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Rod Blagojevich GOVERNOR

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To the Honorable Members of the Illinois Senate 93rd General Assembly

I cannot at this time sign legislation that will allow for an increase in property taxes that has not been adequately proven to be necessary. Pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(b) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby veto and return Senate Bill 606, entitled "AN ACT concerning taxes."

Sincerely, Rod R. Blagojevich Governor