



1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Identity theft is a major and growing problem in  
3 the United States and in Illinois; and

4 WHEREAS, An individual's social security number is a  
5 primary means of identifying the individual, and the  
6 unauthorized disclosure of the individual's social security  
7 number creates a substantial risk that the individual's  
8 identity may be stolen; and

9 WHEREAS, Certain State officers and agencies require  
10 individuals to disclose their social security numbers for  
11 various reasons, thus creating the potential for the theft of  
12 those individuals' identities if their social security numbers  
13 are further disclosed without authorization; and

14 WHEREAS, The State should take all necessary steps to  
15 ensure that the procedures used by its officers and agencies do  
16 not facilitate the theft of individuals' identities through the  
17 unauthorized disclosure of those individuals' social security  
18 numbers; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
20 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
21 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the Social Security Number  
22 Protection Task Force is created; and be it further

23 RESOLVED, That the task force shall consist of the  
24 following members:

25 (1) One member representing the House of  
26 Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
27 Representatives;

28 (2) One member representing the House of  
29 Representatives, appointed by the Minority Leader of the  
30 House of Representatives;

1 (3) One member representing the Senate, appointed by  
2 the President of the Senate;

3 (4) One member representing the Senate, appointed by  
4 the Minority Leader of the Senate;

5 (5) One member representing the Office of the Attorney  
6 General, appointed by the Attorney General;

7 (6) One member representing the Office of the Secretary  
8 of State, appointed by the Secretary of State;

9 (7) One member representing the Office of the Governor,  
10 appointed by the Governor;

11 (8) One member representing the Department of Natural  
12 Resources, appointed by the Director of Natural Resources;

13 (9) One member representing the Department of Public  
14 Aid, appointed by the Director of Public Aid;

15 (10) One member representing the Department of  
16 Revenue, appointed by the Director of Revenue; and

17 (11) One member representing the Department of State  
18 Police, appointed by the Director of State Police; and be  
19 it further

20 RESOLVED, That the task force shall examine the procedures  
21 used by the State to protect an individual against the  
22 unauthorized disclosure of his or her social security number  
23 when the State requires the individual to provide his or her  
24 social security number to an officer or agency of the State;  
25 and be it further

26 RESOLVED, That the task force shall report its findings and  
27 recommendations to the Governor, the Attorney General, the  
28 Secretary of State, and the General Assembly no later than the  
29 first day of the 2004 fall veto session of the 93rd General  
30 Assembly.