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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-1

from Ch. 23, par. 5-1

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the purpose of the "Medicaid" Article.

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AN ACT concerning public aid.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by 5 changing Section 5-1 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-1) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-1)

7 Sec. 5-1. Declaration of purpose. It is the the purpose of 8 this Article to provide a program of essential medical care and 9 rehabilitative services for persons receiving basic maintenance grants under this Code and for other persons who 10 are unable, because of inadequate resources, to meet their 11 essential medical needs. 12

Preservation of health, alleviation of sickness, 13 and 14 correction of handicapping conditions for persons requiring maintenance support are essential if they are to have an 15 16 opportunity to become self-supporting or to attain a greater 17 capacity for self-care. For persons who are medically indigent but otherwise able to provide themselves with a livelihood, it 18 19 is of special importance to maintain their incentives for 20 continued independence and preserve their limited resources 21 for ordinary maintenance needs to prevent their total or 22 substantial dependency.

23 (Source: Laws 1967, p. 122.)