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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Senate Revenue Committee members  
House Revenue Committee members

**FROM:** Illinois Education Association (IEA)  
Illinois Statewide Management Alliance (Alliance)  
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Large Unit District Association (LUDA)  
Legislative Education Network of DuPage (LEND)  
Illinois Federation of Teachers (IFT)  
South Cooperative Organization for Public Education (SCOPE)

**DATE:** March, 2010

**RE:** 2010 Proposed State Revenue or Property Tax Reductions

To date there have been numerous bills introduced in the General Assembly calling for an erosion of the state's tax base or an erosion of the local property tax base available for schools. While each of these bills individually may have merit, we have come together to oppose efforts to lessen the state's ability to generate the funds needed to fully fund public education, and to oppose any effort to erode the local property tax base essential for Illinois' schools.

Especially in this time of financial difficulty for the State of Illinois, school districts and our citizens urge you to hold the line on any further erosion of the state or local revenue base critical to providing quality education programs.