

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 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the  
5 Legislative Accessibility Act.

6 Section 5. General Assembly accessibility.

7 (a) The General Assembly shall make efforts to increase  
8 the accessibility of the General Assembly for people with  
9 disabilities.

10 (b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the  
11 President of the Senate shall each appoint an accessibility  
12 coordinator who, in consultation with the Architect of the  
13 Capitol, shall be responsible for addressing accessibility  
14 needs for his or her corresponding house.

15 (c) The Illinois General Assembly website shall include an  
16 email address, web form, or other similar mechanism to request  
17 reasonable accommodations to meet the accessibility needs of  
18 people with disabilities attending legislative meetings,  
19 hearings, floor proceedings, and press conferences at the  
20 Capitol Complex.

21 Section 10. General Assembly Accessibility Task Force.

22 (a) There is hereby established the General Assembly

1 Accessibility Task Force.

2 (b) The President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of  
3 Representatives, Minority Leader of the Senate, and Minority  
4 Leader of the House of Representatives shall each appoint 2  
5 members to the Task Force. The President of the Senate and the  
6 Speaker of the House of Representatives shall jointly appoint  
7 the chair of the Task Force. Appointees shall include persons  
8 who self-identify as having a disability or advocates for such  
9 persons. In addition, the following State officials shall  
10 serve on the Task Force as ex officio members: (i) the  
11 Secretary of State or his or her designee; (ii) the Secretary  
12 of the Senate or his or her designee; (iii) the Clerk of the  
13 House of Representatives or his or her designee; (iv) the  
14 Assistant Secretary of the Senate or his or her designee; and  
15 (v) the Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives or his  
16 or her designee.

17 (c) The Task Force shall convene as soon as practicable  
18 after the effective date of this Act, and shall hold at least 2  
19 meetings. Members and ex officio members of the Task Force  
20 shall serve without compensation. The Architect of the Capitol  
21 shall provide administrative and other support to the Task  
22 Force.

23 (d) The Task Force shall examine issues concerning  
24 accessibility of the General Assembly to persons with a  
25 disability. No later than December 31, 2023, the Task Force  
26 shall issue recommendations to the General Assembly on what

1 measures can be taken to increase the accessibility of the  
2 General Assembly to persons with a disability.

3 (e) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2025.

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