



**93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**State of Illinois**  
**2003 and 2004**

Introduced 02/04/04, by Sara Feigenholtz

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

305 ILCS 5/5-5.12a

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. In provisions concerning a federal waiver with respect to a pharmacy assistance program for low-income persons age 65 or older, deletes a provision terminating implementation of the waiver on June 30, 2007. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning 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 changing Section 5-5.12a as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-5.12a)

7 Sec. 5-5.12a. Title XIX waiver; pharmacy assistance  
8 program. The Illinois Department may seek a waiver of otherwise  
9 applicable requirements of Title XIX of the federal Social  
10 Security Act in order to claim federal financial participation  
11 for a pharmacy assistance program for persons aged 65 and over  
12 with income levels at or less than 250% of the federal poverty  
13 level. The Illinois Department may provide by rule for all  
14 other requirements of the program, including cost sharing, as  
15 permitted by an approved waiver and without regard to any  
16 provision of this Code to the contrary. The benefits may be no  
17 more restrictive than the Pharmacy Assistance Program in effect  
18 on May 31, 2001. Benefits provided under the waiver are subject  
19 to appropriation.

20 The Illinois Department may not implement the waiver until  
21 cost neutrality is demonstrated for the State relative to the  
22 final Pharmacy Assistance Program appropriation for the fiscal  
23 year beginning July 1, 2001. ~~Implementation of the waiver shall~~  
24 ~~terminate on June 30, 2007.~~

25 (Source: P.A. 92-10, eff. 6-11-01.)

26 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
27 becoming law.