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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The City of Chicago currently imposes an 8%  
3 personal property lease transaction tax on certain car rentals  
4 within the City and within the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane,  
5 Lake, McHenry, and Will; and

6           WHEREAS, Under a recent ruling by the City's Department of  
7 Revenue, it is presumed that the rental is subject to the  
8 City's transaction tax if a suburban car rental company does  
9 not maintain written records, including a photocopy of the  
10 lessee's driver's license or other residency documentation, or  
11 if the lessee resides in Chicago or is staying a local visiting  
12 address in the City; this presumption can be rebutted only by a  
13 sworn affidavit signed by the lessee and certifying that he or  
14 she will not be spending more than 50% of his or her time in  
15 Chicago during the rental period; and

16           WHEREAS, This practice is a burden on suburban drivers and  
17 businesses; and

18           WHEREAS, It is wrong for the City of Chicago to attempt to  
19 balance its \$50.5 million budget gap on the backs of suburban  
20 drivers, many of whom may not be using city roads and services;  
21 therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
2           NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
3           urge the City of Chicago to cease its attempts to collect this  
4           transaction tax on non-city residents in suburban areas; and be  
5           it further

6           RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
7           presented to the Mayor of the City of Chicago and the Director  
8           of the Department of Revenue of the City of Chicago.