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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for
3 College and Careers (PARCC) exam has replaced well-recognized
4 State assessments, such as the ISAT and IGAP, as an
5 accountability measure to test students from kindergarten to
6 12th grade on college readiness; and

7 WHEREAS, The PARCC exam is not recognized by any college as
8 a college readiness exam, nor does it serve as a replacement
9 for the ACT or SAT, leaving little incentive for students to do
10 their best; and

11 WHEREAS, The PARCC exam administered in the 2014-2015
12 school year resulted in computer glitches that slowed down
13 testing or did not allow students to access the exam at all;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, The length and difficulty of administering the
16 PARCC exam takes away too much traditional class time; and

17 WHEREAS, Content errors and poorly-worded questions in the
18 exam make it difficult for students to know what the questions
19 are asking; and

20 WHEREAS, There exists standards-based systems of

1 assessments to monitor progress toward college and career
2 readiness aligned with the ACT College Benchmarks and in which
3 student outcomes are aligned to the Domain and Cluster
4 reporting categories of the Common Core State Standards;
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
7 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
8 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we urge the State Board of
9 Education to reconsider its use of the PARCC exam as a way to
10 test students; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That we urge the State Board of Education to
12 review the school assessment solutions offered by other Common
13 Core-based exams in order to better and more efficiently test
14 students' readiness for higher education; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 delivered to the State Board of Education.