

1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act was
3 created in 1974, in accordance with federal mandates, to
4 establish a procedure to reverse the trend of increasing
5 health care costs resulting from unnecessary construction or
6 modification of health care facilities, to improve the
7 financial ability of the public to obtain necessary health
8 services, and to establish an orderly and comprehensive
9 health care delivery system providing quality health care;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, The Health Facilities Planning Board currently
12 administers the Certificate of Need program for the
13 regulation of ambulatory surgical treatment centers,
14 hospitals, nursing homes, and kidney disease treatment
15 centers within the State of Illinois; and

16 WHEREAS, The health care delivery system has undergone
17 drastic changes and witnessed numerous advancements in the
18 past 25 years; and

19 WHEREAS, Thirteen states have repealed their Certificate
20 of Need programs and many other states have scaled back their
21 Certificate of Need programs by limiting the scope and
22 criteria for review under those programs; and

23 WHEREAS, The 91st General Assembly approved Senate Bill
24 807, signed into law as Public Act 91-0782, which included a
25 sunset provision that repeals the Illinois Health Facilities
26 Planning Act on July 1, 2003, which will require a
27 determination by the General Assembly regarding the future
28 status of the law; therefore be it

29 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
30 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
31 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is created the Illinois

1 Legislative Task Force on Certificate of Need consisting of 5
2 voting members, one of whom shall be a member of the Senate
3 appointed by the President of the Senate and who shall serve
4 as Co-chairperson, one of whom shall be a member of the
5 Senate appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate, one of
6 whom shall be a member of the House of Representatives
7 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and
8 who shall serve as Co-chairperson, one of whom shall be a
9 member of the House of Representatives appointed by the
10 Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and one of
11 whom shall be an Illinois health care consumer appointed by
12 the Governor and recommended by a statewide organization that
13 advocates for Illinois health care consumers; and be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall include 12 non-voting
16 members, one of whom shall be a representative designated by
17 the Illinois Hospital and Health Systems Association, one of
18 whom shall be a representative designated by the Illinois
19 State Medical Society, one of whom shall be a representative
20 designated by the Life Services Network, one of whom shall be
21 a representative designated by the Illinois Health Care
22 Association, one of whom shall be a representative designated
23 by the Illinois Council on Long Term Care, one of whom shall
24 be a representative designated by the Illinois State Chamber
25 of Commerce, one of whom shall be a representative designated
26 by the Freestanding Surgical Treatment Center Association,
27 one of whom shall be a representative designated by the
28 Health Facilities Planning Board, one of whom shall be a
29 representative designated by the Illinois Campaign for Better
30 Health Care, one of whom shall be a representative designated
31 by the Illinois Nurses Association, one of whom shall be a
32 representative designated by a collective bargaining agent
33 representing Illinois health care workers, and one of whom
34 shall be a representative designated by the International

1 Health Racquet and Sports Club Association; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That the meetings of the Task Force shall be
3 held at the call of the Co-chairpersons and that members of
4 the Task Force shall serve without compensation; and be it
5 further

6 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall study the Certificate
7 of Need process; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall report its
9 recommendations to the General Assembly and Governor on or
10 before January 9, 2002.