98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-4.1

from Ch. 23, par. 5-4.1

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Makes a technical change in a Section regarding Medicaid co-payments.

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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 5-4.1 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-4.1) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-4.1)

7 Sec. 5-4.1. Co-payments. The The Department may by rule provide that recipients under any Article of this Code shall 8 9 pay a fee as a co-payment for services. Co-payments shall be 10 maximized to the extent permitted by federal law, except that the Department shall impose a co-pay of \$2 on generic drugs. 11 Provided, however, that any such rule must provide that no 12 13 co-payment requirement can exist for renal dialysis, radiation 14 therapy, cancer chemotherapy, or insulin, and other products necessary on a recurring basis, the absence of which would be 15 16 life threatening, or where co-payment expenditures for 17 required services and/or medications for chronic diseases that the Illinois Department shall by rule designate shall cause an 18 19 extensive financial burden on the recipient, and provided no 20 co-payment shall exist for emergency room encounters which are 21 for medical emergencies. The Department shall seek approval of 22 a State plan amendment that allows pharmacies to refuse to dispense drugs in circumstances where the recipient does not 23

pay the required co-payment. Co-payments may not exceed \$10 for emergency room use for a non-emergency situation as defined by the Department by rule and subject to federal approval.

- 4 (Source: P.A. 96-1501, eff. 1-25-11; 97-74, eff. 6-30-11;
- 5 97-689, eff. 6-14-12.)

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