



**SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS**

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IN THE OFFICE OF  
SECRETARY OF STATE

**EXECUTIVE ORDER**

**09-14**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF TAXPAYER'S SUNSHINE COMMISSION**

**WHEREAS**, as Governor of the State of Illinois, it is my duty to ensure accountability, transparency and efficiency in the State's operations; and

**WHEREAS**, streamlining, restructuring and economization are essential to any effort to solve our budgetary problems; and

**WHEREAS**, innovative solutions resulting from the input of a diverse group of individuals with expertise in both private and public sectors will enhance the executive's and legislature's efficiencies in government; and

**WHEREAS**, the Taxpayer Action Board's report on efficiencies in government is a prototype for future public/private colloquies on challenging questions of policy; and

**WHEREAS**, a Commission is needed to continue to explore these recommendations on a long-term basis drawing up the expertise of citizen-leaders from outside government; and

**THEREFORE**, I, Pat Quinn, Governor of Illinois, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Article V of the Illinois State Constitution of 1970, hereby order as follows:

**I. CREATION**

There is hereby created the Illinois Taxpayer's Sunshine Commission (hereinafter "Commission") as an independent advisory body having the duties set forth in this document, with respect to the Office of the Governor.

**II. PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Commission is to conduct a thorough and ongoing review of all State's operations to identify responsible manner. The Commission shall:

- a. Conduct a thorough review of state executive branch programs with respect to the relevance, efficiency, and effectiveness in obtaining the results required by, or achieving the goals expressed in each program's enacting legislation; and
- b. Propose, as it deems appropriate, amendments to existing law or new legislation, as well as other policy or operational reforms, which will improve the State's operations; and
- c. Submit, not later than November 1, 2009, a written report outlining its review and recommendations to the People of Illinois and to the Governor, including

- I. Elimination of obsolete or ineffective programs;
- II. Consolidation of duplicative programs;
- III. Steps to improve a program's efficiency or effectiveness.

**III. MEMBERSHIP**

The Commission shall be composed of a Chairperson and at least 12 Commissioners. The Chairperson and the Commission members shall be appointed by the Governor. The chairperson and members of the Commission shall serve without compensation.

**IV. TRANSPARENCY**

In addition to whatever policies or procedures it may adopt, all operations of the Commission will be subject to the provisions of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.) and the Illinois Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.). This section shall not be construed so as to preclude other statutes from applying to the Commission and its activities.

**V. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Order shall take effect immediately upon its execution.



Pat Quinn, Governor

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