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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The citizens of Illinois have agreed that there is
3 an immediate need for an improved and sustainable health care
4 system; and

5 WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly strives to promote a
6 healthy community through partnerships and collaboration with
7 all health care entities within the State; and

8 WHEREAS, Innovation in health care delivery is essential in
9 improving health and decreasing costs; and

10 WHEREAS, Many examples exist in other states of Mobile
11 Integrated Healthcare or Community Paramedicine programs; and

12 WHEREAS, These programs have demonstrated a significant
13 change in health care delivery, using nontraditional roles,
14 improving patient outcomes and decreasing health care costs,
15 each to individual citizens, Medicare and Medicaid; and

16 WHEREAS, There is an immediate opportunity to incorporate
17 these types of programs in Illinois in order to help the people
18 of our State achieve healthier lives while recognizing these
19 decreased costs; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
3 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is created the Mobile
4 Integrated Healthcare Task Force to identify and recommend ways
5 that the State of Illinois can incorporate changes in our
6 health care delivery system in order to increase the
7 collaboration and utilization of our current health care
8 workers while decreasing the associated costs; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall consist of the
11 following members: one member appointed by the Speaker of the
12 House of Representatives, who shall serve as a Co-Chairperson
13 of the Task Force; one member appointed by the Minority Leader
14 of the House of Representatives; one member appointed by the
15 President of the Senate, who shall serve as a Co-Chairperson of
16 the Task Force; one member appointed by the Minority Leader of
17 the Senate; one member representing the Illinois Department of
18 Public Health, appointed by the Director of Public Health; one
19 member appointed by the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association; one
20 member appointed by the Associated Fire Fighters of Illinois;
21 one member appointed by the Illinois Firefighters Association;
22 one member appointed by the Illinois Association of Fire
23 Protection Districts; one member appointed by the Illinois
24 Hospital Association; one member appointed by the Illinois
25 Nurses Association; one member appointed by the Illinois EMS

1 Alliance; one member appointed by the Illinois College of
2 Emergency Physicians; and one member appointed by the Illinois
3 State Medical Society; all appointments shall be confirmed by
4 both Co-Chairpersons; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That all appointments to the Task Force shall be
6 made within 60 days after the adoption of this resolution;
7 vacancies in the Task Force shall be filled by their respective
8 appointing authorities within 30 days after the vacancy occurs;
9 and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the Task Force members shall serve without
11 compensation; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall receive the assistance
13 of legislative staff, may employ skilled experts with the
14 approval of the co-chairpersons, and shall receive the
15 cooperation of any State agencies it deems appropriate to
16 assist the Task Force in carrying out its duties; and be it
17 further

18 RESOLVED, That the members of the Task Force shall be
19 considered members with voting rights; a quorum of the Task
20 Force shall consist of a majority of the members of the Task
21 Force; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall meet initially at the
2 call of the Co-Chairpersons, no later than 90 days after the
3 adoption of this resolution, and shall thereafter meet at the
4 call of the Co-Chairpersons; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the General Assembly shall provide
6 administrative and other support to the Task Force; and be it
7 further

8 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall research, analyze, and
9 consider:

10 (1) the benefits of a Mobile Integrated Healthcare
11 System within the State of Illinois through a redefined role of
12 our healthcare providers with special attention given towards
13 the expanded use of Emergency Medical Services;

14 (2) actions of other states as they pertain to
15 instituting Mobile Integrated Healthcare;

16 (3) opportunities for grant funding of such services;
17 and

18 (4) reimbursement models needed to sustain an
19 expansion or change of services; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall present its findings
21 and recommendations to the General Assembly in a report to the
22 General Assembly on or before January 1, 2016.