



## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2017 and 2018

HB5538

by Rep. Robyn Gabel

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 1705/76 new

Amends the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Administrative Act. Requires the Department of Human Services to create a program to select people listed on the Department's Prioritization of the Urgency of Need of Services (PUNS) database to receive housing and community-based support services. Provides that by June 30, 2022, no less than 50% of the persons selected from the PUNS database shall qualify for or receive community-based support services under the State's Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (State's Waiver Program); and no less than 50% of the persons selected from the PUNS database shall qualify for or receive both housing and community-based support services funded by the Department. Provides that by June 30, 2022, the Department shall fully eliminate the 8-person community-integrated living arrangements model as a housing option for persons eligible for services under the State's Waiver program and shall instead implement a flexible housing model, as defined by the Department by rule, that utilizes a needs-based sliding scale to determine a person's eligibility and placement for housing. Contains provisions concerning reporting requirements. Provides that implementation of the provisions shall be contingent on the receipt of all necessary federal approvals.

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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 Mental Health and Developmental  
5 Disabilities Administrative Act is amended by adding Section 76  
6 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 1705/76 new)

8 Sec. 76. Equity in housing and support services.

9 (a) The Department of Human Services shall create a program  
10 to select people listed on the Department's Prioritization of  
11 the Urgency of Need of Services (PUNS) database to receive  
12 housing and community-based support services. By June 30, 2022,  
13 no less than 50% of the persons selected from the PUNS database  
14 shall qualify for or receive community-based support services  
15 under the State's Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for  
16 Persons with Developmental Disabilities. By June 30, 2022, no  
17 less than 50% of the persons selected from the PUNS database  
18 shall qualify for or receive both housing and community-based  
19 support services funded by the Department.

20 (b) By June 30, 2022, the Department shall fully eliminate  
21 the 8-person community-integrated living arrangements model as  
22 a housing option for persons eligible for services under the  
23 State's Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Persons

1 with Developmental Disabilities and shall instead implement a  
2 flexible housing model, as defined by the Department by rule.  
3 The flexible housing model shall utilize a needs-based sliding  
4 scale to determine a person's eligibility and placement for  
5 housing. The Department may adopt any rules necessary to  
6 implement the provisions of this subsection.

7 (c) The Department of Human Services, in collaboration with  
8 the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and any other  
9 interested State agencies, shall submit a report to the General  
10 Assembly on May 31, 2019, and each May 31 thereafter, that  
11 details the Department's progress in implementing the  
12 requirements under subsections (a) and (b).

13 (d) The Department, in collaboration with the Department of  
14 Healthcare and Family Services, shall apply for any federal  
15 waivers or approvals necessary to implement the provisions of  
16 this Section. Implementation of this Section shall be  
17 contingent upon the receipt of all necessary federal approvals.