September 10, 2007

To the Honorable Members of the Illinois House of Representatives 95th General Assembly

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(b) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby veto House Bill 1921, entitled "AN ACT concerning State government." I recognize and appreciate the hard work of all the sponsors in passing this legislation and support the objective of providing additional resources for the purchase of emergency response equipment. In fact, I have demonstrated support in the past by creating and funding the fire truck revolving loan fund. However, House Bill 1921 achieves this worthy objective by diverting resources from a revenue source that supports the long-term care needs of Illinois citizens.

For this reason, I hereby veto and return House Bill 1921.

Sincerely,

ROD R. BLAGOJEVICH Governor