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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Substance abuse has, for many years, been a significant problem among homeless persons; and

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WHEREAS, Meeting the needs of homeless persons with substance abuse problems presents unique challenges; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Department of Human Services' Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse shall develop a plan for the treatment of substance abuse among homeless persons; in developing the plan for the treatment of substance abuse among homeless persons, the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse shall assess the need for short term residential services, acute treatment services, transitional support services, outpatient services, day treatment services, long term residential services, supportive housing services, and any other needed services; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse shall obtain any needed information and assistance from the Department of Human Services and other State agencies as may be necessary to develop the plan, and other State agencies shall

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1 provide such information and assistance upon the Office's
2 request; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the Office's plan shall include, but need
4 not be limited to, the following:

5 (1) an estimate of the number of homeless persons in
6 need of substance abuse services, with information on the
7 number of persons in the various geographic areas of this
8 State;

9 (2) an assessment of the services currently in place in
10 the various geographic areas of this State and the adequacy
11 of those services in meeting the substance abuse service
12 needs of homeless persons;

13 (3) an estimate of the additional services needed in
14 the various geographic areas of this State to address the
15 currently unmet substance abuse service needs of homeless
16 persons;

17 (4) a timetable for addressing the currently unmet
18 substance abuse service needs of homeless persons; and

19 (5) such other information as the Office deems
20 appropriate; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of Human Services shall submit
22 the plan to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than
23 6 months after the adoption of this resolution; and be it
24 further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 delivered to the Secretary of Human Services.