

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 SB2308

Introduced 1/12/2006, by Sen. Terry Link

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-2.07 new

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that no later than July 1, 2007, subject to federal approval of a State Medicaid Plan amendment, which shall be sought by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services or its successor agency, persons who fail to qualify for basic maintenance under the Aid to the Aged, Blind or Disabled (AABD) program on the basis of need because of excess income or assets, or both, may establish prospective eligibility for that basic maintenance by paying their monthly Medicaid spend-down amount to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services or by having a third party pay that amount to the Department.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

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

- Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by adding Section 5-2.07 as follows:
- 6 (305 ILCS 5/5-2.07 new)
- 7 Sec. 5-2.07. Use of Medicaid spend-down. No later than July 1, 2007, subject to federal approval of a State Medicaid Plan 8 amendment, which shall be sought by the Department of 9 10 Healthcare and Family Services or its successor agency, persons described in item 2(a) of Section 5-2, who fail to qualify for 11 basic maintenance under Article III of this Code on the basis 12 of need because of excess income or assets, or both, may 13 establish eligibility for medical assistance by paying the 14 15 amount of their monthly spend-down under this Article (as described in 42 CFR 435.831) to the Department of Healthcare 16 and Family Services or its successor agency or by having a 17

third party pay that amount to the Department on their behalf.