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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 3115

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 3115 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
5 changing Section 12-4.11 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/12-4.11) (from Ch. 23, par. 12-4.11)

7 Sec. 12-4.11. Grant amounts. The Department, with due
8 regard for and subject to budgetary limitations, shall
9 establish grant amounts for each of the programs, by
10 regulation. The grant amounts may vary by program, size of
11 assistance unit and geographic area. Grant amounts under the
12 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program may not
13 vary on the basis of a TANF recipient's county of residence.

14 Aid payments shall not be reduced except: (1) for changes
15 in the cost of items included in the grant amounts, or (2) for
16 changes in the expenses of the recipient, or (3) for changes in

1 the income or resources available to the recipient, or (4) for
2 changes in grants resulting from adoption of a consolidated
3 grant amount.

4 The maximum benefit levels provided to TANF recipients
5 shall increase as follows: beginning October 1, 2018, the
6 Department of Human Services shall increase TANF grant amounts
7 in effect on September 30, 2018 to at least 30% of the most
8 recent United States Department of Health and Human Services
9 Federal Poverty Guidelines for each family size.

10 TANF grants for child-only assistance units shall be at
11 least 75% of TANF grants for assistance units of the same size
12 that consist of a caretaker relative with children.

13 ~~Subject to appropriation, beginning on July 1, 2008, the~~
14 ~~Department of Human Services shall increase TANF grant amounts~~
15 ~~in effect on June 30, 2008 by 15%. The Department is authorized~~
16 ~~to administer this increase but may not otherwise adopt any~~
17 ~~rule to implement this increase.~~

18 In fixing standards to govern payments or reimbursements
19 for funeral and burial expenses, the Department shall establish
20 a minimum allowable amount of not less than \$1,000 for
21 Department payment of funeral services and not less than \$500
22 for Department payment of burial or cremation services. On
23 January 1, 2006, July 1, 2006, and July 1, 2007, the Department
24 shall increase the minimum reimbursement amount for funeral and
25 burial expenses under this Section by a percentage equal to the
26 percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban

1 Consumers, if any, during the 12 months immediately preceding
2 that January 1 or July 1. In establishing the minimum allowable
3 amount, the Department shall take into account the services
4 essential to a dignified, low-cost (i) funeral and (ii) burial
5 or cremation, including reasonable amounts that may be
6 necessary for burial space and cemetery charges, and any
7 applicable taxes or other required governmental fees or
8 charges. If no person has agreed to pay the total cost of the
9 (i) funeral and (ii) burial or cremation charges, the
10 Department shall pay the vendor the actual costs of the (i)
11 funeral and (ii) burial or cremation, or the minimum allowable
12 amount for each service as established by the Department,
13 whichever is less, provided that the Department reduces its
14 payments by the amount available from the following sources:
15 the decedent's assets and available resources and the
16 anticipated amounts of any death benefits available to the
17 decedent's estate, and amounts paid and arranged to be paid by
18 the decedent's legally responsible relatives. A legally
19 responsible relative is expected to pay (i) funeral and (ii)
20 burial or cremation expenses unless financially unable to do
21 so.

22 Nothing contained in this Section or in any other Section
23 of this Code shall be construed to prohibit the Illinois
24 Department (1) from consolidating existing standards on the
25 basis of any standards which are or were in effect on, or
26 subsequent to July 1, 1969, or (2) from employing any

1 consolidated standards in determining need for public aid and
2 the amount of money payment or grant for individual recipients
3 or recipient families.

4 (Source: P.A. 95-744, eff. 7-18-08; 95-1055, eff. 4-10-09;
5 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10.)

6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
7 becoming law."