

Health Care Availability and Access Committee

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1	AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1560	
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend House	Bill 1560 by replacing
3	everything after the enacting clause wi	th the following:
4 5	"Section 5. The State Employees Gro is amended by changing Section 6.11 as f	-
6	(5 ILCS 375/6.11)	
7	Sec. 6.11. Required health benefi	its; Illinois Insurance
8	Code requirements. The program of healt	h benefits shall provide
9	the post-mastectomy care benefits requ	ired to be covered by a
10	policy of accident and health insuranc	e under Section 356t of
11	the Illinois Insurance Code. The proc	gram of health benefits
12	shall provide the coverage required und	der Sections 356u, 356w,
13	356x, 356z.2, 356z.4, and 356z.6 <u>, and</u>	<u>356z.9</u> of the Illinois
14	Insurance Code. The program of health b	enefits must comply with
15	Section 155.37 of the Illinois Insurance	e Code.
16	(Source: P.A. 92-440, eff. 8-17-01;	92-764, eff. 1-1-03;

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1 93-102, eff. 1-1-04; 93-853, eff. 1-1-05.)
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2 Section 10. The Counties Code is amended by changing 3 Section 5-1069.3 as follows:

4 (55 ILCS 5/5-1069.3)

Sec. 5-1069.3. Required health benefits. If a county, 5 6 including a home rule county, is a self-insurer for purposes of 7 providing health insurance coverage for its employees, the 8 coverage shall include coverage for the post-mastectomy care 9 benefits required to be covered by a policy of accident and health insurance under Section 356t and the coverage required 10 11 under Sections 356u, 356w, 356x, and 356z.6, and 356z.9 of the 12 Illinois Insurance Code. The requirement that health benefits 13 be covered as provided in this Section is an exclusive power 14 and function of the State and is a denial and limitation under Article VII, Section 6, subsection (h) of the Illinois 15 16 Constitution. A home rule county to which this Section applies must comply with every provision of this Section. 17

18 (Source: P.A. 93-853, eff. 1-1-05.)

- Section 15. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by changing Section 10-4-2.3 as follows:
- 21 (65 ILCS 5/10-4-2.3)

22 Sec. 10-4-2.3. Required health benefits. If a

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1 municipality, including a home rule municipality, is a 2 self-insurer for purposes of providing health insurance coverage for its employees, the coverage shall include coverage 3 4 for the post-mastectomy care benefits required to be covered by 5 a policy of accident and health insurance under Section 356t 6 and the coverage required under Sections 356u, 356w, 356x, and 356z.6, and 356z.9 of the Illinois Insurance Code. The 7 8 requirement that health benefits be covered as provided in this 9 is an exclusive power and function of the State and is a denial 10 and limitation under Article VII, Section 6, subsection (h) of 11 the Illinois Constitution. A home rule municipality to which this Section applies must comply with every provision of this 12 13 Section.

14 (Source: P.A. 93-853, eff. 1-1-05.)

Section 20. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by adding Section 365z.9 as follows:

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(215 ILCS 5/365z.9 new)

18 <u>Sec. 365z.9. Amino acid-based elemental</u> formulas.

19 <u>(a) A group or individual policy of accident and health</u> 20 <u>insurance or managed care plan amended, delivered, issued, or</u> 21 <u>renewed after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the</u> 22 <u>95th General Assembly must provide coverage for</u> 23 <u>nonprescription amino acid-based elemental formulas,</u> 24 regardless of delivery method, for the diagnosis and treatment

1 of (i) milk protein allergies and intolerances, (ii) eosinophilic disorders, and (iii) impaired absorption of 2 nutrients caused by disorders affecting the absorptive 3 4 surface, functional length, and motility of the 5 gastrointestinal tract, when the prescribing physician has issued a written order stating that the amino acid-based 6 elemental formula is medically necessary for the treatment of a 7 disease or disorder and is the least restrictive and most 8 9 cost-effective means for meeting the needs of the patient. 10 (b) A group or individual policy of accident and health

11 insurance or managed care plan amended, delivered, issued, or renewed after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 12 13 95th General Assembly must provide coverage for specialized 14 amino acid-based elemental formulas, regardless of delivery 15 method, when the prescribing physician has issued a written 16 order stating that such specialized amino acid-based elemental formula is medically necessary for the treatment of a disease 17 or disorder and is the least restrictive and most 18 19 cost-effective means for meeting the needs of the patient.

20 Section 25. The Health Maintenance Organization Act is 21 amended by changing Section 5-3 as follows:

- 22 (215 ILCS 125/5-3) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 1411.2)
- 23 Sec. 5-3. Insurance Code provisions.
- 24 (a) Health Maintenance Organizations shall be subject to

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the provisions of Sections 133, 134, 137, 140, 141.1, 141.2, 1 141.3, 143, 143c, 147, 148, 149, 151, 152, 153, 154, 154.5, 2 154.6, 154.7, 154.8, 155.04, 355.2, 356m, 356v, 356w, 356x, 3 356y, 356z.2, 356z.4, 356z.5, 356z.6, 356z.8, <u>356z.9</u>, 364.01, 4 5 367.2, 367.2-5, 367i, 368a, 368b, 368c, 368d, 368e, 370c, 401, 6 401.1, 402, 403, 403A, 408, 408.2, 409, 412, 444, and 444.1, paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of Section 367, and Articles 7 IIA, VIII 1/2, XII, XII 1/2, XIII, XIII 1/2, XXV, and XXVI of 8 9 the Illinois Insurance Code.

10 (b) For purposes of the Illinois Insurance Code, except for 11 Sections 444 and 444.1 and Articles XIII and XIII 1/2, Health 12 Maintenance Organizations in the following categories are 13 deemed to be "domestic companies":

14 (1) a corporation authorized under the Dental Service
15 Plan Act or the Voluntary Health Services Plans Act;

16 (2) a corporation organized under the laws of this 17 State; or

(3) a corporation organized under the laws of another
state, 30% or more of the enrollees of which are residents
of this State, except a corporation subject to
substantially the same requirements in its state of
organization as is a "domestic company" under Article VIII
1/2 of the Illinois Insurance Code.

(c) In considering the merger, consolidation, or other
 acquisition of control of a Health Maintenance Organization
 pursuant to Article VIII 1/2 of the Illinois Insurance Code,

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1 (1) the Director shall give primary consideration to the continuation of benefits to enrollees and the financial conditions of the acquired Health Maintenance Organization after the merger, consolidation, or other acquisition of control takes effect;

(2) (i) the criteria specified in subsection (1) (b) of 6 Section 131.8 of the Illinois Insurance Code shall not 7 apply and (ii) the Director, in making his determination 8 9 with respect to the merger, consolidation, or other 10 acquisition of control, need not take into account the 11 effect on competition of the merger, consolidation, or other acquisition of control; 12

13 (3) the Director shall have the power to require the 14 following information:

15 (A) certification by an independent actuary of the 16 adequacy of the reserves of the Health Maintenance 17 Organization sought to be acquired;

18 (B) pro forma financial statements reflecting the 19 combined balance sheets of the acquiring company and 20 the Health Maintenance Organization sought to be 21 acquired as of the end of the preceding year and as of 22 a date 90 days prior to the acquisition, as well as pro 23 financial forma statements reflecting projected 24 combined operation for a period of 2 years;

(C) a pro forma business plan detailing an 25 26 acquiring party's plans with respect to the operation 1 of the Health Maintenance Organization sought to be acquired for a period of not less than 3 years; and

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(D) such other information as the Director shall require.

5 (d) The provisions of Article VIII 1/2 of the Illinois Insurance Code and this Section 5-3 shall apply to the sale by 6 any health maintenance organization of greater than 10% of its 7 8 enrollee population (including without limitation the health maintenance organization's right, title, and interest in and to 9 10 its health care certificates).

11 (e) In considering any management contract or service agreement subject to Section 141.1 of the Illinois Insurance 12 13 Code, the Director (i) shall, in addition to the criteria specified in Section 141.2 of the Illinois Insurance Code, take 14 15 into account the effect of the management contract or service 16 agreement on the continuation of benefits to enrollees and the financial condition of the health maintenance organization to 17 18 be managed or serviced, and (ii) need not take into account the 19 effect of the management contract or service agreement on 20 competition.

(f) Except for small employer groups as defined in the 21 22 Small Employer Rating, Renewability and Portability Health 23 Insurance Act and except for medicare supplement policies as 24 defined in Section 363 of the Illinois Insurance Code, a Health 25 Maintenance Organization may by contract agree with a group or 26 other enrollment unit to effect refunds or charge additional 1

premiums under the following terms and conditions:

(i) the amount of, and other terms and conditions with
respect to, the refund or additional premium are set forth
in the group or enrollment unit contract agreed in advance
of the period for which a refund is to be paid or
additional premium is to be charged (which period shall not
be less than one year); and

8 (ii) the amount of the refund or additional premium 9 shall not exceed 20% of the Health Maintenance 10 Organization's profitable or unprofitable experience with 11 respect to the group or other enrollment unit for the period (and, for purposes of a refund or additional 12 13 premium, the profitable or unprofitable experience shall 14 be calculated taking into account a pro rata share of the 15 Health Maintenance Organization's administrative and 16 marketing expenses, but shall not include any refund to be 17 made or additional premium to be paid pursuant to this 18 subsection (f)). The Health Maintenance Organization and 19 the group or enrollment unit may agree that the profitable 20 or unprofitable experience may be calculated taking into 21 account the refund period and the immediately preceding 2 22 plan years.

The Health Maintenance Organization shall include a statement in the evidence of coverage issued to each enrollee describing the possibility of a refund or additional premium, and upon request of any group or enrollment unit, provide to 09500HB1560ham001 -9- LRB095 09733 KBJ 33861 a

1 the group or enrollment unit a description of the method used 2 to calculate (1) the Health Maintenance Organization's profitable experience with respect to the group or enrollment 3 4 unit and the resulting refund to the group or enrollment unit 5 or (2) the Health Maintenance Organization's unprofitable 6 experience with respect to the group or enrollment unit and the resulting additional premium to be paid by the group or 7 8 enrollment unit.

9 In no event shall the Illinois Health Maintenance 10 Organization Guaranty Association be liable to pay any 11 contractual obligation of an insolvent organization to pay any 12 refund authorized under this Section.

13 (Source: P.A. 93-102, eff. 1-1-04; 93-261, eff. 1-1-04; 93-477, 14 eff. 8-8-03; 93-529, eff. 8-14-03; 93-853, eff. 1-1-05; 15 93-1000, eff. 1-1-05; 94-906, eff. 1-1-07; 94-1076, eff. 16 12-29-06; revised 1-5-07.)

Section 30. The Limited Health Service Organization Act is amended by changing Section 4003 as follows:

19 (215 ILCS 130/4003) (from Ch. 73, par. 1504-3)

Sec. 4003. Illinois Insurance Code provisions. Limited
health service organizations shall be subject to the provisions
of Sections 133, 134, 137, 140, 141.1, 141.2, 141.3, 143, 143c,
147, 148, 149, 151, 152, 153, 154, 154.5, 154.6, 154.7, 154.8,
155.04, 155.37, 355.2, 356v, <u>356z.9</u>, 368a, 401, 401.1, 402,

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1	403, 403A, 408, 408.2, 409, 412, 444, and 444.1 and Articles	
2	IIA, VIII $1/2$, XII, XII $1/2$, XIII, XIII $1/2$, XXV, and XXVI of	
3	the Illinois Insurance Code. For purposes of the Illinois	
4	Insurance Code, except for Sections 444 and 444.1 and Articles	
5	XIII and XIII $1/2$, limited health service organizations in the	
6	following categories are deemed to be domestic companies:	
7	(1) a corporation under the laws of this State; or	
8	(2) a corporation organized under the laws of another	
9	state, 30% of more of the enrollees of which are residents	
10	of this State, except a corporation subject to	
11	substantially the same requirements in its state of	
12	organization as is a domestic company under Article VIII	
13	1/2 of the Illinois Insurance Code.	
14	(Source: P.A. 91-549, eff. 8-14-99; 91-605, eff. 12-14-99;	
15	91-788, eff. 6-9-00; 92-440, eff. 8-17-01.)	

Section 35. The Voluntary Health Services Plans Act is amended by changing Section 10 as follows:

18 (215 ILCS 165/10) (from Ch. 32, par. 604)

Sec. 10. Application of Insurance Code provisions. Health
 services plan corporations and all persons interested therein
 or dealing therewith shall be subject to the provisions of
 Articles IIA and XII 1/2 and Sections 3.1, 133, 140, 143, 143c,
 149, 155.37, 354, 355.2, 356r, 356t, 356u, 356v, 356w, 356x,
 356y, 356z.1, 356z.2, 356z.4, 356z.5, 356z.6, 356z.8, <u>356z.9</u>,

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364.01, 367.2, 368a, 401, 401.1, 402, 403, 403A, 408, 408.2,
and 412, and paragraphs (7) and (15) of Section 367 of the
Illinois Insurance Code.
(Source: P.A. 93-102, eff. 1-1-04; 93-529, eff. 8-14-03;
93-853, eff. 1-1-05; 93-1000, eff. 1-1-05; 94-1076, eff.
12-29-06.)

7 Section 40. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by8 changing Section 5-5 as follows:

9 (305 ILCS 5/5-5) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-5)

Sec. 5-5. Medical services. The Illinois Department, by 10 11 rule, shall determine the quantity and quality of and the rate of reimbursement for the medical assistance for which payment 12 13 will be authorized, and the medical services to be provided, 14 which may include all or part of the following: (1) inpatient hospital services; (2) outpatient hospital services; (3) other 15 laboratory and X-ray services; (4) skilled nursing home 16 17 services; (5) physicians' services whether furnished in the 18 office, the patient's home, a hospital, a skilled nursing home, 19 or elsewhere; (6) medical care, or any other type of remedial 20 care furnished by licensed practitioners; (7) home health care 21 (8) private duty nursing service; (9) clinic services; 22 (10) dental services, including prevention and services; 23 treatment of periodontal disease and dental caries disease for 24 pregnant women; (11) physical therapy and related services;

1 (12) prescribed drugs, dentures, and prosthetic devices; and eyeqlasses prescribed by a physician skilled in the diseases of 2 the eye, or by an optometrist, whichever the person may select; 3 4 (13)other diagnostic, screening, preventive, and 5 rehabilitative services; (14) transportation and such other 6 expenses as may be necessary; (15) medical treatment of sexual assault survivors, as defined in Section 1a of the Sexual 7 8 Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act, for injuries 9 sustained as a result of the sexual assault, including 10 examinations and laboratory tests to discover evidence which 11 may be used in criminal proceedings arising from the sexual assault; (16) the diagnosis and treatment of sickle cell 12 13 anemia; and (17) any other medical care, and any other type of remedial care recognized under the laws of this State, but not 14 15 including abortions, or induced miscarriages or premature 16 births, unless, in the opinion of a physician, such procedures are necessary for the preservation of the life of the woman 17 18 seeking such treatment, or except an induced premature birth 19 intended to produce a live viable child and such procedure is 20 necessary for the health of the mother or her unborn child. The 21 Illinois Department, by rule, shall prohibit any physician from 22 providing medical assistance to anyone eligible therefor under 23 this Code where such physician has been found guilty of 24 performing an abortion procedure in a wilful and wanton manner 25 upon a woman who was not pregnant at the time such abortion 26 procedure was performed. The term "any other type of remedial

1 care" shall include nursing care and nursing home service for 2 persons who rely on treatment by spiritual means alone through 3 prayer for healing.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, a comprehensive tobacco use cessation program that includes purchasing prescription drugs or prescription medical devices approved by the Food and Drug administration shall be covered under the medical assistance program under this Article for persons who are otherwise eligible for assistance under this Article.

11 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, the 12 Illinois Department may not require, as a condition of payment 13 for any laboratory test authorized under this Article, that a 14 physician's handwritten signature appear on the laboratory 15 test order form. The Illinois Department may, however, impose 16 other appropriate requirements regarding laboratory test order 17 documentation.

18 The **Illinois** Department of <u>Healthcare and Family Services</u> 19 Public Aid shall provide the following services to persons 20 eligible for assistance under this Article who are participating in education, training or employment programs 21 22 operated by the Department of Human Services as successor to 23 the Department of Public Aid:

(1) dental services, which shall include but not belimited to prosthodontics; and

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(2) eyeglasses prescribed by a physician skilled in the

1 diseases of the eye, or by an optometrist, whichever the 2 person may select.

3 The Illinois Department, by rule, may distinguish and 4 classify the medical services to be provided only in accordance 5 with the classes of persons designated in Section 5-2.

6 The Department of Healthcare and Family Services must provide coverage for nonprescription amino acid-based 7 elemental formulas, regardless of delivery method, for the 8 9 diagnosis and treatment of (i) milk protein allergies and 10 intolerances, (ii) eosinophilic disorders, and (iii) impaired absorption of nutrients caused by disorders affecting the 11 absorptive surface, functional length, and motility of the 12 gastrointestinal tract, when the prescribing physician has 13 14 issued a written order stating that the amino acid-based 15 elemental formula is medically necessary for the treatment of a disease or disorder and is the least restrictive and most 16 cost-effective means for meeting the needs of the patient. 17

The Department of Healthcare and Family Services must 18 provide coverage for specialized amino acid-based elemental 19 20 formulas, regardless of delivery method, when the prescribing physician has issued a written order stating that such 21 22 specialized amino acid-based elemental formula is medically necessary for the treatment of a disease or disorder and is the 23 least restrictive and most cost-effective means for meeting the 24 25 needs of the patient.

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The Illinois Department shall authorize the provision of,

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1 and shall authorize payment for, screening by low-dose mammography for the presence of occult breast cancer for women 2 3 35 years of age or older who are eligible for medical 4 assistance under this Article, as follows: a baseline mammogram 5 for women 35 to 39 years of age and an annual mammogram for 6 women 40 years of age or older. All screenings shall include a physical breast exam, instruction on self-examination and 7 information regarding the frequency of self-examination and 8 9 its value as a preventative tool. As used in this Section, 10 "low-dose mammography" means the x-ray examination of the 11 breast using equipment dedicated specifically for mammography, including the x-ray tube, filter, compression device, image 12 13 receptor, and cassettes, with an average radiation exposure delivery of less than one rad mid-breast, with 2 views for each 14 15 breast.

16 Any medical or health care provider shall immediately 17 recommend, to any pregnant woman who is being provided prenatal services and is suspected of drug abuse or is addicted as 18 defined in the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse and Dependency 19 20 Act, referral to a local substance abuse treatment provider 21 licensed by the Department of Human Services or to a licensed 22 hospital which provides substance abuse treatment services. The Department of Healthcare and Family Services Public Aid 23 24 shall assure coverage for the cost of treatment of the drug 25 abuse or addiction for pregnant recipients in accordance with 26 the Illinois Medicaid Program in conjunction with the

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1 Department of Human Services.

2 All medical providers providing medical assistance to pregnant women under this Code shall receive information from 3 4 the Department on the availability of services under the Drug 5 Free Families with a Future or any comparable program providing management services for addicted women, 6 including case information on appropriate referrals for other social services 7 8 that may be needed by addicted women in addition to treatment 9 for addiction.

10 The Illinois Department, in cooperation with the 11 Departments of Human Services (as successor to the Department of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse) and Public Health, through a 12 13 public awareness campaign, may provide information concerning 14 treatment for alcoholism and drug abuse and addiction, prenatal 15 health care, and other pertinent programs directed at reducing 16 the number of drug-affected infants born to recipients of 17 medical assistance.

18 Neither the Illinois Department of <u>Healthcare and Family</u> 19 <u>Services</u> Public Aid nor the Department of Human Services shall 20 sanction the recipient solely on the basis of her substance 21 abuse.

The Illinois Department shall establish such regulations governing the dispensing of health services under this Article as it shall deem appropriate. The Department should seek the advice of formal professional advisory committees appointed by the Director of the Illinois Department for the purpose of providing regular advice on policy and administrative matters, information dissemination and educational activities for medical and health care providers, and consistency in procedures to the Illinois Department.

5 The Illinois Department may develop and contract with 6 Partnerships of medical providers to arrange medical services for persons eligible under Section 5-2 of this Code. 7 8 Implementation of this Section may be by demonstration projects 9 in certain geographic areas. The Partnership shall be 10 represented by a sponsor organization. The Department, by rule, 11 shall develop qualifications for sponsors of Partnerships. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to require that the 12 13 sponsor organization be a medical organization.

The sponsor must negotiate formal written contracts with 14 15 providers for physician services, inpatient medical and 16 outpatient hospital care, home health services, treatment for alcoholism and substance abuse, and other services determined 17 18 necessary by the Illinois Department by rule for delivery by 19 Partnerships. Physician services must include prenatal and 20 obstetrical care. The Illinois Department shall reimburse 21 medical services delivered by Partnership providers to clients 22 in target areas according to provisions of this Article and the 23 Illinois Health Finance Reform Act, except that:

(1) Physicians participating in a Partnership and
 providing certain services, which shall be determined by
 the Illinois Department, to persons in areas covered by the

Partnership may receive an additional surcharge for such
 services.

3 (2) The Department may elect to consider and negotiate
4 financial incentives to encourage the development of
5 Partnerships and the efficient delivery of medical care.

6 (3) Persons receiving medical services through 7 Partnerships may receive medical and case management 8 services above the level usually offered through the 9 medical assistance program.

10 Medical providers shall be required to meet certain 11 qualifications to participate in Partnerships to ensure the quality medical 12 deliverv of hiqh services. These 13 qualifications shall be determined by rule of the Illinois 14 Department and may be higher than qualifications for 15 participation in the medical assistance program. Partnership 16 sponsors may prescribe reasonable additional qualifications for participation by medical providers, only with the prior 17 18 written approval of the Illinois Department.

19 Nothing in this Section shall limit the free choice of 20 practitioners, hospitals, and other providers of medical services by clients. In order to ensure patient freedom of 21 22 choice, the Illinois Department shall immediately promulgate 23 all rules and take all other necessary actions so that provided 24 services may be accessed from therapeutically certified 25 optometrists to the full extent of the Illinois Optometric 26 Practice Act of 1987 without discriminating between service

1 providers.

2 The Department shall apply for a waiver from the United 3 States Health Care Financing Administration to allow for the 4 implementation of Partnerships under this Section.

5 Illinois Department shall require health The care 6 providers to maintain records that document the medical care and services provided to recipients of Medical Assistance under 7 8 this Article. The Illinois Department shall require health care 9 providers to make available, when authorized by the patient, in 10 writing, the medical records in a timely fashion to other 11 health care providers who are treating or serving persons eligible for Medical Assistance under this Article. All 12 13 dispensers of medical services shall be required to maintain and retain business and professional records sufficient to 14 15 fully and accurately document the nature, scope, details and 16 receipt of the health care provided to persons eligible for assistance under this Code, in accordance with 17 medical 18 regulations promulgated by the Illinois Department. The rules 19 and regulations shall require that proof of the receipt of 20 prescription drugs, dentures, prosthetic devices and 21 eyeqlasses by eligible persons under this Section accompany 22 each claim for reimbursement submitted by the dispenser of such medical services. No such claims for reimbursement shall be 23 24 approved for payment by the Illinois Department without such 25 proof of receipt, unless the Illinois Department shall have put 26 into effect and shall be operating a system of post-payment

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1 audit and review which shall, on a sampling basis, be deemed 2 adequate by the Illinois Department to assure that such drugs, dentures, prosthetic devices and eyeglasses for which payment 3 4 is being made are actually being received by eligible 5 recipients. Within 90 days after the effective date of this 6 amendatory Act of 1984, the Illinois Department shall establish a current list of acquisition costs for all prosthetic devices 7 8 and any other items recognized as medical equipment and 9 supplies reimbursable under this Article and shall update such 10 list on a quarterly basis, except that the acquisition costs of 11 all prescription drugs shall be updated no less frequently than every 30 days as required by Section 5-5.12. 12

13 The rules and regulations of the Illinois Department shall 14 require that a written statement including the required opinion 15 of a physician shall accompany any claim for reimbursement for 16 abortions, or induced miscarriages or premature births. This 17 statement shall indicate what procedures were used in providing 18 such medical services.

The Illinois Department shall require all dispensers of 19 20 medical services, other than an individual practitioner or group of practitioners, desiring to participate in the Medical 21 22 Assistance program established under this Article to disclose 23 all financial, beneficial, ownership, equity, surety or other 24 interests in any and all firms, corporations, partnerships, 25 associations, business enterprises, joint ventures, agencies, institutions or other legal entities providing any form of 26

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health care services in this State under this Article.

2 The Illinois Department may require that all dispensers of medical services desiring to participate in the medical 3 4 assistance program established under this Article disclose, 5 under such terms and conditions as the Illinois Department may by rule establish, all inquiries from clients and attorneys 6 regarding medical bills paid by the Illinois Department, which 7 8 inquiries could indicate potential existence of claims or liens 9 for the Illinois Department.

Enrollment of a vendor that provides non-emergency medical transportation, defined by the Department by rule, shall be conditional for 180 days. During that time, the Department of <u>Healthcare and Family Services</u> <u>Public Aid</u> may terminate the vendor's eligibility to participate in the medical assistance program without cause. That termination of eligibility is not subject to the Department's hearing process.

17 The Illinois Department shall establish policies, 18 procedures, standards and criteria by rule for the acquisition, repair and replacement of orthotic and prosthetic devices and 19 20 durable medical equipment. Such rules shall provide, but not be limited to, the following services: (1) immediate repair or 21 replacement of such devices by recipients without medical 22 23 authorization; rental, lease, and (2) purchase or 24 of durable medical lease-purchase equipment in а 25 cost-effective manner, taking into consideration the recipient's medical prognosis, the extent of the recipient's 26

needs, and the requirements and costs for maintaining such equipment. Such rules shall enable a recipient to temporarily acquire and use alternative or substitute devices or equipment pending repairs or replacements of any device or equipment previously authorized for such recipient by the Department.

6 The Department shall execute, relative to the nursing home 7 prescreening project, written inter-agency agreements with the 8 Department of Human Services and the Department on Aging, to 9 effect the following: (i) intake procedures and common 10 eligibility criteria for those persons who are receiving 11 non-institutional services; and (ii) the establishment and development of non-institutional services in areas of the State 12 13 where they are not currently available or are undeveloped.

14 The Illinois Department shall develop and operate, in 15 cooperation with other State Departments and agencies and in 16 compliance with applicable federal laws and regulations, 17 appropriate and effective systems of health care evaluation and 18 programs for monitoring of utilization of health care services 19 and facilities, as it affects persons eligible for medical 20 assistance under this Code.

The Illinois Department shall report annually to the General Assembly, no later than the second Friday in April of 1979 and each year thereafter, in regard to:

(a) actual statistics and trends in utilization of
 medical services by public aid recipients;

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(b) actual statistics and trends in the provision of

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the various medical services by medical vendors;

2 3 (c) current rate structures and proposed changes in those rate structures for the various medical vendors; and

4 (d) efforts at utilization review and control by the
5 Illinois Department.

The period covered by each report shall be the 3 years 6 ending on the June 30 prior to the report. The report shall 7 8 include suggested legislation for consideration by the General 9 Assembly. The filing of one copy of the report with the 10 Speaker, one copy with the Minority Leader and one copy with 11 the Clerk of the House of Representatives, one copy with the President, one copy with the Minority Leader and one copy with 12 13 the Secretary of the Senate, one copy with the Legislative 14 Research Unit, and such additional copies with the State 15 Government Report Distribution Center for the General Assembly 16 as is required under paragraph (t) of Section 7 of the State Library Act shall be deemed sufficient to comply with this 17 18 Section.

19 (Source: P.A. 92-16, eff. 6-28-01; 92-651, eff. 7-11-02; 20 92-789, eff. 8-6-02; 93-632, eff. 2-1-04; 93-841, eff. 7-30-04; 21 93-981, eff. 8-23-04; revised 12-15-05.)

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 23 becoming law.".