

1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

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

4 Section 5. The Adoption Act is amended by changing Section  
5 18.4 as follows:

6 (750 ILCS 50/18.4) (from Ch. 40, par. 1522.4)

7 Sec. 18.4. (a) The agency, Department of Children and  
8 Family Services, Court Supportive Services, Juvenile Division  
9 of the Circuit Court, or the Probation Officers of the Circuit  
10 Court involved in the adoption proceedings shall give in  
11 writing the following non-identifying information, if known,  
12 to the adoptive parents not later than the date of placement  
13 with the petitioning adoptive parents: (i) age of biological  
14 parents; (ii) their race, religion and ethnic background; (iii)  
15 general physical appearance of biological parents; (iv) their  
16 education, occupation, hobbies, interests and talents; (v)  
17 existence of any other children born to the biological parents;  
18 (vi) information about biological grandparents; reason for  
19 emigrating into the United States, if applicable, and country  
20 of origin; (vii) relationship between biological parents;  
21 (viii) detailed medical and mental health histories of the  
22 child, the biological parents, and their immediate relatives;  
23 ~~and~~ (ix) the actual date and place of birth of the adopted

1 person; and (x) the reason or reasons the birth parent or  
2 parents stated for placing the child for adoption, how and why  
3 the adoptive parent or parents were selected and who selected  
4 the adoptive parent or parents, and whether the birth parent or  
5 parents requested or agreed to post-adoption contact with the  
6 child at the time of placement, and, if so, the frequency and  
7 type of contact. However, no information provided under this  
8 subsection shall disclose the name or last known address of the  
9 biological parents, grandparents, the siblings of the  
10 biological parents, the adopted person, or any other relative  
11 of the adopted person.

12 (b) Any adoptee 18 years of age or over shall be given the  
13 information in subsection (a) upon request.

14 (c) The Illinois Adoption Registry shall release any  
15 non-identifying information listed in (a) of this Section that  
16 appears on the certified copy of the original birth certificate  
17 or the Certificate of Adoption to an adopted person, adoptive  
18 parent, or legal guardian who is a registrant of the Illinois  
19 Adoption Registry.

20 (d) The Illinois Adoption Registry shall release the actual  
21 date and place of birth of an adopted person who is 21 years of  
22 age or over to the birth parent if the birth parent is a  
23 registrant of the Illinois Adoption Registry and has completed  
24 a Medical Information Exchange Authorization.

25 (e) The Illinois Adoption Registry shall release  
26 information regarding the date the adoption was finalized and

1 the county in which the adoption was finalized to a certified  
2 confidential intermediary upon submission of a court order.

3 (f) In cases where the Illinois Adoption Registry possesses  
4 information indicating that an adopted person who is 21 years  
5 of age or over was adopted in a state other than Illinois or a  
6 country other than the United States, the Illinois Adoption  
7 Registry shall release the name of the state or country where  
8 the adoption was finalized and, if available, the agency  
9 involved in the adoption to a registrant of the Illinois  
10 Adoption Registry, provided the registrant is not the subject  
11 of a Denial of Information Exchange and the registrant has  
12 completed a Medical Information Exchange Authorization.

13 (g) Any of the above available information for any adoption  
14 proceedings completed before the effective date of this Act  
15 shall be supplied to the adoptive parents or an adoptee 18  
16 years of age or over upon request.

17 (h) The agency, Department of Children and Family Services,  
18 Court Supportive Services, Juvenile Division of the Circuit  
19 Court, the Probation Officers of the Circuit Court and any  
20 other governmental bodies having any of the above information  
21 shall retain the file until the adoptee would have reached the  
22 age of 99 years.

23 (Source: P.A. 93-189, eff. 1-1-04.)