



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Property taxes in the State of Illinois are  
3 increasing at a rate that exceeds the rate of inflation and  
4 that exceeds the rate of increase in the personal income for  
5 many Illinois families; and

6 WHEREAS, Many Illinois citizens survive on a fixed income  
7 and cannot afford the dramatic increases of property taxes,  
8 particularly in light of the rising costs of other necessary  
9 commodities, such as energy, gasoline, health care, and  
10 prescription medicine; and

11 WHEREAS, The Property Tax Code in Illinois is so complex  
12 that many citizens are unable to understand the labyrinthine  
13 processes by which they are being taxed; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
15 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
16 there is created the Property Tax Task Force consisting of 9  
17 members appointed as follows: (i) 4 members shall be appointed  
18 by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom  
19 shall be designated as the chairperson of the Task Force at the  
20 time of appointment; (ii) 4 members appointed by the Minority  
21 Leader of the House of Representatives; and (iii) one member  
22 appointed by the Governor; no more than 3 members may reside  
23 within the same judicial district; and be it further

24 RESOLVED, That the Property Tax Task Force must conduct a  
25 study of the property tax system in Illinois, examine ways to  
26 promote fairness in the imposition of property taxes, and  
27 investigate methods of reducing the State's reliance on  
28 property taxes; and be it further

29 RESOLVED, That the members of the Task Force shall serve  
30 without compensation but shall be reimbursed for their

1 reasonable and necessary expenses from appropriations  
2 available for that purpose; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the Task Force must submit its findings to  
4 the House of Representatives no later than January 14, 2007, at  
5 which time the Task Force is dissolved.