

AN ACT concerning aging.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Act on the Aging is amended by
adding Section 4.07 as follows:

(20 ILCS 105/4.07 new)

Sec. 4.07. Home-delivered meals. Every citizen of the State of Illinois who qualifies for home-delivered meals under the federal Older Americans Act shall be provided services, subject to appropriation. The Department shall file a report with the General Assembly and the Illinois Council on Aging by January 1 of each year. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the following information: (i) estimates, by county, of citizens denied service due to insufficient funds during the preceding fiscal year and the potential impact on service delivery of any additional funds appropriated for the current fiscal year; (ii) geographic areas and special populations unserved and underserved in the preceding fiscal year; (iii) estimates of additional funds needed to permit the full funding of the program and the statewide provision of services in the next fiscal year, including staffing and equipment needed to prepare and deliver meals; (iv) recommendations for increasing the amount of federal funding captured for the program; (v) recommendations for serving unserved and underserved areas and special populations, to include rural areas, dietetic meals, weekend meals, and 2 or more meals per day; and (vi) any other information needed to assist the General Assembly and the Illinois Council on Aging in developing a plan to address unserved and underserved areas of the State.