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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Post consumer use tires are being burned as
3 tire-derived fuel versus a more environmentally friendly
4 option of being recycled; and

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WHEREAS, Currently, there is a \$2.50 tax when purchasing
6 tires in Illinois, and an additional dollar is added when the
7 purchase is made within the City of Chicago; this tax goes
8 towards the proper disposal of tires to ensure they do not end
9 up in cheap landfills; the tax helps get rid of tires by
10 sending them to locations where they are used as fuel or are
11 recycled; a larger portion of used tires are used as fuel
12 simply because it is easier than recycling; tire-derived fuel
13 produces the same amount of energy as fossil fuels and has the
14 same negative carbon footprint; burning tires for fuel has the
15 same negative impact on our environment as does the burning of
16 fossil fuels; while it is better to burn tires for fuel versus
17 sending them to landfill, a more effective option is to
18 recycle the tires; and

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WHEREAS, To ensure an increase in tires being recycled, a
20 mandatory number of tires could be moved through recycling
21 plants each year; with this type of requirement, tires would
22 not be automatically sent to the cheapest location, and the
23 current tax rate could be maintained, providing stability and

1 certainty for those disposing of tires while engaging in more
2 sustainable and environmentally-friendly practices;
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
5 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
6 we urge the implementation of a requirement of a minimum limit
7 of tires that must be recycled each year or a percentage of
8 total tires disposed that must be sent to recycling
9 facilities; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That if companies are resistant to the possible
11 increase of cost in sending used tires to recycling plants
12 rather than fuel facilities then incentives should be adopted
13 to encourage recycling; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That to guarantee the progress of this change,
15 Illinois should adopt monitoring and reporting for companies
16 who dispose of tires.