103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SB2797

Introduced 1/17/2024, by Sen. Neil Anderson

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 405/405-545 new 20 ILCS 2205/2205-45 new

Amends the Department of Central Management Services Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department of Central Management Services, in conjunction with the State Employees Retirement System, shall enter into a contract with a qualified and experienced administrator to establish and conduct a State Retiree Medicare Primacy Coordination Audit and Assistance Program to identify retirees who are eligible for Medicare, but not enrolled in Medicare, and to assist those retirees in enrolling in Social Security and Medicare. Provides further duties and requirements for the program. Amends the Department of Healthcare and Family Services Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall enter into a contract with a qualified and experienced administrator to establish and conduct a Medicare Primacy Coordination Audit and Assistance Program to identify Medicaid recipients who could benefit from Social Security Disability Insurance representation that could provide them with income and ultimately Medicare benefits. Provides further duties and requirements for the program. Sets forth reporting requirements. Effective January 1, 2025.

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AN ACT concerning State government.

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

Section 5. The Department of Central Management Services
Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by
adding Section 405-545 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 405/405-545 new)

8 <u>Sec. 405-545. State Retiree Medicare Primacy Coordination</u> 9 Audit and Assistance Program.

10 (a) Within 6 months after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 103rd General Assembly, the Department 11 of Central Management Services, in conjunction with the State 12 Employees Retirement System, shall enter into a contract with 13 14 a qualified and experienced administrator to establish and conduct a State Retiree Medicare Primacy Coordination Audit 15 16 and Assistance Program to identify retirees who are eligible for Medicare, but not enrolled in Medicare, and to assist 17 those retirees in enrolling in Social Security and Medicare. 18 19 (b) The Program shall conduct an annual audit of the State

Health Benefits Program for State of Illinois retirees for the purpose of identifying participants and their dependents who are eligible for Medicare under federal law. The Program shall also ensure that those retirees or their dependents who are SB2797

eligible for Medicare are enrolled in Medicare with Medicare
 as their primary health care benefits coverage and the State
 Health Benefits Program being the secondary provider of their
 health care benefits coverage.

5 (c) The Program shall assist any retiree or dependent who becomes disabled and is not enrolled in Social Security 6 7 Disability Insurance and Medicare with enrolling in and obtaining Social Security Disability Insurance and Medicare 8 9 benefits. This assistance shall include, but not be limited 10 to: (i) developing communication materials to educate retirees 11 about Social Security Disability Insurance benefits; (ii) 12 performing multiple outreaches to targeted populations; (iii) analyzing responses to determine Social Security Disability 13 14 Insurance eligibility; and (iv) representing qualified individuals on their claim for Social Security Disability 15 16 Insurance and Medicare.

17 <u>(d) The administrator shall provide the Department, the</u> 18 <u>State Employees Retirement System, and the General Assembly</u> 19 <u>with an annual report showing the number of retirees and</u> 20 <u>dependents who are transitioned to Social Security Disability</u> 21 <u>Insurance and Medicare and the amount of savings realized by</u> 22 the State of Illinois.

23 Section 10. The Department of Healthcare and Family 24 Services Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is 25 amended by adding Section 2205-45 as follows: SB2797

1	(20 ILCS 2205/2205-45 new)
2	Sec. 2205-45. Medicare Primacy Coordination Audit and
3	Assistance Program.
4	(a) Within 6 months after the effective date of this
5	amendatory Act of the 103rd General Assembly, the Department
6	of Healthcare and Family Services shall enter into a contract
7	with a qualified and experienced administrator to establish
8	and conduct a Medicare Primacy Coordination Audit and
9	Assistance Program to identify Medicaid recipients who could
10	benefit from Social Security Disability Insurance
11	representation that could provide them with income and
12	ultimately Medicare benefits.
13	(b) The Program shall conduct an ongoing claims analysis
14	of adults receiving Medicaid for the purpose of identifying
15	high cost participants who may be eligible for Social Security
16	Disability Insurance.
17	(c) The Program shall assist any adult who claims
18	disability and Social Security eligibility to apply for and be
19	awarded Social Security Disability Insurance benefits and
20	subsequently Medicare. This assistance shall include, but not
21	be limited to: (i) developing communication materials to
22	educate Medicaid recipients about Social Security Disability
23	Insurance benefits; (ii) performing multiple outreaches to
24	populations targeted by claims analysis; (iii) analyzing
25	responses to determine Social Security Disability Insurance

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1	eligibility; and (iv) representing qualified individuals on
2	their claim for Social Security Disability Insurance and
3	Medicare.
4	(d) The administrator shall provide the Department of
5	Healthcare and Family Services and the General Assembly with
6	an annual report showing the number of Medicaid recipients who
7	have transitioned to Social Security Disability Insurance and
8	Medicare and the amount of savings realized by the State of
9	Illinois.
10	Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January
11	1, 2025.