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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

25 ILCS 155/5.5 new

Amends the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability Act. Creates the Illinois Medical Care Advisory Committee within the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability. Provides for members to be appointed by the Joint Committee on Legislative Support Services. The Committee shall review State medical care programs and services provided, arranged, or procured by State agencies, including without limitation the following: the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Public Health, the Department on Aging, the Department of Children and Family Services, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Central Management Services, the State Board of Education, the Illinois Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan, and the University of Illinois. Provides for consultation with committees of the General Assembly, reporting, and making recommendations. Contains other provisions. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Commission on Government Forecasting and
5 Accountability Act is amended by adding Section 5.5 as follows:

6 (25 ILCS 155/5.5 new)

7 Sec. 5.5. Illinois Medical Care Advisory Committee.

8 (a) The Illinois Medical Care Advisory Committee is created
9 within the Commission on Government Forecasting and
10 Accountability.

11 (b) The Committee shall review State medical care programs
12 and services provided, arranged, or procured by State agencies,
13 including without limitation the following: the Department of
14 Healthcare and Family Services, the Department of Human
15 Services, the Department of Public Health, the Department on
16 Aging, the Department of Children and Family Services, the
17 Department of Corrections, the Department of Central
18 Management Services, the State Board of Education, the Illinois
19 Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan, and the University of
20 Illinois.

21 (c) The Committee shall review policies, procedures, and
22 operations of the programs and services related to the
23 provision, arrangement, or procurement of medical care by the

1 State. It shall make recommendations to the General Assembly
2 concerning those policies, procedures, and operations. By not
3 later than January 1 of each year (beginning with 2011), the
4 Committee shall submit a report to the General Assembly
5 containing the results of its reviews and recommendations
6 concerning those policies, procedures, and operations. By not
7 later than March 1 of each year (beginning with 2011), the
8 Committee shall submit a report to the General Assembly
9 containing an examination of issues affecting those programs
10 and services, including the implications of changes in health
11 care delivery in Illinois and in the United States and changes
12 in the market for health care services.

13 (d) The Committee shall consult periodically with the
14 chairpersons and members of the appropriate committees of the
15 General Assembly regarding the Committee's agenda and progress
16 towards achieving that agenda. At the request of a chairperson
17 or member of an appropriate committee of the General Assembly,
18 or on its own initiative if the Committee deems it appropriate,
19 the Committee may conduct additional reviews and may submit
20 additional reports to the appropriate committees of the General
21 Assembly, from time to time, on topics relating to programs and
22 services.

23 (e) The Committee may secure directly from any agency of
24 the State of Illinois information necessary to enable the
25 Committee to carry out its duties. Upon request of the
26 Chairperson, the head of that agency shall furnish that

1 information to the Committee on an agreed schedule.

2 (f) The Committee shall advise State agencies on priorities
3 for health research, particularly as those priorities pertain
4 to necessary changes and issues regarding policies,
5 procedures, and operations of the medical care provided,
6 arranged, or procured under State programs and services. The
7 Committee shall have priority access to all raw data and
8 research conducted or funded by the State of Illinois,
9 including data and research produced by the affected State
10 agencies. The Committee shall use existing information, both
11 published and unpublished, if possible, collected and assessed
12 either by itself or the Commission or under other arrangements
13 made in accordance with this Section. State agencies shall
14 establish a direct electronic link for raw data, including
15 claims data, to be accessed by the Committee for the purposes
16 of evaluating and determining recommendations, in accordance
17 with applicable privacy laws and data-use agreements.

18 (g) The Committee may request the Commission to carry out
19 or award grants or contracts for original research and
20 experimentation if existing information is inadequate, and the
21 Committee may adopt procedures allowing any interested party to
22 submit information for the Committee's use in making reports
23 and recommendations.

24 (h) The Committee shall transmit to the affected State
25 agencies a copy of each report submitted under this Section and
26 shall make those reports available to the public.

1 (i) Before making any recommendations, the Committee shall
2 examine the budget consequences of those recommendations,
3 directly or through consultation with the Commission or other
4 appropriate expert entities.

5 (j) The Committee shall be composed of 17 members appointed
6 by the Joint Committee on Legislative Support Services, in
7 consultation with the Commission on Government Forecasting and
8 Accountability. Membership shall include individuals with
9 recognition for their expertise in health finance and
10 economics, actuarial science, health facility management,
11 health plans and integrated delivery systems, reimbursement of
12 health facilities, allopathic and osteopathic medicine, and
13 provision of health services or other related services and who
14 provide a mix of different professionals, broad geographic
15 representation, and a balance between urban and rural
16 representatives. The membership of the Committee shall
17 include, but not be limited to, physicians and other health
18 professionals, experts in the area of pharmaco-economics or
19 prescription drug benefit programs, employers, third-party
20 payers, individuals skilled in the conduct and interpretation
21 of biomedical, health services, and health economics research,
22 and individuals with expertise in outcomes and effectiveness
23 research and technology assessment. The membership shall also
24 include representatives of consumers and the elderly.
25 Individuals who are directly involved in the provision, or
26 management of the delivery, of items and services covered under

1 this Section shall not constitute a majority of the membership
2 of the Committee. The Joint Committee on Legislative Support
3 Services shall establish a system for public disclosure by
4 members of the Committee of financial and other potential
5 conflicts of interest relating to those members. Members of the
6 Committee are employees of the General Assembly for purposes of
7 the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act.

8 (k) The terms of members of the Committee shall be for 3
9 years, except that the Joint Committee on Legislative Support
10 Services shall designate staggered terms for the members first
11 appointed. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring
12 before the expiration of the term for which the member's
13 predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only for the
14 remainder of that term. A member may serve after the expiration
15 of that member's term until a successor has been appointed and
16 qualified. A vacancy in the Committee shall be filled in the
17 manner in which the original appointment was made.

18 (l) Subject to appropriation, members of the Committee are
19 entitled to expense reimbursement as provided in the rules of
20 the Legislative Travel Control Board.

21 (m) The Joint Committee on Legislative Support Services
22 shall designate a member of the Committee, at the time of
23 appointment of the member, as Chairperson and a member as Vice
24 Chairperson for that term of appointment, except that in the
25 case of vacancy in the office of Chairperson or Vice
26 Chairperson, the Joint Committee on Legislative Support

1 Services may designate another member for the remainder of that
2 member's term.

3 (n) The Committee shall meet at the call of the
4 Chairperson.

5 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
6 becoming law.