

July 30, 2003

To the Honorable Members of the
Illinois House of Representatives
93rd General Assembly

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(b) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby veto House Bill 0685, entitled "AN ACT concerning public aid." I recognize and appreciate the hard work of all the sponsors in passing this legislation. However, due to the current budget constraints, the State will not be able to appropriate the funds that are necessary for this program.

For this reason, I hereby veto and return House Bill 0685.

Sincerely,

ROD R. BLAGOJEVICH
Governor