



## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

**HB5442**

by Rep. Gregory Harris

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Health Care Affordability Act. Requires the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, in consultation with the Department of Insurance, to conduct a feasibility study to explore options to make health insurance more affordable for Illinois residents. The study shall follow best practices by other states to establish an Illinois-specific actuarial and economic analysis of demographic and market dynamics. Provides that the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, in consultation with the Department of Insurance, shall develop and submit a proposal to the General Assembly and the Governor concerning the design, costs, benefits, and implementation of a State option for health care coverage that leverages existing State infrastructure.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning health.

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

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Health  
5 Care Affordability Act.

6 Section 5. Feasibility study. The Department of Healthcare  
7 and Family Services, in consultation with the Department of  
8 Insurance, shall conduct a feasibility study to explore options  
9 to make health insurance more affordable for Illinois  
10 residents. The study shall follow best practices by other  
11 states to establish an Illinois-specific actuarial and  
12 economic analysis of demographic and market dynamics. The  
13 Department of Healthcare and Family Services, in consultation  
14 with the Department of Insurance, shall develop and submit a  
15 proposal to the General Assembly and the Governor concerning  
16 the design, costs, benefits, and implementation of a State  
17 option for health care coverage that leverages existing State  
18 infrastructure.