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SENATE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, Public transportation is a lifeline for many of  
3 our most vulnerable residents, providing residents without any  
4 other form of transportation the ability to travel to doctor's  
5 appointments, grocery stores, and other vital locations; and

6           WHEREAS, Public transportation in downstate counties can  
7 require travel of over 25 miles from pick-up to drop-off  
8 locations, and being denied access to public transportation in  
9 these areas could be the difference between life and death;  
10 and

11           WHEREAS, There are many counties in Illinois that are the  
12 single provider of public transportation, making it the only  
13 reliable option for residents in a given county; and

14           WHEREAS, The Downstate Operating Assistance Program (DOAP)  
15 covers only 65% of eligible operating costs, while the county  
16 is required to contribute 35% of the operating costs, putting  
17 an undue burden on single county providers; therefore, be it

18           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL  
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we support the  
20 Downstate Operating Assistance Program (DOAP).