

1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1809

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 1809 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Developmental Disability and Mental
5 Disability Services Act is amended by adding Section 2-4.5 as
6 follows:

7 (405 ILCS 80/2-4.5 new)

8 Sec. 2-4.5. Autism; community-based residential
9 services; pilot program.

10 (a) Subject to appropriation, the Department of Human
11 Services shall create a pilot program to provide
12 community-based residential services to individuals with
13 severe autism who are 21 years of age or older. The
14 Department shall contract with one service provider located
15 in the Chicago metropolitan area and one provider located in
16 a county with a population in excess of 250,000 other than
17 Cook, Lake, McHenry, Kane, DuPage, or Will to provide
18 alternative residential services to persons with severe
19 autism who would otherwise be served in an institutional
20 setting.

21 (b) The Department shall be responsible for, but not
22 limited to, providing the following:

1 (1) Screening of individuals with severe autism who
2 are 21 years of age or older to determine whether these
3 individuals could be served in a residential setting at a
4 cost that does not exceed the cost of caring for them in
5 an institutional setting.

6 (2) Training and supports for both adults with
7 severe autism and the staff working with those
8 individuals.

9 (3) Vocational opportunities for those individuals
10 placed at the designated community-based setting.

11 (c) The Department shall adopt rules to implement this
12 Section.

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