



## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB0709

Introduced 2/8/2021, by Rep. Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 1305/10-67 new

Amends the Department of Human Services Act. Requires the Department of Human Services, in consultation with other specified State agencies, to conduct a public information campaign to educate immigrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and other noncitizens residing in Illinois of their rights under the U.S. Constitution and Illinois laws that apply regardless of immigration status. Requires the public information campaign to include resources and contact information for organizations that can aid residents in protecting and enforcing these rights. Requires the Department of Human Services, in consultation with the Department of Transportation and other agencies, when necessary, to post resources and other information regarding immigrant, refugee, and asylum seekers' rights in high-traffic public areas, including, but not limited to, train stations, airports, and highway rest stops. Permits the Department of Human Services to adopt rules or joint rules with other agencies to implement the requirements of the amendatory Act.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

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 5. The Department of Human Services Act is amended  
5 by adding Section 10-67 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 1305/10-67 new)

7 Sec. 10-67. Rights and resources for immigrants, refugees,  
8 and asylum seekers; public information campaign.

9 (a) The Department of Human Services, in consultation with  
10 the Department on Aging, the Department of Children and Family  
11 Services, the Department of Employment Security, and the  
12 Department of Public Health, shall conduct a public  
13 information campaign to educate immigrants, refugees, asylum  
14 seekers, and other noncitizens residing in Illinois of their  
15 rights under the U.S. Constitution and Illinois laws that  
16 apply regardless of immigration status. The public information  
17 campaign must include resources and contact information for  
18 organizations that can aid residents in protecting and  
19 enforcing these rights.

20 (b) The Department of Human Services, in consultation with  
21 the Department of Transportation and other agencies, when  
22 necessary, shall post resources and other information  
23 regarding immigrant, refugee, and asylum seekers' rights in

1 high-traffic public areas, including, but not limited to,  
2 train stations, airports, and highway rest stops.

3 (c) The Department of Human Services may adopt rules or  
4 joint rules with other agencies to implement the requirements  
5 of this Section.