

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 11-1 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/11-1) (from Ch. 23, par. 11-1)

7 Sec. 11-1. No discrimination). There shall be no
8 discrimination or denial of financial aid and ~~and~~ social
9 services on account of the race, religion, color, national
10 origin, sex, marital status, or political affiliation of any
11 applicant or recipient. This paragraph shall not prevent the
12 Department from treating individuals differently as a result of
13 the rights and responsibilities that arise under law from
14 marital status.

15 Participation in any marriage promotion or family
16 formation activity is voluntary. Non-participation shall not
17 affect any person's eligibility for or receipt of financial aid
18 or social services in any program under this Code.

19 Where financial aid or social services are granted to
20 certain classes of persons under a program for which federal
21 funds are available, nothing in this Section shall require
22 granting of financial aid or social services to other persons
23 where federal funds would not be available as to those other
24 persons.

25 (Source: P.A. 93-598, eff. 8-26-03.)