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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The State of Illinois spent over \$11 billion on  
3 the Medicaid program in Fiscal Year 2007; and

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WHEREAS, The Department of Healthcare and Family Services  
5 (DHFS) is the single State agency ultimately responsible for  
6 the Medicaid program in Illinois and serves as the State source  
7 for submitting claims to the federal government and for  
8 receiving federal reimbursements; and

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WHEREAS, While DHFS is the primary State agency responsible  
11 for the expenditure and efficient and effective management of  
12 Medicaid funding, there are other State agencies that  
13 administer portions of the program, including but not limited  
14 to the Department of Human Services, the Department on Aging,  
15 the Department of Children and Family Services, the Department  
16 of Public Health, the University of Illinois, the Department of  
17 Corrections, and the State Board of Education; and

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WHEREAS, Audits, evaluations, and reviews of Medicaid  
18 expenditures and functions have been performed by various  
19 entities, including but not limited to the Illinois Auditor  
20 General, the Attorney General, the Illinois Office of Internal  
21 Audits, Illinois Inspectors General, the Illinois State Police  
22 Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, and entities responsible for

1 internal State agency integrity, quality control, and quality  
2 review functions; there also have been audits, evaluations, and  
3 reviews conducted by federal entities; and

4 WHEREAS, These audits, evaluations, and reviews of  
5 Medicaid expenditures and functions contained numerous  
6 findings and recommendations for management of State agencies  
7 to consider to improve the economy, efficiency, and  
8 effectiveness of the Medicaid program; and

9 WHEREAS, Timely and appropriate action by State agency  
10 management is essential to resolving these findings and  
11 recommendations and thereby improving the economy, efficiency,  
12 and effectiveness of the Medicaid program; and

13 WHEREAS, Given the current financial condition of the State  
14 and the need to make the most efficient and effective use of  
15 limited State resources, knowing the status of the various  
16 findings and recommendations could assist members of the  
17 General Assembly and the Governor's Office in their  
18 decision-making process; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
20 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
21 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the Auditor General is directed  
22 to follow up on the status of findings and recommendations from

1 audits, evaluations, and reviews of the Illinois Medicaid  
2 program and expenditures that have been conducted by State and  
3 federal agencies since 2005; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the follow-up shall include, but not be  
5 limited to, the following determinations:

6 (1) What audits, evaluations, and reviews have been  
7 conducted;

8 (2) What the response of agency management was to those  
9 reports; and

10 (3) Whether the recommendations have been timely  
11 implemented by management of the State agencies  
12 responsible for these Medicaid functions; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That the Department of Healthcare and Family  
14 Services, the Department of Human Services, the Department on  
15 Aging, the Department of Public Health, the State Board of  
16 Education, the Department of Corrections, the Department of  
17 Children and Family Services, the University of Illinois, the  
18 Office of the Attorney General, the Illinois State Police, and  
19 any other agency, entity, or person that may have information  
20 relevant to this follow-up shall cooperate fully and promptly  
21 with the Auditor General's Office; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the Auditor General shall commence this  
23 follow-up as soon as possible and report his findings and

1 recommendations upon completion in accordance with the  
2 provisions of Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act;  
3 and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
5 delivered to each of the following: the Auditor General; the  
6 Attorney General; the Governor; the heads of each of the  
7 following State agencies: the Department of Healthcare and  
8 Family Services, the Department of Human Services, the  
9 Department on Aging, the Department of Public Health, the  
10 Department of Corrections, the Department of Children and  
11 Family Services, and the Department of State Police; the State  
12 Superintendent of Education; and the Board of Trustees of the  
13 University of Illinois.