

August 15, 2008

To the Honorable Members of the  
Illinois House of Representatives  
95th General Assembly

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(e) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 4450, entitled "AN ACT concerning civil law.", with the following specific recommendation for change:

on page 2, by replacing lines 19 and 20 with: "or victims should ~~may~~ contact the State's Attorney for advice concerning their rights to sue for damages under the law. If so requested, the State's Attorney's office shall provide such advice, but in no instance may the State's Attorney institute a civil action for damages on behalf of the victim or victims."

With this change, House Bill 4450 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

ROD R. BLAGOJEVICH  
Governor