

1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 989

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 989 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by  
5 adding Section 5-2.05 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-2.05 new)

7 Sec. 5-2.05. Disabled children.

8 (a) The Department of Public Aid may offer, to children  
9 with developmental disabilities and severely mentally ill or  
10 emotionally disturbed children who otherwise would not  
11 qualify for medical assistance under this Article due to  
12 family income, home-based and community-based services  
13 instead of institutional placement, as allowed under  
14 paragraph 7 of Section 5-2.

15 (b) The Department of Public Aid, in conjunction with  
16 the Department of Human Services and the Division of  
17 Specialized Care for Children, University of  
18 Illinois-Chicago, shall also report to the Governor and the  
19 General Assembly no later than January 1, 2004 regarding the  
20 status of existing services offered under paragraph 7 of  
21 Section 5-2. This report shall include, but not be limited  
22 to, the following information:

1           (1) The number of persons eligible for these  
2 services.

3           (2) The number of persons who applied for these  
4 services.

5           (3) The number of persons who currently receive  
6 these services.

7           (4) The nature, scope, and cost of services  
8 provided under paragraph 7 of Section 5-2.

9           (5) The comparative cost of providing those  
10 services in a hospital, skilled nursing facility, or  
11 intermediate care facility.

12           (6) The funding sources for the provision of  
13 services, including federal financial participation.

14           (7) The qualifications, skills, and availability of  
15 caregivers for children receiving services.

16           The report shall also include information regarding the  
17 extent to which the existing programs could provide coverage  
18 for mentally disabled children who are currently being  
19 provided services in an institution who could otherwise be  
20 served in a less-restrictive, community-based setting for the  
21 same or a lower cost.

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