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AN ACT concerning safety.

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

Section 10. The Illinois Premise Alert Program (PAP) Act is amended by changing Sections 10 and 15 as follows:

(430 ILCS 132/10)

Sec. 10. Definitions. As used in this Act:

"Disability" means an individual's physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities; a record of such impairment; or when the individual is regarded as having such an impairment. "Disability" includes, but is not limited to, a medical impairment that requires the use of pressurized oxygen.

"Special needs individuals" means those individuals who have or are at increased risk for a chronic physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional condition and who also require health and related services of a type or amount beyond that required by individuals generally. <u>"Special needs</u> <u>individual" includes, but is not limited to, an individual with</u> <u>a medical impairment that requires the use of pressurized</u> <u>oxygen.</u>

"Public safety agency" means a functional division of a public agency that provides firefighting, police, medical, or

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other emergency services.

"Computer aided dispatch" or "CAD" means a database maintained by the public safety agency or public safety answering point used in conjunction with 9-1-1 caller data.

"Premise Alert Program" or "PAP" means a computer aided dispatch database of individuals with special needs maintained by public safety agencies.

(Source: P.A. 96-788, eff. 8-28-09.)

(430 ILCS 132/15)

Sec. 15. Reporting of Special Needs Individuals.

(a) Public safety agencies <u>and suppliers of oxygen</u> <u>containers used for medical purposes</u> shall make reasonable efforts to publicize the Premise Alert Program (PAP) database. Means of publicizing the database include, but are not limited to, pamphlets and websites.

(b) Families, caregivers, or the individuals with disabilities or special needs may contact their local law enforcement agency or fire department or fire protection district.

(c) Public safety workers are to be <u>cognizant</u> <del>cognitive</del> of special needs individuals they may come across when they respond to calls. If workers are able to identify individuals who have special needs, they shall try to ascertain as specifically as possible what that special need might be. The public safety worker should attempt to verify the special need

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as provided in item (2) of subsection (d).

(d) The disabled individual's name, date of birth, phone number, and residential address or place of employment, and a description of whether oxygen canisters are kept at that location for medical purposes should also be obtained for possible entry into the PAP database.

(1) Whenever possible, it is preferable that written permission is obtained from a parent, guardian, family member, or caregiver of the individual themselves prior to being entered into the PAP database.

(2) No individual may be entered into a PAP database unless the special need has been verified. Acceptable means of verifying a special need for purposes of this program shall include statements by:

- (A) the individual,
- (B) family members,
- (C) friends,
- (D) caregivers, or

(E) medical personnel familiar with the individual.

(e) For public safety agencies that share the same CAD database, information collected by one agency serviced by the CAD database is to be disseminated to all agencies utilizing that database.

(f) Information received at an incorrect public safety agency shall be accepted and forwarded to the correct agency as

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soon as possible.

(g) All information entered into the PAP database must be updated every 2 years or when such information changes. (Source: P.A. 96-788, eff. 8-28-09; revised 9-16-10.)

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