

1 AN ACT concerning health.

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

4 Section 5. The Vital Records Act is amended by adding
5 Section 21.7 as follows:

6 (410 ILCS 535/21.7 new)

7 Sec. 21.7. Temporary removal of a dead body. No permit for
8 transportation signed by the local registrar is required prior
9 to transporting a dead human body out of the State of Illinois,
10 at the direction of a federally designated organ procurement
11 organization, for the purpose of organ or tissue donation. The
12 dead human body being transported for the purpose of organ or
13 tissue donation shall be accompanied by a self-issued permit in
14 accordance with rules adopted by the Department of Public
15 Health. This self-issued permit shall be completed by an
16 Illinois-licensed funeral director and embalmer or
17 Illinois-licensed funeral director and shall serve as
18 notification to the county medical examiner or coroner of the
19 jurisdiction or county in which the death occurred that the
20 dead human body is being transported out of Illinois for a
21 period not to exceed 36 hours. This Section applies only to
22 instances in which the dead human body is to be returned to
23 Illinois prior to disposition. This Section does not affect any

1 rights or responsibilities held by county medical examiners or
2 coroners under the Local Governmental and Governmental
3 Employees Tort Immunity Act. The Department of Public Health
4 shall adopt rules to implement this Section.