

1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act was
3 created in 1974, in accordance with federal mandates, to
4 establish a procedure to reverse the trend of increasing
5 health care costs resulting from unnecessary construction or
6 modification of health care facilities, to improve the
7 financial ability of the public to obtain necessary health
8 services, and to establish an orderly and comprehensive
9 health care delivery system providing quality health care;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, The Health Facilities Planning Board currently
12 administers the Certificate of Need program for the
13 regulation of ambulatory surgical treatment centers,
14 hospitals, nursing homes, and kidney disease treatment
15 centers within the State of Illinois; and

16 WHEREAS, The health care delivery system has undergone
17 drastic changes and witnessed numerous advancements in the
18 past 25 years; and

19 WHEREAS, Thirteen states have repealed their Certificate
20 of Need programs and many other states have scaled back their
21 Certificate of Need programs by limiting the scope and
22 criteria for review under those programs; and

23 WHEREAS, Very few legislative changes have been made to
24 the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act since its
25 inception; therefore, be it

26 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
27 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
28 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is created the Illinois
29 Legislative Task Force on Certificate of Need consisting of 5
30 voting members; one of whom shall be a member of the Senate
31 appointed by the President of the Senate and who shall serve

1 as Co-chairperson, one of whom shall be a member of the
2 Senate appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate, one of
3 whom shall be a member of the House of Representatives
4 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and
5 who shall serve as Co-chairperson, one of whom shall be a
6 member of the House of Representatives appointed by the
7 Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and one of
8 whom shall be a consumer appointed jointly by the
9 Co-chairpersons of the Task Force; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall include 8 non-voting
11 members; one of whom shall be a representative designated by
12 the Illinois Hospital and Health Systems Association, one of
13 whom shall be a representative designated by the Illinois
14 State Medical Society, one of whom shall be a representative
15 designated by the Life Services Network, one of whom shall be
16 a representative designated by the Illinois Health Care
17 Association, one of whom shall be a representative designated
18 by the Illinois Council on Long Term Care, one of whom shall
19 be a representative designated by the Chamber of Commerce,
20 one of whom shall be a representative designated by the
21 Freestanding Surgical Treatment Center Association, and one
22 of whom shall be a member of the Health Facilities Planning
23 Board appointed jointly by the Co-chairpersons of the Task
24 Force; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the meetings of the Task Force shall be
26 held at the call of the Co-chairpersons and that members of
27 the Task Force shall serve without compensation; and be it
28 further

29 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall study the Certificate
30 of Need process; and be it further

31 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall report its
32 recommendations to the General Assembly and Governor on or

1 before January 9, 2002.