



1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Identity theft is a major and growing problem in
3 the United States and in Illinois; and

4 WHEREAS, An individual's social security number is a
5 primary means of identifying the individual, and the
6 unauthorized disclosure of the individual's social security
7 number creates a substantial risk that the individual's
8 identity may be stolen; and

9 WHEREAS, Certain State officers and agencies require
10 individuals to disclose their social security numbers for
11 various reasons, thus creating the potential for the theft of
12 those individuals' identities if their social security numbers
13 are further disclosed without authorization; and

14 WHEREAS, The State should take all necessary steps to
15 ensure that the procedures used by its officers and agencies do
16 not facilitate the theft of individuals' identities through the
17 unauthorized disclosure of those individuals' social security
18 numbers; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
20 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
21 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the Social Security Number
22 Protection Task Force is created; and be it further

23 RESOLVED, That the task force shall consist of the
24 following members:

25 (1) One member representing the House of
26 Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of
27 Representatives;

28 (2) One member representing the House of
29 Representatives, appointed by the Minority Leader of the
30 House of Representatives;

1 (3) One member representing the Senate, appointed by
2 the President of the Senate;

3 (4) One member representing the Senate, appointed by
4 the Minority Leader of the Senate;

5 (5) One member representing the Office of the Attorney
6 General, appointed by the Attorney General;

7 (6) One member representing the Office of the Secretary
8 of State, appointed by the Secretary of State;

9 (7) One member representing the Office of the Governor,
10 appointed by the Governor;

11 (8) One member representing the Department of Natural
12 Resources, appointed by the Director of Natural Resources;

13 (9) One member representing the Department of Public
14 Aid, appointed by the Director of Public Aid;

15 (10) One member representing the Department of
16 Revenue, appointed by the Director of Revenue;

17 (11) One member representing the Department of State
18 Police, appointed by the Director of State Police; and

19 (12) One member representing the Department of
20 Employment Security, appointed by the Director of
21 Employment Security; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the task force shall examine the procedures
23 used by the State to protect an individual against the
24 unauthorized disclosure of his or her social security number
25 when the State requires the individual to provide his or her
26 social security number to an officer or agency of the State;
27 and be it further

28 RESOLVED, That the task force shall report its findings and
29 recommendations to the Governor, the Attorney General, the
30 Secretary of State, and the General Assembly no later than
31 March 15, 2005.