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Ford Calls for Restructuring of Illinois Tax Code

CHICAGO- State Rep. La Shawn K Ford, D-Chicago, calls for the restructuring of the Tax Code of Illinois. This comes after newly inaugurated Governor Bruce Rauner stated that fixing the state's financial problems would require sacrifice.

"We have to be mindful that Democrats and Republicans have worked together to cut wasteful spending in Springfield," said Ford. "We still have work to do to improve Illinois' financial health. This will mean that Democrats and Republicans must share the political sacrifices necessary to reduce wasteful spending and restructure Illinois' tax code for more revenue."

In his inaugural speech today, Governor Rauner spoke about the need for sacrifice by everyone. "Sacrifice by all of us — politicians and interest groups, business and labor, those who pay for government and those who depend on government's services and need us and who we need to support," said Governor Rauner. "Each person here today and all those throughout the state will be called upon to share in the sacrifice so that one day we can again share in Illinois' prosperity."

Ford acknowledges that people in the Eighth District are willing to help share the sacrifice, but Ford stresses that people in higher tax brackets should have to share the sacrifice in a fair manner.

"Every day working families do not have the luxury to continue their struggle in our great state. We must find a way to make Illinois a fair tax state," said Ford.

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