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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Tuition and fee rates at public universities 3 across the nation have come to the forefront of debate in 4 recent years due to unprecedented increases; and

5 WHEREAS, Tuition and fees at some Illinois colleges have 6 increased by as much as 9% in recent years; and

WHEREAS, An Illinois student electing to attend college
outside the State, in many instances, pays more in tuition and
fees than an out-of-state student coming into Illinois; and

10 WHEREAS, At the University of Illinois, in particular, data 11 suggests that out-of-state tuition rates are considerably 12 lower than that at flagship institutions in neighboring states; 13 and

14 WHEREAS, In order to maintain economic viability, it is 15 imperative that the cost to educate out-of-state students in 16 Illinois is comparable to the cost in bordering states; 17 therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 19 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 20 we request the Illinois Board of Higher Education to conduct a HR0004 -2- LRB097 05445 KXB 45503 r cost-neutral analysis of all relevant out-of-state tuition and fees charged by the University of Illinois in comparison to those charged by the flagship schools in bordering states; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Board shall provide administrative 6 support for the study and report; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That the Board shall report its findings to the 8 General Assembly and the Governor on or before June 30, 2011; 9 and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 11 presented to the Illinois Board of Higher Education.