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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Office of Developmental Disabilities within the Department of Human Services has adopted a vision that "People with developmental disabilities choose from and receive appropriate, accessible, prompt, efficient, and life-spanning services to meet their needs"; and

WHEREAS, The Office's mission statement is to "Provide a full array of quality, outcome-based, person- and community-centered services and supports for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families in Illinois"; and

WHEREAS, It is a goal of the developmental disabilities service delivery system to "Provide comprehensive services and supports to individuals with developmental disabilities and their families which encourage active participation in life choices ... at home, at school, at work, and in recreational activities in their community"; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Department of Human Services shall conduct a needs assessment survey of the statewide developmental disabilities service system, at a minimum, at least once every 3 years; and be it further

RESOLVED, That in so doing, the Department shall develop process guidelines for each of its 8 networks to identify existing services and gaps, and shall analyze network results to identify needed system changes statewide; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Department, upon completion of the survey, shall utilize the data collected in planning for the future of the service delivery system, developing strategies to address gaps in services within each network and on a

1 statewide level; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this Resolution be sent
3 to the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Human
4 Services.