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AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 115

AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 115 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following:

"Section 5. The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act is amended by changing Section 32.5 as follows:

(210 ILCS 50/32.5)

Sec. 32.5. Freestanding Emergency Center.

(a) The Department shall issue an annual Freestanding Emergency Center (FEC) license to any facility that has received a permit from the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to establish a Freestanding Emergency Center by January 1, 2015, and:

(1) is located: (A) in a municipality with a population of 50,000 or fewer inhabitants; (B) within 50 miles of the hospital that owns or controls the FEC; and (C) within 50 miles of the Resource Hospital affiliated with the FEC as

part of the EMS System;

(2) is wholly owned or controlled by an Associate or Resource Hospital, but is not a part of the hospital's physical plant;

(3) meets the standards for licensed FECs, adopted by rule of the Department, including, but not limited to:

(A) facility design, specification, operation, and maintenance standards;

(B) equipment standards; and

(C) the number and qualifications of emergency medical personnel and other staff, which must include at least one board certified emergency physician present at the FEC 24 hours per day.

(4) limits its participation in the EMS System strictly to receiving a limited number of patients by ambulance: (A) according to the FEC's 24-hour capabilities; (B) according to protocols developed by the Resource Hospital within the FEC's designated EMS System; and (C) as pre-approved by both the EMS Medical Director and the Department;

(5) provides comprehensive emergency treatment services, as defined in the rules adopted by the Department pursuant to the Hospital Licensing Act, 24 hours per day, on an outpatient basis;

(6) provides an ambulance and maintains on site ambulance services staffed with paramedics 24 hours per day;

(7) (blank);

(8) complies with all State and federal patient rights provisions, including, but not limited to, the Emergency Medical Treatment Act and the federal Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act;

(9) maintains a communications system that is fully integrated with its Resource Hospital within the FEC's designated EMS System;

(10) reports to the Department any patient transfers from the FEC to a hospital within 48 hours of the transfer plus any other data determined to be relevant by the Department;

(11) submits to the Department, on a quarterly basis, the FEC's morbidity and mortality rates for patients treated at the FEC and other data determined to be relevant by the Department;

(12) does not describe itself or hold itself out to the general public as a full service hospital or hospital emergency department in its advertising or marketing activities;

(13) complies with any other rules adopted by the Department under this Act that relate to FECs;

(14) passes the Department's site inspection for compliance with the FEC requirements of this Act;

(15) submits a copy of the permit issued by the Health Facilities and Services Review Board indicating that the

facility has complied with the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act with respect to the health services to be provided at the facility;

(16) submits an application for designation as an FEC in a manner and form prescribed by the Department by rule; and

(17) pays the annual license fee as determined by the Department by rule.

(a-5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, the Department may issue an annual FEC license to a facility that is located in a county that does not have a licensed general acute care hospital if the facility's application for a permit from the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board has been deemed complete by the Department of Public Health by January 1, 2014 and if the facility complies with the requirements set forth in paragraphs (1) through (17) of subsection (a).

(a-7) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, the Department may issue an annual FEC license to a facility that (i) is located in a county having a population of more than 3,000,000 and (ii) was approved to discontinue operations as a hospital by the Health Facilities and Services Review Board in calendar year 2019 under Health Facilities and Services Review Board project number E-024-19, if the facility complies with the requirements set forth in paragraphs (1) through (17) of subsection (a).

(a-10) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, the Department may issue an annual FEC license to a facility if the facility has, by January 1, 2014, filed a letter of intent to establish an FEC and if the facility complies with the requirements set forth in paragraphs (1) through (17) of subsection (a).

(a-15) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, the Department shall issue an annual FEC license to a facility if the facility: (i) discontinues operation as a hospital within 180 days after December 4, 2015 (the effective date of Public Act 99-490) ~~this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly~~ with a Health Facilities and Services Review Board project number of E-017-15; (ii) has an application for a permit to establish an FEC from the Health Facilities and Services Review Board that is deemed complete by January 1, 2017; and (iii) complies with the requirements set forth in paragraphs (1) through (17) of subsection (a) of this Section.

(a-20) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, the Department shall issue an annual FEC license to a facility if:

(1) the facility is a hospital that has discontinued inpatient hospital services;

(2) the Department of Healthcare and Family Services has certified the conversion to an FEC was approved by the Hospital Transformation Review Committee as a project subject to the hospital's transformation under subsection

(d-5) of Section 14-12 of the Illinois Public Aid Code;

(3) the facility complies with the requirements set forth in paragraphs (1) through (17), provided however that the FEC may be located in a municipality with a population greater than 50,000 inhabitants and shall not be subject to the requirements of the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act that are applicable to the conversion to an FEC if the Department of Healthcare and Family Services ~~Service~~ has certified the conversion to an FEC was approved by the Hospital Transformation Review Committee as a project subject to the hospital's transformation under subsection (d-5) of Section 14-12 of the Illinois Public Aid Code; and

(4) the facility is located at the same physical location where the facility served as a hospital.

(b) The Department shall:

(1) annually inspect facilities of initial FEC applicants and licensed FECs, and issue annual licenses to or annually relicense FECs that satisfy the Department's licensure requirements as set forth in subsection (a);

(2) suspend, revoke, refuse to issue, or refuse to renew the license of any FEC, after notice and an opportunity for a hearing, when the Department finds that the FEC has failed to comply with the standards and requirements of the Act or rules adopted by the Department under the Act;

(3) issue an Emergency Suspension Order for any FEC when the Director or his or her designee has determined that the continued operation of the FEC poses an immediate and serious danger to the public health, safety, and welfare. An opportunity for a hearing shall be promptly initiated after an Emergency Suspension Order has been issued; and

(4) adopt rules as needed to implement this Section.

(Source: P.A. 99-490, eff. 12-4-15; 99-710, eff. 8-5-16; 100-581, eff. 3-12-18; revised 7-23-19.)

Section 10. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by changing Section 14-12 as follows:

(305 ILCS 5/14-12)

Sec. 14-12. Hospital rate reform payment system. The hospital payment system pursuant to Section 14-11 of this Article shall be as follows:

(a) Inpatient hospital services. Effective for discharges on and after July 1, 2014, reimbursement for inpatient general acute care services shall utilize the All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Grouping (APR-DRG) software, version 30, distributed by 3M™ Health Information System.

(1) The Department shall establish Medicaid weighting factors to be used in the reimbursement system established under this subsection. Initial weighting factors shall be

the weighting factors as published by 3M Health Information System, associated with Version 30.0 adjusted for the Illinois experience.

(2) The Department shall establish a statewide-standardized amount to be used in the inpatient reimbursement system. The Department shall publish these amounts on its website no later than 10 calendar days prior to their effective date.

(3) In addition to the statewide-standardized amount, the Department shall develop adjusters to adjust the rate of reimbursement for critical Medicaid providers or services for trauma, transplantation services, perinatal care, and Graduate Medical Education (GME).

(4) The Department shall develop add-on payments to account for exceptionally costly inpatient stays, consistent with Medicare outlier principles. Outlier fixed loss thresholds may be updated to control for excessive growth in outlier payments no more frequently than on an annual basis, but at least triennially. Upon updating the fixed loss thresholds, the Department shall be required to update base rates within 12 months.

(5) The Department shall define those hospitals or distinct parts of hospitals that shall be exempt from the APR-DRG reimbursement system established under this Section. The Department shall publish these hospitals' inpatient rates on its website no later than 10 calendar

days prior to their effective date.

(6) Beginning July 1, 2014 and ending on June 30, 2024, in addition to the statewide-standardized amount, the Department shall develop an adjustor to adjust the rate of reimbursement for safety-net hospitals defined in Section 5-5e.1 of this Code excluding pediatric hospitals.

(7) Beginning July 1, 2014 and ending on June 30, 2020, or upon implementation of inpatient psychiatric rate increases as described in subsection (n) of Section 5A-12.6, in addition to the statewide-standardized amount, the Department shall develop an adjustor to adjust the rate of reimbursement for Illinois freestanding inpatient psychiatric hospitals that are not designated as children's hospitals by the Department but are primarily treating patients under the age of 21.

(7.5) Beginning July 1, 2020, the reimbursement for inpatient psychiatric services shall be so that base claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to the funds allocated in paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of this subsection and paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (b) multiplied by 13%. Beginning July 1, 2022, the reimbursement for inpatient psychiatric services shall be so that base claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to the funds allocated in paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of Section

5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of this subsection and paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (b) multiplied by 13%. Beginning July 1, 2024, the reimbursement for inpatient psychiatric services shall be so that base claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to the funds allocated in paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of this subsection and paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (b) multiplied by 13%.

(8) Beginning July 1, 2018, in addition to the statewide-standardized amount, the Department shall adjust the rate of reimbursement for hospitals designated by the Department of Public Health as a Perinatal Level II or II+ center by applying the same adjustor that is applied to Perinatal and Obstetrical care cases for Perinatal Level III centers, as of December 31, 2017.

(9) Beginning July 1, 2018, in addition to the statewide-standardized amount, the Department shall apply the same adjustor that is applied to trauma cases as of December 31, 2017 to inpatient claims to treat patients with burns, including, but not limited to, APR-DRGs 841, 842, 843, and 844.

(10) Beginning July 1, 2018, the statewide-standardized amount for inpatient general acute care services shall be uniformly increased so that base

claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to the funds allocated in paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of this subsection and paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (b) multiplied by 40%. Beginning July 1, 2020, the statewide-standardized amount for inpatient general acute care services shall be uniformly increased so that base claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to the funds allocated in paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of this subsection and paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (b) multiplied by 40%. Beginning July 1, 2022, the statewide-standardized amount for inpatient general acute care services shall be uniformly increased so that base claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to the funds allocated in paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of this subsection and paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (b) multiplied by 40%. Beginning July 1, 2023 the statewide-standardized amount for inpatient general acute care services shall be uniformly increased so that base claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to the funds allocated in paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of this

subsection and paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (b) multiplied by 40%.

(11) Beginning July 1, 2018, the reimbursement for inpatient rehabilitation services shall be increased by the addition of a $96 per day add-on.

Beginning July 1, 2020, the reimbursement for inpatient rehabilitation services shall be uniformly increased so that the $96 per day add-on is increased by an amount equal to the funds allocated in paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of this subsection and paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (b) multiplied by 0.9%.

Beginning July 1, 2022, the reimbursement for inpatient rehabilitation services shall be uniformly increased so that the $96 per day add-on as adjusted by the July 1, 2020 increase, is increased by an amount equal to the funds allocated in paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of this subsection and paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (b) multiplied by 0.9%.

Beginning July 1, 2023, the reimbursement for inpatient rehabilitation services shall be uniformly increased so that the $96 per day add-on as adjusted by the July 1, 2022 increase, is increased by an amount equal to the funds allocated in paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of

Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of this subsection and paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (b) multiplied by 0.9%.

(b) Outpatient hospital services. Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2014, reimbursement for outpatient services shall utilize the Enhanced Ambulatory Procedure Grouping (EAPG) software, version 3.7 distributed by 3M™ Health Information System.

(1) The Department shall establish Medicaid weighting factors to be used in the reimbursement system established under this subsection. The initial weighting factors shall be the weighting factors as published by 3M Health Information System, associated with Version 3.7.

(2) The Department shall establish service specific statewide-standardized amounts to be used in the reimbursement system.

(A) The initial statewide standardized amounts, with the labor portion adjusted by the Calendar Year 2013 Medicare Outpatient Prospective Payment System wage index with reclassifications, shall be published by the Department on its website no later than 10 calendar days prior to their effective date.

(B) The Department shall establish adjustments to the statewide-standardized amounts for each Critical Access Hospital, as designated by the Department of Public Health in accordance with 42 CFR 485, Subpart F.

For outpatient services provided on or before June 30, 2018, the EAPG standardized amounts are determined separately for each critical access hospital such that simulated EAPG payments using outpatient base period paid claim data plus payments under Section 5A-12.4 of this Code net of the associated tax costs are equal to the estimated costs of outpatient base period claims data with a rate year cost inflation factor applied.

(3) In addition to the statewide-standardized amounts, the Department shall develop adjusters to adjust the rate of reimbursement for critical Medicaid hospital outpatient providers or services, including outpatient high volume or safety-net hospitals. Beginning July 1, 2018, the outpatient high volume adjustor shall be increased to increase annual expenditures associated with this adjustor by $79,200,000, based on the State Fiscal Year 2015 base year data and this adjustor shall apply to public hospitals, except for large public hospitals, as defined under 89 Ill. Adm. Code 148.25(a).

(4) Beginning July 1, 2018, in addition to the statewide standardized amounts, the Department shall make an add-on payment for outpatient expensive devices and drugs. This add-on payment shall at least apply to claim lines that: (i) are assigned with one of the following EAPGs: 490, 1001 to 1020, and coded with one of the following revenue codes: 0274 to 0276, 0278; or (ii) are

assigned with one of the following EAPGs: 430 to 441, 443, 444, 460 to 465, 495, 496, 1090. The add-on payment shall be calculated as follows: the claim line's covered charges multiplied by the hospital's total acute cost to charge ratio, less the claim line's EAPG payment plus $1,000, multiplied by 0.8.

(5) Beginning July 1, 2018, the statewide-standardized amounts for outpatient services shall be increased by a uniform percentage so that base claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to no less than the funds allocated in paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of subsection (a) and paragraphs (3) and (4) of this subsection multiplied by 46%. Beginning July 1, 2020, the statewide-standardized amounts for outpatient services shall be increased by a uniform percentage so that base claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to no less than the funds allocated in paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of subsection (a) and paragraphs (3) and (4) of this subsection multiplied by 46%. Beginning July 1, 2022, the statewide-standardized amounts for outpatient services shall be increased by a uniform percentage so that base claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to the funds allocated in paragraph (3) of subsection

(b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of subsection (a) and paragraphs (3) and (4) of this subsection multiplied by 46%. Beginning July 1, 2023, the statewide-standardized amounts for outpatient services shall be increased by a uniform percentage so that base claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to no less than the funds allocated in paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of subsection (a) and paragraphs (3) and (4) of this subsection multiplied by 46%.

(6) Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2018, the Department shall establish adjustments to the statewide-standardized amounts for each Critical Access Hospital, as designated by the Department of Public Health in accordance with 42 CFR 485, Subpart F, such that each Critical Access Hospital's standardized amount for outpatient services shall be increased by the applicable uniform percentage determined pursuant to paragraph (5) of this subsection. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the adjustments required under this paragraph (6) by Public Act 100-1181 ~~this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly~~ shall be applied retroactively to claims for dates of service provided on or after July 1, 2018.

(7) Effective for dates of service on or after March 8, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 100-1181) ~~this~~

~~amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly~~, the Department shall recalculate and implement an updated statewide-standardized amount for outpatient services provided by hospitals that are not Critical Access Hospitals to reflect the applicable uniform percentage determined pursuant to paragraph (5).

(1) Any recalculation to the statewide-standardized amounts for outpatient services provided by hospitals that are not Critical Access Hospitals shall be the amount necessary to achieve the increase in the statewide-standardized amounts for outpatient services increased by a uniform percentage, so that base claims projected reimbursement is increased by an amount equal to no less than the funds allocated in paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Section 5A-12.6, less the amount allocated under paragraphs (8) and (9) of subsection (a) and paragraphs (3) and (4) of this subsection, for all hospitals that are not Critical Access Hospitals, multiplied by 46%.

(2) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the recalculations required under this paragraph (7) by Public Act 100-1181 ~~this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly~~ shall be applied prospectively to claims for dates of service provided on or after March 8, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 100-1181) ~~this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly~~ and

that no recoupment or repayment by the Department or an MCO of payments attributable to recalculation under this paragraph (7), issued to the hospital for dates of service on or after July 1, 2018 and before March 8, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 100-1181) ~~this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly~~, shall be permitted.

(8) The Department shall ensure that all necessary adjustments to the managed care organization capitation base rates necessitated by the adjustments under subparagraph (6) or (7) of this subsection are completed and applied retroactively in accordance with Section 5-30.8 of this Code within 90 days of March 8, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 100-1181) ~~this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly~~.

(c) In consultation with the hospital community, the Department is authorized to replace 89 Ill. Admin. Code 152.150 as published in 38 Ill. Reg. 4980 through 4986 within 12 months of June 16, 2014 (the effective date of Public Act 98-651). If the Department does not replace these rules within 12 months of June 16, 2014 (the effective date of Public Act 98-651), the rules in effect for 152.150 as published in 38 Ill. Reg. 4980 through 4986 shall remain in effect until modified by rule by the Department. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to mandate that the Department file a replacement rule.

(d) Transition period. There shall be a transition period

to the reimbursement systems authorized under this Section that shall begin on the effective date of these systems and continue until June 30, 2018, unless extended by rule by the Department. To help provide an orderly and predictable transition to the new reimbursement systems and to preserve and enhance access to the hospital services during this transition, the Department shall allocate a transitional hospital access pool of at least $290,000,000 annually so that transitional hospital access payments are made to hospitals.

(1) After the transition period, the Department may begin incorporating the transitional hospital access pool into the base rate structure; however, the transitional hospital access payments in effect on June 30, 2018 shall continue to be paid, if continued under Section 5A-16.

(2) After the transition period, if the Department reduces payments from the transitional hospital access pool, it shall increase base rates, develop new adjustors, adjust current adjustors, develop new hospital access payments based on updated information, or any combination thereof by an amount equal to the decreases proposed in the transitional hospital access pool payments, ensuring that the entire transitional hospital access pool amount shall continue to be used for hospital payments.

(d-5) Hospital transformation program. The Department, in conjunction with the Hospital Transformation Review Committee created under subsection (d-5), shall develop a hospital

transformation program to provide financial assistance to hospitals in transforming their services and care models to better align with the needs of the communities they serve. The payments authorized in this Section shall be subject to approval by the federal government.

(1) Phase 1. In State fiscal years 2019 through 2020, the Department shall allocate funds from the transitional access hospital pool to create a hospital transformation pool of at least $262,906,870 annually and make hospital transformation payments to hospitals. Subject to Section 5A-16, in State fiscal years 2019 and 2020, an Illinois hospital that received either a transitional hospital access payment under subsection (d) or a supplemental payment under subsection (f) of this Section in State fiscal year 2018, shall receive a hospital transformation payment as follows:

(A) If the hospital's Rate Year 2017 Medicaid inpatient utilization rate is equal to or greater than 45%, the hospital transformation payment shall be equal to 100% of the sum of its transitional hospital access payment authorized under subsection (d) and any supplemental payment authorized under subsection (f).

(B) If the hospital's Rate Year 2017 Medicaid inpatient utilization rate is equal to or greater than 25% but less than 45%, the hospital transformation payment shall be equal to 75% of the sum of its

transitional hospital access payment authorized under subsection (d) and any supplemental payment authorized under subsection (f).

(C) If the hospital's Rate Year 2017 Medicaid inpatient utilization rate is less than 25%, the hospital transformation payment shall be equal to 50% of the sum of its transitional hospital access payment authorized under subsection (d) and any supplemental payment authorized under subsection (f).

(2) Phase 2. During State fiscal years 2021 and 2022, the Department shall allocate funds from the transitional access hospital pool to create a hospital transformation pool annually and make hospital transformation payments to hospitals participating in the transformation program. Any hospital may seek transformation funding in Phase 2. Any hospital that seeks transformation funding in Phase 2 to update or repurpose the hospital's physical structure to transition to a new delivery model, must submit to the Department in writing a transformation plan, based on the Department's guidelines, that describes the desired delivery model with projections of patient volumes by service lines and projected revenues, expenses, and net income that correspond to the new delivery model. In Phase 2, subject to the approval of rules, the Department may use the hospital transformation pool to increase base rates, develop new adjustors, adjust current adjustors, or

develop new access payments in order to support and incentivize hospitals to pursue such transformation. In developing such methodologies, the Department shall ensure that the entire hospital transformation pool continues to be expended to ensure access to hospital services or to support organizations that had received hospital transformation payments under this Section.

(A) Any hospital participating in the hospital transformation program shall provide an opportunity for public input by local community groups, hospital workers, and healthcare professionals and assist in facilitating discussions about any transformations or changes to the hospital.

(B) As provided in paragraph (9) of Section 3 of the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act, any hospital participating in the transformation program may be excluded from the requirements of the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act for those projects related to the hospital's transformation. To be eligible, the hospital must submit to the Health Facilities and Services Review Board certification from the Department, approved by the Hospital Transformation Review Committee, that the project is a part of the hospital's transformation.

(C) As provided in subsection (a-20) of Section 32.5 of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems

Act, a hospital that received hospital transformation payments under this Section may convert to a freestanding emergency center. To be eligible for such a conversion, the hospital must submit to the Department of Public Health certification from the Department, approved by the Hospital Transformation Review Committee, that the project is a part of the hospital's transformation.

(2.5) The hospital transformation payment amount allocated to a facility in State fiscal years 2019 through 2020 as provided under paragraph (1) shall not be reduced or altered during State fiscal years 2021 and 2022 if:

(i) the facility is located in a county having a population of more than 3,000,000; and

(ii) the facility was a licensed general acute care hospital that discontinued operations as a hospital on October 22, 2019 and has a Health Facilities and Services Review Board project number of E-024-19.

The hospital transformation payment amount shall instead be paid to any entity that purchases the facility for the purpose of converting the facility to a freestanding emergency center as provided in subsection (a-7) of Section 32.5 of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act, pending approval by the Health Facilities and Services Review Board of the permit to establish a freestanding emergency center as defined by the

Health Facilities and Services Review Board.

(3) By April 1, 2019, ~~March 12, 2018 (Public Act 100-581)~~ the Department, in conjunction with the Hospital Transformation Review Committee, shall develop and file as an administrative rule with the Secretary of State the goals, objectives, policies, standards, payment models, or criteria to be applied in Phase 2 of the program to allocate the hospital transformation funds. The goals, objectives, and policies to be considered may include, but are not limited to, achieving unmet needs of a community that a hospital serves such as behavioral health services, outpatient services, or drug rehabilitation services; attaining certain quality or patient safety benchmarks for health care services; or improving the coordination, effectiveness, and efficiency of care delivery. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any rule adopted in accordance with this subsection (d-5) may be submitted to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules for approval only if the rule has first been approved by 9 of the 14 members of the Hospital Transformation Review Committee.

(4) Hospital Transformation Review Committee. There is created the Hospital Transformation Review Committee. The Committee shall consist of 14 members. No later than 30 days after March 12, 2018 (the effective date of Public Act 100-581), the 4 legislative leaders shall each appoint 3

members; the Governor shall appoint the Director of Healthcare and Family Services, or his or her designee, as a member; and the Director of Healthcare and Family Services shall appoint one member. Any vacancy shall be filled by the applicable appointing authority within 15 calendar days. The members of the Committee shall select a Chair and a Vice-Chair from among its members, provided that the Chair and Vice-Chair cannot be appointed by the same appointing authority and must be from different political parties. The Chair shall have the authority to establish a meeting schedule and convene meetings of the Committee, and the Vice-Chair shall have the authority to convene meetings in the absence of the Chair. The Committee may establish its own rules with respect to meeting schedule, notice of meetings, and the disclosure of documents; however, the Committee shall not have the power to subpoena individuals or documents and any rules must be approved by 9 of the 14 members. The Committee shall perform the functions described in this Section and advise and consult with the Director in the administration of this Section. In addition to reviewing and approving the policies, procedures, and rules for the hospital transformation program, the Committee shall consider and make recommendations related to qualifying criteria and payment methodologies related to safety-net hospitals and children's hospitals. Members of the Committee appointed

by the legislative leaders shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Legislative Ethics Commission, not the Executive Ethics Commission, and all requests under the Freedom of Information Act shall be directed to the applicable Freedom of Information officer for the General Assembly. The Department shall provide operational support to the Committee as necessary. The Committee is dissolved on April 1, 2019.

(e) Beginning 36 months after initial implementation, the Department shall update the reimbursement components in subsections (a) and (b), including standardized amounts and weighting factors, and at least triennially and no more frequently than annually thereafter. The Department shall publish these updates on its website no later than 30 calendar days prior to their effective date.

(f) Continuation of supplemental payments. Any supplemental payments authorized under Illinois Administrative Code 148 effective January 1, 2014 and that continue during the period of July 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 shall remain in effect as long as the assessment imposed by Section 5A-2 that is in effect on December 31, 2017 remains in effect.

(g) Notwithstanding subsections (a) through (f) of this Section and notwithstanding the changes authorized under Section 5-5b.1, any updates to the system shall not result in any diminishment of the overall effective rates of reimbursement as of the implementation date of the new system

(July 1, 2014). These updates shall not preclude variations in any individual component of the system or hospital rate variations. Nothing in this Section shall prohibit the Department from increasing the rates of reimbursement or developing payments to ensure access to hospital services. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to guarantee a minimum amount of spending in the aggregate or per hospital as spending may be impacted by factors, including, but not limited to, the number of individuals in the medical assistance program and the severity of illness of the individuals.

(h) The Department shall have the authority to modify by rulemaking any changes to the rates or methodologies in this Section as required by the federal government to obtain federal financial participation for expenditures made under this Section.

(i) Except for subsections (g) and (h) of this Section, the Department shall, pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 5-40 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, provide for presentation at the June 2014 hearing of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR) additional written notice to JCAR of the following rules in order to commence the second notice period for the following rules: rules published in the Illinois Register, rule dated February 21, 2014 at 38 Ill. Reg. 4559 (Medical Payment), 4628 (Specialized Health Care Delivery Systems), 4640 (Hospital Services), 4932 (Diagnostic Related Grouping (DRG) Prospective Payment System (PPS)), and 4977

(Hospital Reimbursement Changes), and published in the Illinois Register dated March 21, 2014 at 38 Ill. Reg. 6499 (Specialized Health Care Delivery Systems) and 6505 (Hospital Services).

(j) Out-of-state hospitals. Beginning July 1, 2018, for purposes of determining for State fiscal years 2019 and 2020 the hospitals eligible for the payments authorized under subsections (a) and (b) of this Section, the Department shall include out-of-state hospitals that are designated a Level I pediatric trauma center or a Level I trauma center by the Department of Public Health as of December 1, 2017.

(k) The Department shall notify each hospital and managed care organization, in writing, of the impact of the updates under this Section at least 30 calendar days prior to their effective date.

(Source: P.A. 100-581, eff. 3-12-18; 100-1181, eff. 3-8-19; 101-0081, eff. 7-12-19; revised 7-29-19.)

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