

AN ACT concerning State government.

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

Section 5. The Abuse of Adults with Disabilities Intervention Act is amended by changing Sections 15 and 60 as follows:

(20 ILCS 2435/15) (from Ch. 23, par. 3395-15)

Sec. 15. Definitions. As used in this Act:

"Abuse" means causing any physical, sexual, or mental abuse ~~injury~~ to an adult with disabilities, including exploitation of the adult's financial resources. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to mean that an adult with disabilities is a victim of abuse or neglect for the sole reason that he or she is being furnished with or relies upon treatment by spiritual means through prayer alone, in accordance with the tenets and practices of a recognized church or religious denomination. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to mean that an adult with disabilities is a victim of abuse because of health care services provided or not provided by licensed health care professionals.

"Adult with disabilities" means a person aged 18 through 59 who resides in a domestic living situation and whose physical or mental disability impairs his or her ability to seek or

obtain protection from abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

"Department" means the Department of Human Services.

"Adults with Disabilities Abuse Project" or "project" means that program within the Office of Inspector General designated by the Department of Human Services to receive and assess reports of alleged or suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of adults with disabilities.

"Domestic living situation" means a residence where the adult with disabilities lives alone or with his or her family or household members, a care giver, or others or at a board and care home or other community-based unlicensed facility, but is not:

(1) A licensed facility as defined in Section 1-113 of the Nursing Home Care Act or Section 1-113 of the MR/DD Community Care Act.

(2) A life care facility as defined in the Life Care Facilities Act.

(3) A home, institution, or other place operated by the federal government, a federal agency, or the State.

(4) A hospital, sanitarium, or other institution, the principal activity or business of which is the diagnosis, care, and treatment of human illness through the maintenance and operation of organized facilities and that is required to be licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act.

(5) A community living facility as defined in the

Community Living Facilities Licensing Act.

(6) A community-integrated living arrangement as defined in the Community-Integrated Living Arrangements Licensure and Certification Act or community residential alternative as licensed under that Act.

"Emergency" means a situation in which an adult with disabilities is in danger of death or great bodily harm.

~~"Exploitation" means the illegal, including tortious, use of the assets or resources of an adult with disabilities. Exploitation includes, but is not limited to, the misappropriation of assets or resources of an adult with disabilities by undue influence, by breach of a fiduciary relationship, by fraud, deception, or extortion, or by the use of the assets or resources in a manner contrary to law.~~

"Family or household members" means a person who as a family member, volunteer, or paid care provider has assumed responsibility for all or a portion of the care of an adult with disabilities who needs assistance with activities of daily living.

"Financial exploitation" means the illegal, including tortious, use of the assets or resources of an adult with disabilities. Exploitation includes, but is not limited to, the misappropriation of assets or resources of an adult with disabilities by undue influence, by breach of a fiduciary relationship, by fraud, deception, or extortion, or by the use of the assets or resources in a manner contrary to law.

"Mental abuse" means the infliction of emotional or mental distress by a caregiver, a family member, or any person with ongoing access to a person with disabilities by threat of harm, humiliation, or other verbal or nonverbal conduct.

"Neglect" means the failure of another individual to provide an adult with disabilities with or the willful withholding from an adult with disabilities the necessities of life, including, but not limited to, food, clothing, shelter, or medical care.

Nothing in the definition of "neglect" shall be construed to impose a requirement that assistance be provided to an adult with disabilities over his or her objection in the absence of a court order, nor to create any new affirmative duty to provide support, assistance, or intervention to an adult with disabilities. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to mean that an adult with disabilities is a victim of neglect because of health care services provided or not provided by licensed health care professionals.

"Physical abuse" ~~includes sexual abuse and~~ means any of the following acts:

(1) knowing or reckless use of physical force, confinement, or restraint;

(2) knowing, repeated, and unnecessary sleep deprivation; ~~or~~

(3) knowing or reckless conduct which creates an immediate risk of physical harm; or ~~or~~

(4) when committed by a caregiver, a family member, or any person with ongoing access to a person with disabilities, directing another person to physically abuse a person with disabilities.

"Secretary" means the Secretary of Human Services.

"Sexual abuse" means touching, fondling, sexual threats, sexually inappropriate remarks, or any other sexual activity with an adult with disabilities when the adult with disabilities is unable to understand, unwilling to consent, threatened, or physically forced to engage in sexual behavior. Sexual abuse includes acts of sexual exploitation including, but not limited to, facilitating or compelling an adult with disabilities to become a prostitute, or receiving anything of value from an adult with disabilities knowing it was obtained in whole or in part from the practice of prostitution.

"Substantiated case" means a reported case of alleged or suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation in which the Adults with Disabilities Abuse Project staff, after assessment, determines that there is reason to believe abuse, neglect, or exploitation has occurred.

(Source: P.A. 96-339, eff. 7-1-10.)

(20 ILCS 2435/60) (from Ch. 23, par. 3395-60)

Sec. 60. Annual reports. The Office of Inspector General shall file with the Governor and the General Assembly, no later than January 1 following the end of each fiscal year, within 90

~~days after the end of each fiscal year,~~ a report concerning its implementation of the Domestic Abuse Project during each fiscal year, together with any recommendations for future implementation. The annual report shall include data on numbers of reports received, numbers of reports substantiated, and unsubstantiated, number of referrals to law enforcement and other referral resources, numbers of assessments and service plans completed, and protective services provided. The report shall also include information on public education efforts engaged in, and training provided to persons or agencies who are responsible for the Act's implementation.

(Source: P.A. 91-671, eff. 7-1-00.)

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