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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 73

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Joint Resolution 73, AS
3 AMENDED, by replacing everything after the heading with the
4 following:

5 "WHEREAS, Numerous development projects are occurring in
6 Illinois, including roads, electric transmission lines, and
7 pipelines; and

8 WHEREAS, Landowners are often unaware their land is being
9 considered for a project until they are contacted by a field
10 agent; and

11 WHEREAS, An open line of communication often eases
12 landowner concerns and helps preserve the integrity of any land
13 impacted by construction; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
2 CONCURRING HEREIN, that, in the taking of land or seeking of
3 easements by eminent domain or quick-take procedures for
4 development projects, the Senate recommends the following
5 steps be followed by the entity developing the project:

6 (1) Notify affected landowners about the potential
7 project as soon as possible and provide a reliable time
8 frame for development activities;

9 (2) Notify a landowner prior to entering the
10 landowner's private property for any reason;

11 (3) Keep work crews within the working easement;

12 (4) If applicable, ensure all field drainage tiles are
13 repaired by a drain tile contractor chosen after
14 consultation with the landowner, including repairing
15 drainage issues discovered after the project is completed;

16 (5) Ensure that road closings are limited and
17 appropriate detour access is provided;

18 (6) Ensure that run off and storm water are
19 appropriately managed;

20 (7) Assign a point person before, during, and after the
21 process who will be responsible for assuring a credible
22 communication process and for taking appropriate action
23 when notified by landowners; and

24 (8) Inform landowners about any pertinent State
25 agriculture impact mitigation agreements and inform them
26 that the provisions of those agreements may be the minimum

1 standards for impact mitigation that could be included in
2 landowner agreements or contracts."