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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Illinois State Court of Claims determines and  
3 pays out Certificate of Innocence awards under 705 ILCS 505;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly has been working on  
6 legislation to make the Certificate of Innocence awards more  
7 equitable in keeping with federally recommended minimum  
8 standards; and

9 WHEREAS, All of the interested parties are in general  
10 agreement that such change is needed but have been unable to  
11 resolve the specificity of the statutory language needed;  
12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL  
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we encourage the State  
15 Court of Claims to pause on Certificate of Innocence payouts  
16 if requested by the Certificate of Innocence awardee and their  
17 attorney(s) until the legislature works through the nuances of  
18 the Certificate of Innocence statutory language by June 30,  
19 2026.