August 18, 2017

To the Honorable Members of The Illinois Senate, 100th General Assembly:

Today I veto Senate Bill 669 which would create an unnecessary new process for a Lake County to change the way it selects its county board chairman.

This legislation is an inappropriate interference in the operation of local affairs. Current law already allows for a sufficient process by which Lake County can change its selection process. This issue should be resolved at the local level instead of pursuing a change of state law that addresses a highly political local issue to create a new process for a single county.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return Senate Bill 669, entitled "AN ACT concerning local government", with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner GOVERNOR