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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Prosecutorial misconduct undermines public confidence in our criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, While the incidence of prosecutorial misconduct is rare, it is in the public interest that the public have notice of actions taken to investigate and discipline those who engage in this conduct; therefore be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, That we urge the Illinois Supreme Court to adopt rules that:

1. Require general notice to the public and personal notice to the alleged victim of public hearings of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission when the subject of the hearings is the alleged unethical conduct of prosecutors; and

2. Require that appellate court judges, when citing prosecutorial misconduct in their opinions, be specific and detail such conduct, and that all opinions citing prosecutorial misconduct be published in full; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Illinois Supreme Court.