



News From
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Reboletti: Governor Removed from Office

Addison, IL ... State Representative Dennis Reboletti (R-Elmhurst) applauds the Illinois Senate's recent vote to impeach Democrat Governor Rod Blagojevich for abuse of power and federal corruption charges.

"Finally justice has been served for a man who disregarded the needs of Illinois families for so many years. Instead of working for the people who elected him, Rod Blagojevich abused the power of the Governor's office by bringing political greed into Illinois government," said Reboletti, who served as an alternate to the House Impeachment Committee.

During the week-long trial, the Senate heard testimony from FBI agent Daniel Cain regarding the criminal affidavit and the Governor's recorded phone calls where he discussed a pay-to-play scheme involving horse racing legislation in exchange for a campaign contribution.

The impeachable offenses considered by the Senate included attempting to sell the vacant U.S. Senate seat of President Obama for personal gain; attempting to withhold state money for Children's Memorial Hospital for a campaign contribution; expanding the state's healthcare system without legislative approval; bribing the Chicago Tribune Company; and using state deals to get campaign contributions.

"Without the distraction of Blagojevich's political gamesmanship, the General Assembly can finally get to work on Illinois' pressing issues such as budget reform, high unemployment rate and backlogged Medicaid bills," said Reboletti.

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