



## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2015 and 2016

HB2805

Introduced 2/20/2015, by Rep. Dwight Kay

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/12-4.49 new

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Requires the Department of Human Services to develop a 2-year pilot program requiring a drug test as a condition of eligibility for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits. Provides that the pilot program shall operate in 4 counties as prescribed by the Department; and that persons subject to the drug test shall include (i) adult applicants and recipients who are suspected of using a controlled substance; and (ii) all mothers who receive TANF benefits. Provides that an individual who tests positive for a controlled substance as a result of a drug test required under the pilot program shall be ineligible to receive TANF benefits for one year after the date of the positive drug test, unless the individual verifies the successful completion of a substance abuse treatment program. Requires the Department to submit an interim report to the Governor and the General Assembly, within 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, on the Department's progress in developing the pilot program and implementing the pilot program. Requires the Department to submit a final report to the Governor and the General Assembly at the completion of the pilot program. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 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 adding Section 12-4.49 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/12-4.49 new)

7 Sec. 12-4.49. Drug testing pilot program. The Department of  
8 Human Services shall develop a 2-year pilot program requiring a  
9 drug test as a condition of eligibility for Temporary  
10 Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits provided under  
11 Article IV of this Code. The pilot program shall operate in 4  
12 counties as prescribed by the Department. Persons subject to  
13 the drug test required under the pilot program shall include:

14 (1) Adult applicants and recipients who are suspected  
15 of using a controlled substance.

16 (2) All mothers who receive TANF benefits.

17 An individual who tests positive for a controlled substance  
18 as a result of a drug test required under the pilot program  
19 shall be ineligible to receive TANF benefits for one year after  
20 the date of the positive drug test, unless the individual  
21 verifies the successful completion of a substance abuse  
22 treatment program.

23 Within 6 months after the effective date of this amendatory

1 Act of the 99th General Assembly, the Department shall submit  
2 an interim report to the Governor and the General Assembly on  
3 the Department's progress in developing the pilot program and  
4 implementing the pilot program.

5 The Department shall submit a final report to the Governor  
6 and the General Assembly at the completion of the pilot  
7 program.

8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
9 becoming law.