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# HOME REMODEL TAX: COUNTER TO REBUILDING ILLINOIS

## OPPOSE SERVICE TAX

As state lawmakers work to end the long-running state budget impasse, the Illinois Senate's "Grand Bargain" includes a proposed 6.25 percent sales tax on the repair and maintenance of homes in Illinois.

This proposed service tax on Illinois families and small businesses would be devastating:

## **\$47 MILLION DECLINE IN WORK FOR HOME REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE**

**\$43 Million less income for Illinois workers**

**521 fewer Illinois jobs**

**Nearly \$8 million less in local and state tax revenue**

### **ILLINOISANS ON FIXED INCOMES WILL SKIP HOME REPAIR**

Homeowners will face greater costs by putting off their needs

### **SMALL BUSINESSES WILL FACE CONFUSION**

Which products will be taxed for repairs versus installation?

### **GRAND BARGAIN TAX INCREASES HIT HARD**

Home builders will face income, home repair and other tax hikes

## A BETTER SOLUTION

A home repair and maintenance tax credit will raise more revenue, create jobs and beautify our neighborhoods



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# CONFUSION REIGNS WITH REMODEL TAX

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If Illinois approves the proposed 6.25 home repair tax and follows the Wisconsin model as proponents have suggested, prepare for a difficult, confusing road ahead:

### **NOT TAXED**

#### **INSTALLATION OF:**

AIR CONDITIONERS  
AWNINGS  
BATHROOM FIXTURES  
BURGLAR ALARM FIXTURES  
CARPETING  
CENTRAL VACUUM CLEANERS  
COUNTERS NOT IN BATHROOMS  
FAUCETS NOT IN BATHROOMS  
FURNACES  
HVAC UNITS  
PARTITIONS AFFIXED TO WALLS  
SINKS AND SUMP PUMPS  
WATER HEATERS AND WATER SOFTENERS

### **NOT TAXED FOR INSTALLATION OR REPAIR**

COMPUTER ROOM FLOORS  
CERAMIC TILE  
DOORS  
FLOORS  
LINOLEUM COVERING FLOOR  
ROOFS  
SECURITY CAMERAS

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### **TAXED FOR INSTALLATION AND REPAIR**

DRAPES  
SHADES  
HOME THEATER RECEIVERS  
WALL-MOUNTED SCREENS  
FREE-STANDING SPEAKERS  
TVS  
SPEAKER WIRING