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The House of Representatives met in Perfunctory Session pursuant to notice from the Speaker.

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

January 15, 2008

Mark Mahoney
Chief Clerk of the House
402 State House
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Clerk Mahoney:

Pursuant to House Rule 9(a), by this letter I am establishing that the House of Representatives will be in **Perfunctory Session** on Tuesday, **January 15, 2008**.

If you have questions, please contact my Chief of Staff, Tim Mapes, at 782-6360.

With kindest personal regards, I remain.

Sincerely yours,
s/Michael J. Madigan
Speaker of the House

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
JESSE WHITE – Secretary of State

January 15, 2008

To the Honorable Speaker of the House:

Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution of the State of Illinois, I am forwarding herewith the enclosed House Bill from the 95th General Assembly, that is being returned by the Governor with specific recommendations for change.

HOUSE BILL

0656

Respectfully,
s/Jesse White
Secretary of State

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
ROD R. BLAGOJEVICH

GOVERNOR

January 11, 2008

To the Honorable Members of the
Illinois House of Representatives
95th General Assembly

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(e) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 656, entitled "AN ACT concerning transportation.", with the following specific recommendations for change:

on page 14, line 16, after "2-15", by inserting "and by adding 2-15.2"; and

on page 30, below line 16, by inserting the following:

“(30 ILCS 740/2-15.2 new)

Sec. 2-15.2. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase of service contracts of, every participant, as defined in Section 2-2.02 (1)(a), shall be provided without charge to all senior citizen residents of the participant aged 65 and older, under such conditions as shall be prescribed by the participant.”; and

on page 60, line 3, by replacing "12c and 50" with "12c, 50, and 51"; and

on page 80, below line 3, by inserting the following:

“(70 ILCS 3605/51 new)

Sec. 51. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase of service contracts of, the Board shall be provided without charge to all senior citizens of the Metropolitan Region (as such term is defined in 70 ILCS 3615/1.03) aged 65 and older, under such conditions as shall be prescribed by the Board.

Section 16. The Local Mass Transit District Act is amended by adding Section 8.6 as follows:

(70 ILCS 3610/8.6 new)

Sec. 8.6. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase of service contracts of, every District shall be provided without charge to all senior citizens of the District aged 65 and older, under such conditions as shall be prescribed by the District.”; and

on page 80, line 10, after "2.31," by inserting "3A.15, 3B.14,"; and

on page 128, below line 11, by inserting the following:

“(70 ILCS 3615/3A.15 new)

Sec. 3A.15. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase of service contracts of, the Suburban Bus Board shall be provided without charge to all senior citizens of the Metropolitan Region aged 65 and older, under such conditions as shall be

prescribed by the Suburban Bus Board.”; and

on page 148, below line 12, by inserting the following:

“(70 ILCS 3615/3B.14 new)

Sec. 3B.14. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase of service contracts of, the Commuter Rail Board shall be provided without charge to all senior citizens of the Metropolitan Region aged 65 and older, under such conditions as shall be prescribed by the Commuter Rail Board.”.

With these changes, House Bill 656 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,
s/ROD R. BLAGOJEVICH
Governor

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT

Representative Scully replaced Representative Hannig in the Committee on Rules on January 15, 2008.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on January 15, 2008, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

Mass Transit: Motion to Accept Amendatory Veto to HOUSE BILL 656.

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

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

Y Currie(D), Chairperson
Y Scully(D) (replacing Hannig)
Y Turner(D)

A Black(R), Republican Spokesperson
A Hassert(R)

VETO MOTION SUBMITTED

Representative Hamos submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

MOTION

I move to accept the specific recommendations of the Governor as to HOUSE BILL 656 in manner and form as follows:

MOTION #1 TO HOUSE BILL 656 IN ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNOR’S RECOMMENDATIONS

Amend House Bill 656 on page 14, line 16, after "2-15", by inserting "and by adding Section 2-15.2";

and

on page 30, below line 16, by inserting the following:

"(30 ILCS 740/2-15.2 new)

Sec. 2-15.2. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase of service contracts of, every participant, as defined in Section 2-2.02 (1)(a), shall be provided without charge to all senior citizen residents of the participant aged 65 and older, under such conditions as shall be prescribed by the participant."; and

on page 60, line 3, by replacing "12c and 50" with "12c, 50, and 51"; and

on page 80, below line 3, by inserting the following:

"(70 ILCS 3605/51 new)

Sec. 51. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase of service contracts of, the Board shall be provided without charge to all senior citizens of the Metropolitan Region (as such term is defined in 70 ILCS 3615/1.03) aged 65 and older, under such conditions as shall be prescribed by the Board.

Section 16. The Local Mass Transit District Act is amended by adding Section 8.6 as follows:

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Sec. 8.6. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase of service contracts of, every District shall be provided without charge to all senior citizens of the District aged 65 and older, under such conditions as shall be prescribed by the District."; and

on page 80, line 10, after "2.31," by inserting "3A.15, 3B.14,"; and

on page 128, below line 11, by inserting the following:

"(70 ILCS 3615/3A.15 new)

Sec. 3A.15. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase of service contracts of, the Suburban Bus Board shall be provided without charge to all senior citizens of the Metropolitan Region aged 65 and older, under such conditions as shall be prescribed by the Suburban Bus Board."; and

on page 148, below line 12, by inserting the following:

"(70 ILCS 3615/3B.14 new)

Sec. 3B.14. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase of service contracts of, the Commuter Rail Board shall be provided without charge to all senior citizens of the Metropolitan Region aged 65 and older, under such conditions as shall be prescribed by the Commuter Rail Board."

At the hour of 11:16 o'clock a.m., the House adjourned until Wednesday, January 16, 2008.