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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, President Donald Trump and Congressional
3 Republicans are proposing radical changes to America's tax
4 code; and

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WHEREAS, The changes President Trump and his Congressional
6 allies are discussing would benefit millionaires and
7 billionaires while hurting working families; and

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WHEREAS, President Trump and Congressional Republicans
9 have discussed removing the state and local deduction, also
10 known as SALT, as a way to pay for their proposed tax cuts for
11 the wealthy; and

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WHEREAS, The state and local deduction allows families that
13 pay state and local income or sales tax to deduct those taxes
14 from their federal income tax; and

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WHEREAS, This deduction prevents families from being
16 doubled taxed, once by the federal government and again by the
17 state; and

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WHEREAS, The state and local deduction has broad bipartisan
19 support and has been helping Illinoisans since 1913; and

1 WHEREAS, Illinois has the fifth highest number of taxpayers
2 who claim the state and local tax deduction in the nation; and

3 WHEREAS, Nearly two million Illinois taxpayers claimed
4 more than \$24 billion in SALT deductions in 2015, with each
5 claiming an average \$12,500 in deductions; and

6 WHEREAS, Of Illinoisans who claim a SALT deduction,
7 approximately 85% earn less than \$200,000 per year; therefore,
8 be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we strongly oppose any
11 and all efforts by the Trump Administration and Congress to
12 eliminate the state and local deduction; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That we call upon Governor Rauner to work with
14 the Illinois Congressional Delegation to ensure that the State
15 and local deduction is not eliminated; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
17 delivered to all members of the Illinois Congressional
18 Delegation.