

## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 HB2338

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

755 ILCS 5/11a-9

from Ch. 110 1/2, par. 11a-9

Amends the Probate Act of 1975. Provides that a licensed clinical psychologist may sign a report relating to the adjudication of disability when the evaluation is limited to the respondent's mental condition.

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1 AN ACT concerning probate proceedings.

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

Section 5. The Probate Act of 1975 is amended by changing Section 11a-9 as follows:

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6 (755 ILCS 5/11a-9) (from Ch. 110 1/2, par. 11a-9)
7 Sec. 11a-9. Report.)
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(a) The petition for adjudication of disability and for appointment of a quardian should be accompanied by a report which contains (1) a description of the nature and type of the respondent's disability and an assessment of how the disability impacts on the ability of the respondent to make decisions or to function independently; (2) an analysis and results of evaluations of the respondent's mental and physical condition appropriate, educational condition, where behavior and social skills, which have been performed within 3 months of the date of the filing of the petition; (3) an opinion as to whether quardianship is needed, the type and scope of the guardianship needed, and the reasons therefor; (4) a recommendation as to the most suitable living arrangement and, where appropriate, treatment or habilitation plan for the respondent and the reasons therefor; (5) the signatures of all persons who performed the evaluations upon which the report is

- 1 based, one of whom shall be a licensed physician <u>unless the</u>
- 2 <u>evaluation</u> and report are completed by a licensed clinical
- 3 psychologist and the evaluation is limited to the respondent's
- 4 mental condition, and a statement of the certification,
- 5 license, or other credentials that qualify the evaluators who
- 6 prepared the report.
- 7 (b) If for any reason no report accompanies the petition,
- 8 the court shall order appropriate evaluations to be performed
- 9 by a qualified person or persons and a report prepared and
- filed with the court at least 10 days prior to the hearing.
- 11 (c) Unless the court otherwise directs, any report prepared
- 12 pursuant to this Section shall not be made part of the public
- 13 record of the proceedings but shall be available to the court
- or an appellate court in which the proceedings are subject to
- 15 review, to the respondent, the petitioner, the guardian, and
- their attorneys, to the respondent's guardian ad litem, and to
- such other persons as the court may direct.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 89-396, eff. 8-20-95.)