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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, In 2013, over 107,000 vehicles were tested by  
3 Illinois's emissions testing program; and

4 WHEREAS, \$16,000,000 was spent on administering Illinois's  
5 emissions testing program by the Illinois Environmental  
6 Protection Agency and the Secretary of State and \$14,000,000 on  
7 a private contractor to conduct the testing, for a total of  
8 \$30,000,000 being spent in just 3 regions of the State -  
9 Chicago, the collar counties, and the Metro East St. Louis  
10 area; and

11 WHEREAS, Illinois will spend an estimated total of  
12 \$240,000,000 to conduct vehicle emissions testing throughout  
13 the upcoming 8-year contract effective April 1, 2015; this  
14 averages out to an estimated \$280.00 per test in 2013 when  
15 including the cost to administer and conduct the testing; and

16 WHEREAS, The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency is  
17 currently taking bids from private contractors ready to sign an  
18 8-year contract with the State to conduct emissions testing  
19 effective May 1, 2015; and

20 WHEREAS, 20 other states have de-centralized their  
21 emissions testing program; only 2 other states, Washington and

1 New Jersey, have similar testing programs such as Illinois;  
2 therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
4 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
5 we that we urge the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to  
6 eliminate the vehicle emissions testing program when the  
7 current contract expires March 31, 2015; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, We also urge the Illinois Environmental  
9 Protection Agency not to enter into a new contract nor renew  
10 any previous contract; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
12 delivered to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
13 Director Lisa Bonnett, Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White,  
14 and Illinois Governor Pat Quinn.