94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SB2449

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 1005/1005-47 new

Amends the Department of Employment Security Law. Requires the Department of Employment Security, through its Illinois Skills Match Program, to implement and administer a central clearinghouse for information and opportunities for those seeking employment in Illinois. Requires the Department to maintain a web site that allows job seekers easy access to employment opportunities that match the skills of the person seeking employment. Requires all executive branch State agencies to use the program. Allows, and encourages, units of local government, school districts, and other public and private employers to use the program. Provides that the Department may not charge any employer or any person seeking employment a fee for using the program. Authorizes the Department to adopt rules. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY SB2449

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AN ACT concerning employment.

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

Section 5. The Department of Employment Security Law of the
Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding
Section 1005-47 as follows:

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(20 ILCS 1005/1005-47 new)

Sec. 1005-47. Illinois Skills Match Program.

9 <u>(a) The Department of Employment Security, through its</u> 10 <u>Illinois Skills Match Program, shall implement and administer a</u> 11 <u>central clearinghouse for information and opportunities for</u> 12 <u>those seeking employment in Illinois. The Department shall</u> 13 <u>maintain a web site that allows job seekers easy access to</u> 14 <u>employment opportunities that match the skills of the person</u> 15 <u>seeking employment.</u>

16 (b) All executive branch State agencies must supply 17 information concerning its employment vacancies, except for 18 positions exempt from the requirements of the Rutan decision, 19 to the Department for posting on the Illinois Skills Match web 20 site. "State agency" has the meaning as defined in Section 1-5 21 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act.

(c) All units of local government, school districts, and other public and private employers may, and are encouraged to, supply information concerning Illinois employment vacancies to the Department for posting on the Illinois Skills Match web site.

27 (d) The Department may not charge any employer or any
 28 person seeking employment a fee for using the Illinois Skills
 29 <u>Match Program.</u>

30 (e) The Department is authorized to adopt all rules
 31 necessary to implement and administer the Illinois Skills Match
 32 Program under this Section.

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