

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Right to Counsel in Immigration Proceedings  
5 Act is amended by changing Sections 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, and 99 as  
6 follows:

7 (20 ILCS 4112/15)

8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on July 1, 2024)

9 Sec. 15. Task Force on Counsel in Immigration Proceedings.

10 (a) The Task Force on Counsel in Immigration Proceedings  
11 is established.

12 (b) The Task Force shall consist of the following 7  
13 members:

14 (1) the Governor, or his or her designee;

15 (2) the President of the Senate, or his or her  
16 designee;

17 (3) the Minority Leader of the Senate, or his or her  
18 designee;

19 (4) the Speaker of the House of Representatives, or  
20 his or her designee;

21 (5) the Minority Leader of the House of  
22 Representatives, or his or her designee;

23 (6) the Attorney General, or his or her designee; and

1           (7) the Secretary of Human Services, or his or her  
2           designee.

3           (c) Members of the Task Force shall serve without  
4           compensation.

5           (d) The Department of Human Services shall provide  
6           administrative and other support to the Task Force.

7           (e) The Task Force shall investigate the implementation of  
8           universal representation for covered individuals in  
9           immigration removal proceedings as described in subsection (f)  
10          of Section 5. The Task Force investigation shall include, but  
11          is not limited to, the following matters:

12                 (1) the estimated number of covered individuals facing  
13                 a covered proceeding;

14                 (2) the current infrastructure for providing  
15                 independent, competent, and zealous legal representation  
16                 in a covered proceeding;

17                 (3) the additional resources, including salaries and  
18                 benefits for attorneys and support staff, training,  
19                 supervision, and material resources that would need to be  
20                 added to the existing infrastructure described in  
21                 paragraph (2) in order to provide independent, competent,  
22                 and zealous legal representation for the number of covered  
23                 individuals described in paragraph (1), including  
24                 mechanisms for subcontracted relationships with  
25                 independent experts and social service providers;

26                 (4) the estimated annual cost of the additional

1 resources described in paragraph (3);

2 (5) funding sources, public and private, that are or  
3 would be available to pay for the additional resources  
4 described in paragraph (3); and

5 (6) the estimated annual cost of bond payment support  
6 needed for covered individuals facing a covered  
7 proceeding, and the feasibility of a State-sponsored bond  
8 fund for those individuals.

9 (f) In order for the Governor and General Assembly to  
10 evaluate different scopes of legal representation in  
11 immigration court proceedings, the Task Force investigation  
12 described in subsection (e) shall provide additional findings  
13 in the following categories:

14 (1) State domiciliary versus non-State domiciliary  
15 covered individuals, and, among the State domiciliary  
16 covered individuals, the regions of residence within the  
17 State;

18 (2) household income above and below 250% of the  
19 federal poverty line;

20 (3) type of proceedings in which the covered  
21 individuals need legal representation; and

22 (4) current percentages of covered individuals in  
23 covered proceedings with and without legal representation.

24 (g) The Task Force shall submit a report of its findings in  
25 the investigation described in subsection (e) and its  
26 recommendations for how to fully provide legal representation

1 for covered individuals facing covered proceedings no later  
2 than July 1, 2024 ~~2023~~.

3 (Source: P.A. 102-827, eff. 5-13-22.)

4 (20 ILCS 4112/20)

5 (Section scheduled to be repealed on July 1, 2024)

6 Sec. 20. Repeal. This Act is repealed on July 1, 2025 ~~2024~~.

7 (Source: P.A. 102-827, eff. 5-13-22.)

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