

1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4103

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 4103, AS AMENDED,
3 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the
4 following:

5 "Section 5. The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Act
6 is amended by adding Section 7.2 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 3930/7.2 new)

8 Sec. 7.2. Illinois Ex-Offenders Employment Stabilization
9 Pilot Program.

10 (a) The Authority shall establish the Illinois
11 Ex-Offender Employment Stabilization Pilot Program as a grant
12 program to (i) increase and improve post-release employment
13 opportunities for ex-offenders and (ii) reduce recidivism
14 rates through the combined resources and expertise of
15 providers of workforce development and supportive services.
16 The program shall be established in Illinois local
17 governments where (i) the number of residents under State
18 community correctional supervision is 10,000 or more
19 annually and (ii) the number of returnees to that local
20 government who have exited annually from State correctional
21 institutions is 25% or more of all individuals released
22 annually from State correctional institutions. The Authority

1 shall be responsible for reviewing grant proposals and
2 awarding grants. The Authority may discontinue all or any
3 part of this program if, in the Authority's discretion, the
4 program fails to accomplish the objectives set forth in this
5 subsection.

6 (b) The Governor shall appoint an Ex-Offenders
7 Employment Stabilization Pilot Program Advisory Board. The
8 Advisory Board shall be chaired by the Executive Director of
9 the Authority. Additional board members appointed by the
10 Governor shall be the following: 2 representatives of
11 Illinois business; the Commissioner of the City of Chicago
12 Mayor's Office of Workforce Development; 4 members nominated
13 for appointment by the Mayor of the City of Chicago; and 4
14 members nominated for appointment by the President of the
15 Cook County Board. No members of the Advisory Board may have
16 a direct or indirect interest in any entity that receives a
17 grant under this Section.

18 (c) The Advisory Board shall:

19 (1) prepare and recommend to the Authority rules
20 implementing this Act;

21 (2) determine criteria and procedures to be
22 followed in awarding grants and review applications for
23 grants under the Ex-Offenders Employment Stabilization
24 Pilot Program; and

25 (3) make recommendations to the Authority as to the
26 award of grants under the Ex-Offenders Employment
27 Stabilization Pilot Program.

28 (d) Members all the Advisory Board shall not be
29 reimbursed for their costs and expenses of participation. All
30 decisions of the Advisory Board shall be decided on a one
31 vote per member basis with a majority of the Advisory Board
32 membership to rule.

33 (e) The Advisory Board shall report annually to the
34 General Assembly on its effectiveness and shall make further

1 recommendations based on the experiences and outcomes of its
2 operations.

3 (f) The Ex-Offenders Employment Stabilization Pilot
4 Program shall require grant proposals to include, but not be
5 limited to, the following elements to achieve a holistic and
6 comprehensive service strategy to assist individuals after
7 parole, mandatory supervised release, final discharge, or
8 pardon:

9 (1) rapid attachment to work;

10 (2) long-term follow-up;

11 (3) drug treatment;

12 (4) comprehensive support services;

13 (5) identification assistance; and

14 (6) job development and marketing.

15 (g) Subject to appropriation for that purpose, the
16 Authority may expend funds to pay its costs of administering
17 the programs authorized by this Section. Beginning in fiscal
18 year 2002, appropriated funds may be used for the purposes of
19 implementing this Act, including necessary administrative
20 costs.

21 (h) This Section is repealed on December 31, 2007.

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
23 becoming law."