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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, In the last 5 years, according to a United States
Department of Labor report presented to Congress in 2005, 5,690
veterans have lost their jobs in both the private and the
public employment sectors while activated to serve a tour of
duty; those numbers are expected to increase because, of the
300,000 deployed reservists, as many as 25,000 veterans were
expected to return home in 2005 to reintegrate themselves back
into civilian life after a tour of duty in the global war
against terrorism; and

- 11 WHEREAS, In 2006, many reports of possible violations of 12 the Veterans Preference Act and other laws providing for hiring 13 preferences for service members were heard; and
- WHEREAS, State of Illinois hiring practices should be monitored for compliance with State hiring preference laws; and
- 16 WHEREAS, State of Illinois hiring practices should be open 17 to observation by the general public to curb violations of 18 those hiring preference laws and to protect the integrity of 19 veterans preference programs; therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 21 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that in

- 1 an attempt to improve our returning veterans' reintegration
- 2 into civilian society, we urge the Department of Central
- 3 Management Services and the Department of Employment Security
- 4 to provide a monthly list of State job openings to the
- 5 Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Department of Military
- 6 Affairs; and be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
- 8 delivered to the Governor, the Director of Central Management
- 9 Services, the Director of Employment Security, the Director of
- 10 Veterans' Affairs, and the Adjutant General.