

SB0741



100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 1/30/2017, by Sen. Emil Jones, III

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2310/2310-650

Amends the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department of Public Health may require certified local health departments and any facility licensed by the Department (currently, may require any facility licensed by the Department) to implement an influenza vaccination program that ensures that the health care personnel of the facility are vaccinated against specified influenza viruses (currently, are offered the opportunity to be vaccinated against specified influenza viruses). Provides that the Department may adopt rules that make exceptions for employees who may be exempt from influenza vaccination program requirements. Provides that general philosophical or moral reluctance to influenza vaccinations is not a sufficient basis for an exemption to statutory requirements. Provides that medical exemptions shall be consistent with current guidelines issued by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. Provides that nothing in provisions concerning an influenza vaccination program prohibits certified local health departments and any facility licensed by the Department from implementing more stringent influenza vaccination policies, strategies, or programs, including a mandatory health care personnel influenza vaccination program, designed to improve health care personnel vaccination rates that are consistent with existing law and rules. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of Public Health Powers and
5 Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is
6 amended by changing Section 2310-650 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2310/2310-650)

8 Sec. 2310-650. Influenza vaccination program. The
9 Department of Public Health may require certified local health
10 departments and any facility licensed by the Department to
11 implement an influenza vaccination program that ensures that
12 the health care personnel ~~employees~~ of the facility are ~~offered~~
13 ~~the opportunity to be~~ vaccinated against seasonal influenza and
14 any other novel or pandemic influenza viruses as vaccines
15 become available. The Department may adopt rules setting forth
16 the requirements of the influenza vaccination program, along
17 with exceptions for employees who may be exempt from this
18 requirement. General philosophical or moral reluctance to
19 influenza vaccinations is not a sufficient basis for an
20 exemption to statutory requirements. Medical exemptions shall
21 be consistent with current guidelines issued by the Centers for
22 Disease Control and Prevention.

23 Nothing in this Section prohibits certified local health

1 departments and any facility licensed by the Department from
2 implementing more stringent influenza vaccination policies,
3 strategies, or programs, including a mandatory health care
4 personnel influenza vaccination program, designed to improve
5 health care personnel vaccination rates that are consistent
6 with existing law and rules.

7 (Source: P.A. 96-823, eff. 11-25-09.)

8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
9 becoming law.