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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois is the largest insurer in
3 the State, covering nearly one in every four citizens; and

4 WHEREAS, Enrollment under the Department of Healthcare and
5 Family Services' Medical Programs currently totals
6 approximately 2.8 million each month; and

7 WHEREAS, Healthcare will change significantly in the
8 coming year with the implementation of the Affordable Care Act,
9 giving new opportunities for health insurance to potentially
10 1.2 million people in Illinois; and

11 WHEREAS, Healthcare programs in Illinois have an immense -
12 and growing - impact both in terms of taxpayer dollars and in
13 terms of the effect they have on citizens across the State; and

14 WHEREAS, In this quickly evolving environment, the General
15 Assembly must stay engaged in public healthcare issues and be
16 prepared to make legislative and administrative
17 recommendations; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that there is created the
20 Senate Advisory Committee on Healthcare, consisting of 6

1 members, appointed as follows: 3 members of the Senate majority
2 caucus, appointed by the President of the Senate, and 3 members
3 of the Senate minority caucus, appointed by the Senate Minority
4 Leader; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Advisory Committee shall designate one
6 Democratic member and one Republican member of the committee to
7 serve as co-chairs; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Advisory Committee shall study public
9 healthcare and make legislative and administrative
10 recommendations with respect to the following issues:

11 (1) the progress of Public Act 96-1501, the Medicaid
12 reform package, including the development and implementation
13 of care coordination plans that best serve the needs of the
14 citizens of this State while also considering any impact on
15 current funding sources;

16 (2) the analysis and planning for the Medicaid
17 expansion, including the examination of how best to maximize
18 federal revenues associated with the expansion population;

19 (3) the development and implementation of new Medicaid
20 rate methodologies for institutional providers;

21 (4) the examination of federal funding opportunities
22 associated with the Affordable Care Act; and

23 (5) the interactions between Medicaid and the Health
24 Insurance Exchanges, including how best to ensure seamless

1 access to healthcare services; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That the Department of Healthcare and Family
3 Services and the Department of Insurance, in conjunction with
4 legislative staff, shall provide administrative support to the
5 Committee; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the Advisory Committee shall meet at the
7 call of the chair; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Advisory Committee shall share its
9 legislative and administrative recommendations with the
10 President of the Senate and Minority Leader of the Senate, as
11 warranted; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
13 presented to the Governor, the Speaker and Minority Leader of
14 the House of Representatives, the Director of Healthcare and
15 Family Services, and the Director of Insurance; and be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That, in the event that the House of
18 Representatives passes a similar resolution, that the Senate
19 will consider participating in a joint Senate/House Advisory
20 Committee on Healthcare.