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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives adopted
3 House Resolution 332 requesting the Commission on Government
4 Forecasting and Accountability to study the cost of each
5 healthcare mandate that is a part of the Illinois Insurance
6 Code and in effect on the date that the resolution was adopted,
7 as well as the cumulative effect of those mandates on the
8 overall cost of health insurance in Illinois for businesses;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, House Resolution 332 further directed that the
11 findings of the Commission be reported to the General Assembly
12 by February 6, 2012, to ensure that the members of the General
13 Assembly are informed about the costs and overall impact these
14 mandates have on the ability of small and medium-sized
15 businesses to purchase health insurance; and

16 WHEREAS, In addition to the cost impact of health insurance
17 mandates on business, there is also a need to analyze the
18 purpose of the mandates that have been enacted in terms of the
19 health outcomes that were intended by providing such coverage;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, The cost impact of health insurance mandates in
22 terms of their effect on the health and well-being of

1 individuals and groups who may be covered should always be
2 taken into consideration, especially if such coverage prevents
3 further health problems or improves the health condition of the
4 covered person; and

5 WHEREAS, Improvement of the health of individuals and
6 groups covered by the insurance mandates can have a positive
7 impact on the health and well-being of the employees of any
8 business, which may impact the productivity of the workforce
9 and the economic health of the business; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
11 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
12 we request that the Commission on Government Forecasting and
13 Accountability include, in the study that it conducts under
14 House Resolution 332, additional findings and recommendations
15 regarding the cost impact of health insurance mandates in terms
16 of the intended purpose and health outcomes of each mandate so
17 that the financial impact on business is not the sole
18 consideration and the members of the General Assembly are more
19 fully informed about the costs and overall impact of those
20 mandates; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That the Commission incorporate these additional
22 findings in its report under House Resolution 332; and be it
23 further

1 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be delivered to
2 the Executive Director of the Commission on Government
3 Forecasting and Accountability.