

SB2355



96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2009 and 2010

SB2355

Introduced 2/27/2009, by Sen. M. Maggie Crotty

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

Appropriates \$10,200,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Human Services for a grant to The Autism Program for an Autism Diagnosis Education Program for young children. Effective July 1, 2009.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning appropriations.

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

4 Section 5. Findings. The Autism Program of Illinois,
5 established by P.A. 93-9395 and expanded to include The
6 Autism Program Service Network by P.A. 95-707, represents the
7 largest statewide system of care in the country.
8 Headquartered at The Hope Institute for Children and
9 Families, The Autism Program of Illinois and the Service
10 Network engage over 30 agencies and universities to support
11 evidence-based services, workforce development, and resources
12 and referrals to individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder
13 across the State. The Autism Program Service Network
14 includes: (1) twelve Regional Centers; (2) two Outreach
15 Centers; and (3) numerous training and support programs
16 impacting families, physicians, early interventionists,
17 educators, daycare providers, and first responders. The
18 Autism Program has provided more than 20,000 clinical
19 contacts in FY2006-FY2008 and has trained more than 19,000
20 parents and providers.

21 Section 10. Appropriation. The sum of \$10,200,000, or so
22 much of that amount as may be necessary, is appropriated from

1 the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Human Services
2 for a grant to The Autism Program for an Autism Diagnosis
3 Education Program for young children.

4 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
5 2009.