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PAT QUINN
GOVERNOR

July 1, 2010

To the Honorable Members of the
Illinois House of Representatives,
96th General Assembly

House Bill 859 appropriates money for the operation of state government for fiscal year 2011. As we are all aware, this upcoming fiscal year promises to present the greatest fiscal challenges our State has ever confronted. Never before have our needs been so great and our resources so limited. As Governor, I am committed to guiding the citizens of our State through this unprecedented challenge.

Implementing the fiscal year 2011 budget requires that difficult decisions be made. Simply stated, our State does not have sufficient resources to meet its needs. Spending continues to outpace available revenues and unpaid bills continue to mount. All of us, Democrats and Republicans alike, must work together to make the tough choices that confront the State of Illinois.

I did not create this budget crisis, but I am committed to solving it. Since presenting my budget on March 10, I have impressed upon the members of the General Assembly the need to implement the Five Pillars of Recovery: (1) creating jobs, (2) continued federal assistance, (3) cutting costs, (4) strategic borrowing, and (5) increased revenue. To resolve this budget crisis, each of these tools must be utilized.

Through *Illinois Jobs Now!*, I have created jobs throughout the State. My Administration also continues to work with the federal government to maximize federal assistance. With my reductions today, and the additional efficiency measures my Administration has undertaken, I have already cut more from the state budget than any Governor in the history of our State. But relying on three of the five pillars is not enough. Without strategic borrowing and increased revenue, we will not resolve this crisis. We must pursue all five pillars to ensure that the State can restore its fiscal health.

Therefore, pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(d) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 859, entitled "AN ACT making appropriations" with reduction and item vetoes in appropriations totaling \$155,166,630.

Item Veto

I hereby veto the appropriation item listed below:

| Article | Section | Page | Line(s) | Amount Enacted |
|----------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| 19 | 10 | 144 | 5 | 15,670,600 |

Reductions

I hereby reduce the following appropriation items and approve each item in the amount set forth in the "Reduced Amount" column below:

| Article | Section | Page | Line(s) | Amount Enacted | Reduced Amount |
|----------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 4 | 5 | 19 | 17 | 11,852,700 | 10,421,600 |
| 4 | 10 | 20 | 1 | 411,800 | 374,000 |
| 15 | 5 | 128 | 3 | 3,471,500 | 2,925,200 |
| 15 | 6 | 128 | 9 | 591,200 | 256,200 |
| 19 | 5 | 143 | 11 | 60,151,500 | 24,549,400 |
| 21 | 8 | 158 | 14 | 14,067,000 | 5,576,000 |
| 21 | 8 | 158 | 17 | 5,700,000 | 2,680,000 |
| 25 | 5 | 191 | 7 | 33,600 | 30,600 |
| 32 | 5 | 234 | 10 | 2,644,400 | 2,144,400 |
| 43 | 5 | 326 | 4 | 5,277,000 | 5,067,600 |
| 48 | 5 | 362 | 22 | 1,949,800 | 1,827,300 |
| 56 | 6 | 401 | 1 | 5,931,500 | 4,641,600 |

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|----|---|-----|----|-------------|-------------|
| 58 | 5 | 408 | 11 | 6,466,700 | 5,333,500 |
| 59 | 5 | 409 | 21 | 107,431,100 | 100,731,300 |
| 60 | 5 | 410 | 10 | 50,566,500 | 47,413,000 |
| 61 | 5 | 411 | 1 | 59,919,600 | 56,182,700 |
| 62 | 5 | 411 | 12 | 42,112,000 | 39,485,600 |
| 63 | 5 | 412 | 4 | 233,567,000 | 219,563,500 |
| 64 | 5 | 412 | 17 | 743,419,700 | 697,057,200 |
| 67 | 5 | 419 | 20 | 2,078,500 | 1,874,600 |
| 72 | 5 | 456 | 2 | 563,600 | 498,800 |
| 74 | 5 | 458 | 1 | 28,324,400 | 26,558,000 |
| 84 | 5 | 461 | 8 | 228,000 | 116,400 |
| 88 | 5 | 462 | 12 | 85,096,430 | 79,789,500 |
| 92 | 5 | 463 | 18 | 43,401,900 | 40,695,200 |
| 96 | 5 | 465 | 2 | 124,300 | 92,500 |

In addition to these specific reductions, I hereby approve all other appropriations in House Bill 859.

Sincerely,


 PAT QUINN
 Governor