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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, Several organizations operating in Illinois 3 advocate on behalf of individuals with developmental 4 disabilities to ensure that they receive the highest quality of 5 care; and
- WHEREAS, Many of these advocacy groups receive funding from the federal government to advance their missions; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Sources of funding include Federal Protection and 9 Advocacy Grants, and funding from the U.S. Department of Labor, 10 the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and the U.S. 11 Department of Education; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Some advocacy groups work to facilitate the 13 transition of developmentally disabled residents from state-14 operated developmental centers (SODCs) to community integrated 15 living arrangements (CILAs); and
- 16 WHEREAS, In light of recent findings that residents of
 17 CILAs were subject to egregious acts of abuse and neglect, the
 18 U.S. Government should ensure the funding they provide to
 19 advocacy groups is being properly used and distributed to the
 20 highest quality organizations; therefore, be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
 2 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
 3 urge Congress to conduct a federal hearing on the developmental
 4 disability advocacy groups that receive federal funding; and be
 5 it further
- RESOLVED, That the hearing should evaluate the effectiveness toward protecting all developmentally disabled individuals as well as the proper use of federal funds at each
- 9 organization; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That the results of the hearing should be acted 11 upon by the Illinois General Assembly by enacting legislation 12 as needed to guarantee that the developmentally disabled 13 residents of Illinois are being supported by the highest 14 quality advocacy groups.