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1	AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2019
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend Senate Bill 2019 by replacing
3	everything after the enacting clause with the following:
4	"Section 5. The Illinois Act on the Aging is amended by
5	changing Section 4.02 as follows:
6	(20 ILCS 105/4.02) (from Ch. 23, par. 6104.02)
7	Sec. 4.02. Community Care Program. The Department shall
8	establish a program of services to prevent unnecessary
9	institutionalization of persons age 60 and older in need of
10	long term care or who are established as persons who suffer
11	from Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder under the
12	Alzheimer's Disease Assistance Act, thereby enabling them to
13	remain in their own homes or in other living arrangements. Such
14	preventive services, which may be coordinated with other
15	programs for the aged and monitored by area agencies on aging
16	in cooperation with the Department, may include, but are not

1	limited to, any or all of the following:
2	<pre>(a) (blank);</pre>
3	(b) (blank);
4	(c) home care aide services;
5	(d) personal assistant services;
6	(e) adult day services;
7	(f) home-delivered meals;
8	(g) education in self-care;
9	(h) personal care services;
10	(i) adult day health services;
11	(j) habilitation services;
12	(k) respite care;
13	(k-5) community reintegration services;
14	(k-6) flexible senior services;
15	(k-7) medication management;
16	(k-8) emergency home response;
17	(1) other nonmedical social services that may enable
18	the person to become self-supporting; or
19	(m) clearinghouse for information provided by senior
20	citizen home owners who want to rent rooms to or share
21	living space with other senior citizens.
22	The Department shall establish eligibility standards for
23	such services. In determining the amount and nature of services
24	for which a person may qualify, consideration shall not be
25	given to the value of cash, property or other assets held in
26	the name of the person's spouse pursuant to a written agreement

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dividing marital property into equal but separate shares or pursuant to a transfer of the person's interest in a home to his spouse, provided that the spouse's share of the marital property is not made available to the person seeking such services.

Beginning January 1, 2008, the Department shall require as
a condition of eligibility that all new financially eligible
applicants apply for and enroll in medical assistance under
Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code in accordance with
rules promulgated by the Department.

11 The Department shall, in conjunction with the Department of Public Aid (now Department of Healthcare and Family Services), 12 13 seek appropriate amendments under Sections 1915 and 1924 of the 14 Social Security Act. The purpose of the amendments shall be to 15 extend eligibility for home and community based services under 16 Sections 1915 and 1924 of the Social Security Act to persons who transfer to or for the benefit of a spouse those amounts of 17 income and resources allowed under Section 1924 of the Social 18 19 Security Act. Subject to the approval of such amendments, the 20 Department shall extend the provisions of Section 5-4 of the 21 Illinois Public Aid Code to persons who, but for the provision 22 of home or community-based services, would require the level of 23 care provided in an institution, as is provided for in federal 24 law. Those persons no longer found to be eligible for receiving 25 noninstitutional services due to changes in the eligibility 26 criteria shall be given 45 days notice prior to actual

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1 termination. Those persons receiving notice of termination may contact the Department and request the determination be 2 appealed at any time during the 45 day notice period. The 3 4 target population identified for the purposes of this Section 5 are persons age 60 and older with an identified service need. 6 Priority shall be given to those who are at imminent risk of institutionalization. The services shall be provided to 7 8 eligible persons age 60 and older to the extent that the cost 9 of the services together with the other personal maintenance 10 expenses of the persons are reasonably related to the standards 11 established for care in a group facility appropriate to the person's condition. These non-institutional services, pilot 12 13 projects or experimental facilities may be provided as part of or in addition to those authorized by federal law or those 14 15 funded and administered by the Department of Human Services. 16 The Departments of Human Services, Healthcare and Family Services, Public Health, Veterans' Affairs, and Commerce and 17 18 Economic Opportunity and other appropriate agencies of State, 19 federal and local governments shall cooperate with the 20 Department on Aging in the establishment and development of the non-institutional services. The Department shall require an 21 22 annual audit from all personal assistant and home care aide 23 vendors contracting with the Department under this Section. The 24 annual audit shall assure that each audited vendor's procedures in compliance with Department's financial reporting 25 are 26 guidelines requiring an administrative and employee wage and

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1 benefits cost split as defined in administrative rules. The audit is a public record under the Freedom of Information Act. 2 The Department shall execute, relative to the nursing home 3 4 prescreening project, written inter-agency agreements with the 5 Department of Human Services and the Department of Healthcare 6 and Family Services, to effect the following: (1) intake procedures and common eligibility criteria for those persons 7 who are receiving non-institutional services; and (2) the 8 9 establishment and development of non-institutional services in 10 areas of the State where they are not currently available or 11 are undeveloped. On and after July 1, 1996, all nursing home prescreenings for individuals 60 years of age or older shall be 12 13 conducted by the Department.

As part of the Department on Aging's routine training of case managers and case manager supervisors, the Department may include information on family futures planning for persons who are age 60 or older and who are caregivers of their adult children with developmental disabilities. The content of the training shall be at the Department's discretion.

The Department is authorized to establish a system of recipient copayment for services provided under this Section, such copayment to be based upon the recipient's ability to pay but in no case to exceed the actual cost of the services provided. Additionally, any portion of a person's income which is equal to or less than the federal poverty standard shall not be considered by the Department in determining the copayment. 10100SB2019sam001

1 The level of such copayment shall be adjusted whenever 2 necessary to reflect any change in the officially designated 3 federal poverty standard.

4 The Department, or the Department's authorized 5 representative, may recover the amount of moneys expended for 6 services provided to or in behalf of a person under this Section by a claim against the person's estate or against the 7 8 estate of the person's surviving spouse, but no recovery may be 9 had until after the death of the surviving spouse, if any, and 10 then only at such time when there is no surviving child who is 11 under age 21 or blind or who has a permanent and total disability. This paragraph, however, shall not bar recovery, at 12 13 the death of the person, of moneys for services provided to the 14 person or in behalf of the person under this Section to which 15 the person was not entitled; provided that such recovery shall 16 not be enforced against any real estate while it is occupied as a homestead by the surviving spouse or other dependent, if no 17 claims by other creditors have been filed against the estate, 18 or, if such claims have been filed, they remain dormant for 19 20 failure of prosecution or failure of the claimant to compel 21 administration of the estate for the purpose of payment. This 22 paragraph shall not bar recovery from the estate of a spouse, 23 under Sections 1915 and 1924 of the Social Security Act and 24 Section 5-4 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, who precedes a 25 person receiving services under this Section in death. All 26 moneys for services paid to or in behalf of the person under

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this Section shall be claimed for recovery from the deceased spouse's estate. "Homestead", as used in this paragraph, means the dwelling house and contiguous real estate occupied by a surviving spouse or relative, as defined by the rules and regulations of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, regardless of the value of the property.

7 The Department shall increase the effectiveness of the8 existing Community Care Program by:

9 (1) ensuring that in-home services included in the care
10 plan are available on evenings and weekends;

11 (2) ensuring that care plans contain the services that 12 eligible participants need based on the number of days in a 13 month, not limited to specific blocks of time, as 14 identified by the comprehensive assessment tool selected 15 by the Department for use statewide, not to exceed the 16 total monthly service cost maximum allowed for each service; the Department shall develop administrative rules 17 18 to implement this item (2);

19 (3) ensuring that the participants have the right to 20 choose the services contained in their care plan and to 21 direct how those services are provided, based on 22 administrative rules established by the Department;

(4) ensuring that the determination of need tool is
accurate in determining the participants' level of need; to
achieve this, the Department, in conjunction with the Older
Adult Services Advisory Committee, shall institute a study

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of the relationship between the Determination of Need 1 scores, level of need, service cost maximums, and the 2 3 development and utilization of service plans no later than May 1, 2008; findings and recommendations shall be 4 5 presented to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than January 1, 2009; recommendations shall include all 6 needed changes to the service cost maximums schedule and 7 8 additional covered services;

9 (5) ensuring that homemakers can provide personal care 10 services that may or may not involve contact with clients, 11 including but not limited to:

- 12 (A) bathing;
- 13 (B) grooming;
- 14 (C) toileting;
- 15 (D) nail care;
- 16 (E) transferring;
- 17 (F) respiratory services;
- 18 (G) exercise; or
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- (0) exercise, or
- (H) positioning;

(6) ensuring that homemaker program vendors are not
restricted from hiring homemakers who are family members of
clients or recommended by clients; the Department may not,
by rule or policy, require homemakers who are family
members of clients or recommended by clients to accept
assignments in homes other than the client;

26 (7) ensuring that the State may access maximum federal

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matching funds by seeking approval for the Centers for 1 Medicare and Medicaid Services for modifications to the 2 3 State's home and community based services waiver and additional waiver opportunities, including applying for 4 5 enrollment in the Balance Incentive Payment Program by May 1, 2013, in order to maximize federal matching funds; this 6 shall include, but not be limited to, modification that 7 8 reflects all changes in the Community Care Program services 9 and all increases in the services cost maximum;

10 (8) ensuring that the determination of need tool 11 accurately reflects the service needs of individuals with 12 Alzheimer's disease and related dementia disorders;

13 (9) ensuring that services are authorized accurately 14 and consistently for the Community Care Program (CCP); the 15 Department shall implement a Service Authorization policy directive; the purpose shall be to ensure that eligibility 16 17 and services are authorized accurately and consistently in the CCP program; the policy directive shall clarify service 18 19 authorization guidelines to Care Coordination Units and 20 Community Care Program providers no later than May 1, 2013;

21 (10) working in conjunction with Care Coordination 22 Units, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, the Department of Human Services, Community Care Program 23 24 providers, and other stakeholders to make improvements to 25 Medicaid claiming processes and Medicaid the the 26 enrollment procedures or requirements as needed,

1 including, but not limited to, specific policy changes or rules to improve the up-front enrollment of participants in 2 3 the Medicaid program and specific policy changes or rules 4 to insure more prompt submission of bills to the federal 5 government to secure maximum federal matching dollars as promptly as possible; the Department on Aging shall have at 6 least 3 meetings with stakeholders by January 1, 2014 in 7 8 order to address these improvements;

9 (11) requiring home care service providers to comply 10 with the rounding of hours worked provisions under the 11 federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and as set forth in 12 29 CFR 785.48(b) by May 1, 2013;

(12) implementing any necessary policy changes or promulgating any rules, no later than January 1, 2014, to assist the Department of Healthcare and Family Services in moving as many participants as possible, consistent with federal regulations, into coordinated care plans if a care coordination plan that covers long term care is available in the recipient's area; and

20 (13) maintaining fiscal year 2014 rates at the same
21 level established on January 1, 2013.

By January 1, 2009 or as soon after the end of the Cash and Counseling Demonstration Project as is practicable, the Department may, based on its evaluation of the demonstration project, promulgate rules concerning personal assistant services, to include, but need not be limited to, 10100SB2019sam001 -11- LRB101 08278 KTG 56528 a

qualifications, employment screening, rights under fair labor standards, training, fiduciary agent, and supervision requirements. All applicants shall be subject to the provisions of the Health Care Worker Background Check Act.

5 The Department shall develop procedures to enhance 6 availability of services on evenings, weekends, and on an 7 emergency basis to meet the respite needs of caregivers. 8 Procedures shall be developed to permit the utilization of 9 services in successive blocks of 24 hours up to the monthly 10 maximum established by the Department. Workers providing these 11 services shall be appropriately trained.

Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act of 12 13 1991, no person may perform chore/housekeeping and home care 14 aide services under a program authorized by this Section unless 15 that person has been issued a certificate of pre-service to do 16 so by his or her employing agency. Information gathered to effect such certification shall include (i) the person's name, 17 18 (ii) the date the person was hired by his or her current employer, and (iii) the training, including dates and levels. 19 20 Persons engaged in the program authorized by this Section before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1991 shall 21 be issued a certificate of all pre- and in-service training 22 23 from his or her employer upon submitting the necessary 24 information. The employing agency shall be required to retain 25 records of all staff pre- and in-service training, and shall 26 provide such records to the Department upon request and upon

termination of the employer's contract with the Department. In addition, the employing agency is responsible for the issuance of certifications of in-service training completed to their employees.

5 The Department is required to develop a system to ensure 6 that persons working as home care aides and personal assistants receive increases in their wages when the federal minimum wage 7 8 is increased by requiring vendors to certify that they are 9 meeting the federal minimum wage statute for home care aides 10 and personal assistants. An employer that cannot ensure that 11 the minimum wage increase is being given to home care aides and 12 personal assistants shall be denied any increase in 13 reimbursement costs.

14 The Community Care Program Advisory Committee is created in 15 the Department on Aging. The Director shall appoint individuals 16 to serve in the Committee, who shall serve at their own expense. Members of the Committee must abide by all applicable 17 ethics laws. The Committee shall advise the Department on 18 19 issues related to the Department's program of services to prevent unnecessary institutionalization. The Committee shall 20 21 meet on a bi-monthly basis and shall serve to identify and 22 advise the Department on present and potential issues affecting 23 the service delivery network, the program's clients, and the 24 Department and to recommend solution strategies. Persons 25 appointed to the Committee shall be appointed on, but not limited to, their own and their agency's experience with the 26

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program, geographic representation, and willingness to serve. 1 2 The Director shall appoint members to the Committee to represent provider, advocacy, policy research, and other 3 constituencies committed to the delivery of high quality home 4 5 and community-based services to older adults. Representatives 6 shall be appointed to ensure representation from community care providers including, but not limited to, adult day service 7 providers, homemaker providers, case coordination and case 8 9 management units, emergency home response providers, statewide 10 trade or labor unions that represent home care aides and direct 11 care staff, area agencies on aging, adults over age 60, membership organizations representing older adults, and other 12 13 organizational entities, providers of care, or individuals 14 with demonstrated interest and expertise in the field of home 15 and community care as determined by the Director.

16 Nominations may be presented from any agency or State association with interest in the program. The Director, or his 17 18 or her designee, shall serve as the permanent co-chair of the advisory committee. One other co-chair shall be nominated and 19 20 approved by the members of the committee on an annual basis. 21 Committee members' terms of appointment shall be for 4 years 22 with one-quarter of the appointees' terms expiring each year. A 23 member shall continue to serve until his or her replacement is 24 The Department shall fill vacancies that have a named. 25 remaining term of over one year, and this replacement shall 26 occur through the annual replacement of expiring terms. The

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1 Director shall designate Department staff to provide technical assistance and staff support to the committee. Department 2 3 representation shall not constitute membership of the 4 committee. All Committee papers, issues, recommendations, 5 reports, and meeting memoranda are advisory only. The Director, 6 or his or her designee, shall make a written report, as requested by the Committee, regarding issues before the 7 8 Committee.

9 The Department on Aging and the Department of Human 10 Services shall cooperate in the development and submission of 11 an annual report on programs and services provided under this 12 Section. Such joint report shall be filed with the Governor and 13 the General Assembly on or before September 30 each year.

The requirement for reporting to the General Assembly shall be satisfied by filing copies of the report as required by Section 3.1 of the General Assembly Organization Act and filing such additional copies with the State Government Report Distribution Center for the General Assembly as is required under paragraph (t) of Section 7 of the State Library Act.

Those persons previously found eligible for receiving non-institutional services whose services were discontinued under the Emergency Budget Act of Fiscal Year 1992, and who do not meet the eligibility standards in effect on or after July 1, 1992, shall remain ineligible on and after July 1, 1992. Those persons previously not required to cost-share and who were required to cost-share effective March 1, 1992, shall 10100SB2019sam001 -15- LRB101 08278 KTG 56528 a

1 continue to meet cost-share requirements on and after July 1, 2 1992. Beginning July 1, 1992, all clients will be required to 3 meet eligibility, cost-share, and other requirements and will 4 have services discontinued or altered when they fail to meet 5 these requirements.

6 For the purposes of this Section, "flexible senior 7 services" refers to services that require one-time or periodic 8 expenditures including, but not limited to, respite care, home 9 modification, assistive technology, housing assistance, and 10 transportation.

11 The Department shall implement an electronic service 12 verification based on global positioning systems or other 13 cost-effective technology for the Community Care Program no 14 later than January 1, 2014.

15 Department shall require, as a condition The of 16 eligibility, enrollment in the medical assistance program under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code (i) beginning 17 18 August 1, 2013, if the Auditor General has reported that the Department has failed to comply with the reporting requirements 19 20 of Section 2-27 of the Illinois State Auditing Act; or (ii) beginning June 1, 2014, if the Auditor General has reported 21 22 that the Department has not undertaken the required actions 23 listed in the report required by subsection (a) of Section 2-27 24 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

The Department shall delay Community Care Program services until an applicant is determined eligible for medical 1 assistance under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code (i) 2 beginning August 1, 2013, if the Auditor General has reported that the Department has failed to comply with the reporting 3 4 requirements of Section 2-27 of the Illinois State Auditing 5 Act; or (ii) beginning June 1, 2014, if the Auditor General has 6 reported that the Department has not undertaken the required actions listed in the report required by subsection (a) of 7 Section 2-27 of the Illinois State Auditing Act. 8

9 The Department shall implement co-payments for the 10 Community Care Program at the federally allowable maximum level 11 (i) beginning August 1, 2013, if the Auditor General has reported that the Department has failed to comply with the 12 13 reporting requirements of Section 2-27 of the Illinois State Auditing Act; or (ii) beginning June 1, 2014, if the Auditor 14 15 General has reported that the Department has not undertaken the 16 required actions listed in the report required by subsection (a) of Section 2-27 of the Illinois State Auditing Act. 17

18 The Department shall provide a bi-monthly report on the 19 progress of the Community Care Program reforms set forth in 20 this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly to the 21 Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the 22 Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, the President 23 of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the Senate.

The Department shall conduct a quarterly review of Care Coordination Unit performance and adherence to service guidelines. The quarterly review shall be reported to the 1 Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, and 2 3 the Minority Leader of the Senate. The Department shall collect 4 and report longitudinal data on the performance of each care 5 coordination unit. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed 6 Department to identify specific require the to care coordination units. 7

8 In regard to community care providers, failure to comply 9 with Department on Aging policies shall be cause for 10 disciplinary action, including, but not limited to, 11 disqualification from serving Community Care Program clients. Each provider, upon submission of any bill or invoice to the 12 13 Department for payment for services rendered, shall include a notarized statement, under penalty of perjury pursuant to 14 15 Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that the provider 16 has complied with all Department policies.

17 The Director of the Department on Aging shall make 18 information available to the State Board of Elections as may be 19 required by an agreement the State Board of Elections has 20 entered into with a multi-state voter registration list 21 maintenance system.

22 Within 30 days after July 6, 2017 (the effective date of 23 Public Act 100-23), rates shall be increased to \$18.29 per 24 hour, for the purpose of increasing, by at least \$.72 per hour, 25 the wages paid by those vendors to their employees who provide 26 homemaker services. The Department shall pay an enhanced rate 10100SB2019sam001 -18- LRB101 08278 KTG 56528 a

1 under the Community Care Program to those in-home service provider agencies that offer health insurance coverage as a 2 benefit to their direct service worker employees consistent 3 4 with the mandates of Public Act 95-713. For State fiscal years 5 2018 and 2019, the enhanced rate shall be \$1.77 per hour. The 6 rate shall be adjusted using actuarial analysis based on the cost of care, but shall not be set below \$1.77 per hour. The 7 Department shall adopt rules, including emergency rules under 8 9 subsections (y) and (bb) of Section 5-45 of the Illinois 10 Administrative Procedure Act, to implement the provisions of 11 this paragraph.

In order to provide funding to cover the mandated increased 12 13 costs of wages and related benefits in Chicago and Cook County 14 as well as to offset the impact of wage compaction elsewhere in 15 the State, the rates and minimum mandated wage increases for homemaker services shall be, at a minimum, for the State Fiscal 16 Year beginning on July 1, 2019, a rate of \$21.64 per hour for a 17 minimum wage of \$13 per hour. Rates in future State fiscal 18 19 years shall be no lower than the rates in effect on July 1, 20 2019. In-home service provider agencies shall be required to 21 certify to the Department that they are in compliance with the 22 mandated wage increase for direct service workers. Fringe benefits, including, but not limited to, any paid time off, 23 24 payment for training, health insurance, travel, or 25 transportation payment, shall not be reduced in relation to the 26 rate increase described in this paragraph.

1 The General Assembly finds it necessary to authorize an aggressive Medicaid enrollment initiative designed to maximize 2 federal Medicaid funding for the Community Care Program which 3 4 produces significant savings for the State of Illinois. The 5 Department on Aging shall establish and implement a Community 6 Care Program Medicaid Initiative. Under the Initiative, the Department on Aging shall, at a minimum: (i) provide an 7 8 enhanced rate to adequately compensate care coordination units to enroll eligible Community Care Program clients into 9 10 Medicaid; (ii) use recommendations from a stakeholder 11 committee on how best to implement the Initiative; and (iii) establish requirements for State agencies to make enrollment in 12 13 the State's Medical Assistance program easier for seniors.

14 The Community Care Program Medicaid Enrollment Oversight 15 Subcommittee is created as a subcommittee of the Older Adult 16 Services Advisory Committee established in Section 35 of the Older Adult Services Act to make recommendations on how best to 17 increase the number of medical assistance recipients who are 18 19 enrolled in the Community Care Program. The Subcommittee shall 20 consist of all of the following persons who must be appointed 21 within 30 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act 22 of the 100th General Assembly:

(1) The Director of Aging, or his or her designee, who
 shall serve as the chairperson of the Subcommittee.

(2) One representative of the Department of Healthcare
 and Family Services, appointed by the Director of

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Healthcare and Family Services.

2 (3) One representative of the Department of Human
3 Services, appointed by the Secretary of Human Services.

4 (4) One individual representing a care coordination
5 unit, appointed by the Director of Aging.

6 (5) One individual from a non-governmental statewide 7 organization that advocates for seniors, appointed by the 8 Director of Aging.

9 (6) One individual representing Area Agencies on 10 Aging, appointed by the Director of Aging.

11 (7) One individual from a statewide association 12 dedicated to Alzheimer's care, support, and research, 13 appointed by the Director of Aging.

14 (8) One individual from an organization that employs
15 persons who provide services under the Community Care
16 Program, appointed by the Director of Aging.

17 (9) One member of a trade or labor union representing
18 persons who provide services under the Community Care
19 Program, appointed by the Director of Aging.

(10) One member of the Senate, who shall serve as
 co-chairperson, appointed by the President of the Senate.

(11) One member of the Senate, who shall serve as
 co-chairperson, appointed by the Minority Leader of the
 Senate.

(12) One member of the House of Representatives, who
 shall serve as co-chairperson, appointed by the Speaker of

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the House of Representatives.

(13) One member of the House of Representatives, who
shall serve as co-chairperson, appointed by the Minority
Leader of the House of Representatives.

5 (14) One individual appointed by a labor organization
6 representing frontline employees at the Department of
7 Human Services.

8 The Subcommittee shall provide oversight to the Community 9 Care Program Medicaid Initiative and shall meet quarterly. At 10 each Subcommittee meeting the Department on Aging shall provide 11 the following data sets to the Subcommittee: (A) the number of Illinois residents, categorized by planning and service area, 12 13 who are receiving services under the Community Care Program and are enrolled in the State's Medical Assistance Program; (B) the 14 15 number of Illinois residents, categorized by planning and 16 service area, who are receiving services under the Community Care Program, but are not enrolled in the State's Medical 17 18 Assistance Program; and (C) the number of Illinois residents, categorized by planning and service area, who are receiving 19 20 services under the Community Care Program and are eligible for 21 benefits under the State's Medical Assistance Program, but are 22 not enrolled in the State's Medical Assistance Program. In 23 addition to this data, the Department on Aging shall provide 24 the Subcommittee with plans on how the Department on Aging will 25 reduce the number of Illinois residents who are not enrolled in 26 the State's Medical Assistance Program but who are eligible for

1 medical assistance benefits. The Department on Aging shall 2 enroll in the State's Medical Assistance Program those Illinois 3 residents who receive services under the Community Care Program 4 and are eligible for medical assistance benefits but are not 5 enrolled in the State's Medicaid Assistance Program. The data 6 provided to the Subcommittee shall be made available to the 7 public via the Department on Aging's website.

8 The Department on Aging, with the involvement of the 9 Subcommittee, shall collaborate with the Department of Human 10 Services and the Department of Healthcare and Family Services 11 on how best to achieve the responsibilities of the Community 12 Care Program Medicaid Initiative.

The Department on Aging, the Department of Human Services, and the Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall coordinate and implement a streamlined process for seniors to access benefits under the State's Medical Assistance Program.

The Subcommittee shall collaborate with the Department of 17 18 Human Services on the adoption of a uniform application 19 submission process. The Department of Human Services and any 20 other State agency involved with processing the medical 21 assistance application of any person enrolled in the Community 22 Care Program shall include the appropriate care coordination unit in all communications related to the determination or 23 24 status of the application.

The Community Care Program Medicaid Initiative shall provide targeted funding to care coordination units to help 10100SB2019sam001 -23- LRB101 08278 KTG 56528 a

seniors complete their applications for medical assistance
 benefits. On and after July 1, 2019, care coordination units
 shall receive no less than \$200 per completed application.

The Community Care Program Medicaid Initiative shall cease operation 5 years after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly, after which the Subcommittee shall dissolve.

8 (Source: P.A. 99-143, eff. 7-27-15; 100-23, eff. 7-6-17;
9 100-587, eff. 6-4-18; 100-1148, eff. 12-10-18.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2019.".