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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

320 ILCS 55/15

Amends the Illinois Prescription Drug Discount Program Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning definitions.

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1 AN ACT concerning aging.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Prescription Drug Discount Program
Act is amended by changing Section 15 as follows:

6 (320 ILCS 55/15)

7 Sec. 15. Definitions. As used in this Act:

8 "Authorized pharmacy" means any pharmacy registered in 9 this State under <u>the</u> the Pharmacy Practice Act of 1987 or 10 approved by the Department of Financial and Professional 11 Regulation and approved by the Department or its program 12 administrator.

"AWP" or "average wholesale price" means the amount 13 14 determined from the latest publication of the Red Book, a universally subscribed pharmacist reference guide annually 15 16 published by the Hearst Corporation. "AWP" or "average 17 wholesale price" may also be derived electronically from the drug pricing database synonymous with the latest publication of 18 19 the Red Book and furnished in the National Drug Data File (NDDF) by First Data Bank (FDB), a service of the Hearst 20 21 Corporation.

"Covered medication" means any medication included in theIllinois Prescription Drug Discount Program.

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"Department" means the Department of Healthcare and Family
 Services.

3 "Director" means the Director of Healthcare and Family 4 Services.

5 "Drug manufacturer" means any entity (1) that is located 6 within or outside Illinois that is engaged in (i) the production, preparation, propagation, compounding, conversion, 7 8 or processing of prescription drug products covered under the 9 program, either directly or indirectly by extraction from 10 substances of natural origin, independently by means of 11 chemical synthesis, or by a combination of extraction and 12 chemical synthesis or (ii) the packaging, repackaging, 13 distribution of prescription drug leveling, labeling, or 14 products covered under the program and (2) that elects to 15 provide prescription drugs either directly or under contract 16 with any entity providing prescription drug services on behalf of the State of Illinois. "Drug manufacturer", however, does 17 not include a wholesale distributor of drugs or a retail 18 19 pharmacy licensed under Illinois law.

20 "Federal Poverty Limit" or "FPL" means the Federal Poverty21 Income Guidelines published annually in the Federal Register.

22 "Prescription drug" means any prescribed drug that may be23 legally dispensed by an authorized pharmacy.

24 "Program" means the Illinois Prescription Drug Discount25 Program created under this Act.

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"Program administrator" means the entity that is chosen by

the Department to administer the program. The program administrator may, in this case, be the Director or a Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM) chosen to subcontract with the Director. "Rules" includes rules adopted and forms prescribed by the Department.

6 (Source: P.A. 93-18, eff. 7-1-03; 94-86, eff. 1-1-06.)