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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 5345

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 5345 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Department of Insurance Law of the Civil
5 Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by changing Section
6 1405-25 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 1405/1405-25)

8 Sec. 1405-25. Uninsured Ombudsman Program.

9 (a) The Department of Insurance shall establish and operate
10 an Ombudsman Program for uninsured individuals to provide
11 assistance and education to those individuals regarding health
12 insurance benefits options and rights under State and federal
13 law. The program may include, but is not limited to, counseling
14 for uninsured individuals in the discovery, evaluation, and
15 comparison of options for obtaining health insurance coverage.

16 (b) The Department may recruit and train volunteers to

1 assist in the Ombudsman Program. The volunteers may provide
2 one-on-one counseling on health insurance availability matters
3 and provide education to uninsured individuals through public
4 forums.

5 (c) The Department may issue reasonable rules necessary to
6 implement this Section.

7 (d) The Department shall conduct a study to better
8 understand the gaps in health insurance coverage for uninsured
9 residents in Illinois. The study shall look at reasons why an
10 individual is uninsured, such as a part-time or full-time
11 working status, the inability to afford coverage, and the
12 inability to qualify for coverage under the medical assistance
13 program established under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid
14 Code. The study shall additionally look at those residents in
15 Illinois who are insured and whether they are covered through
16 an employer-sponsored plan or through the Illinois health
17 insurance marketplace. The Department shall submit a report of
18 the findings, as well as the Department's recommendations to
19 reduce the number of uninsured residents in Illinois, to the
20 General Assembly no later than 12 months after the effective
21 date of this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly. The
22 report to the General Assembly shall be filed with the Clerk of
23 the House of Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate in
24 electronic form only, in the manner that the Clerk and the
25 Secretary shall direct.

26 (Source: P.A. 92-331, eff. 1-1-02.)

1 Section 10. The University of Illinois Hospital Act is
2 amended by adding Section 3.5 as follows:

3 (110 ILCS 330/3.5 new)

4 Sec. 3.5. University of Illinois Hospital workforce;
5 health insurance required. Notwithstanding any other provision
6 of law, the University of Illinois Hospital shall provide
7 health insurance coverage to all of its workforce.

8 Section 15. The Hospital Licensing Act is amended by adding
9 Section 10.5 as follows:

10 (210 ILCS 85/10.5 new)

11 Sec. 10.5. Hospital workforce; health insurance required.
12 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each hospital
13 licensed under this Act shall provide health insurance coverage
14 to all of its workforce."