



## 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Asthma Inhalers at Recreational Camps Act. Provides that a recreational camp shall permit a child with severe, potentially life-threatening allergies to possess and use an epinephrine auto-injector provided certain conditions are met. Provides that the recreational camp shall obtain information from the child's physician concerning the child's health and proper administration of any medication. Provides that if the conditions of the Act are met, the child may possess and use an epinephrine auto-injector at the recreational camp or at any camp sponsored activity, event, or program. Defines physician and recreational camps.

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1 AN ACT concerning public health.

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

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Asthma  
5 Inhalers at Recreational Camps Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. In this Act:

7 "Physician" means any physician or health practitioner  
8 with the authority to write prescriptions.

9 "Recreational camp" means any place set apart for  
10 recreational purposes for boys and girls. "Recreational camp"  
11 shall not apply to private camps owned or leased for individual  
12 or family use, or to any camp operated for a period of less  
13 than 10 days in a year.

14 Section 10. Possession and use of epinephrine  
15 auto-injectors at recreation camps.

16 (a) A recreation camp shall permit a child with severe,  
17 potentially life-threatening allergies to possess and use an  
18 epinephrine auto-injector, if the following conditions are  
19 satisfied:

20 (1) The child has the written approval of his or her  
21 physician and the written approval of his or her parent or  
22 guardian.

23 (2) The recreational camp administrator or, if a nurse  
24 is assigned to the camp, the nurse shall receive copies of  
25 the written approvals required under paragraph (1) of  
26 subsection (a) of this Section.

27 (3) The child's parent or guardian shall submit written  
28 verification from the physician confirming that the child  
29 has the knowledge and skills to safely possess and use an  
30 epinephrine auto-injector in a camp setting.

31 (b) The camp shall obtain the following information from

1 the child's physician:

2 (1) the child's name;

3 (2) the name and signature of the licensed prescriber  
4 and business and emergency numbers;

5 (3) the name, route, and dosage of medication;

6 (4) the frequency and time of medication  
7 administration or assistance;

8 (5) the date of the order;

9 (6) a diagnosis and any other medical conditions  
10 requiring medications, if not a violation of  
11 confidentiality or if not contrary to the request of the  
12 parent or guardian to keep confidential;

13 (7) specific recommendations for administration;

14 (8) any special side effects, contraindications, and  
15 adverse reactions to be observed;

16 (9) the name of each required medication; and

17 (10) any severe adverse reactions that may occur to  
18 another child, for whom the epinephrine auto-injector is  
19 not prescribed, should the other child receive a dose of  
20 the medication.

21 (c) If the conditions of this Act are satisfied, the child  
22 may possess and use an epinephrine auto-injector at the camp or  
23 at any camp-sponsored activity, event, or program.