

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

4 Section 5. The Department of Insurance Law is amended by
5 adding Section 1405-50 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 1405/1405-50 new)

7 Sec. 1405-50. Marketplace Director of the Illinois Health
8 Benefits Exchange. The Governor shall appoint, with the advice
9 and consent of the Senate, a person within the Department of
10 Insurance to serve as the Marketplace Director of the Illinois
11 Health Benefits Exchange. The Governor may make a temporary
12 appointment until the next meeting of the Senate. This person
13 may be an existing employee with other duties. The Marketplace
14 Director shall receive an annual salary as set by the Governor
15 and shall be paid out of the appropriations to the Department.
16 The Marketplace Director shall not be subject to the Personnel
17 Code. The Marketplace Director, under the direction of the
18 Director, shall manage the operations and staff of the
19 Illinois Health Benefits Exchange to ensure optimal exchange
20 performance.

21 Section 10. The State Finance Act is amended by adding
22 Section 5.990 as follows:

1 (30 ILCS 105/5.990 new)

2 Sec. 5.990. The Illinois Health Benefits Exchange Fund.

3 Section 15. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by
4 changing Section 1-10 as follows:

5 (30 ILCS 500/1-10)

6 Sec. 1-10. Application.

7 (a) This Code applies only to procurements for which
8 bidders, offerors, potential contractors, or contractors were
9 first solicited on or after July 1, 1998. This Code shall not
10 be construed to affect or impair any contract, or any
11 provision of a contract, entered into based on a solicitation
12 prior to the implementation date of this Code as described in
13 Article 99, including, but not limited to, any covenant
14 entered into with respect to any revenue bonds or similar
15 instruments. All procurements for which contracts are
16 solicited between the effective date of Articles 50 and 99 and
17 July 1, 1998 shall be substantially in accordance with this
18 Code and its intent.

19 (b) This Code shall apply regardless of the source of the
20 funds with which the contracts are paid, including federal
21 assistance moneys. This Code shall not apply to:

22 (1) Contracts between the State and its political
23 subdivisions or other governments, or between State

1 governmental bodies, except as specifically provided in
2 this Code.

3 (2) Grants, except for the filing requirements of
4 Section 20-80.

5 (3) Purchase of care, except as provided in Section
6 5-30.6 of the Illinois Public Aid Code and this Section.

7 (4) Hiring of an individual as an employee and not as
8 an independent contractor, whether pursuant to an
9 employment code or policy or by contract directly with
10 that individual.

11 (5) Collective bargaining contracts.

12 (6) Purchase of real estate, except that notice of
13 this type of contract with a value of more than \$25,000
14 must be published in the Procurement Bulletin within 10
15 calendar days after the deed is recorded in the county of
16 jurisdiction. The notice shall identify the real estate
17 purchased, the names of all parties to the contract, the
18 value of the contract, and the effective date of the
19 contract.

20 (7) Contracts necessary to prepare for anticipated
21 litigation, enforcement actions, or investigations,
22 provided that the chief legal counsel to the Governor
23 shall give his or her prior approval when the procuring
24 agency is one subject to the jurisdiction of the Governor,
25 and provided that the chief legal counsel of any other
26 procuring entity subject to this Code shall give his or

1 her prior approval when the procuring entity is not one
2 subject to the jurisdiction of the Governor.

3 (8) (Blank).

4 (9) Procurement expenditures by the Illinois
5 Conservation Foundation when only private funds are used.

6 (10) (Blank).

7 (11) Public-private agreements entered into according
8 to the procurement requirements of Section 20 of the
9 Public-Private Partnerships for Transportation Act and
10 design-build agreements entered into according to the
11 procurement requirements of Section 25 of the
12 Public-Private Partnerships for Transportation Act.

13 (12) (A) Contracts for legal, financial, and other
14 professional and artistic services entered into by the
15 Illinois Finance Authority in which the State of Illinois
16 is not obligated. Such contracts shall be awarded through
17 a competitive process authorized by the members of the
18 Illinois Finance Authority and are subject to Sections
19 5-30, 20-160, 50-13, 50-20, 50-35, and 50-37 of this Code,
20 as well as the final approval by the members of the
21 Illinois Finance Authority of the terms of the contract.

22 (B) Contracts for legal and financial services entered
23 into by the Illinois Housing Development Authority in
24 connection with the issuance of bonds in which the State
25 of Illinois is not obligated. Such contracts shall be
26 awarded through a competitive process authorized by the

1 members of the Illinois Housing Development Authority and
2 are subject to Sections 5-30, 20-160, 50-13, 50-20, 50-35,
3 and 50-37 of this Code, as well as the final approval by
4 the members of the Illinois Housing Development Authority
5 of the terms of the contract.

6 (13) Contracts for services, commodities, and
7 equipment to support the delivery of timely forensic
8 science services in consultation with and subject to the
9 approval of the Chief Procurement Officer as provided in
10 subsection (d) of Section 5-4-3a of the Unified Code of
11 Corrections, except for the requirements of Sections
12 20-60, 20-65, 20-70, and 20-160 and Article 50 of this
13 Code; however, the Chief Procurement Officer may, in
14 writing with justification, waive any certification
15 required under Article 50 of this Code. For any contracts
16 for services which are currently provided by members of a
17 collective bargaining agreement, the applicable terms of
18 the collective bargaining agreement concerning
19 subcontracting shall be followed.

20 On and after January 1, 2019, this paragraph (13),
21 except for this sentence, is inoperative.

22 (14) Contracts for participation expenditures required
23 by a domestic or international trade show or exhibition of
24 an exhibitor, member, or sponsor.

25 (15) Contracts with a railroad or utility that
26 requires the State to reimburse the railroad or utilities

1 for the relocation of utilities for construction or other
2 public purpose. Contracts included within this paragraph
3 (15) shall include, but not be limited to, those
4 associated with: relocations, crossings, installations,
5 and maintenance. For the purposes of this paragraph (15),
6 "railroad" means any form of non-highway ground
7 transportation that runs on rails or electromagnetic
8 guideways and "utility" means: (1) public utilities as
9 defined in Section 3-105 of the Public Utilities Act, (2)
10 telecommunications carriers as defined in Section 13-202
11 of the Public Utilities Act, (3) electric cooperatives as
12 defined in Section 3.4 of the Electric Supplier Act, (4)
13 telephone or telecommunications cooperatives as defined in
14 Section 13-212 of the Public Utilities Act, (5) rural
15 water or waste water systems with 10,000 connections or
16 less, (6) a holder as defined in Section 21-201 of the
17 Public Utilities Act, and (7) municipalities owning or
18 operating utility systems consisting of public utilities
19 as that term is defined in Section 11-117-2 of the
20 Illinois Municipal Code.

21 (16) Procurement expenditures necessary for the
22 Department of Public Health to provide the delivery of
23 timely newborn screening services in accordance with the
24 Newborn Metabolic Screening Act.

25 (17) Procurement expenditures necessary for the
26 Department of Agriculture, the Department of Financial and

1 Professional Regulation, the Department of Human Services,
2 and the Department of Public Health to implement the
3 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program and Opioid
4 Alternative Pilot Program requirements and ensure access
5 to medical cannabis for patients with debilitating medical
6 conditions in accordance with the Compassionate Use of
7 Medical Cannabis Program Act.

8 (18) This Code does not apply to any procurements
9 necessary for the Department of Agriculture, the
10 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the
11 Department of Human Services, the Department of Commerce
12 and Economic Opportunity, and the Department of Public
13 Health to implement the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act if
14 the applicable agency has made a good faith determination
15 that it is necessary and appropriate for the expenditure
16 to fall within this exemption and if the process is
17 conducted in a manner substantially in accordance with the
18 requirements of Sections 20-160, 25-60, 30-22, 50-5,
19 50-10, 50-10.5, 50-12, 50-13, 50-15, 50-20, 50-21, 50-35,
20 50-36, 50-37, 50-38, and 50-50 of this Code; however, for
21 Section 50-35, compliance applies only to contracts or
22 subcontracts over \$100,000. Notice of each contract
23 entered into under this paragraph (18) that is related to
24 the procurement of goods and services identified in
25 paragraph (1) through (9) of this subsection shall be
26 published in the Procurement Bulletin within 14 calendar

1 days after contract execution. The Chief Procurement
2 Officer shall prescribe the form and content of the
3 notice. Each agency shall provide the Chief Procurement
4 Officer, on a monthly basis, in the form and content
5 prescribed by the Chief Procurement Officer, a report of
6 contracts that are related to the procurement of goods and
7 services identified in this subsection. At a minimum, this
8 report shall include the name of the contractor, a
9 description of the supply or service provided, the total
10 amount of the contract, the term of the contract, and the
11 exception to this Code utilized. A copy of any or all of
12 these contracts shall be made available to the Chief
13 Procurement Officer immediately upon request. The Chief
14 Procurement Officer shall submit a report to the Governor
15 and General Assembly no later than November 1 of each year
16 that includes, at a minimum, an annual summary of the
17 monthly information reported to the Chief Procurement
18 Officer. This exemption becomes inoperative 5 years after
19 June 25, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 101-27).

20 (19) Acquisition of modifications or adjustments,
21 limited to assistive technology devices and assistive
22 technology services, adaptive equipment, repairs, and
23 replacement parts to provide reasonable accommodations (i)
24 that enable a qualified applicant with a disability to
25 complete the job application process and be considered for
26 the position such qualified applicant desires, (ii) that

1 modify or adjust the work environment to enable a
2 qualified current employee with a disability to perform
3 the essential functions of the position held by that
4 employee, (iii) to enable a qualified current employee
5 with a disability to enjoy equal benefits and privileges
6 of employment as are enjoyed by other similarly situated
7 employees without disabilities, and (iv) that allow a
8 customer, client, claimant, or member of the public
9 seeking State services full use and enjoyment of and
10 access to its programs, services, or benefits.

11 For purposes of this paragraph (19):

12 "Assistive technology devices" means any item, piece
13 of equipment, or product system, whether acquired
14 commercially off the shelf, modified, or customized, that
15 is used to increase, maintain, or improve functional
16 capabilities of individuals with disabilities.

17 "Assistive technology services" means any service that
18 directly assists an individual with a disability in
19 selection, acquisition, or use of an assistive technology
20 device.

21 "Qualified" has the same meaning and use as provided
22 under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act when
23 describing an individual with a disability.

24 (20) Procurement expenditures necessary for the
25 Illinois Commerce Commission to hire third-party
26 facilitators pursuant to Sections 16-105.17 and 16-108.18

1 of the Public Utilities Act or an ombudsman pursuant to
2 Section 16-107.5 of the Public Utilities Act, a
3 facilitator pursuant to Section 16-105.17 of the Public
4 Utilities Act, or a grid auditor pursuant to Section
5 16-105.10 of the Public Utilities Act.

6 (21) Procurement expenditures for the purchase,
7 renewal, and expansion of software, software licenses, or
8 software maintenance agreements that support the efforts
9 of the Illinois State Police to enforce, regulate, and
10 administer the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act, the
11 Firearm Concealed Carry Act, the Firearms Restraining
12 Order Act, the Firearm Dealer License Certification Act,
13 the Law Enforcement Agencies Data System (LEADS), the
14 Uniform Crime Reporting Act, the Criminal Identification
15 Act, the Uniform Conviction Information Act, and the Gun
16 Trafficking Information Act, or establish or maintain
17 record management systems necessary to conduct human
18 trafficking investigations or gun trafficking or other
19 stolen firearm investigations. This paragraph (21) applies
20 to contracts entered into on or after the effective date
21 of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly and
22 the renewal of contracts that are in effect on the
23 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General
24 Assembly.

25 (22) Procurements necessary for the Department of
26 Insurance to implement the Illinois Health Benefits

1 Exchange Law if the Department of Insurance has made a
2 good faith determination that it is necessary and
3 appropriate for the expenditure to fall within this
4 exemption. The procurement process shall be conducted in a
5 manner substantially in accordance with the requirements
6 of Sections 20-160 and 25-60 and Article 50 of this Code. A
7 copy of these contracts shall be made available to the
8 Chief Procurement Officer immediately upon request. This
9 paragraph is inoperative 5 years after the effective date
10 of this amendatory Act of the 103rd General Assembly.

11 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for contracts
12 with an annual value of more than \$100,000 entered into on or
13 after October 1, 2017 under an exemption provided in any
14 paragraph of this subsection (b), except paragraph (1), (2),
15 or (5), each State agency shall post to the appropriate
16 procurement bulletin the name of the contractor, a description
17 of the supply or service provided, the total amount of the
18 contract, the term of the contract, and the exception to the
19 Code utilized. The chief procurement officer shall submit a
20 report to the Governor and General Assembly no later than
21 November 1 of each year that shall include, at a minimum, an
22 annual summary of the monthly information reported to the
23 chief procurement officer.

24 (c) This Code does not apply to the electric power
25 procurement process provided for under Section 1-75 of the
26 Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5 of the Public

1 Utilities Act.

2 (d) Except for Section 20-160 and Article 50 of this Code,
3 and as expressly required by Section 9.1 of the Illinois
4 Lottery Law, the provisions of this Code do not apply to the
5 procurement process provided for under Section 9.1 of the
6 Illinois Lottery Law.

7 (e) This Code does not apply to the process used by the
8 Capital Development Board to retain a person or entity to
9 assist the Capital Development Board with its duties related
10 to the determination of costs of a clean coal SNG brownfield
11 facility, as defined by Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power
12 Agency Act, as required in subsection (h-3) of Section 9-220
13 of the Public Utilities Act, including calculating the range
14 of capital costs, the range of operating and maintenance
15 costs, or the sequestration costs or monitoring the
16 construction of clean coal SNG brownfield facility for the
17 full duration of construction.

18 (f) (Blank).

19 (g) (Blank).

20 (h) This Code does not apply to the process to procure or
21 contracts entered into in accordance with Sections 11-5.2 and
22 11-5.3 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

23 (i) Each chief procurement officer may access records
24 necessary to review whether a contract, purchase, or other
25 expenditure is or is not subject to the provisions of this
26 Code, unless such records would be subject to attorney-client

1 privilege.

2 (j) This Code does not apply to the process used by the
3 Capital Development Board to retain an artist or work or works
4 of art as required in Section 14 of the Capital Development
5 Board Act.

6 (k) This Code does not apply to the process to procure
7 contracts, or contracts entered into, by the State Board of
8 Elections or the State Electoral Board for hearing officers
9 appointed pursuant to the Election Code.

10 (l) This Code does not apply to the processes used by the
11 Illinois Student Assistance Commission to procure supplies and
12 services paid for from the private funds of the Illinois
13 Prepaid Tuition Fund. As used in this subsection (l), "private
14 funds" means funds derived from deposits paid into the
15 Illinois Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund and the earnings thereon.

16 (m) This Code shall apply regardless of the source of
17 funds with which contracts are paid, including federal
18 assistance moneys. Except as specifically provided in this
19 Code, this Code shall not apply to procurement expenditures
20 necessary for the Department of Public Health to conduct the
21 Healthy Illinois Survey in accordance with Section 2310-431 of
22 the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the
23 Civil Administrative Code of Illinois.

24 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-81, eff. 7-12-19;
25 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-175, eff. 7-29-21; 102-483, eff
26 1-1-22; 102-558, eff. 8-20-21; 102-600, eff. 8-27-21; 102-662,

1 eff. 9-15-21; 102-721, eff. 1-1-23; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22;
2 102-1116, eff. 1-10-23.)

3 Section 20. The Illinois Health Benefits Exchange Law is
4 amended by changing Section 5-5 and by adding Sections 5-21,
5 5-22, 5-23, and 5-24 as follows:

6 (215 ILCS 122/5-5)

7 Sec. 5-5. State health benefits exchange. It is declared
8 that this State, beginning October 1, 2013, in accordance with
9 Section 1311 of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable
10 Care Act, shall establish a State health benefits exchange to
11 be known as the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange in order to
12 help individuals and small employers with no more than 50
13 employees shop for, select, and enroll in qualified,
14 affordable private health plans that fit their needs at
15 competitive prices. The Exchange shall separate coverage pools
16 for individuals and small employers and shall supplement and
17 not supplant any existing private health insurance market for
18 individuals and small employers. The Department of Insurance
19 shall operate the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange as a
20 State-based exchange using the federal platform by plan year
21 2025 and as a State-based exchange by plan year 2026. The
22 Director of Insurance may require that all plans in the
23 individual and small group markets, other than grandfathered
24 health plans, be made available for comparison on the Illinois

1 Health Benefits Exchange, but may not require that all plans
2 in the individual and small group markets be purchased
3 exclusively on the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange. Through
4 the adoption of rules, the Director of Insurance may require
5 that plans offered on the exchange conform with standardized
6 plan designs that provide for standardized cost sharing for
7 covered health services. Except when it is inconsistent with
8 State law, the Department of Insurance shall enforce the
9 coverage requirements under the federal Patient Protection and
10 Affordable Care Act, including the coverage of all United
11 States Preventive Services Task Force Grade A and B preventive
12 services without cost sharing notwithstanding any federal
13 overturning or repeal of 42 U.S.C. 300gg-13(a)(1), that apply
14 to the individual and small group markets. The Director of
15 Insurance may elect to add a small business health options
16 program to the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange to help small
17 employers enroll their employees in qualified health plans in
18 the small group market. The General Assembly shall appropriate
19 funds to establish the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange.

20 (Source: P.A. 97-142, eff. 7-14-11.)

21 (215 ILCS 122/5-21 new)

22 Sec. 5-21. Monthly assessments.

23 (a) The Director of Insurance may apply a monthly
24 assessment to each health benefits plan sold on the Illinois
25 Health Benefits Exchange. The assessment shall be paid by the

1 issuer and to the Department of Insurance and shall be used
2 only for the purpose of supporting the exchange through
3 exchange operations, outreach, and enrollment, including any
4 efforts that may result in a benefit to policyholders. The
5 assessment may be applied at a rate of:

6 (1) 0.5% of the total monthly premium charged by an
7 issuer for each health benefits plan during any period
8 that the State is on a State-based exchange using the
9 federal platform; or

10 (2) 2.75% of the total monthly premium charged by an
11 issuer for each health benefits plan during any period
12 that the State is on the State-based exchange. The
13 Director of Insurance shall adjust this rate to ensure
14 that the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange is fully
15 funded, but in no case shall the assessment be applied at a
16 rate that exceeds 3.5% of the total monthly premium
17 charged by a carrier. If the Director determines it is
18 necessary to adjust the rate pursuant to this paragraph,
19 the Director shall, in advance of the adjustment, post on
20 the Department's website a report describing the reasons
21 and justifications for the adjustment, which shall be
22 consistent with the purposes of supporting the Illinois
23 Health Benefits Exchange as provided in this Section, at
24 least 120 days before the implementation of the rate
25 adjustment.

26 (b) The Director of Insurance shall notify an issuer 120

1 days before the implementation of its assessment rate for the
2 subsequent year. Issuers must remit the assessment due in
3 monthly installments to the Department of Insurance.

4 (c) The assessment described in this Section shall be
5 considered a special purpose obligation and may not be applied
6 by issuers to vary premium rates at the plan level.

7 (d) There is created a special fund within the State
8 treasury to be known as the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange
9 Fund. The Illinois Health Benefits Exchange Fund shall be the
10 repository for moneys collected pursuant to fees or
11 assessments on exchange issuers, federal financial
12 participation as appropriate, and other moneys received as
13 grants or otherwise appropriated for the purposes of
14 supporting health insurance outreach, enrollment efforts, and
15 plan management operations through an exchange. All moneys in
16 the Fund shall be used, subject to appropriation, only for the
17 purpose of supporting the exchange through exchange
18 operations, outreach, enrollment, and other means of
19 supporting the exchange, including any efforts that may result
20 in a benefit to policyholders.

21 (215 ILCS 122/5-22 new)

22 Sec. 5-22. State medical assistance program coordination.

23 (a) The Department of Insurance and the Department of
24 Healthcare and Family Services shall coordinate the operations
25 of the exchange with the operations of State medical

1 assistance programs. The Department of Healthcare and Family
2 Services shall oversee and operate the exchange eligibility
3 rules engine to ensure accurate assessments and determinations
4 of exchange and State medical assistance program eligibility.

5 (b) The exchange may determine eligibility for State
6 medical assistance programs that use the modified adjusted
7 gross income methodology.

8 (c) The exchange may be used for enrollment into State
9 medical assistance program health plans.

10 (d) The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall
11 request federal financial participation funds from the Centers
12 for Medicare and Medicaid Services for any integrated
13 eligibility and enrollment functions of the exchange.

14 (215 ILCS 122/5-23 new)

15 Sec. 5-23. Department of Insurance and Department of
16 Healthcare and Family Services authority.

17 (a) The Department of Insurance and the Department of
18 Healthcare and Family Services, in addition to the powers
19 granted under the Illinois Insurance Code and the Illinois
20 Public Aid Code, have the power necessary to establish and
21 operate the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange, including, but
22 not limited to, the authority to:

23 (1) adopt rules deemed necessary by the departments to
24 implement this Law;

25 (2) employ or retain sufficient personnel to provide

1 administration, staffing, and necessary related support
2 required to adequately discharge the duties described in
3 this Law from funds held in the Illinois Health Benefits
4 Exchange Fund;

5 (3) procure services, including a call center, and
6 goods for the purpose of establishing the Illinois Health
7 Benefits Exchange, including, but not limited to,
8 procurements in conformance with paragraph (22) of
9 subsection (b) of Section 1-10 of the Illinois Procurement
10 Code; and

11 (4) require any exchange vendor to have experience
12 operating a State-based exchange in another state.

13 (b) The Department of Insurance has the authority to
14 employ a Marketplace Director of the Illinois Health Benefits
15 Exchange.

16 (215 ILCS 122/5-24 new)

17 Sec. 5-24. Illinois Health Benefits Exchange Advisory
18 Committee.

19 (a) The Director of Insurance shall establish the Illinois
20 Health Benefits Exchange Advisory Committee no later than
21 December 31, 2023. The Illinois Health Benefits Exchange
22 Advisory Committee shall be tasked with making recommendations
23 to the Marketplace Director of the Illinois Health Benefits
24 Exchange concerning the operation of the exchange, and the
25 Committee shall hold its first meeting no later than 90 days

1 following the establishment of the Committee and shall meet
2 quarterly thereafter. The Marketplace Director shall make a
3 quarterly report to the Committee.

4 (b) The Department of Insurance shall present regular and
5 timely reports to the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange
6 Advisory Committee regarding the progress in the development
7 and ongoing operations of the Illinois Health Benefits
8 Exchange before its establishment by plan year 2026. The
9 reports shall be posted to the Department of Insurance's
10 website and include information on the Department of
11 Insurance's progress toward establishing and maintaining the
12 Illinois Health Benefits Exchange with the goal of ensuring an
13 effective and efficient transition from the federal platform
14 to the State-based exchange for individuals, employers, and
15 health insurance issuers while mitigating loss of health
16 insurance coverage for any potential consumer. The Department
17 of Insurance's progress reports shall provide information
18 including, but not limited to, transparency, user
19 understandability, plan compliance, outreach and education,
20 systems operations, and annual fiscal projections. The
21 Department of Insurance shall gather stakeholder input in
22 developing operational plans and preparing the reports for the
23 Illinois Health Benefits Exchange Advisory Committee.

24 (c) The Illinois Health Benefits Exchange Advisory
25 Committee shall include the following members:

26 (1) The Director of Insurance, or the Director's

1 designee, who shall serve ex officio and as co-chair;

2 (2) The Director of Healthcare and Family Services, or
3 the Director's designee, who shall serve ex officio and as
4 co-chair;

5 (3) The Secretary of Human Services, or the
6 Secretary's designee, who shall serve ex officio; and

7 (4) 10 public members, who shall be residents of this
8 State, appointed by the Governor with the advice and
9 consent of the Senate. The Governor may make temporary
10 appointments until the next meeting of the Senate. The
11 Governor shall consider the diversity of this State in the
12 selection of the committee members. The public members
13 shall include:

14 (A) one representative of a statewide organization
15 representing a majority of Illinois hospitals;

16 (B) one representative of a statewide insurance
17 producer professional trade association whose
18 membership is primarily composed of individuals
19 licensed under the Illinois Insurance Code;

20 (C) 2 representatives of a health insurance
21 consumer advocacy group;

22 (D) one representative with expertise in
23 enrollment and consumer assistance;

24 (E) 2 representatives of health insurance issuers
25 or issuer trade associations, at least one of which
26 represents a State-domiciled mutual health insurance

1 company, with a demonstrated expertise in the business
2 of health insurance or health benefits administration;

3 (F) one representative of a statewide association
4 representing small business owners;

5 (G) one representative of a statewide organization
6 representing physicians; and

7 (H) one academic or research professional with
8 expertise in health insurance.

9 (d) Members of the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange
10 Advisory Committee shall serve for a term of 2 years, shall
11 serve without compensation, and shall not be entitled to
12 reimbursement. The Department of Insurance shall provide
13 administrative support to the Illinois Health Benefits
14 Exchange Advisory Committee.

15 (e) The Committee's quarterly meetings shall be open to
16 the public and subject to the Open Meetings Act.

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