



## 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2005 and 2006

HB1044

Introduced 02/03/05, by Rep. Mary E. Flowers

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Public Health Program Beneficiary Employer Disclosure Act. Provides that an applicant for benefits under Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program, or a person requesting uncompensated care in a hospital, must identify the employer or employers of the proposed beneficiary of the health care benefits provided under that program. Requires the Department of Public Aid to submit to the General Assembly an annual report, beginning in 2007, identifying all such identified employers who employ 25 or more public health program beneficiaries. Provides for public access to the report.

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1 AN ACT concerning 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 Public  
5 Health Program Beneficiary Employer Disclosure Act.

6 Section 5. Definition. In this Act, "public health program"  
7 means either of the following:

8 (1) The medical assistance program under Article V of  
9 the Illinois Public Aid Code.

10 (2) The children's health insurance program under the  
11 Children's Health Insurance Program Act.

12 Section 10. Disclosure of employer required. An applicant  
13 for health care benefits under a public health program, or a  
14 person requesting uncompensated care in a hospital, must  
15 identify the employer or employers of the proposed beneficiary  
16 of the health care benefits. If the proposed public health  
17 program beneficiary is not employed, the applicant must  
18 identify the employer or employers of any adult who is  
19 responsible for providing all or some of the proposed  
20 beneficiary's support.

21 Section 15. Reporting of disclosed information.

22 (a) On or before March 1 of each year, beginning in 2007,  
23 the Department of Public Aid shall submit to the General  
24 Assembly a report identifying all employers identified under  
25 Section 10 who employ 25 or more public health program  
26 beneficiaries. In determining whether the 25-employee  
27 threshold is met, the Department shall include all public  
28 health program beneficiaries employed by the employer and its  
29 subsidiaries at all locations within the State. The report  
30 shall include (i) each employer's name (and, as appropriate,

1 the names of its subsidiaries that employ public health program  
2 beneficiaries), (ii) its location or locations in the State,  
3 (iii) the total number of its employees and dependents who are  
4 enrolled in each public health program, and (iv) the total cost  
5 to the State of providing benefits under a public health  
6 program for the employees and enrolled dependents of each named  
7 employer. The report shall not include the name of any  
8 individual public health program beneficiary and is  
9 confidential and subject to the Health Insurance Portability  
10 and Accountability Act of 1996.

11 (b) In addition to filing the report with the General  
12 Assembly, the Department shall make the report available to the  
13 public by posting the report on the Department's official  
14 website. The Department also shall make a copy of the report  
15 available to a member of the public upon request.