

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 Department of Human Services Act is amended  
5 by adding Section 10-8 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 1305/10-8 new)

7 Sec. 10-8. The Autism Research Fund; grants; scientific  
8 review committee. The Autism Research Fund is created as a  
9 special fund in the State treasury. From appropriations to the  
10 Department from the Fund, the Department must make grants to  
11 public or private entities in Illinois for the purpose of  
12 funding research concerning the disorder of autism. For  
13 purposes of this Section, the term "research" includes, without  
14 limitation, expenditures to develop and advance the  
15 understanding, techniques, and modalities effective in the  
16 detection, prevention, screening, and treatment of autism and  
17 may include clinical trials. No more than 20% of the grant  
18 funds may be used for institutional overhead costs, indirect  
19 costs, other organizational levies, or costs of  
20 community-based support services.

21 Moneys received for the purposes of this Section,  
22 including, without limitation, income tax checkoff receipts  
23 and gifts, grants, and awards from any public or private  
24 entity, must be deposited into the Fund. Any interest earned on  
25 moneys in the Fund must be deposited into the Fund.

26 Each year, grantees of the grants provided under this  
27 Section must submit a written report to the Department that  
28 sets forth the types of research that is conducted with the  
29 grant moneys and the status of that research.

30 The Department shall promulgate rules for the creation of a  
31 scientific review committee to review and assess applications  
32 for the grants authorized under this Section. The Committee

1 shall serve without compensation.

2 Section 10. The State Finance Act is amended by adding  
3 Section 5.640 as follows:

4 (30 ILCS 105/5.640 new)

5 Sec. 5.640. The Autism Research Checkoff Fund.

6 Section 15. The Illinois Income Tax Act is amended by  
7 changing Sections 509 and 510 and by adding Section 507EE as  
8 follows:

9 (35 ILCS 5/507EE new)

10 Sec. 507EE. The Autism Research Fund checkoff. For taxable  
11 years ending on or after December 31, 2005, the Department must  
12 print on its standard individual income tax form a provision  
13 indicating that if the taxpayer wishes to contribute to the  
14 Autism Research Fund, as authorized by this amendatory Act of  
15 the 94th General Assembly, he or she may do so by stating the  
16 amount of the contribution (not less than \$1) on the return and  
17 that the contribution will reduce the taxpayer's refund or  
18 increase the amount of payment to accompany the return. Failure  
19 to remit any amount of increased payment shall reduce the  
20 contribution accordingly. This Section does not apply to any  
21 amended return.

22 (35 ILCS 5/509) (from Ch. 120, par. 5-509)

23 Sec. 509. Tax checkoff explanations. All individual income  
24 tax return forms shall contain appropriate explanations and  
25 spaces to enable the taxpayers to designate contributions to  
26 the following funds: the Child Abuse Prevention Fund, the  
27 Illinois Wildlife Preservation Fund (as required by the  
28 Illinois Non-Game Wildlife Protection Act), the Alzheimer's  
29 Disease Research Fund (as required by the Alzheimer's Disease  
30 Research Act), the Assistance to the Homeless Fund (as required  
31 by this Act), the Penny Severns Breast and Cervical Cancer

1 Research Fund, the National World War II Memorial Fund, the  
2 Prostate Cancer Research Fund, the Lou Gehrig's Disease (ALS)  
3 Research Fund, the Multiple Sclerosis Assistance Fund, the  
4 Leukemia Treatment and Education Fund, the World War II  
5 Illinois Veterans Memorial Fund, the Korean War Veterans  
6 National Museum and Library Fund, the Illinois Military Family  
7 Relief Fund, the Illinois Veterans' Homes Fund, the Autism  
8 Research Fund, and the Asthma and Lung Research Fund.

9 Each form shall contain a statement that the contributions  
10 will reduce the taxpayer's refund or increase the amount of  
11 payment to accompany the return. Failure to remit any amount of  
12 increased payment shall reduce the contribution accordingly.

13 If, on October 1 of any year, the total contributions to  
14 any one of the funds made under this Section do not equal  
15 \$100,000 or more, the explanations and spaces for designating  
16 contributions to the fund shall be removed from the individual  
17 income tax return forms for the following and all subsequent  
18 years and all subsequent contributions to the fund shall be  
19 refunded to the taxpayer.

20 (Source: P.A. 92-84, eff. 7-1-02; 92-198, eff. 8-1-01; 92-651,  
21 eff. 7-11-02; 92-772, eff. 8-6-02; 92-886, eff. 2-7-03; 93-36,  
22 eff. 6-24-03; 93-131, eff. 7-10-03; 93-292, eff. 7-22-03;  
23 93-324, eff. 7-23-03; 93-776, eff. 7-21-04.)

24 (35 ILCS 5/510) (from Ch. 120, par. 5-510)

25 Sec. 510. Determination of amounts contributed. The  
26 Department shall determine the total amount contributed to each  
27 of the following: the Child Abuse Prevention Fund, the Illinois  
28 Wildlife Preservation Fund, the Assistance to the Homeless  
29 Fund, the Alzheimer's Disease Research Fund, the Penny Severns  
30 Breast and Cervical Cancer Research Fund, the National World  
31 War II Memorial Fund, the Prostate Cancer Research Fund, the  
32 Illinois Military Family Relief Fund, the Lou Gehrig's Disease  
33 (ALS) Research Fund, the Multiple Sclerosis Assistance Fund,  
34 the Leukemia Treatment and Education Fund, the World War II  
35 Illinois Veterans Memorial Fund, the Korean War Veterans

1 National Museum and Library Fund, the Illinois Veterans' Homes  
2 Fund, the Autism Research Fund, and the Asthma and Lung  
3 Research Fund; and shall notify the State Comptroller and the  
4 State Treasurer of the amounts to be transferred from the  
5 General Revenue Fund to each fund, and upon receipt of such  
6 notification the State Treasurer and Comptroller shall  
7 transfer the amounts.

8 (Source: P.A. 92-84, eff. 7-1-02; 92-198, eff. 8-1-01; 92-651,  
9 eff. 7-11-02; 92-772, eff. 8-6-02; 92-886, eff. 2-7-03; 93-36,  
10 eff. 6-24-03; 93-131, eff. 7-10-03; 93-292, eff. 7-22-03;  
11 93-324, eff. 7-23-03; 93-776, eff. 7-21-04.)

12 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
13 becoming law.