



93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY
State of Illinois
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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-1

from Ch. 23, par. 5-1

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the purpose of the "medical assistance" Article of the Code.

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1 AN ACT in relation to 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 changing Section 5-1 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-1) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-1)

7 Sec. 5-1. Declaration of purpose of Article. It is the
8 purpose of this Article to provide a program of essential
9 medical care and rehabilitative services for persons receiving
10 basic maintenance grants under this Code and for other persons
11 who are unable, because of inadequate resources, to meet their
12 essential medical needs.

13 Preservation of health, alleviation of sickness, and
14 correction of handicapping conditions for persons requiring
15 maintenance support are essential if they are to have an
16 opportunity to become self-supporting or to attain a greater
17 capacity for self-care. For persons who are medically indigent
18 but otherwise able to provide themselves with a livelihood, it
19 is of special importance to maintain their incentives for
20 continued independence and preserve their limited resources
21 for ordinary maintenance needs to prevent their total or
22 substantial dependency.

23 (Source: Laws 1967, p. 122.)