

August 24, 2009

To the Honorable Members of the Illinois Senate,
96th General Assembly:

Today, I return Senate Bill 1698 with specific recommendations for change. I thank the sponsors for their hard work on this bill. During these troubling economic times, it is important that we find ways to make sure that our students have the ability to finance a higher education. I am recommending that the process of appointments in the bill be changed. I believe that these changes will ensure that the task force's deliberations will be productive and representative of the interests of all relevant stakeholders.

Therefore, pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(e) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return Senate Bill 1698, entitled "AN ACT concerning education.", with the following specific recommendations for change:

on page 2, line 8, by replacing "executive director" with "Chairman"; and

on page 2, line 12, by replacing "(4) Members" with "(4) Four members"; and

on page 2, below line 18, by inserting "(D) one other member."; and

on page 2, line 19, by replacing "executive director" with "Chairman"; and

on page 2, line 23, by replacing "Director of the Division of Financial" with "Secretary";
and

on page 2, line 24, by deleting "Institutions".

With these changes, Senate Bill 1698 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

PAT QUINN
Governor