

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

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

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

6 (20 ILCS 1305/1-65 new)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

9 (c) The appointments to the task force must be made by July
10 1, 2017. Task force members shall receive no compensation. The
11 task force must hold at least 4 hearings. The task force shall
12 report its findings to the Governor and General Assembly no
13 later than July 1, 2018, and, upon filing its report, the task
14 force is dissolved.

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

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