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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, On September 10, 2018, the Department of Human Services (DHS) published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Independent Service Coordination (ISC) Program; and

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WHEREAS, According to the NOFO, "Independent Service Coordination (ISC) agencies serve as the primary connection between individuals (and guardians) who are seeking or receiving developmental disability services and the Illinois Department of Human Services' Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) ... These service coordination activities are critical contributions to a comprehensive system of high-quality services for individuals with developmental disabilities."; and

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WHEREAS, DHS planned for the selected applicants to commence services for assigned service areas on July 1, 2019, at an anticipated FY 2020 cost of \$38,134,100 in general revenue funds; and

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WHEREAS, In conjunction with the NOFO, DHS took the opportunity to adjust service area boundaries, reducing the number of service delivery areas from 17 to 12; and

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WHEREAS, As a result of the competitive application for

1 funding process, a total of eight bidding agencies were
2 selected to provide ISC services effective July 1, 2019; and

3 WHEREAS, Concerns about the NOFO process and award
4 decisions have been raised by interested parties; therefore, be
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6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
7 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
8 the Auditor General is directed to conduct a management audit
9 of the Department of Human Services' process for selecting
10 Independent Service Coordination agencies for the Fiscal Year
11 commencing July 1, 2019; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the audit include, but not be limited to,
13 the following determinations:

14 (1) Whether all aspects of the competitive funding
15 process were conducted in accordance with applicable laws,
16 rules, regulations, and policies;

17 (2) Whether the evaluative criteria guiding DHS's
18 selection of ISC agencies were adequate and uniformly
19 applied;

20 (3) Whether decisions concerning the selection of
21 successful bidding agencies were adequately supported and
22 documented;

23 (4) Whether decisions concerning the resolution of

1 protests were adequately supported and documented; and
2 (5) Whether the competitive funding process was
3 adequately planned to allow reasonable time frames for
4 response by bidding agencies, review of responses by DHS,
5 and implementation of the transition of ISC services from
6 unsuccessful to successful bidding agencies; and be it
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8 RESOLVED, That DHS and any other State agency or other
9 entity that may have relevant information pertaining to this
10 audit cooperate fully and promptly with the Auditor General's
11 Office in the conduct of this audit; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the Auditor General commence this audit as
13 soon as possible and report his findings and recommendations
14 upon completion in accordance with the provisions of Section
15 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
17 delivered to the Auditor General and DHS.