August 5, 2011

To the Honorable Members of the Illinois House of Representatives, 97th General Assembly:

In accordance with Article IV, Section 9(b) of the Illinois Constitution, I hereby veto House Bill 3178.

This bill allows for the collection of fur-bearing mammals found dead along roadways in our State. I commend the sponsors for their hard work on this legislation. Though I recognize their substantial effort on this measure, I am concerned that the bill compromises safety along our roadways. I cannot support a measure that places the citizens of our State in harm's way and encourage the sponsors of this bill to consider appropriate safety measures in subsequent legislation.

Therefore, pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(b) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 3178, entitled "AN ACT concerning wildlife." vetoed in its entirety with this statement of objections.

Sincerely,

PAT QUINN Governor