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To the Honorable Members of The Illinois Senate 92nd General Assembly

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(b) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby veto Senate Bill 74 entitled "AN ACT in relation to vehicles."

Senate Bill 74 amends the Illinois Vehicle Code to exempt not-for-profit organizations from paying vehicle title fees for motor vehicles. Senate Bill 74 also authorizes such charitable organizations to sell the donated automobiles without having to comply with the law related to licensed vehicle dealers.

Although Senate Bill 74 might benefit some charitable organizations by exempting them from the current state requirements for automobile dealers, this legislation holds the potential to reduce the amount of consumer protection afforded to buyers of used automobiles by allowing new incentives for unlicensed "charitable" car-dealers to operate in the public marketplace. In addition, this legislation could jeopardize the funding structure for the Illinois FIRST program that currently enables the State to revitalize our infrastructure, upgrade school facilities, increase green space and improve the quality of life in Illinois.

For this reason, I hereby veto and return Senate Bill 74.

Sincerely, George H. Ryan GOVERNOR