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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Young Adult Community State Employment Plan Act. Defines young adult as a person who is at least 16 years old but no more than 25 years old. Provides that the purposes of the Act relate to Illinois' young adult community as to: delivery of State services; State employment; State agencies' goals; and a Young Adult Community State Employment Plan. Defines terms. Provides that the Department of Central Management Services shall: develop and implement plans to increase the number of young adult community members employed by State government; prepare a Young Adult Community State Employment Plan; annually report to the General Assembly State agency activities under the Plan; and assist State agencies with training programs. Provides that each State agency shall implement the Plan and provide a Plan report annually to the Department. Creates the Young Adult Community State Employment Plan Advisory Council with 11 members (each a subject matter expert on the young adult community), appointed by the Governor, who shall serve without compensation, but be reimbursed for reasonable expenses from appropriated funds. Includes other provisions. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Young
5 Adult Community State Employment Plan Act.

6 Section 5. Purposes. The purposes of this Act are as
7 follows:

8 (a) improve the delivery of State services to Illinois'
9 young adult community by increasing the number of members of
10 the young adult community who are State employees and the
11 number of members of the young adult community who are State
12 employees serving in supervisory, technical, professional, and
13 managerial positions;

14 (b) identify State agencies' staffing needs and
15 qualification requirements;

16 (c) track hiring practices and promotions of members of the
17 young adult community who are employed by State agencies;

18 (d) increase the number of members of the young adult
19 community employed by State agencies;

20 (e) increase the number of members of the young adult
21 community who are State employees who are promoted;

22 (f) increase the number of members of the young adult
23 community who are veterans hired by State agencies;

1 (g) assist State agencies to meet their goals established
2 pursuant to the Young Adult Community State Employment Plan;
3 and

4 (h) establish the Young Adult Community State Employment
5 Plan Advisory Council.

6 Section 10. Definitions. In this Act:

7 "Department" means the Department of Central Management
8 Services.

9 "State agency" or "agency", whether used in the singular or
10 plural, means all departments, officers, commissions, boards,
11 institutions, and bodies politic and corporate of the State.
12 The term, however, does not mean the judicial branch,
13 including, without limitation, the several courts of the State,
14 the offices of the clerk of the supreme court and the clerks of
15 the appellate court, and the Administrative Office of the
16 Illinois Courts, nor does it mean the legislature or its
17 committees or commissions.

18 "Young adult" means a person at least 16 years of age but
19 not more than 25 years of age.

20 Section 15. Young Adult Community State Employment Plan.

21 (a) The Department shall have a full-time position
22 designated as the Young Adult Community State Employment
23 Coordinator to monitor compliance with the Young Adult
24 Community State Employment Plan.

1 (b) The Department shall develop and implement plans to
2 increase the number of members of the young adult community
3 employed by State agencies and the number of members of the
4 young adult community employed by State agencies at
5 supervisory, technical, professional, and managerial levels.

6 (c) The Department shall prepare and revise annually a
7 Young Adult Community State Employment Plan in consultation
8 with individuals and organizations knowledgeable on this
9 subject and with the Young Adult Community State Employment
10 Plan Advisory Council. The Department shall report to the
11 General Assembly by February 1 of each year, beginning with
12 February 1, 2013, each State agency's activities that implement
13 the Young Adult Community State Employment Plan.

14 Section 20. State agency affirmative action and equal
15 employment opportunity goals.

16 (a) Each State agency shall implement strategies and
17 programs in accordance with the Young Adult Community State
18 Employment Plan to increase the number of young adult community
19 members employed by that State agency and the number of young
20 adult community members employed by that State agency at
21 supervisory, technical, professional, and managerial levels.

22 (b) Each State agency shall report annually to the
23 Department and the Department of Human Rights, in a format
24 prescribed by the Department, all of the agency's activities in
25 implementing the Young Adult Community State Employment Plan.

1 Each agency's annual report shall include reports or
2 information related to the agency's young adult community
3 employment strategies and programs that the agency has received
4 from the Department, the Department of Human Rights, or the
5 Auditor General, pursuant to their periodic review
6 responsibilities; findings made by the Governor in his or her
7 report to the General Assembly; assessments of service needs
8 based upon the agency's service populations; information on the
9 agency's studies and monitoring success concerning the number
10 of young adult community members employed by the agency at the
11 supervisory, technical, professional, and managerial levels
12 and any increases in those categories from the prior year; and
13 information concerning the agency's young adult community
14 employment budget allocations.

15 (c) The Department shall assist State agencies establish
16 programs to meet goals established pursuant to the Young Adult
17 Community State Employment Plan. The Department shall survey
18 State agencies to identify effective existing training
19 programs and shall serve as a resource to other State agencies.
20 The Department shall assist agencies in the development and
21 modification of training programs to enable them to meet their
22 affirmative action and equal employment opportunity goals and
23 shall provide information regarding other existing training
24 and educational resources, such as the Upward Mobility Program,
25 the Illinois Institute for Training and Development, the
26 Central Management Services Training Center, Executive

1 Recruitment Internships, and Graduate Public Service
2 Internships.

3 Section 25. Young Adult Community State Employment Plan
4 Advisory Council.

5 (a) The Young Adult Community State Employment Plan
6 Advisory Council is created, consisting of 11 members, each of
7 whom shall be a subject matter expert on the young adult
8 community, appointed by the Governor.

9 (b) All members of the Young Adult Community State
10 Employment Plan Advisory Council shall serve without
11 compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their reasonable and
12 necessary expenses from funds appropriated for that purpose.

13 (c) The Young Adult Community State Employment Plan
14 Advisory Council shall examine: (1) the prevalence and impact
15 of members of the young adult community employed by State
16 government; (2) the barriers faced by members of the young
17 adult community who seek employment or promotional
18 opportunities in State government; and (3) possible incentives
19 that could be offered to foster the employment of and the
20 promotion of members of the young adult community in State
21 government.

22 (d) The Council shall meet quarterly to provide
23 consultation to State agencies and the Young Adult Community
24 State Employment Coordinator.

25 (e) The Young Adult Community State Employment Plan

1 Advisory Council shall receive administrative support from the
2 Department of Central Management Services and shall issue an
3 annual report of its activities each year on or before December
4 1, beginning with December 1, 2013.

5 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
6 becoming law.