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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives has established prudent fiscal parameters for the State budget with House Resolution 110, which required the House Revenue & Finance Committee to set the total amount of general fund expenses for Fiscal Year 2012, and House Resolution 158, which required that any amount of additional State revenue be used to pay the backlog of unpaid State obligations rather than being spent on more State services; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois House and the Illinois Senate passed several State budget bills that held spending under the House Revenue & Finance Committee's State revenue estimate; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives passed the two fiscally responsible resolutions by a vote of 112-0-0 for House Resolution 110 and 114-0-2 for House Resolution 158, respectively; and

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois would have paid employees represented by the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) an estimated \$2,762,956,700 in all funds for payroll costs before the House of Representatives and the Senate reduced the budget for Fiscal Year 2012; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) for employees
- 2 represented by the American Federation of State, County, and
- 3 Municipal Employees (AFSCME) has averaged an increase of 4.25%
- 4 over the past 5 fiscal years; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The Consumer Price Index has averaged an increase
- of 1.95% from the years 2007 to 2010; therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 8 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 9 the State shall appropriate for no more than an X% increase for
- 10 wage increases and for any benefit increases associated with
- any and all collectively bargained contracts throughout State
- government; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That it shall be the policy of the State of
- 14 Illinois that the size of, or a reduction in, the State
- 15 employee workforce shall not be a topic of collective
- 16 bargaining.