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**Statement from Democratic Candidate for Illinois Comptroller
Susana Mendoza in response to the Stopgap Budget**

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"Today, the General Assembly and the Governor were able to come together and pass a stopgap budget and education funding. Families across the state can be relieved that their schools will open this fall. Social service agencies can continue to provide vital services. But since our current Comptroller's office is a wholly owned subsidiary of the governor's office, we haven't had an independent watchdog to take on the status quo and push for fixes to our broken budget. This same deal could have and should have passed months ago."

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