## 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

# 2005 and 2006

#### SB0441

Introduced 2/16/2005, by Sen. Dale A. Righter

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-4.1

from Ch. 23, par. 5-4.1

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Increases the maximum allowable co-payment for dental, optical services and supplies, chiropractic services, podiatry services and encounter rate clinic services from \$2 to \$3. Establishes a maximum allowable co-payment of \$2 for emergency room services that are not defined in 42 CFR 447.53(b)(4). Requires the Department of Public Aid to seek a waiver from the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services under Title XIX, Section 1916(a)(3) of the Social Security Act. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY SB0441

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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 5-4.1 as follows:

- 6 (305 ILCS 5/5-4.1) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-4.1)
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Sec. 5-4.1. Co-payments.

(a) The Department may by rule provide that recipients 8 under any Article of this Code shall pay a fee as a co-payment 9 10 for services. Co-payments may not exceed \$3 for brand name drugs, \$1 for other pharmacy services other than for generic 11 drugs, and \$2 for physicians services, <u>\$3 for</u> dental services, 12 optical services and supplies, chiropractic services, podiatry 13 14 services, and encounter rate clinic services, and \$2 for 15 emergency room services not defined in 42 CFR 447.53(b)(4). There shall be no co-payment for generic drugs. Co-payments may 16 17 not exceed \$3 for hospital outpatient and clinic services. Provided, however, that any such rule must provide that no 18 19 co-payment requirement can exist for renal dialysis, radiation 20 therapy, cancer chemotherapy, or insulin, and other products necessary on a recurring basis, the absence of which would be 21 22 life threatening, or where co-payment expenditures for required services and/or medications for chronic diseases that 23 the Illinois Department shall by rule designate shall cause an 24 25 extensive financial burden on the recipient, and provided no 26 co-payment shall exist for emergency room encounters which are for medical emergencies. 27

(b) The Department shall submit a waiver to the U.S.
Secretary of Health and Human Services under Title XIX Section
1916(a) (3) of the Social Security Act to impose a copayment of
up to double the "nominal" copayment amounts determined under
42 CFR 447.54(a) (3).

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 1 (Source: P.A. 92-597, eff. 6-28-02; 93-593, eff. 8-25-03.)
 2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

3 becoming law.