

## 1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Health care service contracts between insurers,  
3 health plans, businesses, unions, health care professionals  
4 and health care providers have become the primary method of  
5 arranging for the delivery of health care to the people of  
6 Illinois; and

7 WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly is currently  
8 debating the Fairness in Health Care Services Contracting Act  
9 which attempts to ensure that both parties to a contract for  
10 the provision of health care services understand the terms  
11 and conditions for the provision of those services; and

12 WHEREAS, The professional services contracts entered into  
13 between health care plans and health care professionals and  
14 health care providers have a significant impact on the  
15 delivery of health care services to the people of Illinois;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, The relationship between the health care plan  
18 contract with the professionals and providers is akin to the  
19 insurance policy for coverage with the insureds or enrollees;  
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
22 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
23 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there is created the Illinois  
24 Legislative Task Force on Fairness in Health Care Services  
25 Contracting consisting of seven voting members; one of whom  
26 shall be a member of the Senate appointed by the President of  
27 the Senate who shall serve as Co-chairperson, one of whom  
28 shall be a member of the Senate appointed by the Minority  
29 Leader of the Senate, one of whom shall be a member of the  
30 House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the  
31 House of Representatives who shall serve as Co-chairperson,  
32 one of whom shall be a member of the House of Representatives

1 appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of  
2 Representatives, and the Director of Insurance or his or her  
3 designee, the Director of Public Health or his or her  
4 designee, and the Attorney General or his or her designee;  
5 and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall include sixteen  
7 non-voting members; including one representative of the  
8 following organizations; Illinois Hospital and HealthSystems  
9 Association, Illinois State Dental Society, Illinois Nurses  
10 Association, Illinois Pharmacists Association, Illinois State  
11 Medical Society, Illinois Podiatric Medical Society, Illinois  
12 Optometric Association, Illinois Association of Clinical  
13 Psychologists, Illinois Association of Freestanding Surgery  
14 Centers, Illinois Association of Health Plans, Managed Health  
15 Providers Association, Illinois Life Insurance Council, Blue  
16 Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois, Illinois Manufacturers  
17 Association, Illinois Retail Merchants Association, AFL/CIO,  
18 and the City of Chicago; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That the meetings of the Task Force shall be  
20 held at the call of the Co-chairpersons and that the  
21 non-voting members of the Task Force shall serve without  
22 compensation; and be it further

23 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall study the health plan  
24 professional and provider services contracting process; and  
25 be it further

26 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall conduct at least two  
27 hearings in the Chicago metropolitan area and one hearing  
28 outside the Chicago metropolitan area; and be it further

29 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall report its  
30 recommendations to the General Assembly and Governor on or  
31 before December 31, 2001.