

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 SB1515

Introduced 2/23/2005, by Sen. Donne E. Trotter

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

405 ILCS 30/4

from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 904

Amends the Community Services Act. Authorizes the Department of Public Health (was, the Department of Human Services) to provide financial assistance to eligible private service providers, corporations, local government entities, or voluntary associations for the provision of services to persons with mental illness, persons with a developmental disability, and alcohol and drug dependent persons living in the community. Effective July 1, 2005.

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1 AN ACT concerning health.

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

Section 5. The Community Services Act is amended by changing Section 4 as follows:

6 (405 ILCS 30/4) (from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 904)

Sec. 4. Financing for Community Services. The Department of Public Health Human Services is authorized to provide financial eligible private assistance to service corporations, local government entities or voluntary associations for the provision of services to persons with mental illness, persons with a developmental disability and alcohol and drug dependent persons living in the community for the purpose of achieving the goals of this Act.

The Department of Public Health shall utilize the following funding mechanisms for community services:

- (1) Purchase of Care Contracts: services purchased on a predetermined fee per unit of service basis from private providers or governmental entities. Fee per service rates are set by an established formula which covers some portion of personnel, supplies, and other allowable costs, and which makes some allowance for geographic variations in costs as well as for additional program components.
- (2) Grants: sums of money which the Department grants to private providers or governmental entities pursuant to the grant recipient's agreement to provide certain services, as defined by departmental grant guidelines, to an approximate number of service recipients. Grant levels are set through consideration of personnel, supply and other allowable costs, as well as other funds available to the program.
 - (3) Other Funding Arrangements: funding mechanisms may

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be established on a pilot basis in order to examine the feasibility of alternative financing arrangements for the provision of community services.

The Department of Public Health shall strive to establish and maintain an equitable system of payment which encourages providers to improve their clients' capabilities for independence and reduces their reliance on community or State-operated services. In accepting Department funds, providers shall recognize their responsibility to be accountable to the Department and the State for the delivery of services which are consistent with the philosophies and goals of this Act and the rules and regulations promulgated under it. (Source: P.A. 88-380; 89-507, eff. 7-1-97.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2005.