

1 AN ACT concerning 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 5-5.1 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-5.1) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-5.1)

7 Sec. 5-5.1. Grouping of Facilities. The Department of  
8 Healthcare and Family Services shall, for purposes of payment,  
9 provide for groupings of nursing facilities. Factors to be  
10 considered in grouping facilities may include, but are not  
11 limited to, size, age, patient mix, percentage of Medicaid  
12 funded residents, or geographical area.

13 The groupings developed under this Section shall be  
14 considered in determining reasonable cost reimbursement  
15 formulas. However, this Section shall not preclude the  
16 Department from recognizing and evaluating the cost of capital  
17 on a facility-by-facility basis.

18 A resident of a nursing facility whose application for long  
19 term care benefits is awaiting final action shall be included  
20 in the calculation as a Medicaid funded resident.

21 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)