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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, The Meat and Poultry Inspection Act provides for
- 3 the licensing of meat processors and slaughterers; and
- WHEREAS, The Act establishes a license for Type I
- 5 establishments that sell or offer to sell meat, meat product,
- 6 poultry, and poultry product; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The Act establishes a license for Type II
- 8 establishments that custom slaughter and are not to sell the
- 9 meat they slaughter; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Questions and concerns have arisen in regards to
- 11 the increased regulations Type I establishments must adhere to
- 12 that are not imposed on Type II establishments; therefore, be
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- 14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 15 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
- 16 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is created the Joint Task
- 17 Force on Meat and Poultry Inspection for the purpose of
- 18 reviewing current law and regulations pertaining to the
- 19 licensing and regulation of meat and poultry processors and
- 20 slaughterers and determining whether changes are warranted in
- 21 the licensing and regulation of these entities; and be it
- 22 further
- 23 RESOLVED, That the Joint Task Force on Meat and Poultry
- 24 Inspection shall consist of the following members: one member
- appointed by the President of the Senate; one member appointed
- 26 by the Minority Leader of the Senate; one member appointed by
- 27 the Speaker of the House; one member appointed by the Minority
- Leader of the House; the Chairman of the Senate Agriculture and
- 29 Conservation Committee or his or her designee; the Minority
- 30 Spokesman of the Senate Agriculture and Conservation Committee

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1 or his or her designee; the Chairman of the House Agriculture 2 and Conservation Committee or his or her designee; the Minority Spokesman of the House Agriculture and Conservation Committee 3 or his or her designee; the Director of Agriculture or his or 4 5 her designee; two members representing Type I licensees 6 appointed by the Director of Agriculture; two members representing Type II licensees appointed by the Director of 7 8 Agriculture; one member who is an expert from academia on meat 9 poultry inspection appointed by the Director Agriculture; one member appointed by the Illinois Association 10 11 of Meat Processors; one member appointed by the Illinois Beef 12 Association; one member appointed by the Illinois Pork 13 Producers Association; and one member appointed by the Illinois Farm Bureau; and be it further 14

RESOLVED, That the Joint Task Force shall meet initially at the call of the Director of Agriculture and thereafter as necessary and shall report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by filing copies of its report with the Clerk of the House and the Secretary of the Senate no later than December 1, 2006; and that upon filing its report the Joint Task Force is dissolved; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be delivered to the Illinois Director of Agriculture.