

1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Health care service contracts between insurers,
3 health plans, businesses, unions, health care professionals
4 and health care providers have become the primary method of
5 arranging for the delivery of health care to the people of
6 Illinois; and

7 WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly is currently
8 debating the Fairness in Health Care Services Contracting Act
9 which attempts to ensure that both parties to a contract for
10 the provision of health care services understand the terms
11 and conditions for the provision of those services; and

12 WHEREAS, The professional services contracts entered into
13 between health care plans and health care professionals and
14 health care providers have a significant impact on the
15 delivery of health care services to the people of Illinois;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, The relationship between the health care plan
18 contract with the professionals and providers is akin to the
19 insurance policy for coverage with the insureds or enrollees;
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
22 OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
23 CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is created the Illinois
24 Legislative Task Force on Fairness in Health Care Services
25 Contracting consisting of six voting members; two of whom
26 shall be members of the Senate appointed by the President of
27 the Senate, one of whom shall serve as Co-chairperson, one of
28 whom shall be a member of the Senate appointed by the
29 Minority Leader of the Senate, two of whom shall be members
30 of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of
31 the House of Representatives, one of whom shall serve as
32 Co-chairperson, one of whom shall be a member of the House of

1 Representatives appointed by the Minority Leader of the House
2 of Representatives; the Director of Insurance or his or her
3 designee, the Director of Public Health or his or her
4 designee, the Director of Public Aid or his or her designee,
5 and the Director of Central Management Services or his or her
6 designee shall serve as ex officio non-voting members of the
7 Task Force; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall include the following
9 non-voting members; including one representative of the
10 following organizations; Illinois Hospital and HealthSystems
11 Association, Illinois State Dental Society, Illinois Nurses
12 Association, Illinois Pharmacists Association, Illinois State
13 Medical Society, Illinois Podiatric Medical Society, Illinois
14 Optometric Association, Illinois Association of Clinical
15 Psychologists, Illinois Association of Freestanding Surgery
16 Centers, Illinois Association of Health Plans, Managed Health
17 Providers Association, Illinois Life Insurance Council, Blue
18 Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois, Illinois Chamber of Commerce,
19 Illinois Manufacturers Association, Illinois Retail Merchants
20 Association, AFL/CIO, and the City of Chicago; and be it
21 further

22 RESOLVED, That the meetings of the Task Force shall be
23 held at the call of the Co-chairpersons and that the
24 non-voting members of the Task Force shall serve without
25 compensation; and be it further

26 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall study the health plan
27 professional and provider services contracting process; and
28 be it further

29 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall report its
30 recommendations to the General Assembly and Governor on or
31 before January 15, 2002.