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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, In the State of Illinois, all driver's license applicants must have a vision screening or submit a Vision Specialist Report completed by a licensed optometrist, ophthalmologist, or physician dated within six months of a facility visit; and

WHEREAS, Vision requirements include a minimum visual acuity of 20/40 with or without corrective lenses and at least a 140-degree peripheral vision, or the ability to see to the side, with or without corrective lenses; those applicants with a visual acuity between 20/41 and 20/70 are limited to daylight driving only; and

13 WHEREAS, If you wear glasses or contact lenses, a 14 restriction will be noted on your driver's license, requiring 15 you to wear glasses or contact lenses when operating a 16 vehicle; and

17 WHEREAS, If you wear telescopic lenses, you must meet 18 special requirements and undergo additional vision testing to 19 receive a driver's license; and

20 WHEREAS, The Secretary of State utilizes machines that 21 assist personnel in screening applicants' respective vision;

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- 2 WHEREAS, These machines often require direct contact with
- 3 an applicant's forehead and the area near the eyes; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Some bacterial and viral eye infections, such as
- 5 conjunctivitis, commonly known as pink eye, can be spread from
- 6 person to person; someone may develop pink eye after coming
- 7 into contact with an infected eye or after touching surfaces
- 8 contaminated with the germs of an infected person; therefore,
- 9 be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 11 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- we urge the Secretary of State to develop uniformed training
- and to provide sanitary materials for cleaning the vision
- screener machines between uses; and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 16 delivered to Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias.