

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 HB1538

Introduced 1/31/2023, by Rep. Hoan Huynh

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

210 ILCS 55/4

from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2804

Amends the Home Health, Home Services, and Home Nursing Agency Licensing Act. Provides that a 3-year (rather than an annual) license shall be issued for conducting or maintaining a home health agency. Provides that the fee for each single home health agency license or any renewal shall be \$100 (rather than \$25). Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

- Section 5. The Home Health, Home Services, and Home

 Nursing Agency Licensing Act is amended by changing Section 4

 as follows:
- 7 (210 ILCS 55/4) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2804)
- 8 Sec. 4. Types of licenses.
- 9 (a) If an applicant for licensure has not been previously licensed, or if the home health agency, home services agency, 10 or home nursing agency is not in operation at the time 11 12 application is made, the Department may issue a provisional license. A provisional license shall be valid for a period of 13 14 120 days unless sooner suspended or revoked pursuant to Section 9 of this Act. Within 30 days prior to the termination 15 of a provisional license, the Department shall inspect the 16 17 agency and, if the applicant substantially meets requirements for licensure, it shall issue a license under 18 19 this Section. If the Department finds that a holder of a 20 provisional license does not substantially 21 requirements for licensure, but has made significant progress 22 toward meeting those requirements, the Director may renew the provisional license once for a period not to exceed 120 days 23

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- 1 from the expiration date of the initial provisional license.
- 2 (b)(1) The Director may also issue a provisional license to any licensed agency which does not substantially comply 3 with the provisions of this Act and the rules promulgated 4 5 hereunder, provided he finds that the health, safety, and well-being of the clients of the agency will be protected 6 during the period for which such provisional license is 7 8 issued. The term of such provisional license shall not exceed 9 120 days.
 - Director shall advise the licensee of the conditions under which such provisional license is issued, including the manner in which the licensee fails to comply with the provisions of the Act or rules, and the time within the corrections necessary for the agency substantially comply with the Act and rules shall be completed.
 - (3) The Director, at his discretion, may extend the term of such provisional license for an additional 120 days, if he finds that the agency has made substantial progress toward correcting the violations and bringing the agency into full compliance with this Act and the rules promulgated hereunder.
 - (c) A 3-year An annual license shall be issued to any person conducting or maintaining a home health agency upon receipt of an application and payment of the licensure fee, and when the other requirements of this Act, and the standards, rules and regulations promulgated hereunder, are

- 1 met. The fee for each single home health agency license or any 2 renewal shall be \$100 \$25.
- 3 (d) The Department shall establish, by rule, a system 4 whereby an entity that meets the requirements for licensure 5 may obtain licensure singly or in any combination for the
- 6 categories authorized under this Act. The Department shall
- 7 develop and implement one application to be used even if a
- 8 combination of licenses authorized under the Act is sought.
- 9 Applicants for multiple licenses under this system shall pay
- 10 the higher of the licensure fees applicable. Fees collected
- 11 under this system shall be deposited into the Home Care
- 12 Services Agency Licensure Fund.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 94-379, eff. 1-1-06.)
- 14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 15 becoming law.