

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB4607

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

410 ILCS 51/5

Amends the Mercury-Free Vaccine Act. Specifies that the Act also applies to an ${\tt H1N1}$ influenza vaccine. Effective immediately.

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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 Mercury-Free Vaccine Act is amended by changing Section 5 as follows:
- 6 (410 ILCS 51/5)
- 7 Sec. 5. Banned mercury-containing vaccines.
- 8 (a) Commencing January 1, 2006, a person shall not be
 9 vaccinated with a mercury-containing vaccine, including, but
 10 not limited to, an H1N1 influenza vaccine, that contains more
- 11 than 1.25 micrograms of mercury per dose.
- 12 (b) Commencing January 1, 2008, no person shall be
- vaccinated with a vaccine, including, but not limited to, an
- 14 <u>H1N1 influenza vaccine,</u> or injected with any product that
- 15 contains, or prior to dilution, had contained as an additive,
- 16 any mercury based product, whether at preservative or trace
- amount levels.
- 18 (c) The Department of Public Health shall implement a
- 19 policy to distribute, preferentially, influenza vaccines,
- including, but not limited to, an H1N1 influenza vaccine, that
- 21 are thimerosal-free or contain only trace amounts of thimerosal
- for the immunization of children under the age of 3 who are
- 23 participating in the Vaccines for Children program, provided

- 1 that the supply of influenza vaccines to health care providers
- 2 is not impeded by the exercise of this preference. The
- 3 Department shall annually communicate this policy to the
- 4 General Assembly and health care providers.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 94-614, eff. 1-1-06; 95-409, eff. 1-1-08.)
- 6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 7 becoming law.