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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The College of DuPage is a public community college district in the State of Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees, the governing body of the college, enacts policies and plays an integral role in overseeing the activities and operations of the college; and

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WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees appoints a President to organize and manage the college within the parameters set by Board policies; and

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WHEREAS, The College of DuPage recently approved a \$763,000 severance package for its current President; and

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WHEREAS, News reports have raised questions concerning the College of DuPage's expenditures of public moneys; and

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WHEREAS, The College of DuPage is not a State agency; and

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WHEREAS, The Illinois Constitution limits the Auditor General's audit authority to "public funds of the State" and case law has interpreted that phrase to mean only those funds directly appropriated or otherwise authorized by the General Assembly following the Governor's preparation and submission

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1 of the State budget; and

2 WHEREAS, The Intergovernmental Cooperation Act allows that  
3 "one or more public agencies may contract with any one or more  
4 other public agencies to perform any governmental service,  
5 activity or undertaking or to combine, transfer, or exercise  
6 any powers, functions, privileges, or authority which any of  
7 the public agencies entering into the contract is authorized by  
8 law to perform ... "; and

9 WHEREAS, The General Assembly wishes for the Auditor  
10 General to conduct a performance audit of the College of  
11 DuPage; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
13 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
14 the Auditor General is directed to conduct a performance audit  
15 of the College of DuPage, covering Fiscal Years 2011 through  
16 2014, by entering into an intergovernmental agreement with the  
17 College of DuPage that sets forth the scope of the audit; and  
18 be it further

19 RESOLVED, That the audit include, but not be limited to,  
20 the following determinations:

21 (1) The College of DuPage's sources of revenues during

1 Fiscal Years 2011 through 2014;

2 (2) The College of DuPage's expenditures, by broad  
3 category, during Fiscal Years 2011 through 2014;

4 (3) Whether the Board is carrying out its responsibilities  
5 required by Board policy, including: annually evaluating  
6 the College President; annually reviewing the financial  
7 performance of the College and causing an audit to be made;  
8 adopting the annual financial plan of the College; adopting  
9 a comprehensive Strategic Long Range Plan; and reviewing  
10 the President's annual report on the outcomes of the  
11 College;

12 (4) Whether the Board is meeting its fiduciary  
13 responsibilities and ensuring compliance with the Public  
14 Community College Act and Board policies, including those  
15 related to the investment of College funds, procurements  
16 and contracts, construction activities, and budget  
17 transfers; and

18 (5) Whether the compensation and severance packages  
19 provided to the College of DuPage President are comparable  
20 to compensation and severance packages provided to  
21 Presidents of other Illinois Community Colleges, and  
22 whether changes to the College President's compensation

1 package are properly approved; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That the College of DuPage is responsible for  
3 paying the Auditor General's costs in conducting this audit;  
4 and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the College of DuPage, the Illinois  
6 Community College Board, and any other entity having  
7 information relevant to this audit cooperate fully and promptly  
8 with the Auditor General's Office in its conduct; and be it  
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That the Auditor General commence this audit as  
11 soon as possible and report his findings and recommendations  
12 upon completion in accordance with the provisions of the  
13 Illinois State Auditing Act.