

July 24, 2009

To the Honorable Members of the
Illinois Senate
96th General Assembly

I hereby return Senate Bill 231 with my specific recommendation for changes. I thank the sponsors for their hard work on this legislation. This bill addresses the important issue of medical assistance during periods of incarceration or detention. I believe that effectively addressing this issue requires the full cooperation from Departments of Juvenile Justice, Corrections, Healthcare and Family Services and Human Services.

Therefore, pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(e) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return Senate Bill 231, entitled "AN ACT concerning persons with disabilities.", with the following specific recommendations for change:

on page 2, by replacing line 21 with "Counties, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Human Services, and the"; and

on page 2, by replacing line 23 with "in administering this Section. That cooperation shall include managing eligibility processing and"; and

on page 3, by replacing lines 1 through 3 with "incarcerated"; and

on page 3, line 16, by replacing "July 1, 2010" with "December 31, 2011".

With these changes, Senate Bill 231 will have my approval. I respectfully request your concurrence.

Sincerely,

PAT QUINN
Governor