

## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB5108

Introduced 1/29/2010, by Rep. Tom Cross - Patricia R. Bellock

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 1305/10-8.1 new

Amends the Department of Human Services Act. Provides that subject to appropriations the Department of Human Services shall designate a member of its staff as Autism Spectrum Disorder Project Coordinator to address issues related to autism spectrum disorders (ASD). Establishes the project coordinator's duties including working in conjunction with members of the Illinois Autism Task Force; coordinating any and all State governmental efforts concerning ASD; and promoting awareness of ASD.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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3	represe	nte	d in the (	Gene	eral A	ssembly	<b>':</b>				

4	Section	n 5.	The	Department	c of	Human	Services	Act	is	amended
5	by adding S	Secti	on 1	0-8.1 as f	ollo	ws:				

6	(20	ILCS	1305,	/10-8.1	new)
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Subject	to ap	propr	iations,	th	e De	partme	nt o	f Hum	an Servi	ices
shall •	designa	te a	member	of	its	stafi	as	Autis	sm Spect	crum
Disorde	r Proj	ect (	Coordina	tor	to	addres	s is	sues	related	to
autism	spectr	um di	isorders	(AS	SD).	The	proje	ct co	ordinato	or's

13	(1)	Working	in	conjunction	with	members	of	the	Illinois
14	Autism 7	Task Ford	ce t						

- (i) identify and promote best practice standards for the diagnosis, treatment, education, and training of persons with ASD within existing systems of care;
- (ii) provide educational opportunities throughout
  the State on diagnosis and treatment;
- 20 <u>(iii) support existing systems of care for persons</u>
  21 with ASD across the life span;
- 22 <u>(iv) work with universities and providers to</u>
  23 identify untapped resources and unmet needs; and

1	(v) encourage and support research efforts or
2	services to persons with ASD across the life span;
3	(2) Coordinating any and all State governmental
4	efforts concerning ASD;
5	(3) Identifying and removing barriers to autism
6	programs;
7	(4) Representing the needs and wants of persons with
8	ASD and their families;
9	(5) Promoting awareness of ASD; and
10	(6) Performing all duties, related to ASD, assigned by
11	the Secretary of the Department of Human Services.
12	For purposes of this Section, "autism spectrum disorders" has
13	the same meaning ascribed to it in Section 10 of the Autism
14	Spectrum Disorders Reporting Act.