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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Millions of families throughout the State of 3 Illinois and the country at large depend on child care programs 4 to provide vital services for our nation's children; and

5 WHEREAS, The expense of quality child care has proven to be 6 a large burden on low income families; and

7 WHEREAS, Although there are many child care grants that are 8 available to low income families, such as the federal Child 9 Care and Development Block Grant, more can be done for these 10 families on the State level; and

WHEREAS, Our children deserve the best child care that can be provided to them; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 14 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 15 there is created the Commission to Reform Child Care in 16 Illinois; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That the Commission shall consist of the 18 following members: 9 members appointed by the Speaker of the 19 House and 8 members appointed by the Minority Leader of the 20 House; and be it further 1 RESOLVED, That the Commission shall study current local and 2 State provisions involving child care and make recommendations 3 to help ensure that there are simple and fair systems to 4 provide quality child care that is affordable for families, 5 especially those on low incomes; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the Commission shall develop a legislative 7 and administrative agenda that would effectively address the 8 issues surrounding child care in the State of Illinois; and be 9 it further

10 RESOLVED, That the members of the Commission shall serve 11 without compensation; the Illinois Department of Human 12 Services shall provide administrative support for the 13 Commission; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the Commission shall make its final report 15 to the House on or before September 1, 2015.