



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The quality of life and the economic success of  
3 Illinois citizens and the State are increasingly tied to  
4 postsecondary degree attainment; and

5 WHEREAS, A majority of current undergraduate students  
6 attend more than one college or university, with dual  
7 enrollment and credit by examination becoming increasingly  
8 common among college students; and

9 WHEREAS, Integrating existing information tools for  
10 students, such as Illinois MENTOR operated by the Illinois  
11 Student Assistance Commission and the Course Applicability  
12 System funded by the Board of Higher Education, will assist in  
13 breaking down barriers for students and ease their transition  
14 from high school to college and their transfer from one college  
15 to another; and

16 WHEREAS, Information on college student preparation,  
17 participation, remediation, mobility, and performance is  
18 incomplete, not readily accessible, and not easily linked to  
19 other relevant education and workforce development data on a  
20 statewide basis; and

21 WHEREAS, The taxpayers of Illinois make large investments  
22 in the education of the State's citizens at all levels of  
23 instruction and should expect that educational institutions  
24 that benefit from State funds directly or indirectly will  
25 provide data to State policymakers that will allow them to  
26 evaluate educational policies and appropriate funds in the most  
27 beneficial manner for the State; therefore, be it

28 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
29 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
30 that the Board of Higher Education strengthen and expand the

1 existing shared enrollment data consortium to collect  
2 additional information on college student preparation,  
3 participation, mobility, and performance; maintain the data at  
4 a central location; and encourage participation by all Illinois  
5 institutions in the shared enrollment data consortium and the  
6 teacher data warehouse; and be it further

7       RESOLVED, That the Board of Higher Education collaborate  
8 with the Joint Education Committee to evaluate existing  
9 education and workforce data collection methods and databases  
10 and develop an integrated longitudinal data system that will  
11 provide educators and policymakers with the information needed  
12 to align curriculum and instruction at all levels and ensure  
13 that Illinois taxpayer resources are deployed most effectively  
14 to prepare Illinois students and workers to compete in the  
15 global economy; and be it further

16       RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
17 delivered to the Governor, the chairperson of the Board of  
18 Higher Education, the chairperson of the Illinois Community  
19 College Board, the chairperson of the Illinois Student  
20 Assistance Commission, and the chairperson of the State Board  
21 of Education.