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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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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

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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

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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

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

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

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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.