

# HB2691



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 2/6/2025, by Rep. Camille Y. Lilly

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Health and Wellness Impact Note Act. Requires the Department of Public Health to prepare health and wellness impact notes on bills introduced in the General Assembly.

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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 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Health  
5 and Wellness Impact Note Act.

6 Section 5. Applicability.

7 (a) Every bill the purpose or effect of which is to advance  
8 mental, physical, or social well-being, except those making a  
9 direct appropriation, shall have prepared for it, before  
10 second reading in the chamber of introduction, a brief  
11 explanatory statement or note that shall include a reliable  
12 estimate of the anticipated impact.

13 (b) Every proposed rule of an agency, the purpose or  
14 effect of which is to advance mental, physical, or social  
15 well-being shall have prepared for it, before approval by the  
16 Joint Committee on Administrative Rules pursuant to the  
17 Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, a brief explanatory  
18 statement or note that shall include a reliable estimate of  
19 the anticipated impact. As used in this Act, "rule" and  
20 "agency" have the same meanings as in the Illinois  
21 Administrative Procedure Act.

22 (c) These statements or notes shall be known as Health and  
23 Wellness Impact Notes.

1 Section 10. Preparation.

2 (a) The sponsor of each bill to which Section 5 applies  
3 shall present a copy of the bill, with the request for a Health  
4 and Wellness Impact Note, to the Department of Public Health.  
5 The Health and Wellness Impact Note shall be prepared by the  
6 Department of Public Health and submitted to the sponsor of  
7 the bill within 5 calendar days, except that whenever, because  
8 of the complexity of the measure, additional time is required  
9 for the preparation of the Health and Wellness Impact Note,  
10 the Department of Public Health may inform the sponsor of the  
11 bill, and the sponsor may approve an extension of the time  
12 within which the note is to be submitted, not to extend,  
13 however, beyond May 15, following the date of the request.

14 (b) The agency proposing a rule to which Section 5 applies  
15 shall present a copy of the proposed rule, with the request for  
16 a Health and Wellness Impact Note, to the Department of Public  
17 Health. The Health and Wellness Impact Note shall be prepared  
18 by the Department of Public Health and submitted to the agency  
19 within 5 calendar days, except that whenever, because of the  
20 complexity of the measure, additional time is required for the  
21 preparation of the Health and Wellness Impact Note, the  
22 Department of Public Health may inform the agency and the  
23 agency may approve an extension of the time within which the  
24 note is to be submitted.

25 (c) If, in the opinion of the Department of Public Health,

1 there is insufficient information to prepare a reliable  
2 estimate of the anticipated impact, a statement to that effect  
3 can be filed and shall meet the requirements of this Act.

4 Section 15. Vote on the necessity of Health and Wellness  
5 Impact Notes. Whenever the sponsor of any bill is of the  
6 opinion that no Health and Wellness Impact Note is required,  
7 any member of either chamber may request that a note be  
8 obtained, and in that case, the applicability of this Act  
9 shall be decided by the majority of those present and voting in  
10 the chamber of which the sponsor is a member.

11 Section 20. Requisites and contents. The note shall be  
12 factual in nature, as brief and concise as may be, and shall  
13 provide a reliable estimate in dollars or other relevant  
14 units, if possible, and shall include both the immediate  
15 effect and, if determinable or reasonably foreseeable, the  
16 long-range effect of the measure. If, after careful  
17 investigation, it is determined that no dollar or other  
18 relevant unit estimate is possible, the note shall contain a  
19 statement to that effect setting forth the reasons why no such  
20 estimate can be given.

21 Section 25. Comment or opinion; technical or mechanical  
22 defects. No comment or opinion shall be included in the Health  
23 and Wellness Impact Note with regard to the merits of the

1 measure for which the Health and Wellness Impact Note is  
2 prepared; however, technical or mechanical defects may be  
3 noted.

4 Section 30. Appearance of State officials and employees in  
5 support of or in opposition to measure. The fact that a Health  
6 and Wellness Impact Note is prepared for any bill or proposed  
7 rule shall not preclude or restrict the appearance before any  
8 committee of the General Assembly, or before the Joint  
9 Committee on Administrative Rules, of any official or  
10 authorized employee of the Department of Public Health who  
11 desires to be heard in support of or in opposition to the  
12 measure.

13 Section 35. Amendment of bill necessitating statement of  
14 effect of proposed amendment. Whenever any committee of either  
15 chamber reports any bill with an amendment that will  
16 substantially affect the information or conclusion stated in  
17 the Health and Wellness Impact Note attached to the measure at  
18 the time of its referral to the committee, there shall be  
19 included with the report of the committee a statement of the  
20 effect of the change proposed by the amendment reported if  
21 desired by a majority of the committee. Whenever any bill is  
22 amended on the floor of either chamber to substantially affect  
23 the information or conclusion as stated in the Health and  
24 Wellness Impact Note attached to the bill before the

1 amendment, a majority of the members of that chamber may  
2 propose that no action shall be taken on the amendment until  
3 the sponsor of the amendment presents to the members a  
4 statement of the impact on the advancement of mental,  
5 physical, or social well-being of the proposed amendment.