

August 17, 2009

To the Honorable Members of the House of Representatives,  
96<sup>th</sup> General Assembly:

I hereby return House Bill 1098 with my specific recommendations for change. This is a meritorious bill, and I commend the sponsors of the legislation for their hard work on this issue. I particularly want to salute Representative McCarthy for his sincere advocacy.

While I support the fundamental concept embodied in this bill, there is an important change I am compelled to make. Implementing this bill for Fiscal Year 2010 would strain our already strained state budget. Accordingly, I propose to make these changes effective for Fiscal Year 2011 instead of Fiscal Year 2010.

Therefore, pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(e) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 1098, entitled "AN ACT concerning government." with the following specific recommendations for change:

on page 4, line 7, by replacing "2010" with "2011"; and

on page 4, line 10, by replacing "2008" with "2009"; and

on page 4, line 13, by replacing "2009" with "2010".

With these changes, House Bill 1098 will have my approval.

Sincerely,

PAT QUINN  
Governor