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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

2 WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives has
3 established prudent fiscal parameters for the State budget with
4 House Resolution 110, which required the House Revenue &
5 Finance Committee to set the total amount of general fund
6 expenses for Fiscal Year 2012, and House Resolution 158, which
7 required that any amount of additional State revenue be used to
8 pay the backlog of unpaid State obligations rather than being
9 spent on more State services; and

10 WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives passed the
11 two fiscally responsible resolutions by a vote of 112-0-0 for
12 House Resolution 110 and 114-0-2 for House Resolution 158,
13 respectively; and

14 WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives established
15 prudent fiscal parameters for the State budget with House
16 Resolution 707, which required the House Revenue & Finance
17 Committee to set the total amount of general fund expenses for
18 Fiscal Year 2013, and House Resolution 706, which required that
19 any amount of additional State revenue be used to pay the
20 backlog of unpaid State obligations rather than being spent on
21 more State services; and

22 WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives passed the

1 two fiscally responsible resolutions by a vote of 93-11-5 for
2 House Resolution 707 and 91-16-3 for House Resolution 706,
3 respectively; and

4 WHEREAS, The Illinois House and the Illinois Senate passed
5 several State budget bills that held spending under the House
6 Revenue & Finance Committee's State revenue estimate; and

7 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois would have paid employees
8 represented by the American Federation of State, County, and
9 Municipal Employees (AFSCME) an estimated \$2,762,956,700 in
10 all funds for payroll costs before the House of Representatives
11 and the Senate reduced the budget for Fiscal Year 2012; and

12 WHEREAS, The Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) for employees
13 represented by the American Federation of State, County, and
14 Municipal Employees (AFSCME) has averaged an increase of 4.25%
15 over the past 5 fiscal years; and

16 WHEREAS, The Consumer Price Index has averaged an increase
17 of 1.95% from the years 2007 to 2010; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
19 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
20 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the State shall appropriate no
21 amount for new wage increases associated with any and all

1 collectively bargained contracts throughout State government
2 for the Fiscal Year 2013 budget; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That it shall be the policy of the State of
4 Illinois that the size of, or a reduction in, the State
5 employee workforce shall not be a topic of collective
6 bargaining.