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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The strains on the trust fund operated by the Illinois Unemployment Insurance System have been greatly increased in the past three years, causing the State of Illinois to fall into a \$3 billion debt to the federal government; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois has been forced to alter the
Illinois Unemployment Insurance Act to pay the interest on this
billion, which comes with an annual price tag of around \$80
million; and

WHEREAS, Illinois agencies and departments should be doing everything in their power to discourage those who fraudulently receive benefits from our unemployment insurance system; and

WHEREAS, There have been reports of fraud in the Illinois
Unemployment Insurance System, with persons who are
incarcerated continuing to illegally accept unemployment
insurance benefits; and

WHEREAS, This fraudulent activity can be significantly reduced by cooperation, including database cooperation, between the Department of Corrections, the Illinois State Police, and the Illinois Department of Employment Security;

- 1 therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 3 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 4 we urge the Directors of the Illinois Department of
- 5 Corrections, the Illinois State Police, and the Illinois
- 6 Department of Employment Security to discuss the desirability
- of a formal intergovernmental information-sharing agreement;
- 8 and be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
- 10 presented to the Directors of the Illinois Department of
- 11 Corrections, the Illinois State Police, and the Illinois
- 12 Department of Employment Security.