

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 Department of Public Health Powers and  
5 Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is  
6 amended by adding Section 2310-750 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2310/2310-750 new)

8 Sec. 2310-750. Sudden unexpected death in epilepsy.

9 (a) As used in this Section, "sudden unexpected death in  
10 epilepsy" means sudden, unexpected death in a patient with  
11 epilepsy, with or without evidence of a seizure.

12 (b) The Department shall undertake a public education  
13 campaign to bring broad public awareness to communities across  
14 this State of the risk of sudden unexpected death in epilepsy  
15 that is focused on providing the public with:

16 (1) current and evidence-based information about  
17 sudden unexpected death in epilepsy risk factors and  
18 conditions reviewed and approved by one or more  
19 professional not-for-profit organizations with expertise  
20 in neurology and epilepsy; and

21 (2) contact information for nonprofit organizations  
22 that provide information and support services for epilepsy  
23 conditions.

1       (c) The Department shall post the information listed in  
2 subsection (a) on the Department's website, with the following  
3 requirements:

4           (1) the Department shall ensure that the information  
5 under this Section is culturally and linguistically  
6 appropriate for all recipients;

7           (2) any local or national organization that provides  
8 education or services related to epilepsy conditions may  
9 request that the Department include on its website that  
10 organization's informational material and contact  
11 information; if the Department determines that the  
12 organization's informational material, contact  
13 information, or both are necessary or appropriate under  
14 this Section, the Department may include the  
15 organization's informational material, contact  
16 information, or both on its website, in written  
17 information provided under this subsection (c), or both;  
18 and

19           (3) the Department shall, in consultation with local  
20 and national organizations that provide education or  
21 services related to epilepsy conditions, provide guidance  
22 to health care practitioners in determining whether a  
23 patient is at elevated risk for sudden unexpected death in  
24 epilepsy, including, but not limited to, whether the  
25 patient has had convulsive seizures, the frequency and  
26 recency of such seizures, and whether the patient's

1        symptoms have subsided in response to medicinal or  
2        surgical treatment.

3        (d) The Department shall adopt rules implementing this  
4        Section.