

1 AN ACT concerning health.

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 Act is amended  
5 by adding Section 8.6 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 2305/8.6 new)

7 Sec. 8.6. Tobacco quitline.

8 (a) In this Section, "tobacco quitline" means a resource  
9 that is free to Illinois residents who use tobacco products,  
10 electronic cigarettes, or other nicotine products and want to  
11 quit using those products, that is accessible by a toll-free  
12 telephone number, and that is established, operated, and  
13 funded with the assistance of the Department of Public Health.  
14 "Tobacco quitline" includes an evidence-based program,  
15 certified quitline counselors, and staff to provide the  
16 support needed for Illinois residents who want to end their  
17 dependence on tobacco and nicotine products.

18 (b) The Department of Public Health shall establish,  
19 maintain, and promote a statewide tobacco quitline for  
20 Illinois residents.

21 (c) The Department of Public Health may contract with  
22 third-party entities to operate the tobacco quitline and  
23 provide cessation services.

1           (d) The Department of Public Health shall adopt rules to  
2           implement and administer this Section.

3           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
4           becoming law.