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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Professional Review Panel is responsible for
3 evaluating and recommending modifications to the
4 Evidence-Based Funding Formula to ensure all students have
5 access to a quality education, including educational support
6 services; and

7 WHEREAS, Educational support services are provided by
8 employees, including, but not limited to, custodial employees,
9 transportation employees, food service providers, classroom
10 assistants, administrative staff, and paraprofessional
11 educators; and

12 WHEREAS, Employees providing educational support services
13 are accomplished professionals who keep our schools running
14 and our students safe, healthy, and ready to learn; and

15 WHEREAS, Low wages are contributing to Illinois' shortage
16 of employees providing educational support services; and

17 WHEREAS, A minimum hourly rate of no less than \$22 is
18 recommended for employees providing educational support
19 services; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE

1 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
2 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we direct the Professional
3 Review Panel and the Illinois State Board of Education to
4 conduct the analysis and financial modeling required to
5 evaluate the implications of implementing the recommended \$22
6 minimum hourly rate for employees providing educational
7 support services; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the analyses should include the district
9 impact of incremental increases beginning with \$20 in school
10 year 2025-2026, \$21 dollars in school year 2026-2027, and \$22
11 in school year 2027-2028; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the Professional Review Panel and the
13 Illinois State Board of Education should include their
14 findings in a written report to the General Assembly and
15 Governor by December 31, 2024.