

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB0957

Introduced 2/10/2009, by Rep. Julie Hamos

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 105/4.03

from Ch. 23, par. 6104.03

Amends the Illinois Act on Aging. Requires the Department on Aging, in cooperation with certain agencies, to determine whether any persons (now, only "Alzheimer's Disease and related disorders victims and persons who are deemed as blind or disabled under the Social Security Act") who are in need of long-term care may be satisfactorily cared for in their homes. Vests responsibility for pre-screening in case coordination units or any agencies designated by the Department of Human Services (now, only in case coordination units). Requires all persons who are admitted and remain in a nursing facility for 90 or more days to be re-screened at the end of the 90 day period to assess their continuing need for nursing facility care. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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1 AN ACT concerning state government.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Act on the Aging is amended by changing Section 4.03 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 105/4.03) (from Ch. 23, par. 6104.03)

Sec. 4.03. The Department on Aging, in cooperation with the Department of Human Services and any other appropriate State, local or federal agency, shall, without regard to income guidelines, establish a nursing home prescreening program to determine whether any persons Alzheimer's Disease and related disorders victims, and persons who are deemed as blind or disabled as defined by the Social Security Act and who are in need of long term care, may be satisfactorily cared for in their homes through the use of home and community based services. Responsibility for prescreening shall be vested with case coordination units or any agencies designated by the Department. Prescreening shall occur: (i) when hospital discharge planners have advised the case coordination unit of the imminent risk of nursing home placement of a patient who meets the above criteria and in advance of discharge of the patient; or (ii) when a case coordination unit has been advised of the imminent risk of nursing home placement of an individual

in the community. The individual who is prescreened shall be 1 2 informed of all appropriate options, including placement in a 3 nursing home the availability of in-home and and community-based services and shall be advised of her or his 4 5 right to refuse nursing home, in-home, community-based, or all 6 services. All persons admitted to a nursing home facility who 7 remain in the facility for a period of 90 days shall be 8 re-screened at the end of the 90 day period to assess their 9 continuing need for nursing facility care and shall be advised 10 of all other available care options. Case coordination units 11 under contract with the Department may charge a fee for the 12 prescreening provided under this Section and the fee shall be 13 no greater than the cost of such services to the case 14 coordination unit. At the time of each prescreening, case 15 coordination units shall provide information regarding the 16 Office of State Long Term Care Ombudsman's Residents Right to 17 Know database as authorized in subsection (c-5) of Section 4.04. 18 (Source: P.A. 95-80, eff. 8-13-07; 95-823, eff. 1-1-09; revised 19

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

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