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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1622

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 1622 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Community Services Act is amended by adding  
5 Section 6 as follows:

6 (405 ILCS 30/6 new)

7 Sec. 6. Geographic analysis of supports and services in  
8 community settings.

9 (a) For purposes of this Section:

10 "Direct support professionals" means direct support  
11 workers, direct care workers, personal assistants, personal  
12 attendants, and paraprofessionals that provide assistance to  
13 individuals with developmental disabilities or mental illness  
14 in the form of daily living, and provide the habilitation,  
15 rehabilitation, and training needs of these individuals.

16 "Licensed professionals" means, but is not limited to,

1 dentists, dental hygienists, dental assistants, advance  
2 practical nurses, licensed practical nurses, registered  
3 nurses, psychiatrists, psychologists, and qualified mental  
4 health professionals.

5 "Supports and services" means direct support  
6 professionals, licensed professionals, and residential  
7 services, including, but not limited to, private residences,  
8 community-integrated living arrangements, supported  
9 residential programs, supervised residential programs, or  
10 supportive housing programs.

11 (b) Long-term care rebalancing. Pursuant to Public Act  
12 96-1501, the State of Illinois has established a long-term care  
13 rebalancing initiative. This amendatory Act of the 97th General  
14 Assembly seeks to further the goals of that initiative by  
15 ensuring that individuals with developmental disabilities or  
16 mental illness who utilize long-term care services under the  
17 medical assistance program and other long-term care related  
18 benefit programs administered by the State have meaningful  
19 access to a reasonable array of community-based and  
20 institutional program options. Furthermore, the General  
21 Assembly declares that it is the policy of the State to ensure  
22 that the clinical, habilitative, and social needs of  
23 individuals with developmental disabilities or mental illness  
24 who chose to reside in integrated community-based settings can  
25 have those needs met in integrated community-based settings. In  
26 order to meaningfully comply with this policy, the General

1 Assembly must have an understanding of the existing capacity in  
2 integrated-community based settings, including direct support  
3 professionals and licensed professionals, such as dentists,  
4 nurses, and psychiatrists, as well as residential capacity to  
5 provide for these needs.

6 (c) By no later than July 1, 2012, the Department shall  
7 conduct a geographic analysis of supports and services for  
8 individuals with developmental disabilities or mental illness.  
9 This analysis shall also identify gaps between required  
10 supports and services by region of the State. The Department  
11 shall prepare a final report by no later than January 1, 2013  
12 that shall be made available to the Governor and shall be  
13 presented by the Department to the appropriate standing  
14 committees in the Senate, as determined by and on a date  
15 determined by the President of the Senate, and the House of  
16 Representatives, as determined by and on a date determined by  
17 the Speaker of the House. The final report shall be made  
18 available to the public and shall be published on the  
19 Department's website in an appropriate location a minimum of  
20 one week prior to presentation of the report to the General  
21 Assembly.

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
23 becoming law."