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1 SENATE RESOLUTION 2 WHEREAS, President Donald Trump and Congressional 3 Republicans are proposing radical changes to America's tax 4 code; and 5 WHEREAS, The changes President Trump and his Congressional 6 allies discussing would benefit millionaires are and 7 billionaires, while hurting working families; and 8 WHEREAS, President Trump and Congressional Republicans 9 have discussed removing the state and local tax deduction, also 10 known as SALT, as a way to pay for their proposed tax cuts for the wealthy; and 11 12 WHEREAS, The state and local tax deduction allows families 13 that pay local property taxes, state and local sales taxes, and 14 state income tax to deduct those taxes from their federal 15 income tax; and 16 WHEREAS, This deduction prevents families from being 17 double taxed, once by the federal government, and again by the 18 state; and 19 WHEREAS, The state and local tax deduction has broad 20 bipartisan support and has been helping Illinoisans since 1913;

- 1 and
- 2 WHEREAS, Illinois has the fifth highest number of taxpayers
- 3 who claim the state and local tax deduction in the nation; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Nearly two million Illinois taxpayers claimed
- 5 more than \$24 billion in SALT deductions in 2015, with each
- 6 claiming an average of \$12,500 in deductions; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Of Illinoisans who claim a SALT deduction,
- 8 approximately 85 percent earn less than \$200,000 per year;
- 9 therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
- 11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we strongly oppose any
- 12 and all efforts by the Trump Administration and Congress to
- eliminate or gut the state and local tax deduction to help pay
- 14 for tax cuts for corporations and the wealthy one percent; and
- 15 be it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That we call upon Governor Rauner to work with
- 17 the Illinois Congressional delegation to ensure that the state
- and local tax deduction is not eliminated or gutted; and be it
- 19 further
- 20 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be

1 delivered to the Illinois Congressional delegation.