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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3286

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 3286 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the  
5 Illinois Health Policy Center Act.

6 Section 5. Legislative intent. Illinois legislators and  
7 other governmental officials are charged with an increasingly  
8 complex task of creating and implementing laws and regulations  
9 to advance the health and health care of the people of  
10 Illinois. The challenge has grown because of escalating costs  
11 of health care that take an increasingly large share of State  
12 resources and because of the increasingly complex nature of  
13 treating illnesses that makes monitoring and ensuring quality  
14 more difficult.

15 As Illinois' statewide public institution of higher  
16 learning, with the nation's largest medical school, and

1 graduate programs in health and public policy, health services  
2 research, pharmacy, public administration, and health  
3 economics, the University of Illinois has the breadth and depth  
4 of expertise as well as a mission to serve as an authoritative  
5 and objective information resource to the legislative branches  
6 of government and to State agencies.

7 Section 10. Center created; goals.

8 (a) The Illinois Health Policy Center is created within the  
9 University of Illinois, to be sponsored by the University of  
10 Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine and the University of  
11 Illinois Institute of Government and Public Affairs. In  
12 implementing this Act, the University may also consult with and  
13 seek the participation of other public universities in  
14 Illinois.

15 (b) The goals of the Illinois Health Policy Center are:

16 (1) To support legislators and other government  
17 officials in developing and implementing health policy to  
18 address critical issues facing the State of Illinois.

19 (2) To focus on identifying "best practices"  
20 appropriate for Illinois through careful and objective  
21 review of the latest scientific research and through  
22 comparative analyses of other states' policies.

23 Section 15. Center's duties. The Illinois Health Policy  
24 Center shall do the following:

1           (1) Respond to requests from State government  
2 officials and agencies requiring analytical support and  
3 guidance in matters related to the development and  
4 implementation of health policy.

5           (2) Provide data collection, data analysis, program  
6 planning, program implementation, and program evaluation.

7           (3) Identify critical issues in health policy in need  
8 of timely action.

9           (4) Produce timely and objective information to help  
10 guide policy development and implementation.

11           (5) Operate a phone line and interactive website  
12 available to legislative staff or other policymakers  
13 seeking rapid and timely information.

14           (6) Pursue a research agenda that focuses on State  
15 health care policy.

16           Section 20. Advisory Panel.

17           (a) The Illinois Health Policy Center Advisory Panel is  
18 created. The Advisory Panel shall consist of 9 members as  
19 follows:

20           (1) Four legislators, appointed one each by the  
21 President of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate,  
22 the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the  
23 Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

24           (2) One representative of each of the following groups,  
25 appointed by consensus of the President of the Senate, the

1           Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of  
2           Representatives, and the Minority Leader of the House of  
3           Representatives upon the recommendations of those 4  
4           legislative leaders: hospitals; medical societies; managed  
5           care companies; and insurance companies.

6           (3) One representative of patient advocacy groups,  
7           appointed by the Governor.

8           (b) The Advisory Panel shall provide advice and oversight  
9           concerning the creation and operation of the Illinois Health  
10          Policy Center."