

AN ACT concerning public aid.

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

Section 5. The Department of Human Services Act is amended by adding Section 1-65 as follows:

(20 ILCS 1305/1-65 new)

Sec. 1-65. Intellectual and Developmental Disability Home and Community-Based Services Task Force.

(a) The Secretary of Human Services shall appoint a task force to review current and potential federal funds for home and community-based service options for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities. The task force shall consist of all of the following persons:

(1) The Secretary of Human Services, or his or her designee, who shall serve as chairperson of the task force.

(2) One representative of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

(3) Six persons selected from recommendations of organizations whose membership consists of providers within the intellectual and developmental disabilities service delivery system.

(4) Two persons who are guardians or family members of individuals with intellectual or developmental

disabilities and who do not have responsibility for management or formation of policy regarding the programs subject to review.

(5) Two persons selected from the recommendations of consumer organizations that engage in advocacy or legal representation on behalf of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

(6) Three persons who self-identify as individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities and who are engaged in advocacy for the rights of individuals with disabilities. If these persons require supports in the form of reasonable accommodations in order to participate, such supports shall be provided.

The task force shall also consist of the following members appointed as follows:

(A) One member of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate.

(B) One member of the Senate appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.

(C) One member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(D) One member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

(b) The task force shall review: the current federal Medicaid matching funds for services provided in the State;

ways to maximize federal supports for the current services provided, including attendant services, housing, and other services to promote independent living; options that require federal approval and federal funding; ways to minimize the impact of constituents awaiting services; and all avenues to utilize federal funding involving home and community-based services identified by the task force. The Department shall provide administrative support to the task force.

(c) The appointments to the task force must be made by July 1, 2017. Task force members shall receive no compensation. The task force must hold at least 4 hearings. The task force shall report its findings to the Governor and General Assembly no later than July 1, 2018, and, upon filing its report, the task force is dissolved.

(d) This Section is repealed on July 1, 2019.

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