

HB3516



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB3516

by Rep. Arthur Turner

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2405/12

from Ch. 23, par. 3443

Amends the Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning services for the visually impaired.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities
5 Act is amended by changing Section 12 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 2405/12) (from Ch. 23, par. 3443)

7 Sec. 12. Services for the visually impaired. The ~~The~~
8 Department shall provide community services for persons with
9 visual disabilities at the Illinois Center for Rehabilitation
10 and Education to promote the general welfare and rehabilitation
11 of persons with major visual disabilities and provide such
12 related services as will promote independent living, lessen the
13 limitations of their disability, teach them vocational and
14 other skills, and assist in making them self-supporting and
15 responsible citizens of their communities. The community
16 services program shall provide such instruction and intensive
17 rehabilitation training service individually or in groups as is
18 deemed necessary and practicable for each individual case,
19 using the best appliances, skills, and specialist services
20 known. The Center shall carry out these purposes by providing
21 appropriate training in a residential center for persons with
22 visual disabilities who are found to be qualified for such
23 training.

1 In order to facilitate the training and rehabilitation of
2 persons with major visual disabilities in industrial work
3 processes and provide necessary services, the Center and the
4 community services program shall have authority to seek and
5 negotiate contracts with agencies, individuals, firms,
6 manufacturers or corporations for the repair of machines or
7 equipment for persons with visual disabilities and for
8 separating, sorting, packaging, tying, wrapping, or otherwise
9 putting together small objects. The rates charged for such work
10 shall be reasonable and adequate, and comparable to those paid
11 other persons for similar services, except as the projects are
12 used for training and rehabilitation of persons with visual
13 disabilities who may not be compensated during the period of
14 training.

15 All money which has been or may be paid to, or is received
16 as payment for such work shall be deposited in an approved bank
17 or savings and loan association in a special account known as
18 the Industrial Project Fund. All deposits and expenditures of
19 the Industrial Project Fund shall be made under the direction
20 of the Department and in accordance with its rules and
21 regulations. Expenditures shall be limited to salaries and
22 wages paid to the persons with visual disabilities performing
23 the work and for necessary supplies, expenses and equipment
24 required to facilitate and operate such training and
25 employment, and for the benefit, special comfort, pleasure,
26 amusement and rehabilitation of all persons with visual

1 disabilities receiving services from the Department.

2 No bank or savings and loan association shall receive
3 public funds as permitted by this Section, unless it has
4 complied with the requirements established under Section 6 of
5 the Public Funds Investment Act.

6 (Source: P.A. 88-172.)