

1 AN ACT in relation to public aid.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
5 adding Section 5-5.23 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-5.23 new)

7 Sec. 5-5.23. Rates for home health services. On and
8 after July 1, 2003, the Department of Public Aid shall
9 reimburse providers of home health services under this
10 Article at the same rates at which the federal government
11 reimburses providers of those services under the Medicare
12 program, using the Low Utilization Payment Adjustment (LUPA)
13 national-average rate structure. The Department shall adjust
14 those rates annually to reflect changes in the LUPA
15 national-average rate structure.

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