



1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Governor's Travel Control Board has  
3 negotiated a State rate for travel on Amtrak between Chicago  
4 and Springfield by State officials and employees; and

5 WHEREAS, Implemented by Amtrak, this State rate has over  
6 the years saved taxpayer money and benefited Amtrak by  
7 encouraging the use of trains by those traveling on State  
8 business; and

9 WHEREAS, A similarly negotiated rate for travel between  
10 Chicago and the State's various public universities would  
11 increase train ridership and provide a much-needed  
12 transportation option for Illinois public university students,  
13 faculty, and administration as well as for State officials and  
14 employees conducting State business at those universities;  
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL  
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we strongly urge the  
18 Governor's Travel Control Board to negotiate with Amtrak for  
19 the implementation of a special travel rate between Chicago and  
20 the cities of Bloomington-Normal, Carbondale,  
21 Champaign-Urbana, and Macomb; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to  
23 the Governor and the Governor's Travel Control Board.