



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB3214

Introduced 2/18/2025, by Rep. Anna Moeller

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/11-5.6 new

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Requires the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to study the impact to the State and recipients of entering into a Medicare Part A Buy-In Agreement for qualified Medicare beneficiaries with the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Provides that no later than January 1, 2026, the Department shall submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly about executing a Medicare Part A Buy-In Agreement. Requires the report to reflect that it is the policy of the State of Illinois to reduce administrative burden to applicants and recipients in programs under the Code, and to promote the health, well-being, and economic security of low-income older adults and people with disabilities in its medical programs. Requires the Department to consult with the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and relevant State agencies, including the Department on Aging, and conduct stakeholder engagement. Provides that the report shall outline the methodology used by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and shall include relevant findings, including potential cost savings to recipients and reductions in administrative burden, and a synopsis of discussions with interested stakeholders. Provides that the report shall contain recommendations for further action to facilitate accountability and to achieve the policy objectives outlined in the amendatory Act. Effective immediately.

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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 11-5.6 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/11-5.6 new)

7 Sec. 11-5.6. Medicare Part A Buy-In Agreement Report. The
8 Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall study the
9 impact to the State and recipients of entering into a Medicare
10 Part A Buy-In Agreement for qualified Medicare beneficiaries
11 with the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

12 No later than January 1, 2026, the Department shall submit
13 a report to the Governor and the General Assembly about
14 executing a Medicare Part A Buy-In Agreement. The report shall
15 reflect that it is the policy of the State of Illinois to
16 reduce administrative burden to applicants and recipients in
17 programs under this Code, and to promote the health,
18 well-being, and economic security of low-income older adults
19 and people with disabilities in its medical programs. As part
20 of studying the impact, the Department of Healthcare and
21 Family Services shall consult with the federal Centers for
22 Medicare and Medicaid Services and relevant State agencies,
23 including the Department on Aging, and conduct stakeholder

1 engagement.

2 The report shall outline the methodology used by the
3 Department of Healthcare and Family Services and shall include
4 relevant findings, including potential cost savings to
5 recipients and reductions in administrative burden, and a
6 synopsis of discussions with interested stakeholders. The
7 report shall contain recommendations for further action to
8 facilitate accountability and to achieve the policy objectives
9 outlined in this Section.

10 For the purposes of this Section, "Medicare Part A Buy-In
11 Agreement" means an agreement authorized by Section 1395v of
12 Title 42 of the United States Code under which the State shall
13 pay Medicare Part A premiums for qualified individuals who are
14 enrolled in both the Medicare Program and the State Medicaid
15 program.

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