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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Various Parties  
FROM: Senate President John. J. Culleton  
DATE: January 23, 2009  
RE: Guest passes for the Impeachment Trial of Governor Rod R. Blagojevich

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As you know, beginning Monday, January 26, 2009 the Illinois Senate will begin the Impeachment Trial of Governor Rod R. Blagojevich. In order to accommodate guests that may wish to watch the proceedings, the following process will be implemented:

### **South Gallery Seating**

- Public seating will be available in the South Gallery of the Senate Chamber on a first come first served basis. Seating will not be reserved. Once individuals leave the South Gallery they will be required to forfeit their pass and will only be allowed re-entry if a pass is available.

### **President's Gallery Seating**

- Each legislative caucus, Constitutional office, and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court will receive a number of guest passes for the President's Gallery in the Senate Chamber.
- Passes designated for your office will be available on a daily basis outside of the President's Gallery on the 4th Floor.
- All guests will be required to display their guest pass as well as sign in upon entering the President's Gallery.
- Upon leaving the President's Gallery each guest must sign out and return their guest pass to the doorkeeper.
- Seating in the President's Gallery will be on a first come first served basis. No seats will be reserved though guest passes will not outnumber total seat available.

Molly Kershaw [(217) 782-0240 / [mkershaw@senatedem.ilga.gov](mailto:mkershaw@senatedem.ilga.gov)] or Becky Souther [(217) 782-1920 / [bsouther@senatedem.ilga.gov](mailto:bsouther@senatedem.ilga.gov)] will contact your office later this afternoon regarding the number of guest passes available for your office during the proceedings. Questions regarding guest passes and distribution should be directed to Molly or Becky.

Further questions can be directed to my Chief of Staff, Andy Manar at (217) 782-5290.