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STATEMENT FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL MADIGAN'S OFFICE ON PENSION LAWSUIT RULING***Attorney General's Office Plans to Appeal Immediately to Illinois Supreme Court***

Chicago — The Office of Attorney General Lisa Madigan issued the following statement in response to the Sangamon County Circuit Court's ruling in the pension reform litigation by Judge John Belz:

"We plan to immediately appeal the decision to the Illinois Supreme Court so that we can obtain a final resolution of these important issues and allow the Governor and General Assembly to take any necessary action. We will ask the Court to expedite the appeal given the significant impact that a final decision in this case will have on the state's fiscal condition."

The court's decision is [attached](#) for reference.

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