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Sustain Line Item and Reduction Vetoes: SB 2332, SB 2409, SB 2474

Approximately \$70 million in taxpayer savings through closures and consolidations in FY 13

The Governor's facility closures and consolidations will produce several efficiencies in State government:

Tamms:

- Current population 244. Operational capacity 753.
- Has an annual per inmate cost of \$62,000 (or more than three times the state average).
- Located within 40 miles of two other facilities (Shawnee and Vienna).
- Closing Tamms will save taxpayers \$21.2 million in FY 13 and \$26.6 million in FY 14.

Dwight:

- The number of female offenders entering the prison system has declined 41% over the past several years.
- Female offenders account for only 6% of total population.
- Buildings and cottages opened in 1930 require significant capital upgrades to remain operational.
- Critical maintenance requirements total \$11.6 million. Repairs needed include roofing repairs, water treatment facility upgrades, building rehabilitations, and shower repairs.
- Nearby facilities include Pontiac (22 miles), Stateville (45 miles), and Sheridan (45 miles).
- Closing Dwight will save taxpayers approximately \$27.7 million in FY 13 and \$36 million annually.

Adult Transition Centers:

- Closing ATCs (Westside Chicago, Decatur, and Southern Illinois) will save taxpayers \$7.4 million annually.

IYC Joliet:

- Physical structure is the least rehabilitative (most like an adult prison) in the system.
- Only houses 191 youths (with facility capacity at 296). 109 of the youth are Cook County parole violators.
- Closing IYC Joliet will save taxpayers \$19.7 million annually.

IYC Murphysboro:

- The facility is completely empty except for staff.
- Closing IYC Murphysboro will save taxpayers approximately \$7.8 million annually.

Centralia:

- Due to severe drought conditions in the area, essential crop testing and toxicology work will continue at the lab until further notice.
- The Animal Disease Laboratory will be consolidated with the Galesburg Animal Disease Laboratory, resulting in improved efficiency and reduced personnel expenses and costs of contractual services, utilities, and maintenance.
- Galesburg laboratory is a Biosecurity Level Three Lab and can test for dangerous toxic materials such as anthrax (unlike Centralia).
- Consolidating Centralia and Galesburg facilities will save taxpayers \$1.1 million annually.

Priorities:

The FY 13 budget reduces general fund appropriations for DCFS by \$106 million from FY 12 and funding for K-12 Education by \$210 million. These scarce resources that the Governor vetoed out of the budget would be put to much better use by providing necessary resources to protect children and invest in our future than keeping half full or outdated institutions open for the full fiscal year.