and "Minority Leader" means the leader of the party having the second largest number of members of the House of Representatives as of January 13, ~~2003~~ ~~2001~~.

ARTICLE 8A

Section 1. The amount of \$1,354,435, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation made in Article 34, Section 88 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for all costs associated with grants to various units of local government, community, civic, not-for-profit, educational facilities and business development organizations for the purpose of grants which include, but are not limited to, one-time operating assistance, construction, rehabilitation, equipment purchases, and any other necessary costs.

Section 2. The amount of \$2,998,305, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation made in Article 34, Section 92 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for all costs associated with grants to governmental units, community, civic, not-for-profit, educational facilities and business development organizations for the purpose of grants which include, but are not limited to, one-time operating assistance, construction, rehabilitation, equipment purchases, and any other necessary costs.

Section 3. The amount of \$15,772,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation made in Article 34, Section 93 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for all costs associated with grants to governmental units, community, civic, not-for-profit, educational facilities and business development organizations for the purpose of grants which include, but are not limited to, one-time operating assistance, construction, rehabilitation, equipment purchases, and any other necessary costs.

Section 4. The amount of \$8,408,500, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation made in Article 34, Section 94 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for all costs associated with various construction and/or rehabilitation projects, and equipment purchases for various units of local government, educational facilities and other eligible entities.

Section 5. The sum of \$50,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation made in Article 34, Section 2.4 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of

Commerce and Economic Opportunity for grants to local governments and not-for-profit entities.

Section 6. The sum of \$1,060,912, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made for such purposes in Article 34, Section 58 of Public Act 92-0538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for a grant to the DuPage County Board for all costs associated with the expansion of the Sheriff's Administration Building in DuPage County.

Section 7. The sum of \$69,632, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 34, Section 59 of Public Act 92-0538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for a grant to the DuPage County Board for all costs associated with the completion of the DuPage Veterans' Memorial.

Section 8. The sum of \$1,459,799, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 34, Section 60 of Public Act 92-0538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for grants to units of local government, educational facilities and not-for-profit organizations for infrastructure improvements including but not limited to planning, construction, reconstruction, equipment, utilities and vehicles, and all costs associated with economic development, community programs, educational programs, public health, and public safety.

Section 9. The sum of \$1,599,125, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made for such purposes in Article 34, Section 61 of Public Act 92-0538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for grants to units of local government and educational facilities for all costs associated with infrastructure improvements and capital projects, including equipment and vehicles.

Section 10. The sum of \$6,548,727 or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made for such purposes in Article 34, Section 89 of Public Act 92-0538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for grants to units of local government, and educational facilities for all costs associated with infrastructure improvements and capital projects, including equipment and vehicles.

Section 11. The sum of \$14,846,409, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from a reappropriation heretofore made in Article 34, Section 90 of Public Act 92-0538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for grants to units of local government, educational facilities and not-for-profit organizations for infrastructure improvements including, but not limited to planning, construction, reconstruction, equipment, utilities and vehicles, and all costs associated with economic development, community programs, educational programs, public health, and public safety.

ARTICLE 8B

Section 1. The sum of \$5,630,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the appropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 10 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for preliminary engineering and construction and contract costs of construction, including, but not limited to, reconstruction, extension and improvement of highways, arterial highways, roads, access areas, roadside shelters, rest areas, fringe parking facilities, storage and sanitary facilities, equipment, traffic control, sidewalks, pedestrian overpasses and such other purposes as provided by the "Illinois Highway Code"; for purposes allowed or required by Title 23 of the U.S. Code; for bikeways as provided by Public Act 78-0500; and for land acquisition and signboard removal and control, junkyard removal and control and preservation of natural beauty; for signage and warning lights; and for capital improvements which directly facilitate an effective vehicle weight enforcement program, such as scales (fixed and portable), scale pits and scale installations, and scale houses, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations; and for any grants to units of local government to undertake any of the aforementioned activities.

Section 2. The sum of \$9,815,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the appropriation heretofore made in Article

52, Section 11 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for preliminary engineering and construction and contract costs of construction, including, but not limited to, reconstruction, extension and improvement of highways, arterial highways, roads, access areas, roadside shelters, rest areas, fringe parking facilities, storage and sanitary facilities, equipment, traffic control, sidewalks, pedestrian overpasses and such other purposes as provided by the "Illinois Highway Code"; for purposes allowed or required by Title 23 of the U.S. Code; for bikeways as provided by Public Act 78-0500; and for land acquisition and signboard removal and control, junkyard removal and control and preservation of natural beauty; for signage and warning lights; and for capital improvements which directly facilitate an effective vehicle weight enforcement program, such as scales (fixed and portable), scale pits and scale installations, and scale houses, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations; and for any grants to units of local government to undertake any of the aforementioned activities.

Section 3. The sum of \$9,671,700, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the appropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 12 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for preliminary engineering and construction and contract costs of construction, including, but not limited to, reconstruction, extension and improvement of highways, arterial highways, roads, access areas, roadside shelters, rest areas, fringe parking facilities, storage and sanitary facilities, equipment, traffic control, sidewalks, pedestrian overpasses and such other purposes as provided by the "Illinois Highway Code"; for purposes allowed or required by Title 23 of the U.S. Code; for bikeways as provided by Public Act 78-0500; and for land acquisition and signboard removal and control, junkyard removal and control and preservation of natural beauty; for signage and warning lights; and for capital improvements which directly facilitate an effective vehicle weight enforcement program, such as scales (fixed and portable), scale pits and scale installations, and scale houses, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations; and for any grants to units of local government to undertake any of the aforementioned activities.

Section 4. The sum of \$50,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 14a12 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for a grant to the Village of Morrison for road improvements for the Morrison Industrial Spur.

Section 5. The sum of \$32,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 17 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Transportation for the Village of Berkeley for all costs associated with the resurfacing, rebuilding, reconstruction, and replacement of St. Charles Road between Interstate 290 and Wolf Road.

Section 6. The sum of \$247,900, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 23 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for the Village of LaGrange to resurface LaGrange Road from Ogden to I-55.

Section 7. The sum of \$165,500, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 26 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for a study of the expansion of Route 23 to four lanes from Streator to Ottawa.

Section 8. The sum of \$12,600, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 27 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for topical resurfacing of existing roadway from Kedzie Avenue to Bell Avenue.

Section 9. The sum of \$385,100, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 28 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for the City of Chicago for the same purposes.

Section 10. The sum of \$325,100, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in

Article 52, Section 29 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for intersection improvements and traffic lights installation at 94th and Kedzie Avenue in Evergreen Park.

Section 11. The sum of \$27,700, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 30 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for the City of Chicago for curbs and roadway improvements on Foster Avenue.

Section 12. The sum of \$75,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 31 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for the City of Chicago for curbs and roadway improvements along Elston Avenue between Central and Milwaukee Avenues.

Section 13. The sum of \$26,500, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 32 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for the City of Chicago for preliminary engineering for a pedestrian crossing over the Canadian National Railroad tracks at West 79th Street and South Central Park Avenue.

Section 14. The sum of \$233,800, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 33 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for the City of Chicago for resurfacing Pulaski Road from 79th to 87th.

Section 15. The sum of \$250,900, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 34 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for all costs associated with preliminary planning, design, engineering and construction of the system of access roads parallel to I-190 between Mannheim Road and the Tri-State Tollway.

Section 16. The sum of \$204,100, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 35 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation to resurface or repair Martin Luther King Drive between 67th and 79th Streets.

Section 17. In addition to any other funds that may be appropriated for the same purpose, the sum of \$4,800, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 36 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for necessary studies for sound barriers along I-90/94 Dan Ryan Expressway between 35th and 95th.

Section 18. The sum of \$175,700, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52 Section 37 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for resurfacing and cold milling on the Illinois River Bridge in Morris.

Section 19. The sum of \$5,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 38 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for Lake County for intersection improvements at Route 132 and Deep Lake Road.

Section 20. The sum of \$870,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 39 of Public Act 92-538, as amended, is reappropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois Department of Transportation for reconstructing and resurfacing Wood Street from Illinois Route 83 to 171st Street and traffic lights at 162nd Street in Markham.

Section 21. The sum of \$22,700, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains

unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 40 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Transportation for a grant to the Village of Olympia Fields for the purpose of completing Phase I of Transit Oriented Development.

Section 22. The sum of \$30,200, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 41 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for an engineering study for an interchange of I-80 at Mile Marker 101 in LaSalle County.

Section 23. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 42 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Transportation for a grant to the City of Wheeling for the purpose of pedestrian crossing improvements.

Section 24. The sum of \$373,400, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 44 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Transportation for a grant to the Madison County Transit District for the construction of the Collinsville Transit Center.

Section 25. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 45 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Transportation for the installation of crossing gates at Westleigh Road and the installation of crossing gates at Old Elm Road grade crossing.

Section 26. The sum of \$300,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 46 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Transportation for a grant to Metra for the purpose of landscaping, remodeling, and repairing of the embankments and viaducts from 47th to 57th Streets.

Section 27. The sum of \$23,800, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 47 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Transportation for costs associated with the reconstruction of Industrial Drive.

Section 28. The sum of \$10,100, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 48 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Transportation for costs associated with the reconstruction of Airport Road and Chartres Street.

Section 29. The sum of \$75,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 49 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Transportation for a traffic signal at 51st Street West in Rock Island.

Section 30. The sum of \$8,300, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 50 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Transportation for repair of 1st Street from Water Street and Brunner Street to Bucklin Street in LaSalle.

Section 31. The sum of \$616,500, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 51 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the Department of Transportation for infrastructure improvements, including but not limited to engineering and construction engineering, extension and improvements of highways, roads, access areas, roadside shelters, rest areas, fringe parking facilities, storage and sanitary facilities, equipment, traffic controls, sidewalks, signage.

Section 32. The sum of \$50,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 52 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Fund for Illinois' Future to the

Department of Transportation for renovation of the Wood Dale METRA station.

Section 33. The sum of \$493,700, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 53 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Transportation for the contract or intergovernmental agreement costs associated with the projects described below and having the estimated costs as follows:

For a pedestrian overpass and other transportation related activities in the Village of Buffalo Grove	\$0
For improvements to St. Clair Avenue and drainage improvements in Granite City	\$0
For improvements to streets, sewers and sidewalks in Washington Park	\$450,000
For traffic signal intersection improvements at Manhattan Road, Route 52 and Foxford Drive in the Village of Manhattan	\$36,100
For improvements to Matherville Road in Mercer County	\$7,600

Section 34. The sum of \$1,200,600, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from the reappropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 54 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for the same purposes.

Section 35. The amount of \$500,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 57 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for the purpose of a grant to the City of Rockford for all costs associated with the construction of a road around the Rockford airport.

Section 36. The amount of \$200,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 52, Section 58 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for the purpose of a grant to the Chicago Department of Transportation for installation of a traffic light at 103rd and Corliss Street.

Section 37. The amount of \$200,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 51, Section 59 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for the purpose of a grant to the Chicago Department of Transportation for installation of a traffic light at 127th and Stewart Street.

Section 38. The amount of \$1,320,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 51, Section 60 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for the purpose of a grant to the Chicago Department of Transportation for street resurfacing, sidewalks, curbs, and gutters on Michigan Avenue from 103rd Street to 127th Street.

Section 39. The amount of \$800,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 51, Section 61 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for the purpose of a grant to the Chicago Department of Transportation for street resurfacing, sidewalks, curbs, and gutters on King Drive from 100th Street to 115th Street.

Section 40. The amount of \$1,350,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 51, Section 62 of Public Act 92-538, is reappropriated from the Road Fund to the Department of Transportation for the purpose of a grant to the Chicago Department of Transportation for street resurfacing, sidewalks, curbs, and gutters on 111th Street from Bishop Ford Expressway to State Street.

Section 41. The sum of \$2,300,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary and remains

unexpended at the close of business on June 30, 2003, from an appropriation heretofore made in Article 1a, Section 11 of Public Act 92-717, is reappropriated from the Capital Development Fund to the Department of Transportation for corridor protection along Route 158.

ARTICLE 99

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect immediately upon becoming law."
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends various Public Acts making appropriations. Reappropriates various amounts for various purposes. Effective immediately.

AMENDMENT NO. 2 House Bill 2735, AS AMENDED, by inserting the following immediately before the effective date:

"Section 42. The sum of \$1,000,000 is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, in addition to any named sums, for Grants, Contracts and Administrative Expenses for the Industrial Training Program, Pursuant to 20 ILCS 605/605-800 and 20 ILCS 605/605-802, Including Prior Year Costs."

The foregoing message from the Senate reporting Senate Amendments numbered 1 and 2 to HOUSE BILL 2735 were placed on the Calendar on the order of Concurrence.

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Hawker, 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. 51

Concurred in the Senate, January 15, 2004.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

RESOLUTION

The following resolution was offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 616

Offered by Representative John Bradley:

WHEREAS, Coal must play a vital role in the energy policy of the United States; and

WHEREAS, On February 27, 2003, President George W. Bush announced that the United States would sponsor FutureGen, a \$1 billion, 10-year demonstration project to create the world's first coal-based, zero emissions power plant to produce electricity and hydrogen; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois' rich history of coal mining, educational expertise in coal development, and natural resources make it an ideal location for the FutureGen facility; and

WHEREAS, Southern Illinois University, the Illinois State Geological Society, the Gas Technology Institute, and the Illinois Clean Coal Institute are currently active in coal-to-hydrogen development; and

WHEREAS, Almost one-eighth of the total coal reserves in the U.S. are located in Illinois, and, with one-quarter of the bituminous coal reserve, Illinois has the largest bituminous coal reserve in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Illinois possesses large areas that are suitable for sequestration; and multiple coals, numerous mature oil reservoirs, and multiple deep saline reservoirs are present in the State; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois has long supported and provided incentives to its coal industry through programs that finance research, development, and commercialization of new technologies and uses for coal; and

WHEREAS, Illinois has one of the largest and most comprehensive transportation infrastructures in the nation with 3 interstate highways that run coast-to-coast and has more than 1,100 miles of navigable rivers,

lakes, and canals with direct links to the Atlantic Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Illinois has ready access to transmission and proximity to major electric markets and can move power to Chicago, St. Louis, the Tennessee Valley Authority, and the East Central Area Reliability Council; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we applaud the President and the U.S. Department of Energy for their development of the FutureGen project and leaders in Congress for their continuing efforts in making this project a reality; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we call upon the members of Congress to take any actions necessary to fully implement the FutureGen project; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the President and the U.S. Department of Energy to locate the FutureGen project in Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be presented to the President of the United States, the U.S. Secretary of Energy, the President pro tempore of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, and each member of the Illinois congressional delegation.

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
FIRST READING**

Representative Biggins introduced the following:

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 21**

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to add Section 4.5 to Article IX of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

ARTICLE IX
REVENUE

SECTION 4.5. REVENUE LIMITATIONS

(a) Taxes upon real property and any other taxes or fees imposed by a unit of local government or school district shall be levied at an amount no higher than that levy in effect on the effective date of this Section or at the levy in effect in 2000, whichever is less, excluding taxes or fees for bonded indebtedness incurred before the effective date of this Section.

(b) There shall be no reassessment that would increase the assessed value of existing structures or land after the effective date of this Section.

(c) There shall be no equalization of assessments between or within townships, between or within counties, or between or within classes of property by application of a percentage increase to assessments after the effective date of this Section.

(d) Voters of a unit of local government or school district may initiate, by a petition signed by at least 1% of the registered voters in that unit of local government or school district, or 10,000 voters, whichever is less, referenda to lower the levy, taxes, or fees imposed by that unit of local government or school district. There shall be no limit on the number of local tax cut referenda at any election.

(e) An ordinance of a unit of local government or school district that would result in the increase of any revenue to that unit of local government or school district may become law only with approval at referendum of at least two-thirds of the voters of that unit of local government or school district voting on the question.

(f) A bill that would result in the increase of any revenue to the State may become law only with approval at a statewide referendum of at least two-thirds of the voters of this State voting on the question.

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 21 was taken up, read in full a first time, ordered printed and placed in the Committee on Rules.

Representative Froehlich introduced the following:

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 22**

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Sections 1, 2, and 3 of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

ARTICLE IV
THE LEGISLATURE

SECTION 1. LEGISLATURE - POWER AND STRUCTURE

The legislative power is vested in a General Assembly consisting of a Senate and a House of Representatives, elected by the electors from 59 Legislative Districts and ~~39~~ 448 Representative Districts. (Source: Amendment adopted at general election November 4, 1980.)

SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE COMPOSITION

(a) One Senator shall be elected from each Legislative District. Immediately following each decennial redistricting, the General Assembly by law shall divide the Legislative Districts as equally as possible into three groups. Senators from one group shall be elected for terms of four years, four years and two years; Senators from the second group, for terms of four years, two years and four years; and Senators from the third group, for terms of two years, four years and four years. The Legislative Districts in each group shall be distributed substantially equally over the State.

(b) ~~In 2006 and every two years thereafter, three Representatives~~ Each Legislative District shall be divided into two Representative Districts. In 1982 and every two years thereafter one Representative shall be elected from each Representative District for a term of two years. No political party shall limit its nominations to less than three candidates for Representatives in any Representative District. In elections for Representatives, including those for nomination, each elector may cast three votes for one candidate or distribute them equally among no more than three candidates. The candidates highest in votes shall be declared elected.

(c) To be eligible to serve as a member of the General Assembly, a person must be a United States citizen, at least 21 years old, and for the two years preceding his election or appointment a resident of the district which he is to represent. In the general election following a redistricting, a candidate for the General Assembly may be elected from any district which contains a part of the district in which he resided at the time of the redistricting and reelected if a resident of the new district he represents for 18 months prior to reelection.

(d) Within thirty days after a vacancy occurs, it shall be filled by appointment as provided by law. If the vacancy is in a Senatorial office with more than twenty-eight months remaining in the term, the appointed Senator shall serve until the next general election, at which time a Senator shall be elected to serve for the remainder of the term. If the vacancy is in a Representative office or in any other Senatorial office, the appointment shall be for the remainder of the term. An appointee to fill a vacancy shall be a member of the same political party as the person he succeeds.

(e) No member of the General Assembly shall receive compensation as a public officer or employee from any other governmental entity for time during which he is in attendance as a member of the General Assembly.

No member of the General Assembly during the term for which he was elected or appointed shall be appointed to a public office which shall have been created or the compensation for which shall have been increased by the General Assembly during that term.

(Source: Amendment adopted at general election November 4, 1980.)

SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING

(a) Legislative Districts shall be compact, contiguous and substantially equal in population. Representative Districts shall be compact, contiguous, and substantially equal in population.

(b) In 2005, the General Assembly by law shall redistrict the Representative Districts using the 2000 Federal decennial census. Thereafter, in the year following each Federal decennial census year, the General Assembly by law shall redistrict the Legislative Districts and the Representative Districts.

If no redistricting plan becomes effective by June 30 of that year, a Legislative Redistricting Commission shall be constituted not later than July 10. The Commission shall consist of eight members, no more than four of whom shall be members of the same political party.

The Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives shall each appoint to the Commission one Representative and one person who is not a member of the General Assembly. The President and Minority Leader of the Senate shall each appoint to the Commission one Senator and one person who is not a member of the General Assembly.

The members shall be certified to the Secretary of State by the appointing authorities. A vacancy on the Commission shall be filled within five days by the authority that made the original appointment. A Chairman and Vice Chairman shall be chosen by a majority of all members of the Commission.

Not later than August 10, the Commission shall file with the Secretary of State a redistricting plan approved by at least five members.

If the Commission fails to file an approved redistricting plan, the Supreme Court shall submit the names of two persons, not of the same political party, to the Secretary of State not later than September 1.

Not later than September 5, the Secretary of State publicly shall draw by random selection the name of one of the two persons to serve as the ninth member of the Commission.

Not later than October 5, the Commission shall file with the Secretary of State a redistricting plan approved by at least five members.

An approved redistricting plan filed with the Secretary of State shall be presumed valid, shall have the force and effect of law and shall be published promptly by the Secretary of State.

The Supreme Court shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction over actions concerning redistricting the House and Senate, which shall be initiated in the name of the People of the State by the Attorney General.

(Source: Amendment adopted at general election November 4, 1980.)

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act and applies to the election of Representatives in 2006 and thereafter.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 22 was taken up, read in full a first time, ordered printed and placed in the Committee on Rules.

Representative Kurtz introduced the following:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 23

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Sections 2 and 5 of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution:

ARTICLE IV THE LEGISLATURE

SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE COMPOSITION

(a) One Senator shall be elected from each Legislative District. Senators elected in 2006 shall serve six-year terms. Senators elected in 2008 shall serve four-year terms. Immediately following each decennial redistricting, the General Assembly by law shall divide the Legislative Districts as equally as possible into two three groups. During each ten-year period, beginning with the general election in 2012, Senators from one group shall first be elected for terms of six years and then for terms of four years ~~four years, four years and two years~~; Senators from the ~~second~~ group, for terms of four years, two years and four years; and Senators from the ~~other third~~ group shall first be elected ; for terms of ~~two years~~, four years and then for terms of six ~~four~~ years. The Legislative Districts in each group shall be distributed substantially equally

over the State.

(b) Each Legislative District shall be divided into two Representative Districts. ~~In 1982 and every two years thereafter~~ One Representative shall be elected from each Representative District ~~for a term of two years.~~ Representatives elected in 2006 shall first serve terms of four years and then terms of two years. During each ten-year period, beginning with the general election in 2012, Representatives shall first be elected for terms of four years, then for terms of two years, and then for terms of four years.

(c) To be eligible to serve as a member of the General Assembly, a person must be a United States citizen, at least 21 years old, and for the two years preceding his election or appointment a resident of the district which he is to represent. In the general election following a redistricting, a candidate for the General Assembly may be elected from any district which contains a part of the district in which he resided at the time of the redistricting and reelected if a resident of the new district he represents for 18 months prior to reelection.

(d) Within thirty days after a vacancy occurs, it shall be filled by appointment as provided by law. If the vacancy is in a Senatorial or Representative office with more than twenty-eight months remaining in the term, the appointed Senator or Representative shall serve until the next general election, at which time a Senator or Representative shall be elected to serve for the remainder of the term. If the vacancy is in any other Senatorial or a Representative office ~~or in any other Senatorial office~~, the appointment shall be for the remainder of the term. An appointee to fill a vacancy shall be a member of the same political party as the person he succeeds.

(e) No member of the General Assembly shall receive compensation as a public officer or employee from any other governmental entity for time during which he is in attendance as a member of the General Assembly.

No member of the General Assembly during the term for which he was elected or appointed shall be appointed to a public office which shall have been created or the compensation for which shall have been increased by the General Assembly during that term.

(Source: Amendment adopted at general election November 4, 1980.)

SECTION 5. SESSIONS

(a) The General Assembly shall convene each year on the second Wednesday of January. The General Assembly shall be a continuous body for a period beginning and ending at noon on the second Wednesday of January of consecutive odd-numbered years. ~~during the term for which members of the House of Representatives are elected.~~

(b) The Governor may convene the General Assembly or the Senate alone in special session by a proclamation stating the purpose of the session; and only business encompassed by such purpose, together with any impeachments or confirmation of appointments shall be transacted. Special sessions of the General Assembly may also be convened by joint proclamation of the presiding officers of both houses, issued as provided by law.

(c) Sessions of each house of the General Assembly and meetings of committees, joint committees and legislative commissions shall be open to the public. Sessions and committee meetings of a house may be closed to the public if two-thirds of the members elected to that house determine that the public interest so requires; and meetings of joint committees and legislative commissions may be so closed if two-thirds of the members elected to each house so determine.

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act and applies to the election of members of the General Assembly in 2006 and thereafter. It does not affect the terms of members elected in 2002 or 2004.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 23 was taken up, read in full a first time, ordered printed and placed in the Committee on Rules.

Representative Bill Mitchell introduced the following:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 24

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to add Section 9 to Article XIII of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

ARTICLE XIII
GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 9. SAME SEX MARRIAGE

Only marriage between one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized in Illinois. The uniting of persons of the same sex in a civil union, domestic partnership, or other similar same sex relationship shall not be valid or recognized in Illinois.

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 24 was taken up, read in full a first time, ordered printed and placed in the Committee on Rules.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

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

HOUSE BILL 4019. Introduced by Representative Daniels, AN ACT concerning the Department on Aging.

HOUSE BILL 4020. Introduced by Representative Daniels, AN ACT in relation to health.

HOUSE BILL 4021. Introduced by Representative Daniels, AN ACT in relation to Human Services.

HOUSE BILL 4022. Introduced by Representative Daniels, AN ACT concerning disability services.

HOUSE BILL 4023. Introduced by Representatives Froehlich - Joyce - Brosnahan - Parke, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4024. Introduced by Representatives Froehlich - Joyce - Brosnahan - Parke, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4025. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT in relation to criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4026. Introduced by Representatives Verschoore - Hoffman - Phelps - Reitz - Grunloh, Aguilar, Biggins, Boland, Bost, Bradley, John, Brady, Brauer, Davis, Monique, Davis, Steve, Dunkin, Eddy, Flider, Holbrook, Jefferson, Lang, Mautino, McAuliffe, McKeon, Mitchell, Jerry, Moffitt, Myers, Poe, Sacia, Schmitz, Slone, Smith, Tenhouse, Washington, Winters and Younge, AN ACT in relation to townships.

HOUSE BILL 4027. Introduced by Representatives Delgado - Phelps - Graham and Pihos, AN ACT concerning vehicles.

HOUSE BILL 4028. Introduced by Representative Saviano, AN ACT in relation to the regulation of professions.

HOUSE BILL 4029. Introduced by Representative Saviano, AN ACT concerning professional regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4030. Introduced by Representative Saviano, AN ACT concerning professional regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4031. Introduced by Representatives McKeon - Osterman, AN ACT concerning alcoholic liquor.

HOUSE BILL 4032. Introduced by Representative Rita, AN ACT in relation to criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4033. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to health facilities.

HOUSE BILL 4034. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to health facilities.

HOUSE BILL 4035. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning nursing home care.

HOUSE BILL 4036. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4037. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to gaming.

HOUSE BILL 4038. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to gaming.

HOUSE BILL 4039. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to gambling.

HOUSE BILL 4040. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to horse racing.

- HOUSE BILL 4041. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4042. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to taxation.
- HOUSE BILL 4043. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4044. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4045. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4046. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT regarding taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4047. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4048. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4049. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4050. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to gaming.
- HOUSE BILL 4051. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to gaming.
- HOUSE BILL 4052. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to gaming.
- HOUSE BILL 4053. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT in relation to gaming.
- HOUSE BILL 4054. Introduced by Representative Winters, AN ACT concerning appropriations.
- HOUSE BILL 4055. Introduced by Representative Black, AN ACT in relation to alcoholic liquor.
- HOUSE BILL 4056. Introduced by Representative Winters, AN ACT concerning vehicles.
- HOUSE BILL 4057. Introduced by Representative McAuliffe, AN ACT concerning asbestos abatement.
- HOUSE BILL 4058. Introduced by Representative Miller, AN ACT concerning schools.
- HOUSE BILL 4059. Introduced by Representative Jakobsson, AN ACT in relation to insurance.
- HOUSE BILL 4060. Introduced by Representative Lyons, Joseph, AN ACT in relation to executive agencies.
- HOUSE BILL 4061. Introduced by Representative Lyons, Joseph, AN ACT in relation to financial regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 4062. Introduced by Representative Lyons, Joseph, AN ACT concerning financial regulation.
- HOUSE BILL 4063. Introduced by Representative Fritchey, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 4064. Introduced by Representative Hannig, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 4065. Introduced by Representative Miller, AN ACT concerning elections.
- HOUSE BILL 4066. Introduced by Representative Dunn, AN ACT concerning State employees.
- HOUSE BILL 4067. Introduced by Representative Wait, AN ACT concerning minors.
- HOUSE BILL 4068. Introduced by Representative Pankau, AN ACT concerning taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4069. Introduced by Representative Dunn, AN ACT concerning taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4070. Introduced by Representatives Daniels - Churchill - Millner - Froehlich - McKeon, Davis, Monique, Dunkin, Aguilar and Flowers, AN ACT concerning taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4071. Introduced by Representative Davis, Monique, AN ACT concerning hate crimes.
- HOUSE BILL 4072. Introduced by Representative Davis, Monique, AN ACT concerning education.
- HOUSE BILL 4073. Introduced by Representative Davis, Monique, AN ACT concerning higher education.
- HOUSE BILL 4074. Introduced by Representative Bradley, John, AN ACT in relation to criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 4075. Introduced by Representative Bradley, John, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 4076. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4077. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning taxes.
- HOUSE BILL 4078. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning townships.
- HOUSE BILL 4079. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning landlords.
- HOUSE BILL 4080. Introduced by Representatives Nekritz - Hamos - Slone - Coulson - May, Feigenholtz, Lyons, Joseph and Osterman, AN ACT in relation to vehicles.
- HOUSE BILL 4081. Introduced by Representative Nekritz, AN ACT concerning health facilities.
- HOUSE BILL 4082. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning conservation.
- HOUSE BILL 4083. Introduced by Representative Berrios, AN ACT concerning motor vehicles.
- HOUSE BILL 4084. Introduced by Representatives Graham and Smith, AN ACT concerning vehicles.
- HOUSE BILL 4085. Introduced by Representative Graham, AN ACT concerning vehicles.
- HOUSE BILL 4086. Introduced by Representative Graham, AN ACT concerning vehicles.
- HOUSE BILL 4087. Introduced by Representative Graham, AN ACT concerning handguns.

- HOUSE BILL 4088. Introduced by Representative Mathias, AN ACT concerning schools.
- HOUSE BILL 4089. Introduced by Representative Schmitz, AN ACT in relation to criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 4090. Introduced by Representative Holbrook, AN ACT concerning gaming.
- HOUSE BILL 4091. Introduced by Representatives Froehlich - Franks - Howard, AN ACT regarding the election of school board members.
- HOUSE BILL 4092. Introduced by Representative Ryg, AN ACT concerning mental health.
- HOUSE BILL 4093. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning corrections.
- HOUSE BILL 4094. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 4095. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT in relation to criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 4096. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT concerning juveniles.
- HOUSE BILL 4097. Introduced by Representative Acevedo, AN ACT regarding vehicles.
- HOUSE BILL 4098. Introduced by Representatives Hamos - Bassi - Osterman - Munson - Ryg, Lyons, Eileen and Nekritz, AN ACT concerning transportation.
- HOUSE BILL 4099. Introduced by Representatives Hamos - Lyons, Eileen - Osterman, AN ACT in relation to energy conservation.
- HOUSE BILL 4100. Introduced by Representatives Acevedo - Parke - Jefferson, AN ACT concerning rental housing.
- HOUSE BILL 4101. Introduced by Representative Bradley, John, AN ACT concerning criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 4102. Introduced by Representative Bradley, John, AN ACT concerning the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District.
- HOUSE BILL 4103. Introduced by Representative Moffitt, AN ACT concerning vehicles.
- HOUSE BILL 4104. Introduced by Representatives Mautino - Bellock, AN ACT concerning insurance.
- HOUSE BILL 4105. Introduced by Representative Eddy, AN ACT concerning school construction.
- HOUSE BILL 4106. Introduced by Representative Bradley, Richard, AN ACT concerning fees.
- HOUSE BILL 4107. Introduced by Representative Saviano, AN ACT concerning public access to physical therapists.
- HOUSE BILL 4108. Introduced by Representative Saviano, AN ACT concerning local government.
- HOUSE BILL 4109. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.
- HOUSE BILL 4110. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning business transactions.
- HOUSE BILL 4111. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning business transactions.
- HOUSE BILL 4112. Introduced by Representative Lang, AN ACT concerning business transactions.
- HOUSE BILL 4113. Introduced by Representative Davis, Will, AN ACT concerning schools.
- HOUSE BILL 4114. Introduced by Representative Granberg, AN ACT in relation to economic development.
- HOUSE BILL 4115. Introduced by Representative Granberg, AN ACT in relation to economic development.
- HOUSE BILL 4116. Introduced by Representative Younge, AN ACT in relation to homeless persons.
- HOUSE BILL 4117. Introduced by Representative Younge, AN ACT in relation to human services.
- HOUSE BILL 4118. Introduced by Representative Mathias, AN ACT in relation to municipalities.
- HOUSE BILL 4119. Introduced by Representative Mathias, AN ACT concerning alcoholic liquor.
- HOUSE BILL 4120. Introduced by Representative Mathias, AN ACT in relation to criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 4121. Introduced by Representative Mathias, AN ACT concerning criminal actions.
- HOUSE BILL 4122. Introduced by Representative Mathias, AN ACT concerning the allocation of telephone numbers.
- HOUSE BILL 4123. Introduced by Representative Mathias, AN ACT in relation to criminal law.
- HOUSE BILL 4124. Introduced by Representative Biggins, AN ACT concerning fees.
- HOUSE BILL 4125. Introduced by Representative Osmond, AN ACT concerning health.
- HOUSE BILL 4126. Introduced by Representative Osmond, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION 612

Offered by Representative Joyce:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Joel M. Tomas of Palos Hills on December 13, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tomas was the longest serving alderman in Palos Hills history; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tomas was born in Chicago and raised on the South Side; he attended Gage Park High School, Wilson Junior College, and graduated from Roosevelt University with a degree in science; he later returned to Roosevelt to get a master's in guidance counseling; and

WHEREAS, He began his teaching career at Reavis High School in Burbank in 1967; for 32 years he taught human biology and physical science; he created an environmental science course, sponsored the senior class and the science club, started a recycling program, and became a guidance counselor; and

WHEREAS, After Mr. Tomas retired as a teacher, he became a career coordinator at Reavis and developed a program for at-risk students to explore career options; and

WHEREAS, For 12 years, starting in the late 1960s, he also worked as a laboratory technician at St. Elizabeth Hospital on the Northwest Side; he also taught a judo class and was a high school wrestling referee for 14 years; and

WHEREAS, As an alderman, Mr. Tomas represented Palos Hills' 4th Ward and chaired the Public Works Committee, where he helped develop a comprehensive drainage program to solve flooding problems and started a recycling program; he also chaired the Palos Hills Emergency Services Disaster Agency; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Joel M. Tomas will be deeply felt by many, especially his wife of 35 years, Leona; his two daughters, Lara and Lee Ann; his son, Joel; and his sister, Heleane Battaglia; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Joel M. Tomas along with all who knew and loved him and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Joel M. Tomas as an expression of deepest sympathy.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 613

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate the Mater Dei High School varsity boys basketball team on placing second in the Mater Dei Holiday Classic; and

WHEREAS, The Mater Dei Knights finished the tourney with four wins, their only loss coming in the final game against the Breese Central High School Cougars; after overtime, the final score was 46 to 43; and

WHEREAS, The Knights are led by Mr. Marv Eversgerd, head coach, and Brian Perkes, Terry Killen, and Bob Kasson, assistant coaches; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Mater Dei High School Knights varsity boys basketball team are Michael Antonacci, Keith Varel, Nathan Cook, Eric Tschannen, Bobby Gray, Jordan Kreke, Brandon Timmermann, Eric Haake, Nick Fuehne, Ryan Lake, David Michael, and D.J. Deiters; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Mater Dei High School varsity boys basketball team on placing second in the Mater Dei Holiday Classic; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to each of the coaches and members of the Mater Dei High School varsity boys basketball team with our best wishes for their future success.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 614

Offered by Representative Granberg:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives congratulate the Breese Central High

School Cougars varsity boys basketball team on winning the 43rd Annual Mater Dei Holiday Classic; and

WHEREAS, The Breese Cougars finished the tourney 5-0 with an overall season record of 11-3; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Cougars varsity boys basketball team are Brandon Dawson, Cole Schrage, Greg Astroth, Tom Baro, David Gebke, Donny Petterson, Ryan Meyer, Kurt Heinmann, Kyle Norrenberns, Brandon Holtmann, Nathan Steinkamp, Ken Detmer, Adam Buehne, Jacob Netemeyer, and Adam Brichler; and

WHEREAS, The Cougars are led by varsity coach Stan Eagleston and assistant coaches David Thomas, Kurt Peters, and Jeremy Shubert; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Breese Central High School boys varsity basketball team on winning the Mater Dei Holiday Classic; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to each of the coaches and members of the Breese Central High School varsity boys basketball team with our best wishes for their future success.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 615

Offered by Representative Miller:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois recognize William Franker for his heroic military service; and

WHEREAS, In March 1967, at 17, Mr. Franker enlisted in the Unites States Marines; five days after graduation from Chicago Vocational he was on his way to boot camp; six months later, he landed in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, He spent his battles with Alpha Company in a tank, first as crewman, then as a tank commander, then as a heavy section leader; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Franker was wounded twice, each time when he was out of his tank; the first, May 19, 1969, took him out of action for weeks because he lost his hearing; it happened as he was guiding the tanks into defensive position for the night when one rolled over a land mine; he was four feet away, but the blast got him; and

WHEREAS, The second time he was wounded was August 2, 1969, when after a heavy storm of mortar fire, he got out of the tank to take care of his guys and help move the wounded; mortar fire started again, he was hit; and

WHEREAS, Things were tough for Mr. Franker when he returned from Vietnam in June 1970 after two tours; people didn't know how to treat him; it was tough to get a job; he is currently the warehouse manager at Illiana Transit warehouse in Hammond; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Franker and his wife of 24 years, Mary, have three children, Steve, Lauren, and Kim; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we honor William Franker who served his country valiantly through his military service; and we wish him well in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to William Franker as an expression of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 617

Offered by Representative Morrow:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Michael Steven Johnson of Chicago on November 11, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson was born in Los Angeles, California to Rayfield and Clairece Watkins who preceded him in death; he graduated from Wendell Phillips High School, after which he served four years in the United States Air Force; after discharge, he continued his education and received an Associate's Degree in Mathematics from Kennedy-King College; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson worked for the Chicago Transit Authority for thirty-four years, a job he really loved and enjoyed; he also worked for the Chicago Park District; he was very involved with community

activities in the early 1970s as a Democratic Precinct Captain of the 2nd Ward; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson accepted Christ at an early age and attended Christ Universal Temple in Chicago; he had a charismatic personality and infectious smile; he was a "people person"; and

WHEREAS, Michael Steven Johnson's passing will be deeply felt by many, especially his wife of twenty-six years, Willia; his two daughters, Alderman Latasha Thomas (Timothy Jr.) and Teresa Johnson; his son, Justin; his grandchildren, Victoria, Timothy III, and Christian Jaelen; his godson, Romulus Jackson; his sisters, Imani Kali-Nyah and Lametrice Bush (Kirk); his brother, Rayfield Watkins, Jr.; his two special aunts, Ora D. Frenchwood and Betty Woodward; his mother-in-law, Emma Pope; his five sisters-in-law; his three brothers-in-law; his three special cousins, Johnny L. Robinson, Earle Deloach, and Thomas Gosha; his two special friends, Lionel Walker and Milford Hackett; numerous nieces and nephews; and a host of other relatives and friends; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the death of Michael Steven Johnson along with all who knew and loved him and extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Michael Steven Johnson as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 618

Offered by Representative McGuire:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to honor milestone dates in the history of organizations in the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Association of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks is celebrating its 100th Anniversary in 2004; and

WHEREAS, For 100 years the members of the Illinois Elks Association have raised and disbursed funds to charitable causes including: the World War II Memorial, Scholarships for Illinois Students, Illinois Elks Crippled Children Corps, the Elks National Foundation, and other local charitable events; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Elks Association implemented the Grand Lodge Army of Hope program to assist veterans and their families and is a key supporter of Veterans Homes throughout Illinois with Elks Members routinely ensuring that our Veterans are in a homelike setting; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Elks Association organizes Training Sessions to instruct and guide emerging leaders in Local Lodges of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks in civic promotion and fundraising for charitable causes; and

WHEREAS, An integral theme of the training of the Illinois Elks Association is to return to Illinois communities to do good work by contributing thousands of hours annually in each community for charitable causes; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Elks Association provides the leadership to teach hundreds of men and women each year to take leadership roles in communities across the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Elks Association also prepares leadership through the District and State Committee Chairs to preserve the history of good works and charity that has become synonymous with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks; and

WHEREAS, The current Officers of the Illinois Elks Association are: President Bill Voigts of Joliet 296; First Vice President Bill Marsh of Quincy 100; Second Vice President Paul Ronzani of Chicago North Shore 1316; Third Vice President Charles Campbell of Carbondale 1243; Secretary Marvin Leathers of Mt. Vernon 819; and Treasurer Gene White of Centralia 493; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Association of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks will be hosting its 100th Anniversary Celebration in Springfield January 29 through February 1, 2004; therefore be it ; and

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize and congratulate the Illinois Association of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks on their 100th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the members of the Illinois Association of Benevolent Protective Order of Elks at their 100th Anniversary celebration.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 619

Offered by Representative Gordon:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate the members of Cub Scout Pack 464 of Minooka for their ongoing efforts to recycle used printer cartridges and cell phones; and

WHEREAS, For its work, Pack 464 received the Director's Green Youth Award from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA), which was presented by IEPA Director Renee Cipriano and Governor Rod Blagojevich; Director's Green Youth Award winners had to be engaged in projects involving waste reduction; reduction of air, water, or land pollution; restoration or preservation of natural areas; or energy or water efficiency; and

WHEREAS, Pack 464 Scouts also received "Illinois Recycles for Our Future" patches from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity; and

WHEREAS, A ceremony was held to acknowledge the efforts of Cub Scout Pack 464 at the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum in Chicago on November 15, 2003; at the ceremony, Director Cipriano noted that the winners of the Green Youth Award are setting an example for all people in making recycling a part of everyday life; and

WHEREAS, Pack 464 began recycling printer cartridges two years ago and later began collecting cell phones; the members have collected over 2,000 printer cartridges and over 300 cell phones since beginning their recycling project two years ago; and

WHEREAS, The Pack 464 Scouts' commitment to their community and state has brought a greater awareness of recycling and has kept the local environment cleaner; the members of Cub Scout Pack 464 include Christopher Aleshire, Norman Anderson, Colin Armstrong, Brett Ayers, Alfonso Bautista, Michael Bernhard, Chad Charland, Clay Charland, Kevin Dalton, Darren Desmarais, John Drakley, Bennett Driver, Matthew Figora, Michael Figora, Josh Flynn, Trevor Furlan, Nicholas Gates, Austin Glover, Connor Graham, Cameron Grimm, Philip Hannon, Kevin Hannon, Maxwell Herigodt, David Hill, Christopher Hoy, Martin Huff, Cody Hutchison, Joseph Jaeger, Ryan Johnson, Connor Maloney, Joseph Martin, Nick Moretti, Glen Nemitz, Tanner Norris, Michael O'Rourke, Gage Perczynski, Liam Polhemus, Ryan Polhemus, Justin Pryor, Christopher Roberts, Cole Rodriguez, Danny Ruettiger, Ryan Senffner, Steven Stadalsky, Paul Stawarz, Mark Stromberg, Aric Theimer, Doyle Thompson, Jonathan Tribo, Jacob Ward, Alex Wielbik, Ryan Woodard, and Jimmy Wooten; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the members of Cub Scout Pack 464 of Minooka for their ongoing efforts to recycle used printer cartridges and cell phones; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Cub Scout Pack 464 as an expression of our esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 620

Offered by Representative Gordon:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois are pleased to congratulate the Wilmington High School football team of Wilmington for advancing to the IHSA Class 3A Football Championship game on November 28, 2003 for the first time in the school's history; and

WHEREAS, The Wilmington High School Wildcats were the 2003 champions of the Interstate Eight Conference and were the runners-up in the Class 3A championship game; and

WHEREAS, Leading the Wildcats are head coach Jeff Reents; assistant coaches Barry Southall, Rob Murphy, Bob Bolser, Kevin Feeney, Joe Barbic, Russ Allred, Brian Goff, Lodi Vercelli, TJ Hansen, and Jake Vercelli; and team captains Brett Farmer, Mike Flores, and Tony Vercelli; congratulations are also extended to Dr. Russ White, superintendent; Joseph Hermes, principal; and Matt Swick, athletic director; and

WHEREAS, Senior members of the Wildcats are Matt Goodwin, Shane Longest, Steve Hidlebaugh, Jon Niehls, Seth Gans, Tim Babcock, Josh Vote, Mike Williams, Bobby Dinkins, Keith Phelan, Brett Farmer, Matt Bell, Chris Molle, Shane Carlock, Mike Flores, and Travis Quigly; junior members of the Wildcats include Tony Vercelli, Tanner Roark, Nick Hansen, Ryan Friddle, Rob Murphy, Mark Harrison, Kyle

Davis, Eric Dillion, Chris Alberico, Brian Upchurch, Nate Wingerter, Andy Storbeck, Blake Daniell, Barry Cummings, Dan Haddock, Adam Krutchen, and Scott Puracchio; and

WHEREAS, Sophomore members of the Wildcats are Mike Blaha, Joe Dutra, Josh Peters, Glen Probus, Zach Smith, Ben Stickel, Pat Talley, Dillon Roark, Dave Tafoya, Jake Collins, Jim Cortese, Seth Jansen, Ryan Jones, Mitch Hazelton, John Mitchell, Ryan Gurnitz, and Chad Kaitshuck; freshman team members include Marcus Dunkin, Nick Dziuban, Matt Lyday, Ryan Nelson, Vince Vercelli, Matt Combes, Robert Sanchez, Andy Peterson, Kendall Kozel, and Brad Golden; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the coaches and players of the Wilmington High School Wildcats football team on their tremendous accomplishments; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Wilmington High School as an expression of our esteem and with best wishes for continued success in the future.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 621

Offered by Representative Gordon:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives congratulate the Minooka Community High School Indians football team on advancing to the IHSA Class 6A football semi-finals on November 22, 2003; and

WHEREAS, The Indians finished the 2003 season with a 10-3 record; by advancing to the semi-final round, the team matched its best playoff performance in the school's history; and

WHEREAS, The senior members of the team are Matthew Williams, George Miller, Zach Vogt, Ryan Kohl, Alex Tyrell, John Weil, Andrew Richardson, Ryan Albert, Joshua Abraham, Ajit Gogawale, Kyle Knezetic, Billy Stinnette, Jeff Cepela, Brandon More, Jonathan Carr, Brendan Cain, Matt Pieper, John Sondag, Andrew Alexander, and Brandon Fortner; the junior members are Travis Murray, Michael Voitik, Matt Vanderweit, Sam Lesniak, Michael Offerman, Michael Olin, Joseph Batir, Joshua Bailey, Kyle Kiper, Jeffrey Photakis, Jordan Shafer, Stephen Bessette, Brandon Smith, Matthew Sharp, Robert Fisher, Michael Budzinski, Jonathan Carlson, Michael Pieper, Keith Cook, Brian Selman, Steven Keers, Samuel Gilberg, Timothy Salmi, Jason Heckler, Stephen Erickson, Adam Kimble, Vincent Maugeri, and Michael Boyd; the sophomore members are Zachary Bain, Cole Tyrell, Michael Smania, Robert Boers, Ryan Voitik, Chad Davenport, Thomas Cerven, and Dustin Heap; and

WHEREAS, The Indians are led by head coach Mike Briscoe and assistant coaches Rob Torchia, Greg Banner, Rory O'Connell, Will Weatherford, Herrell Watts, Paul Forsythe, Stan Tischer, Paige Schoolman, and Ray Liberatore; and

WHEREAS, Every team member is a captain for the team, following the Minooka Community High School Athletic Department motto "Work Together, Win Together"; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the players and coaches, congratulations go to Minooka High School superintendent, Dr. Garry Raymond; principal, Janice F. Jack; and athletic director, Hanns Meyer; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Minooka Community High School Indians football team on advancing to the IHSA Class 6A football semi-finals and wish the team well in all of their future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Minooka Community High School as an expression of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 622

Offered by Representative Gordon:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives congratulate the Iroquois West High School "Raiders" football team of Gilman on becoming the 2003 IHSA Class 2A football champions; and

WHEREAS, The Iroquois West football team is a co-op between Gilman (Iroquois West) and Crescent

City high schools (Crescent-Iroquois); and

WHEREAS, The Raiders advanced to the IHSA Class 2A Football Championship game for the first time in the history of the school; they defeated four-time State football champions Carthage High School by a score of 32-14 in the championship game, played on November 28, 2003 at Memorial Stadium at the University of Illinois in Champaign; and

WHEREAS, The senior members of the team are Trent Jacobs, Jason Thiele, Levi Lustfeldt, Kyle Tutt, Jacob Wall, Corey Bork, Jordan Goldenstein, Michael Gonzales, Tyler Kollmann, Graham Bostick, Jesus Garcia, Oscar Ochoa, Jake Kilby, Shawn Fairchild, Trenton Rader, and Josh Clark; the junior members are Adam Johnson, Kyle Gray, Kol Siebring, LeRoy Salazar, Alex Tutt, and Orlando Gomez; the sophomore members are JD Schroeder, Larry Pickreign, Cory Kline, Kaleb Hartke, and Austin Lewis; and the freshmen members are Kyle White, Alex Hubert, Darin Krones, Mark Classen, Mike Ornelas, Scott Dietz, Jace McGehee, Ryan Alvarez, and Luke Lustfeldt; the team captains are Tyler Kollmann and Michael Gonzales; and

WHEREAS, The Raiders are led by head coach, R.J. Haines, who is in his second year as head coach; and assistant coaches, Steve Lucas, Eugene Krones, Bruce Kunsch, and Mike Baima; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the players and coaches, congratulations go to Iroquois West High School superintendent, Leo Sherman; principal, Kim Hawkins; and athletic director, Hanns Meyer; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Iroquois West High School "Raiders" football team on becoming the 2003 IHSA Class 2A football champions and wish the team well in all of their future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to Iroquois West High School as an expression of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 623

Offered by Representative McAuliffe:

WHEREAS, The members of this Body are honored to recognize significant milestones in the lives of the people of this State; and

WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Iole Maria Pucci of Norridge is celebrating the 100th anniversary of her birth; and

WHEREAS, Iole Maria Pagnucci was born September 25, 1903, in Ruota, Italy, the oldest of 8 children; and

WHEREAS, Iole Pagnucci married Adolph Pucci in April of 1928; she remained in Italy for one year while Mr. Pucci worked in the copper mines of Michigan's Upper Peninsula; she arrived in America on July 4, 1929; they settled in Chicago to raise their family; Mr. Pucci worked for a brickmaker and later for the Chicago Park District; Mrs. Pucci worked at a restaurant and a plastics company; and

WHEREAS, The Puccis purchased an apartment building in the Lakeview area of Chicago, where they also had part interest in the Triangle Tavern, a local pub; they later bought a new ranch home on the city's northwest side; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Pucci is the proud mother of 2 children, Laura and Adolph, Jr.; she is the grandmother of 4 grandchildren and the great-grandmother to 4; she has always been an incredible cook and was well known for her beautiful garden; she currently leads an active social life, attending mass, doing crafts, and playing bingo; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Iole Maria Pucci on the occasion of her 100th birthday and extend to her our sincere best wishes for the future; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Mrs. Pucci as an expression of our respect and esteem.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 624

Offered by Representative McAuliffe:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Christopher V. "Chris" Baraglia of Edison Park on August 20, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baraglia was born in Chicago on October 30, 1942 and grew up in the Jane Addams Homes on Taylor Street; his father, William Baraglia, had been a Golden Gloves boxer but wanted his son to be a bookworm and have a better life; despite his father's opposition, he boxed in the Chicago Park District's novice division until a sprained ankle ended his career; he was always active in sports and once was Chicago Ping-Pong champion; he stood only 5 feet, 4 inches but was a guard on the Marshall High School basketball team; his lifelong passion was 16-inch softball, which he played until 2001, retiring at the top of his game when his team won the Chicago Softball League's men's championship; he was a member of the Chicago Softball League Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baraglia's first long-term job was an 11-year stint in the stockroom at Motorola on Augusta Boulevard; he quit as stockroom supervisor when he heard layoffs were coming and got a job with the Streets and Sanitation Department; he spent 32 years with the department, working for years as a laborer; he was ward clerk when he was appointed superintendent of the 41st Ward Yard in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baraglia had been honored as grand marshal of the Edison Park Chamber of Commerce's Edison Park Fest parade on August 16, 2003, which gave many friends a chance to greet him and recognize his contributions; and

WHEREAS, His passing will be deeply felt by all who knew and loved him especially his wife, Renee (nee Pavlik); his children, Jeri and Jodi; his sister, Mary Ann (Norman) Hudie; his brother, William; his nieces, Lynn (Robert) Wankowski, Valerie (Robert) Alcock; his great-nieces and nephews, Christopher W. Hudie and Connor Alcock; his mother-in-law and father-in-law, Frank and Lola Pavlik; and his sister-in-law, Doreen (Tom) Kaspar and Frank (Christine) Pavlik; and

WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Geraldine Baraglia; his nieces and nephews, Philip J. Hudie, Stephanie, Stacey, Samantha, Jenna, and Frankie; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the death of Christopher V. Baraglia along with all who knew and loved him and extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends; and be it further

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION 625

Offered by Representative Dugan:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to honor Elvia Lee Steward on the occasion of her retirement and recognize her countless hours of community service; and

WHEREAS, In her capacity as an employee, Elvia Lee Steward served well the mentally ill individuals who resided at the former Manteno Mental Health Center; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the loving care Elvia provided those residents, she was an unrelenting advocate on behalf of her co-workers when she served as steward, negotiator, and officer of AFSCME Local 1563; and

WHEREAS, Upon her retirement, she continued her lifetime of activism, serving as chairperson of her AFSCME Retiree sub-chapter as well as Statewide officer for the Retirees; and

WHEREAS, A loyal member of the Democratic Party, she served as Pembroke Township precinct committeewoman; and

WHEREAS, From 1989 to 1997, she was twice elected as Township Clerk of Pembroke Township; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her life, Ms. Steward has demonstrated the same kind of compassion and commitment in her workplace as she has demonstrated in the community she served so selflessly; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we express our best wishes to Elvia Lee Steward on the occasion of her retirement, and we thank her for her countless hours of service to the community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Elvia Lee Steward as an expression

of our respect and esteem.

**CONCURRENCES AND NON-CONCURRENCES
IN SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILLS**

Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 600, having been printed, was taken up for consideration.
Representative Madigan moved that the House concur with the Senate in the adoption of Senate Amendment No. 1.

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

97, Yeas; 19, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 2)

The motion prevailed and the House concurred with the Senate in the adoption of Senate Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 600.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate.

RESOLUTION

Having been reported out of the Committee on Rules on January 8, 2004, HOUSE RESOLUTION 592 was taken up for consideration.

Representative Brady moved the adoption of the resolution.

The motion prevailed and the Resolution was adopted.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 549, 576, 579, 580, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624 and 625 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.

The motion prevailed and the Agreed Resolutions were adopted.

ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION

A message from the Senate by

Ms. Hawker, Secretary:

Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted the following Senate Joint Resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 45

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that when the two Houses adjourn on Thursday, January 15, 2004, the Senate stands adjourned until Thursday, January 22, 2004, in perfunctory session; and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Wednesday, January 28, 2004, in perfunctory session; and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, February 3, 2004 at 12:00 o'clock noon.; and the House of Representatives stands adjourned until Tuesday, January 20, 2004, in perfunctory session, and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Thursday, January 22, 2004, in perfunctory session; and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Monday, January 26, 2004, in perfunctory session; and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Friday, January 30, 2004, in perfunctory session; and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Monday, February 2, 2004, in perfunctory session; and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, February 3, 2004 at 12:00 o'clock noon.

Adopted by the Senate, January 15, 2004.

Linda Hawker, Secretary of the Senate

Representative Currie asked and obtained unanimous consent to suspend the provisions of Rule 25 for the immediate consideration of the foregoing message from the Senate reporting their adoption of SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45.

Representative Currie then moved the adoption of the resolution.
The motion prevailed and SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45 was adopted.
Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate.

RECESS

At the hour of 12:00 o'clock noon, Speaker Madigan moved that the House do now take a recess for the Governor to address the Joint Session.
The motion prevailed.

JOINT SESSION 12:00 O'CLOCK NOON

The hour having arrived, the time heretofore fixed by Joint Resolution adopted by the Senate and the House of Representative, the Joint Session convened for the purpose of receiving the Governor to deliver the State of the State Message in person to the Ninety-Third General Assembly.

The Senate, preceded by the Honorable President Jones, 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, President of the Senate announced that a quorum of the Senate was present.

Speaker Madigan, 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 Currie offered the following resolution and moved its adoption.

JOINT SESSION RESOLUTION 3

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 His Excellency Governor Rod Blagojevich and invite him to address the Joint Assembly.

The motion prevailed.

The President of the Senate announced his appointments, as Members of such Committee, on the part of the Senate: Senators Gary Forby, Mattie Hunter, Dale Risinger, John Sullivan and Richard Winkel.

The Speaker of the House announced the appointments, as Members of such Committee, on part of the House: Representatives Deborah Graham, Bill Grunloh, Joe Lyons, Mike McAuliffe and Ruth Munson.

His Excellency, Governor Rod Blagojevich, was admitted into the Hall of the House of Representatives, and was presented to the General Assembly, to deliver his message in person as follows:

Governor Rod R. Blagojevich State of the State Address January 15, 2004

Speaker Madigan. Senate President Jones. House Minority Leader Cross. Senate Minority Leader Watson.

Lieutenant Governor Quinn. Attorney General Madigan. Secretary of State White. Treasurer Topinka. Comptroller Hynes. Auditor General Holland. Superintendent Schiller.

Good afternoon. Thank you for the opportunity to be here today to address the General Assembly.

It's great to be back.

A year ago, we came together at a time when everything that should have been up was down.

We faced the aftermath of the worst corruption scandal in our state's long history.

At the same time, we faced the worst fiscal crisis in our state's long history- a record \$5 billion budget deficit, a budget deficit that was 13 times worse than anything we had ever seen.

We faced a failing economy, rising prescription drug prices, increasing concerns about homeland security, and a sense that state government just didn't care about the people.

And the people doubted our ability to govern, our ability to lead, our ability to solve problems.

They lost confidence in our integrity, they questioned our ability to act ethically, and they lost faith that we would put their interests before our own.

A year ago, there were far more questions than answers.

There was far more fear, than hope.

There was far more cynicism, than faith in the future.

When we came together last year, we were confronted with a number of challenges, but our task was clear: to reconnect people to their government, to show the people we could tackle difficult problems and make difficult decisions and do so without resorting to the tired, old solutions that put the special interests above the public interest, to show them we could act ethically, to show them we deserved their trust.

Today, thanks to the hard work, to the dedication, and to the commitment to change, of so many people in this room, I am proud to say that we are rising to the challenge.

Today, there is a growing feeling that government is once again on the people's side.

They saw that we were willing to embrace reform to do things differently, to do things better.

They saw that we weren't asking them to bail out a system in desperate need of reform.

That's what inspired their confidence. And that is what we must continue to do.

By embracing reform by showing the people we were prepared to change the way we earned their trust, change the way we treat their money, change the way we create jobs,

change the way we deliver health care, change the way we give people from all walks of life the opportunity to work hard, to get ahead, and to build better lives, we've taken bold steps towards finally giving the people of Illinois a government that's of them, by them, and for them.

Thanks to Speaker Madigan, Senate President Jones, Representative Cross, Senator Watson and many others, we enacted real, meaningful ethics reform, reforms that ended the practice of the unlimited wining and dining of public officials; reforms that ended the practice of using the people's money to fund public service announcements, reforms that ended the conflict of interest that exists when government officials regulate companies one day and go to work for them the next; reforms that now require each Constitutional Officer and the Legislative branch to hire independent Inspector Generals to monitor wrongdoing; and reforms that create an independent ethics commission the first of its kind in our state's long history.

And as we began giving the people of Illinois a reason to place their trust in our ability to act ethically, we also started giving them a reason to believe we could be responsible with their money.

Last year, almost every state in the nation faced a significant fiscal challenge.

And if you look at how almost every one of those states dealt with that challenge, almost all of them either raised income or sales taxes, cut spending for education, health care, and public safety, or did a combination of both.

Not us.

Not here in Illinois.

Instead of slashing spending in areas that help people areas like health care, public safety and education, and instead of resorting to the tired, old solution of simply asking the people for more of their hard-earned money by having the will to make tough choices, by cutting over \$1.5 billion in waste and inefficiency, by merging state agencies, cutting payroll, and streamlining government, we took on a historic, record \$5 billion budget deficit and didn't raise the income tax, didn't raise the sales tax, and still invested nearly \$1 billion in new money for education, health care and public safety.

And just as we embraced change when it came to ethics reform, when it came to the budget, we began to fundamentally change the way we deliver health care in Illinois.

In the past, people used to look to Washington for ideas and for money.

Everyone assumed that because of the size of our deficit, and the inability of state government to confront and solve difficult problems, the only way to give people better and less expensive health care was by getting the federal government to solve our problems for us.

But we didn't do that.

Instead, we took matters into our own hands.

We started with an issue that threatens the health and the well-being of our seniors, of the disabled, and of consumers in every part of Illinois, and all across our nation.

We finally took on the issue of the high cost of prescription drugs.

Last spring, we created the first prescription drugs buying club in the nation.

By pooling the purchasing power of the State of Illinois, and of up to 1.5 million senior citizens, we've started negotiating discounts with drug manufacturers that will help our senior citizens save up to 20% on the cost of their medicine.

20% for an average senior citizen can mean hundreds of dollars of savings each year.

But we didn't stop there.

We can take pride in the fact that last year, Illinois was only one of three states in the entire nation to actually increase health care coverage for those who can't afford it.

At a time when 47 states either kept their coverage levels steady or reduced health care coverage altogether, Illinois expanded the KidCare program and the FamilyCare program, so that 65,000 children and 300,000 working men and women will now have access to health care.

That's 65,000 children and 300,000 working parents who didn't have health care, and now will even though we faced a \$5 billion budget deficit.

Illinois was the first state in the nation to ban Ephedra, a performance enhancing drug that has claimed the lives of over 100 people.

And we did it more than six months before the federal government finally acted.

And while we're on the subject of performance enhancing drugs, how is it that in the 21st century, insurance companies can cover Viagra for men, but not birth control for women?

It just isn't fair.

So last spring, Illinois became the 21st state in the nation to require health insurers to cover female contraceptives.

I'm happy we did that.

But the battle to bring down the cost of health care continues.

That's why we are going to keep fighting the big drug companies, we are going to keep fighting the federal government, and we are going to keep fighting the FDA until they give consumers in Illinois – and consumers across the nation – access to the marketplace, and an opportunity to safely and legally import prescription drugs from Canada.

We are going to keep fighting until they give us the opportunity to help our senior citizens and our consumers save as much as 50% on the cost of their prescription drugs, and the opportunity to protect our seniors, and our consumers, and our taxpayers, from being ripped off by the big drug companies, who use their clout and their influence to keep prices high.

The changes we made didn't stop with ethics, didn't stop with the budget, and didn't stop with health care either.

Last year, we finally changed the way we view work, the way we create jobs, and the way we utilize our own strengths and our own resources.

Instead of treating the taxpayers and their money as if they exist simply to fill the state coffers, we began to see them as more than just sources of revenue, we began to see them as people who have to get up every morning and go to work, make a living, and support their families.

And that's why we did something in the beginning of the 21st century that should have been done in the beginning of the last century: we finally passed a law that says if you're a woman and you're doing the same work as a man, you ought to be paid the same as a man – otherwise – you are breaking the law.

To make the lives of working people a little easier, we passed a law that raised the minimum wage from \$5.15 an hour to \$6.50 an hour.

The men and women who work at jobs that pay the minimum wage do the work most people don't want to do.

They work hard. They deserve our respect. And they deserved this raise.

At the same time, we developed a vision of economic development that begins with leveraging the talents of our own people, of our own regions, and the resources of our own land.

That task began with legislation authorizing the expansion of O'Hare airport – a project that will create nearly 200,000 new jobs over the next ten years.

It continued with legislation that can bring back the coal industry in Illinois – by taking advantage of new technology – and by making hundreds of millions of dollars in low interest loans available to companies who want to build clean coal power plants, right here in Illinois.

This could mean 6,000 jobs to the communities of Central and Southern Illinois that have witnessed so much hardship and so little progress over the last generation.

We didn't stop with coal either.

We extended the ethanol tax credit for ten more years, and we created a host of new incentives to encourage the production and use of biodiesel fuels.

And when it comes to taking advantage of our state's resources, we finally – finally – began to right the ship, when it comes to honoring our state's greatest human resource, not to mention this nation's greatest President – Abraham Lincoln.

Recently, former Governor Jim Edgar agreed to serve as the Chair of the Abraham Lincoln Library Foundation.

And in October, I named Richard Norton Smith, the nation's preeminent presidential historian as Director of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum.

With Governor Edgar and Richard Norton Smith at the helm, we can turn what has been an embarrassment and a failure – into one of this state's greatest assets and attractions.

If we do this right, the Lincoln Library could be to the City of Springfield, what the Statue of Liberty is to New York, what the Golden Gate Bridge is to San Francisco, and what Graceland is to Memphis.

On the economy, we changed the way we approach spurring development and creating jobs.

The old method of economic development was all about waiting for a company to say they were leaving, and then throwing lots of tax incentives at them.

Not anymore.

We've developed a program called Opportunity Returns, a proactive, hands-on, regionally focused plan with one goal and one goal only—creating jobs.

We've been working with local communities, and, with their ideas and yours, we've been developing and launching detailed plans that address the specific needs of each region of our state.

From providing low interest loans so manufacturers can buy new equipment, to providing job training so workers can upgrade their skills, to offering grants to budding entrepreneurs, to building the infrastructure needed to efficiently move goods and services, to promoting the natural resources and tourist attractions each region has to offer, we will make each region of our state more marketable, more technologically savvy, more accessible, better trained, and better equipped than ever before.

We are tired of waiting for Washington to act.

We are tired of waiting for the economic recovery to start producing real jobs.

We cannot afford to wait any longer.

We need to take action now, and that's exactly what we're doing.

And just as Illinois has launched one of the most aggressive, ambitious job creation programs in the nation, we're also taking the lead when it comes to public safety.

Illinois is now considered one of the most prepared states in the nation when it comes to counter-terrorism.

In fact, the Centers for Disease Control this year gave Illinois its highest rating when it comes to our ability to respond to a bioterrorist attack.

And we're building on this success by moving forward on our new Statewide Terrorism Intelligence Center, our new State Emergency Operating Center, and we are well on our way to providing new personal protection equipment to every first responder in our state.

At the same time that we're protecting our homeland security, we're also working to keep people safe in our towns, in our neighborhoods, and on our roads.

This year, we enacted three of the toughest driver safety laws in the nation, laws we believe can save over 140 lives every single year.

We also launched what may be the most comprehensive, technologically sophisticated AMBER Alert System in the nation.

In 2003, thanks to our new AMBER alert system the State Police recovered six abducted children using tips from people who saw or heard the AMBER Alert.

We keep crossing our fingers and praying that no child is ever abducted, but God-forbid, should it happen again, we pray our success in finding them continues.

We're not only leading the way in fighting crime. We're also leading the way when it comes to reforming the criminal justice system.

We enacted legislation that made Illinois the first state in the nation – the first state in the nation to legislatively require that all homicide interrogations be videotaped.

We required law enforcement to collect data on racial profiling so we can – once and for all put a stop to it.

And thanks to the leadership of Emil Jones and many others, we passed over a dozen major death penalty reforms – reforms that hopefully will begin to mend a broken system and heal a loss of faith in its fairness.

Ethics reform. Budget reform. Creating jobs. Making health care less expensive. Keeping people safe.

Last year, we made major reforms – and took major steps – in every one of those areas.

And in the area of education, we also made some noteworthy reforms.

In the area of higher education, we became the first state in the nation to require that at public universities, the tuition you pay as a freshman is not a penny more than the tuition you'll pay as a senior.

We enacted legislation that allows undocumented immigrants who attend Illinois high schools for three years – to pay in-state tuition rates at our public universities.

And while our system of educating children in kindergarten through high school needs a great deal of reform, we did take several important steps, including providing funding in last year's budget to send 8,300 at-risk children to pre-school providing \$500 million in funding for new school construction, and creating the Illinois Future Teachers Corps, a program that provides \$5,000 scholarships for new teachers.

Those were good ideas, and necessary reforms, but make no mistake about it, we need to do a lot more.

I'm not satisfied with the state of education in the State of Illinois.

The children deserve better.

The parents deserve better.

The taxpayers deserve better.

Spending more money for education, and creating more mandates for our schools, without making the real, fundamental, systemic changes, in the way we manage our schools, in the way we spend our education dollars, and in the way we hold people accountable for results, nothing we do – no matter how much money we spend will help our children learn better.

If we are really serious about fixing our schools, then we have to be serious about change and reform.

Because while Illinois is blessed with thousands of good schools, with thousands of good, hardworking, dedicated principals and administrators, with tens of thousands of smart, committed, dedicated teachers, and with millions of involved, caring parents, and most importantly, millions of kids who are eager to learn, our education system is still failing too many children.

Look at the facts:

38% of kids in the third grade can't read at the third grade level.

If you can't read, you can't learn.

36% of eighth graders do not meet eighth grade reading standards.

41% of eighth graders cannot write on an eighth grade level.

Not only that, 44% of eleventh grade students can't meet basic reading standards.

One in seven students in Illinois never graduates from high school.

And 48% of eleventh grade students taking the ACT exam are not ready for college without having to repeat classes.

We can't continue to let that happen.

Illinois has many great schools, Illinois has many great teachers, many great administrators, and many great principals, but if we are honest with ourselves, we can't help but admit that when it comes to educating our children, we can do better.

And while there is no one single cause – for the situation we find ourselves in, and there is no one single villain, the problem clearly begins at the top, with the Illinois State Board of Education.

In 1970, the Illinois Constitutional Convention created the State Board of Education.

The idea was to create an independent body that could regulate and support our schools without getting caught up in politics.

The idea was noble, but it isn't working.

Instead of being an independent body that could regulate and support our schools, the Illinois State Board of Education is like – an old, Soviet style bureaucracy – it's clunky and inefficient, it issues mandates, it spends money, it dictates policy, and it isn't accountable to anyone for anything.

Yes, they've operated independently, but independent of whom?

I'll tell you;

Independent of parents.

Independent of students.
Independent of teachers.
Independent of principals.
Independent of accountability.
Independent of success.
Independent of results.

Like many unaccountable bureaucracies, the Illinois State Board of Education turned into an organization that exists more for the benefit of its own administrators, than for the benefit of the children of this state.

No matter how good our local schools are, no matter how dedicated their principals and their teachers might be, no matter how involved their parents, the lack of leadership and the lack of accountability at the top – the State Board of Education’s penchant for constant interference, its ever-changing rules, its ever-growing number of regulations, the crushing amounts of paperwork, handcuffs our educators, and far worse than that, shortchanges our children.

The State Board of Education will tell you the answer to our problems is more money.

But if you look at how our education dollars in Illinois are spent, and if you look at the rules and restrictions the State Board uses to tell our local schools how the money has to be spent, it becomes clear that money alone cannot solve our problems.

In Illinois, only 46 cents of every dollar spent on a child’s education goes to classroom instruction.

Only 46 cents.

That means 54 cents of every dollar that’s spent on a child’s education goes to something other than classroom instruction.

That means only 46 percent of education funding actually goes to educating children.

The rest, more than half, and I keep repeating this figure because it’s so astounding, never makes its way into the classroom.

Now, there will be those who will admit that kids aren’t learning as well as they should, that not enough kids are learning how to read, that too many children are dropping out of school, and that we can better prepare our children for college.

But they will say that the only reason we find ourselves with these problems is that we’re not spending enough money.

Let me be the first one to say – we need to invest more money in our classrooms.

But the money has to go to the classroom.

Look at the facts: while we can do better, Illinois still ranks 16th in the nation in the amount of money taxpayers invest in total per pupil spending.

But when it comes to how we spend that money, Illinois ranks only 40th in the nation then it comes to seeing that money invested in the classroom to teach our children.

40th in the nation.

Thirty nine other states do a better job than we do when it comes to how much money makes its way into the classroom.

By comparison, California – for all of its problems – does a better job than we do.

The Golden State spends 53% of their education dollars on classroom instruction.

Pennsylvania – 54%

New York 60% on classroom instruction.

We spend nearly \$20 billion on education in Illinois each year.

\$20 billion dollars.

And of the \$20 billion we spend in Illinois \$10.5 billion – never finds its way into the classroom.

\$3.4 billion goes for services like school social workers, lunches, and buses.

But \$7.1 billion goes for administration and operations.

If we just reached the national average of how much education money finds its way into the classroom for instruction, schools in Illinois would have another \$1.4 billion that could be invested directly into teaching children how to read and how to learn.

That would be great if we did – but we don’t so the question is – Where is all of that money going?

Well, we know a few things: we know that not nearly enough of it is going to educate our children, we know that the incredible burden of rules and regulations imposed on local schools by the State Board of Education – makes it practically impossible for local schools to invest more money into the classroom, and we know that now we’re caught in a vicious cycle, where the more rules and regulations they impose, the more the State Board of Education can justify its own existence.

That's the cart leading the horse, the tail wagging the dog, and patient treating the doctor, all rolled up in one.

So what does the State Board of Education do?

We know the State Board of Education spends more than \$50 million a year just to exist.

We know their 40 highest paid administrators make an average of \$90,000 per year –which is almost twice as much money as the average teacher earns.

As schools struggle to make ends meet, as kids struggle to read, as we confront the issue of teacher shortages, the State Board of Education spends the people's money on things like – high priced contracts with consulting firms, lobbying firms, and public relations firms.

In fact, rather than sever their ties with these high priced firms, the State Board recently indicated they would rather cut programs that certify private schools, programs that subsidize GED testing, and programs that certify teachers.

They chose lawyers, and consultants and public relations experts over teachers, students and schools.

What kind of priorities are those?

And as the State Board busies itself wasting the people's money, the problems only continue to mount.

Because the State Board of Education can't figure out how to properly inspect school food, 42 children in Will County became sick after eating chicken contaminated with ammonia.

Even worse, the State Board's own investigation showed that they were aware of a connection between returned food from other schools and an ammonia leak at a State Board contracted facility, but the bureaucracy failed to do anything about it.

In fact, two State Board officials were indicted in connection with this incident.

Because they ignored the risk, those children got sick.

Because the State Board couldn't figure out how to issue school report cards, 368 schools were incorrectly identified as having failed to meet new federal standards.

In fact, a recent analysis showed that the State Board's 2003 Report Cards contained 34,261 errors, affecting 75% of Illinois schools.

Under current federal law, when schools receive a failing grade, those failing schools have to change the kinds of courses they have to offer.

It means children can easily transfer out of the school, and it means a whole new series of problems, which means more paperwork and more expenses.

That may be appropriate if a school actually deserves a failing grade.

But when nearly 35,000 errors are made in school report cards, and 368 schools are incorrectly labeled as failing, that creates a serious problem, especially when the State Board is paying consultants millions of dollars to ensure the report card process goes smoothly.

Because the State Board of Education keeps changing the standards schools use to evaluate their students' progress, teachers don't know what to teach, schools don't know what to offer, and students don't know how to prepare.

To sum it up, the Illinois State Board of Education has failed in its mission.

It's a burden to the taxpayers.

It's a drain on local schools.

It's an albatross to our principals and teachers.

It's not helping our children.

And it hasn't lived up to what the delegates at our Constitutional Convention envisioned, something far different – something far better – than what we ended up with.

That's why, today, I am calling for change.

I am calling on the legislature to act, to end a system that's not efficient, that's not accountable, and that has failed our children year after year.

I am urging the legislature to replace that system with a Department of Education that's accountable – accountable to the Governor, accountable to the Legislature, and most importantly, accountable to the people of this state.

It would be easy to keep the current system in place where no one blames us.

It would be easy to run from this challenge.

Easy for the Governor to run from this challenge.

Easy for the legislature to run from this challenge.

Easy, but wrong.

It is time we stop running away from the problem.

It's time we started taking responsibility for our schools.

Mayor Daley took responsibility for Chicago's public schools in 1995.

It worked.

It's time we take responsibility for every school in Illinois.

If we don't make our education system accountable, it will never improve.

Without accountability, there's no one to look to for results, there's no one to look to – to make meaningful reforms and changes, there's no one to explain to the taxpayers why their money isn't being spent more wisely, there's no one to answer to parents why their children aren't doing better.

No system can work if it isn't accountable to the bottom line.

And that's the heart of the problem:

The State Board of Education answers to no one. They're responsible to no one.

And so it's not surprising that their only solution to the problems in our schools, is to not first ask; what can we do better?

Is to not ask; how can we do more with what we have?

Is to not ask; how can we change?

No.

They don't do that.

Their only solution to the problems in our schools – their only solution – is to ask for more of your money.

They would rather see you, the taxpayer, pay more money in taxes, have less money for your children, less money to improve your home, less money to save for college, they would rather do that – than do things differently, operate more efficiently, work harder and get better results.

Right now, we have a system that on the one hand – is completely unaccountable, and on the other hand, is more than willing to ask the taxpayers to bail them out.

The State Board of Education won't take responsibility for results, but they'll gladly ask the people for more and more of their hard earned money.

I can't think of any other place – not in business, not in sports, not in the media – not even in government, not anywhere that would allow this kind of system to survive.

Even the Berlin Wall eventually came down.

Allowing the State Board of Education to continue down this path is like throwing money down the drain.

Whether it's your position to support raising the income tax, or whether you support swapping income taxes and property taxes, or whether you support holding the line on taxes and reprioritizing spending – so more money goes into our schools, all of the arguments to support those positions fall short when only 46 cents on every dollar – that is spent on education finds its way into the classroom.

Last year, despite a \$5 billion budget deficit, we found \$400 million in new money for education.

That increase was bigger than the last two years, combined.

We increased the foundation level for general school aid last year by \$250 dollars per student.

Under our plan, we believe we can save more than \$1 billion over the next four years, every penny of which could and would be invested right into the classroom.

Perhaps even more importantly, the first thing our Department of Education would do is sit down with local schools, local principals and local administrators, and listen, and identify every mind-numbing, bureaucratic rule that takes away money, resources, time and attention from the classroom, and wipe it off the books.

Our local school districts could do a lot better if they were set free from the bureaucratic dictates of the Illinois State Board of Education, and instead were allowed to make more decisions at the local level and rely more on their own common sense. What would common sense and accountability look like in our schools?

Let's start with seven real reforms:

Currently, the State Board collects and reviews 93 different kinds of reports and forms annually, quarterly, and sometimes monthly, from 892 different school districts.

And those reports just deal with how money is spent.

Our first reform – reduce those burdens.

That alone, would allow our schools to spend less money on administration, and invest it directly into the classroom.

Second, we can help schools by providing them with better administrative services, for far less than they spend now.

By creating regional service centers to pool basic functions that exceed the capacity of many local districts – functions like accounting, auditing, and accounts payable, we can save \$12 to \$20 million each year, every penny of which would go right back to local schools, provided it goes back into the classroom.

At the same time, we could also provide financial advice to struggling school districts – free of charge – to help them reduce their costs, shed unnecessary bureaucracy and waste, and get back on their feet.

Third, we can help schools save between \$80 and \$180 million dollars each year by consolidating the purchase and administration of employee benefits – without removing local control over coverage levels.

By creating an employee benefits purchasing center, we could leverage our purchasing power, negotiate better deals on health insurance and other benefits for teachers, save money, and allow local schools to focus on their mission – teaching children.

Fourth, we can help schools by better managing school construction.

The state's five year school construction program ends this year.

With class sizes too large, with schools in disrepair, with schools lacking basic facilities, we can't stop now.

But we can also do better with our money.

Through better and more efficient project management, by building facilities that schools can share, by creating a local matching grant program to help schools pay for maintenance and building upkeep, and by cutting the 6% fee normally charged for project management down to 1%, we can save up to \$160 million over four years.

In the event we ultimately choose to invest \$550 million each year on school construction, with these reforms we can take that same amount of money that the State Board spends right now – and end up building 14 more schools and 350 more classrooms than the State Board of Education could.

350 more classrooms and 14 more schools, not by spending more money, but just by being more efficient.

That's 350 classrooms and 14 schools that otherwise wouldn't be built if we allow the State Board of Education to continue to run our schools.

Fifth, we can help schools by consolidating the purchasing power of our 4,000 schools and 892 districts.

We can leverage far better deals for everything from computer paper to pencils – and save over five hundred million dollars over four years.

Today some schools pay \$9.78 for Elmer's glue, while others pay just \$5.66.

Some schools pay almost \$1.00 for a pair of scissors in a 12-pack while others pay just a quarter.

By making sure all schools are getting the best possible prices, we can save as much as half a billion dollars, with every penny invested right back into the classroom.

Sixth, we can help schools by streamlining applications for state funding, and by re-writing programs to cut out the bureaucracy, so they can spend less time worrying about how to pay for things and more time educating children.

The State Board of Education has created more than 2,800 pages of administrative rules to govern education in Illinois.

By the way, recently, we took a walk over to Borders Bookstore, and checked on the size of a few other important books.

Here's what we found:

The King James Bible has 1009 pages – and it covers all of Christianity.

The Torah has 620 pages – and it covers all of Judaism.

The Qur'an has 635 pages – and it covers all of Islam.

So according to the State Board of Education, it takes 2,800 pages – all these rules and regulations to run our schools, more than all of the rules of Christianity, Judaism, and Islam, combined.

This – is a bureaucratic nightmare of biblical proportions.

Instead of making schools go through all of these rules, and through all of these elaborate application and approval procedures, we can streamline grant applications, and provide funding to schools on the front end, instead of making them go through a lengthy and inefficient claims and reimbursement process on the back end.

I don't know about you, but I have a lot more faith in our local schools, in their ability, in their dedication, in their commitment to helping children, than I do in the State Board of Education.

Local schools know better what their children need, they know what their teachers need, and most importantly, they're the ones who have to answer to the parents.

Every time you talk to local administrators, superintendents, principals, and teachers, they all tell you the same thing: the State Board of Education is eating up money that should be going into the classroom, and making local educators waste time filling out paperwork rather than teaching children.

Often, the State Board spends money to perform certain functions – like reviewing district claims forms, and then duplicate the work by requiring districts to hire CPA's to review and certify the forms anyway.

If you believe in your local schools, then you should show it by giving them more control, not by burying them in more and more paperwork.

Seventh, we can help schools and save money by reducing the extensive, and expensive and unnecessary management structure at the State Board of Education.

The management of a Department of Education could be integrated with the rest of state government, so we wouldn't have to replicate every single function, which is what happens under the current system.

Functions like legal, personnel, government relations, and public relations, – are all already being performed for 30 different state agencies.

We could easily perform the same services for one more agency, without having to spend the millions of dollars that currently goes to the State Board of Education, instead of to local schools.

Not only can we do it for far less money, which means more money going into the classroom, we can do it better.

The Illinois Departments of Agriculture and Public Health can make sure that every food service operation in every district in the state is properly inspected, and they can provide a level of expertise, professionalism, and know-how – that can not only catch problems before they occur, but in cases like the chicken that made so many children in Will County sick, when our inspectors find a problem like that, unlike the State Board, they won't ignore it, they won't sweep it under the rug, they will deal with it.

These are seven common sense reforms to being accountability to education and to improve our schools.

Let's not run away from this responsibility.

Let's get it done.

Our plan does however envision a role for the State Board of Education.

When it comes to thinking about long-term ideas, researching best-practices, and looking at curricula around the nation that might be appropriate for Illinois, the State Board can provide a useful function.

But when it comes to the day to day management of our schools, to spending the taxpayers' money efficiently, to giving local schools the flexibility they need to operate, to answering to the parents and children of this state, the current model isn't working.

Now, I'm not saying that creating a Department of Education will solve all the problems in our schools.

It won't.

I'm not saying that a Department of Education or a Secretary of Education will know all of the answers to all of our problems.

They won't.

And I'm not claiming that by creating a Department of Education – that over night – will see dramatic improvement in test scores.

That will take time.

But, by creating a Department of Education that's accountable to the legislature, accountable to the governor, and most importantly, accountable to the parents and to the children of this state, this will solve more of our problems, answer more of our questions, and free up more money, more time, and more resources for the classroom, so that children can learn, test scores can improve, and the education system in Illinois gets better.

I know I'm not the only one who wants a system that's accountable, that's efficient, and that's effective.

Over the past few years, members of the legislature have proposed ideas similar to what I'm proposing today.

In fact, as recent as last spring, State Senator Bill Brady proposed legislation to create an accountable, efficient, results-oriented Department of Education.

And over the years, many other legislators have championed ideas to reform the State Board of Education, including Senate President Jones, Senator Vince DeMuzio, Senator John Jones, Representative Danny Reitz, Representative Mike Bost, Representative Bill Black, Representative Don Moffitt, Representative Monique Davis, Representative Jack Franks, Representative Mike Boland, and Representative Renee Kosel.

The idea of reforming the State Board of Education cuts across party lines.

It transcends ideology, geography, ethnicity, and race.

It resides with everyone who thinks our children deserve better.

I think it's time we get started.

Now, making our education system efficient and accountable will go a long way. But it's not enough.

The notion of developing not just strong minds but strong bodies and a strong sense of civic responsibility goes all the way back to the Golden Age of Athens in the 5th Century B.C.

It's an ideal that helped shape our nation's commitment to public education at the beginning of our Republic.

But if you look at our schools today, it's equally clear we are falling short of those ideals.

That's why I am proposing several new programs intended to produce the following results:

Kids who learn how to read at an early age;

Parents who are involved in their child's education;

Teachers who have the training and support they need;

Kids who are healthy and focused; and

Kids who understand what it means to be part of a community.

Ask any expert and they will tell you that the single most important factor when it comes to a child's education – is learning to read.

If you can't read, chances are, you won't learn.

That's why we're taking several new steps to help kids learn how to read, and get them started as early as possible.

Last year's budget included funding to send 8,300 children from at-risk communities to pre-school.

When I introduce this year's budget in a little over one month, despite the financial pressures our state still faces, we will continue our commitment to sending kids to pre-school and getting them started in school as early as possible.

But, that isn't enough.

Studies show that reading aloud to children is the number one factor in helping them learn to read at an early age.

That's why my office and Senate President Jones' office – have teamed up to develop a personal library program – our own book of the month club – so that every single child born in Illinois – from birth to age 5 will receive a book in the mail, every month, until they start kindergarten.

And when they turn 5 they'll receive a library card.

Every child will also receive a dictionary.

We're working with the Dollywood Foundation, which has had success in implementing this program in 32 different states, including Edgar and Whiteside Counties here in Illinois.

And so far, the program has worked.

Studies have shown that 85% of participants in the personal libraries program have said they read to their children almost every day.

That is a big step forward.

When this program is off the ground, Illinois will be the first in the nation to offer a personal library to every child five and under in the state.

Just as it seems clear that having more books in the home will help children learn to read, it seems equally clear that the more involved parents are in their child's education, the better their kids will do in school.

That's why we're bringing back Project Success, a program that was created by Governor Edgar.

Project Success brings together parents, community leaders, faith-based organizations, and providers of different services in each community to identify the needs of local students, and figure out how to meet them.

That could range from families who need health or dental care to students who need after school tutoring.

Project Success was a success here in Illinois.

At its peak, it served 350,000 families in 90 different counties.

We not only want to bring it back, we want to expand Project Success so that it serves every county in this state.

Students are one part of the equation. Parents are another. But without qualified, dedicated teachers, none of it adds up.

First, we need to make sure that those teaching our children to read have the proper training when it comes to reading.

That's why I'm proposing legislation that would require all elementary school teachers –

to complete 50% of their certificate renewal requirements through coursework and activities that focus on best practices – when it comes to teaching children how to read.

Not only do we have to give teachers the tools they need, we have to free up their time, to do what they're supposed to do – teach.

Unfortunately, under the State Board's maze of teacher recertification rules – teachers are burdened with a process that includes:

a 61 page manual,

8 different types of forms, and as many as 100 different pieces of paper they have to file – all in order to keep teaching our children. And at the same time, the State Board has eliminated nearly all forms of technical assistance to help teachers through this arduous process.

Every minute teachers waste filling out forms is time they could be spending preparing themselves to educate their students.

And despite a process that requires teachers to fill out nearly 100 forms, the State Board has still failed to develop the programs that beginning teachers need to receive their certification, leaving 7,000 hardworking teachers in bureaucratic limbo.

We can't attract enough teachers as it is, and they're driving 7,000 teachers away.

That's why we need to create an independent teacher certification board, so that teachers can focus on completing their professional development, and not get caught up in the State Board of Education's endless thicket of red tape.

Second, we need to make sure that struggling schools have access to reading specialists.

Specialists who help students learn to read, and offer teachers some of the new ideas out there that are being used to teach children how to read.

Third, we need to find more ways to bring teachers into the classroom.

As of October 1, nearly 1,400 teaching positions in Illinois went unfilled.

This is a national problem, so we're competing with other states.

Last spring, we enacted legislation creating the Illinois Future Teachers Corps, which provides \$5,000 and \$10,000 scholarships to college students willing to teach in Illinois.

However, college students studying education aren't the only people who may have something to add to a classroom.

Not every type of life experience is relevant to teaching.

And certain types of teachers need traditional forms of training, just like a doctor goes to medical school.

But people in other professions often can and do have something to offer our students.

That's why I'm forming a task force that includes traditionally trained teachers, education experts, and people who have come to the teaching profession by way of another career –

to figure out how to develop a program for people who bring different experiences and backgrounds – and can share them in the classroom.

Involved parents, well-trained teachers, and children who begin reading at an early age are all necessary to improve education here in Illinois.

But no matter how involved a parent is, no matter how well trained a teacher is, no matter at what age a child learns to read, if a child isn't healthy, if he or she can't concentrate in school, if he or she doesn't eat a good breakfast, or doesn't get enough exercise, it's not only difficult to do well in school, it's difficult to learn the habits you need to live a healthy life.

Now, I'm not saying, that teaching children about nutrition and exercise is as important as teaching them how to read or do math.

But when you look at the crisis facing our children today – a time when more than three times as many children are overweight than they were twenty years ago, a time when Type II Diabetes has increased by 700% among children – at a time when the Director of the Yale University Center for Eating and Weight Disorders say that this could be the first generation of American children to lead shorter lives than their parents, it's clear we have to do more than just teach them reading and math.

That's why I'm proposing several initiatives that will help children eat better, exercise more, become better students, and live healthier and longer lives.

First, it's time to stop sending children mixed messages by teaching them about nutrition in the classroom, and then peddling soda and junk food just a few feet away.

That's why House Minority Leader Tom Cross and I have proposed new legislation that would ban the sale of soda and junk food from school vending machines.

Instead of selling soda, they can sell juice, water and milk.

The companies can supply vending machines with healthy choices, just as easily as they can sell Coke, or Mountain Dew, or Dr. Pepper.

In fact, if Dr. Pepper were alive today, I'm sure he would think this is a good idea too.

Second, it's time we finally pass the Childhood Hunger Relief Act.

This act requires schools to provide breakfast to children who otherwise would not be able to afford it.

The cost of this program is estimated to be nearly \$1 million.

Yes, times are tough, but we will not balance the budget on the backs of hungry children.

Third, we've got to get our kids active again.

We live in a time with hundreds of television channels, dvd's, tivo, video games, computers, and every other possible device – that keeps kids sitting in front of a screen, instead of running around in a playground.

That's not healthy.

The quality of a child's play says a lot about a society.

It's great that our children are so computer literate.

But their day cannot start and end in front of a screen.

Children need to be active. That means running, and jumping and skipping, and not just fast forwarding, downloading and instant messaging.

I know many schools have waivers from offering physical education.

I know many schools don't have the gyms and facilities they need to give kids a place to run and exercise.

But we can't let those excuses get in the way of getting kids active again.

It's why we have to end the practice of giving schools waivers from offering physical education, it's why our school construction program has to focus on providing the facilities schools need to give their students a place to play, and it's why we have to start stressing exercise and activity in our schools again.

A Department of Education would do just that.

The initiatives I've proposed so far today are designed to help students develop healthy minds and healthier bodies.

But we still have to address their spirit.

Schools do far more than just teach reading, writing, and arithmetic.

They can help parents as they teach their children values.

They can help children learn the value and responsibilities of being good citizens.

The more involved you are with your community, the better a citizen you become.

That's why I'm proposing legislation that would require all high school students in Illinois to perform forty hours of community service in order to graduate.

The Chicago Public Schools already require forty hours of community service in order to graduate.

We should too.

Since every community and every district is different, I'm not going to stand here and mandate exactly how or when or where the service must be performed.

We'll leave that to the local schools.

What we will do is provide funding so that schools can develop and implement the community service requirements, and demonstrate the progress they're making.

At the same time that we're requiring students to perform service in order to graduate from high school, we also have to do more to help those students who are leaving school well before graduation.

In Illinois, one out of every seven students is a high school dropout.

The dropout rate is particularly high among African American and Latino students.

One out of every three Latino students, and one out of every five African American students, drops out of high school.

The 2000 U.S. Census showed that over 200,000 people in Illinois aged 16 to 24 had dropped out of high school.

In today's high-tech, fast paced economy, it is very difficult to get a good job without a college education.

So just imagine your odds of getting a good job without a high school diploma.

That's why we're creating a new program called GRADS.

GRADS will take the resources of over a dozen different state programs – and focus each of them towards helping students – especially Latino and African American students – stay in school.

We're going to focus the efforts of the Department of Human Services, the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, the Department of Employment Security, the Department of Public Health, and the Department of Children and Family Services – all toward reducing the number of drop outs here in Illinois.

We've created this program with the help of the Black and Latino Caucuses, and I'd like to thank each of them – for their leadership on this issue.

Not every child is suited for college.

Some children just aren't interested.

But that doesn't mean they're incapable of pursuing good careers.

For those students who want to pursue other vocations, they should be able to get the instruction they need.

That's why we should expand the Illinois Tech Prep program, and other programs like it.

This program is all about helping students who have the aptitude for vocational training.
We have to help them make the transition from high school to a program in a technical field.
Those are the fundamentals of our plan.
Helping kids learn how to read at an early age.
Helping parents identify services that can help their children.
Helping teachers access the training and tools they need to stay up to date.
Helping bring new types of teachers into the classroom.
Making sure that kids are healthy, that they can concentrate, that they eat right, and get enough exercise.
Making sure that we teach children their responsibility as citizens, teach them the value of service, and do everything we can to help them stay in school.
Those are the fundamentals that will help our schools improve.
They will help our students learn, from the day they are born, all the way through college, and prepare them for the rest of their lives.
But to succeed, we need to do more.
If we can't administer these programs properly – if we can't implement them without taking 54 cents on the dollar away from the classroom – if we can't find ways to help schools alleviate the crushing burden of process and paperwork and bureaucracy, we're just throwing good money after bad, into a system that sells our children short.
If we do not get our school system under control – if we do not – finally make the body that oversees our schools accountable, efficient, and cost-effective, if we don't set higher standards for ourselves and for our students, and do everything it takes to achieve them, we will never make real, fundamental progress when it comes to education here in Illinois.
If you care about education – if you care about giving our children a chance at a better life, reforming the State Board of Education – is the first, and single most important step we can take.
This has to happen.
If we fail to make real changes at the top, no matter how much money we spend, we will be unable to make any real improvement – anywhere at all.
We cannot continue to make the mistakes of the past.
We cannot continue to allow the bureaucracy to stand in the way of educating our children.
At this time, at this moment, we share a unique opportunity.
An opportunity to change things, to challenge the status quo, to move forward, an opportunity to make things better.
Will it come with some struggle?
Meaningful change always does.
But for as long as we allow the State Board of Education to exist in its current form, accountable to no one, out there, beyond the reach of parents, beyond the reach of children, beyond the reach of teachers, in short, beyond the reach of everyone actually affected by the quality of education in this state, our schools will never truly improve.
If we care about the people we serve, it is our duty as elected officials, our responsibility as public servants, and our obligation as citizens, to take this step.
I'm asking you to join with me in this fight.
I cannot promise it will be easy.
No fight ever is.
The State Board of Education will fight to preserve their perks – their high salaries – their bureaucracy – with everything they've got.
They've had it good for a long time, and they're not going to want to see it end.
They'll throw every roadblock they can muster in the way of reform.
They'll say that they're the only ones who really understand education, and that we should just give them more money, and that will solve the problem.
They'll try to dispute the facts and figures, but that only confirms the underlying point: the current system is failing our children.
The choice here is very simple.
If you're satisfied with the state of education in Illinois, then leave the system the way it is.
But if you think – as I do we can do better, then join us and make this change.
If you're sick and tired of hearing, year after year, that kids in Illinois are falling behind, failing tests, dropping out of school, if you're sick and tired of not being able to get your arms around the problem,

because there's this big, unwieldy, unaccountable monolith out there – that keeps standing in the way, I know how you feel.

Every member in this General Assembly wants to see the schools in his or her district do well.

In fact, I think it's fair to say that every member of the General Assembly wants to see every school in Illinois do well.

And I think it's equally fair to say that virtually every member has come here and tried to make a difference to improve our schools, and I bet every member here has – at one time or another – run into the same roadblocks, the same obstacles, the same problems, experienced the same frustrations, and has felt the same discouragement at being unable to do anything about it.

It doesn't have to be that way.

We can do something about it.

We have the power to make real change, and real reforms.

And if we do, we can finally have an education system in Illinois that's accountable, that can answer for results, that can respond to change, and most importantly of all, that can do better for the children of this state.

Now is the time. This is our chance.

The hour is here. – Let us seize the moment.

Thank you.

At the hour of 1:00 o'clock p.m., President Jones moved that the Joint Assembly do now arise.

The motion prevailed.

The Senate having withdrawn, the House resumed its session.

Speaker Madigan in the Chair.

At the hour of 3:30 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn until Tuesday, February 3, 2004, at 1:00 o'clock p.m.

The motion prevailed.

And in accordance therewith and pursuant to SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45, the House stood adjourned until Tuesday, February 3, 2004, at 1:00 o'clock p.m.

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Y Churchill	Y Hoffman	Y Moffitt	Y Turner
Y Collins	Y Holbrook	Y Molaro	Y Verschoore
Y Colvin	Y Howard	Y Morrow	N Wait
Y Coulson	N Hultgren	Y Mulligan	Y Washington
Y Cross	N Jakobsson	Y Munson	N Watson
N Cultra	Y Jefferson	N Myers	A Winters
Y Currie	Y Jones	Y Nekritz	Y Yarbrough
Y Daniels	Y Joyce	Y Osmond	Y Younge
Y Davis, Monique	Y Kelly	Y Osterman	Y Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Steve	Y Kosel	Y Pankau	
Y Davis, Will	Y Krause	Y Parke	

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