

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

4 Section 5. The Community-Integrated Living Arrangements
5 Licensure and Certification Act is amended by adding Section 12
6 as follows:

7 (210 ILCS 135/12 new)

8 Sec. 12. CILAs for adolescents diagnosed with autism.

9 (a) Subject to appropriation, the Department of Children
10 and Family Services shall implement a project for the operation
11 of 3 community-integrated living arrangement homes for
12 adolescents who have been diagnosed with autism and who are at
13 least 13 years of age and not more than 18 years of age. The
14 homes shall be located in 3 separate geographical areas of the
15 State. The homes shall operate 7 days per week and shall be
16 staffed 24 hours per day. The homes shall feature maximum
17 family involvement based on a service and support agreement
18 signed by the adolescent's family and the provider. A single
19 service provider shall operate all 3 homes.

20 (b) The service provider must have on its staff a behavior
21 therapist who shall serve as a resource for all 3 homes. The
22 provider shall ensure that the staff at each home receives
23 appropriate training in matters that include, but need not be

1 limited to, the following: behavior analysis, skill training,
2 and other methodologies of teaching such as discreet trial and
3 picture exchange communication system.

4 (c) The homes shall provide therapeutic and other support
5 services to the adolescents being served there. The therapeutic
6 curriculum shall be based on the principles of applied behavior
7 analysis.

8 (d) The Department of Children and Family Services, in
9 consultation with the Department of Human Services, shall adopt
10 rules as necessary to implement this Section.

11 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
12 2007.