August 12, 2016

To the Honorable Members of The Illinois House of Representatives, 99th General Assembly:

Today I return House Bill 4477 with specific recommendations for change.

The bill is intended to ensure that Department of Transportation contractors pass along mobilization payments from the Department to their subcontractors. Since its passage, the Department and sponsors were made aware of corrections, specified below, that are needed to ensure compliance with federal regulations that apply to federally-funded Department projects. I thank the sponsors for working with the Department on these changes.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(e) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4477, entitled "AN ACT concerning finance", with the following specific recommendations for change:

On page 1, by replacing lines 8 through 13 with the following:

"(a) As used in this section, "mobilization payment" means an advance payment for the preparatory work and operations necessary for the movement of personnel, equipment, supplies, and incidentals to a project site and for all other work or operations that must be performed or costs incurred when beginning work on a project."; and

On page 1, by deleting lines 14 through 16; and

On page 1, line 17, by replacing "(c)" with "(b)"; and

On page 1, line 23, by replacing "total" with "initial"; and

On page 2, line 12, by replacing "(d)" with "(c)".

With these changes, House Bill 4477 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner GOVERNOR