

## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 SB3296

Introduced 2/7/2024, by Sen. Natalie Toro

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 1305/10-68 new 30 ILCS 105/5.1015 new

Amends the Department of Human Services Act and the State Finance Act. Creates the Support Immigrant Labor Fund as a special fund in the State treasury. Provides that, from appropriations to the Department from the Fund, the Department shall award grants to community-based organizations in Illinois for the purpose of providing free assistance to newly arrived immigrants in Illinois in applying for and obtaining work permits, for providing funding for all or a portion of all costs and fees associated with an application for such work permit, and providing for free representation in any legal matters with such application. Provides that moneys received for this Fund, including, but not limited to, income tax checkoff receipts and gifts, grants, and awards from any public or private entity, must be deposited into the Fund. Provides that interest earned on moneys in the Fund must be deposited into the Fund. Provides that funds shall supplement, not supplant, other existing or new federal, State, or local sources of funding for these services. Provides that any new federal funding received shall supplement and not supplant funding for this program.

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1 AN ACT concerning human services.

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

- Section 5. The Department of Human Services Act is amended by adding Section 10-68 as follows:
- 6 (20 ILCS 1305/10-68 new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 10-68. Support Immigrant Labor Fund.</u>
- The Support Immigrant Labor Fund is created as a 8 9 special fund in the State treasury. Provides that from appropriations to the Department from the Fund, the Department 10 shall award grants to community-based organizations in 11 12 Illinois for the purpose of providing free assistance to newly arrived immigrants in Illinois in applying for and obtaining 13 14 work permits, for providing funding for all or a portion of all costs and fees associated with an application for such work 15 16 permit, and providing for free representation in any legal matters associated with such application. The Department must 17 adopt rules to implement the grant program, and grants shall 18 19 be awarded in accordance with such rules.
  - (b) Provides that moneys received for the purposes of this Section, including, but not limited to, income tax checkoff receipts and gifts, grants, and awards from any public or private entity, must be deposited into the Fund. Any interest

- 1 <u>earned on moneys in the Fund must be deposited into the Fund.</u>
- 2 Funds received under this Section shall supplement, not
- 3 supplant, other existing or new federal, State, or local
- 4 sources of funding for these services. Any new federal funding
- 5 received shall supplement and not supplant funding for this
- 6 <u>program.</u>
- 7 Section 10. The State Finance Act is amended by adding
- 8 Section 5.1015 as follows:
- 9 (30 ILCS 105/5.1015 new)
- Sec. 5.1015. The Support Immigrant Labor Fund.