

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2015 and 2016 SB3285

Introduced 2/19/2016, by Sen. Toi W. Hutchinson

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 1705/55.5 new 305 ILCS 5/5-5.4i new

Amends the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Administrative Act and the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that the Department of Human Services shall establish reimbursement rates which build toward livable wages for direct service personnel in residential and day programs serving individuals with developmental disabilities, including, but not limited to, intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled, community integrated living arrangements, developmental training programs, employment, and other residential and day programs for individuals with developmental disabilities supported by State funds or funding under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act. Provides that the Department shall increase rates and reimbursements so that on or before July 1, 2018 direct service personnel earn a starting wage of not less than \$13 per hour. Defines "direct service personnel".

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning direct service personnel.

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

- Section 5. The Mental Health and Developmental
 Disabilities Administrative Act is amended by adding Section
- 7 (20 ILCS 1705/55.5 new)

55.5 as follows:

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Sec. 55.5. Increased wages for direct service personnel. 8 9 The Department shall establish reimbursement rates which build toward livable wages for direct service personnel in 10 residential and day programs serving individuals with 11 developmental disabilities under Section 54 of this Act, 12 including, but not limited to, intermediate care facilities for 13 14 the developmentally disabled, community integrated living arrangements, developmental training programs, employment, and 15 other residential and day programs for individuals with 16 developmental disabilities supported by State funds or funding 17 under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act. As used in 18 19 this Section, "direct service personnel" means direct care front-line supervisors, qualified support 20 21 professionals, nurses, and non-administrative support staff 22 working in service settings outlined in this Section. The Department shall increase rates and reimbursements so that on 2.3

- or before July 1, 2018 direct service personnel earn a starting
- 2 wage of not less than \$13 per hour. On or before July 1, 2016
- 3 rates shall increase to fund a \$1 per hour increase. On or
- 4 before January 1, 2017 rates shall increase to fund an
- 5 additional \$1 per hour increase. On or before July 1, 2017
- 6 rates shall increase to fund an additional \$1 per hour
- 7 increase. On or before January 1, 2018 rates shall increase to
- 8 fund an additional \$0.65 per hour increase.
- 9 Section 10. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
- 10 adding Section 5-5.4i as follows:
- 11 (305 ILCS 5/5-5.4i new)
- 12 Sec. 5-5.4i. Increased wages for direct service personnel.
- 13 Under Section 55.5 of the Mental Health and Developmental
- 14 Disabilities Administrative Act, the amount of the payment rate
- for all nursing facilities certified by the Department of
- 16 Public Health under the ID/DD Community Care Act as
- 17 intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled
- 18 or long term care for under age 22 facilities shall increase to
- 19 fund:
- 20 (1) a \$1 per hour increase on or before July 1, 2016;
- 21 (2) an additional \$1 per hour increase on or before January
- 22 1, 2017;
- 23 (3) an additional \$1 per hour increase on or before July 1,
- 24 2017; and

- 1 (4) an increase to fund an additional \$0.65 per hour
- 2 <u>increase on or before January 1, 2018.</u>
- 3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 4 becoming law.