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HOUSE RESOLUTION 1151

- WHEREAS, The Governor issued Executive Order No. 6 in July 2005 establishing the Illinois Regenerative Medicine Institute (IRMI) under the Department of Public Health to provide grants
- 5 to entities that engage in stem cell research; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The Fiscal Year 2006 budget included an 7 appropriation of \$10 million to the Department of Public Health
- 8 to award these grants; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The Governor amended his Executive Order No. 6 in 10 February to provide the Department of Public Health with the 11 power to implement the Institute, outlined the functions of 12 IRMI, and established requirements and conditions for
- 13 grantees; and
- WHEREAS, The Governor's amended Executive Order was published in the Illinois Register on February 24th in lieu of Department rules; and
- 17 WHEREAS, The Department of Public Health has since 18 established the new Institute and awarded grants to eligible 19 entities on April 24th; and
- 20 WHEREAS, The Governor, in his proposed budget for Fiscal 21 Year 2007, is seeking a \$15 million appropriation from Tobacco 22 Settlement monies for IRMI; and
- WHEREAS, The Governor has further stated that it is his desire to increase this base appropriation by \$2.5 million each year for the next 5 years in order to provide the Institute with an appropriation of \$100 million by Fiscal Year 2011; therefore, be it
- 28 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

- NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 1
- 2 we urge the Governor and the Department of Public Health to
- 3 provide full disclosure of how the current appropriations for
- the Institute are being spent; and be it further 4
- RESOLVED, That we urge the Governor and the Department of 5 Public Health, upon awarding the grants, to disclose all 6 7 information regarding the grantees, the process by which these grantees were selected, as well as the information on those 8 grant applications that were rejected and the reasons why those 9
- 10 applications were rejected; and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That we urge the Governor and the Department to
- disclose any and all other information pertinent to the status 12
- 13 and operation of the Institute, including, but not limited to,
- 14 the oversight and reporting processes in place; and be it
- 15 further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this Resolution be
- presented to the Governor and the Director of Public Health. 17