

HB5781



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 3/14/2024, by Rep. Nabeela Syed

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 505/5.35

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. In provisions concerning rates for residential services for children licensed and purchased by the Department of Children and Family Services, provides that, for group home providers serving children and youth with intellectual or developmental disabilities, the Department, the Department of Human Services, and the Illinois State Board of Education shall increase payment rates taking effect on and after July 1, 2025 to a rate sufficient to provide a \$4 per hour wage increase for frontline personnel. Makes the rate increase subject to federal approval, if required. Effective immediately

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A BILL FOR

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 5. The Children and Family Services Act is amended
5 by changing Section 5.35 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 505/5.35)

7 Sec. 5.35. Residential services; rates.

8 (a) In this Section, "residential services" means child
9 care institution care, group home care, independent living
10 services, and transitional living services that are licensed
11 and purchased by the Department on behalf of children under
12 the age of 22 years who are served by the Department and who
13 need 24-hour residential care due to emotional and behavior
14 problems or severe mental illness and that are services for
15 which the Department has rate-setting authority.

16 For the purposes of this Section, "residential services"
17 does not include (i) residential alcohol and other drug abuse
18 treatment services or (ii) programs serving children primarily
19 referred because of a developmental disability or mental
20 health needs.

21 (b) The Department shall work with representatives of
22 residential services providers with which the Department
23 contracts for residential services and with representatives of

1 other State agencies that purchase comparable residential
2 services from agencies for which the Department has
3 rate-setting authority to develop a performance-based model
4 for these residential services. Other State agencies shall
5 include, but not be limited to, the Department of Human
6 Services, the Department of Juvenile Justice, and the Illinois
7 State Board of Education. The rate paid by the other State
8 agencies for comparable residential services shall not be less
9 than the performance-based rates set by the Department.

10 (c) The performance-based model to be developed shall
11 include required program components and a rate-setting
12 methodology that incorporates the reasonable costs of the
13 required program components, subject to the provisions and
14 limitations prescribed in 89 Illinois Administrative Code,
15 Chapter III, Subchapter c, Part 356, Rate-setting.

16 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section,
17 for group home providers serving children and youth with
18 intellectual or developmental disabilities, the Department,
19 the Department of Human Services, and the Illinois State Board
20 of Education shall increase payment rates taking effect on and
21 after July 1, 2025 to a rate sufficient to provide a \$4 per
22 hour wage increase for frontline personnel. Implementation of
23 the rate increase under this subsection is contingent upon
24 federal approval, if required.

25 (Source: P.A. 96-65, eff. 7-23-09.)

26 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

1 becoming law.