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- 1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 926
- 2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 926, AS AMENDED,
- 3 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the
- 4 following:

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- 5 "Section 5. The Department of Commerce and Community
- 6 Affairs Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is
- 7 amended by changing Section 605-707 as follows:
- 8 (20 ILCS 605/605-707) (was 20 ILCS 605/46.6d)
- 9 Sec. 605-707. International Tourism Program.
- 10 (a) The Department of Commerce and Community Affairs
- 11 must establish a program for international tourism. The
- 12 Department shall develop and implement the program on January
- 13 1, 2000 by rule. As part of the program, the Department may
- 14 work in cooperation with local convention and tourism bureaus
- 15 in Illinois in the coordination of international tourism
- efforts at the State and local level. The Department may (i)
- work in cooperation with local convention and tourism bureaus
- 18 for efficient use of their international tourism marketing
- 19 resources, (ii) promote Illinois in international meetings
- 20 and tourism markets, (iii) work with convention and tourism

bureaus throughout the State to increase the number of

- 22 international tourists to Illinois, (iv) provide training,

- 1 research, technical support, and grants to certified
- 2 convention and tourism bureaus, and (v) provide staff,
- 3 administration, and related support required to manage the
- 4 programs under this Section, and (vi) provide grants for the
- 5 <u>development of or the enhancement of international tourism</u>
- 6 <u>attractions</u>.
- 7 (b) The Department shall make grants for expenses
- 8 <u>related to international tourism</u> and pay for the staffing,
- 9 administration, and related support from the International
- 10 Tourism Fund, a special fund created in the State Treasury.
- 11 Of the amounts deposited into the Fund in fiscal year 2000
- 12 after January 1, 2000, 55% shall be used for grants to
- 13 convention and tourism bureaus in Chicago (other than the
- 14 City of Chicago's Office of Tourism) and 45% shall be used
- 15 for development of international tourism in areas outside of
- 16 Chicago. Of the amounts deposited into the Fund in fiscal
- 17 year 2001 and thereafter, <u>55% shall be used for grants to</u>
- 18 convention and tourism bureaus in Chicago, and of that amount
- 19 <u>not less than</u> 27.5% shall-be-used-for-grants-to-the--City--of
- 20 Chicago's--Office--of-Tourism,-27.5% shall be used for grants
- 21 to other convention and tourism bureaus in Chicago other than
- 22 <u>the City of Chicago's Office of Tourism</u>, and 45% shall be

for administrative expenses authorized under this

- 24 Section and development of international tourism in areas
- outside of Chicago, of which not less than \$1,000,000 shall
- 26 be used annually to make grants to convention and tourism
- 27 bureaus in cities other than Chicago that demonstrate their
- international tourism appeal and request to develop or expand
- their international tourism marketing program, and may also
- 30 <u>be used to provide grants under item (vi) of subsection (a)</u>
- of this Section.

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- 32 (c) A convention and tourism bureau is eligible to
- 33 receive grant moneys under this Section if the bureau is
- 34 certified to receive funds under Title 14 of the Illinois

- 1 Administrative Code, Section 550.35. To be eligible for a
- 2 grant, a convention and tourism bureau must provide matching
- 3 <u>funds equal to the grant amount</u>. <u>In certain circumstances as</u>
- 4 <u>determined by the Director of Commerce and Community Affairs,</u>
- 5 <u>however</u>, the City of Chicago's Office of Tourism <u>or any other</u>
- 6 and--all convention and tourism <u>bureau may</u> bureaus-must
- 7 provide matching funds equal to no less than 50% of the grant
- 8 amount to be eligible to receive the grant. One-half of this
- 9 50% may be provided through in-kind contributions. Grants
- 10 received by the City of Chicago's Office of Tourism and by
- 11 convention and tourism bureaus in Chicago may be expended for
- 12 the general purposes of promoting conventions and tourism.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 91-604, eff. 8-16-99; 91-683, eff. 1-26-00.)
- 14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect on
- 15 July 1, 2001.".