



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB5520

Introduced 2/13/2026, by Rep. Kelly M. Cassidy

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 105/6z-134

Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that, if the federal government discontinues, suspends, or limits specialized crisis services for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and other sexual and gender minority youth and young adults available through the 9-8-8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, the Department of Human Services may use moneys in the Statewide 9-8-8 Trust Fund to provide for those discontinued, suspended, or limited specialized crisis services for the duration of the discontinuation, suspension, or limitation. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

4 Section 5. The State Finance Act is amended by changing
5 Section 6z-134 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/6z-134)

7 Sec. 6z-134. Statewide 9-8-8 Trust Fund.

8 (a) The Statewide 9-8-8 Trust Fund is created as a special
9 fund in the State treasury. This Fund is administered by the
10 Department of Human Services. Moneys in the Fund shall be used
11 by the Department of Human Services for the purposes of
12 establishing and maintaining a statewide 9-8-8 suicide
13 prevention and mental health crisis system pursuant to the
14 National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020 as codified
15 in 47 U.S.C. 251 and 251a and any subsequent amendments, the
16 Federal Communication Commission's rules adopted to administer
17 the National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020 as
18 codified in 47 U.S.C. 251 and 251a and any subsequent
19 amendments, and national guidelines for crisis care. The Fund
20 shall consist of:

- 21 (1) appropriations by the General Assembly;
22 (2) grants and gifts intended for deposit in the Fund;
23 (3) interest, premiums, gains, or other earnings on

1 the Fund;

2 (3.1) proceeds from the statewide 9-8-8 surcharge
3 imposed under Sections 3 and 4 of the Telecommunication
4 Excise Tax Act; and

5 (4) moneys received from any other source that are
6 deposited in or transferred into the Fund.

7 (b) Moneys in the Fund:

8 (1) do not revert at the end of any State fiscal year
9 but remain available for the purposes of the Fund in
10 subsequent State fiscal years;

11 (2) are not subject to transfer to any other Fund or to
12 transfer, assignment, or reassignment for any other use or
13 purpose outside of those specified in this Section; and

14 (3) shall be used by the Department of Human Services
15 to pay expenses pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 251a.

16 (c) An annual report of Fund deposits and expenditures
17 shall be made to the General Assembly and the Federal
18 Communications Commission by the Department of Human Services
19 pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 251a.

20 (d) (Blank).

21 (d-5) On and after the effective date of this amendatory
22 Act of the 104th General Assembly, if the federal government
23 discontinues, suspends, or limits specialized crisis services
24 for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and other
25 sexual and gender minority youth and young adults available
26 through the 9-8-8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, including any

1 dedicated call-routing or specialized-line option, the
2 Department of Human Services may use moneys in the Statewide
3 9-8-8 Trust Fund to provide for those discontinued, suspended,
4 or limited specialized crisis services for the duration of the
5 discontinuation, suspension, or limitation.

6 (e) For the purposes of this Section, "statewide 9-8-8
7 suicide prevention and mental health crisis system" means the
8 core elements or pillars of the crisis system, as described by
9 the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration,
10 and includes Illinois' 9-8-8 Lifeline Contact Centers,
11 community crisis response services, including mobile crisis
12 teams, and crisis receiving and stabilization facilities and
13 programs, including Living Room Programs.

14 (Source: P.A. 104-6, eff. 6-16-25.)

15 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
16 becoming law.