



## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB0839

Introduced 2/10/2021, by Rep. Martin J. Moylan

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 1305/10-75 new

Amends the Department of Human Services Act. Requires the Department of Human Services to establish a Free Masks for Seniors Program to acquire and distribute free disposable surgical face masks to Illinois residents 65 years of age or older regardless of income. Provides that under the program a one-month supply of disposable surgical face masks, amounting to no less than 25 masks, shall be delivered every month by postal service to the residential address of every eligible Illinois resident. Requires the Department to work with its network of services providers, including, but not limited to, adult day care providers, community day providers, developmental disability providers, family and community services providers, mental health providers, and rehabilitation services providers, to identify and register eligible individuals for the program. Requires the Department to also access data from the Social Security Administration, the U.S. Postal Service, the Illinois Secretary of State, and other governmental entities, as appropriate and to the extent allowed by law, to identify and register individuals eligible to participate in the program. Provides that any information obtained or collected shall be subject to federal and State privacy and confidentiality laws and regulations. Requires the Department to establish and implement the program no later than 30 days after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Effective immediately.

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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 10-75 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 1305/10-75 new)

7 Sec. 10-75. Free Masks for Seniors Program. The Department  
8 of Human Services shall establish a Free Masks for Seniors  
9 Program to acquire and distribute free disposable surgical  
10 face masks to Illinois residents 65 years of age or older  
11 regardless of income. Under the program, a one-month supply of  
12 disposable surgical face masks, amounting to no less than 25  
13 masks, shall be delivered every month by postal service to the  
14 residential address of every eligible Illinois resident. The  
15 Department shall work with its network of services providers,  
16 including, but not limited to, adult day care providers,  
17 community day providers, developmental disability providers,  
18 family and community services providers, mental health  
19 providers, and rehabilitation services providers, to identify  
20 and register eligible individuals for the program. The  
21 Department shall also access data from the Social Security  
22 Administration, the U.S. Postal Service, the Illinois  
23 Secretary of State, and other governmental entities, as

1 appropriate and to the extent allowed by law, to identify and  
2 register individuals eligible to participate in the program.  
3 Data relevant to eligibility shall be provided and obtained  
4 for no other purpose than to identify or verify the  
5 eligibility of persons under the program. Any information  
6 obtained or collected in accordance with this Section shall be  
7 subject to federal and State privacy and confidentiality laws  
8 and regulations. The Department shall establish and implement  
9 the program no later than 30 days after the effective date of  
10 this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly.

11 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
12 becoming law.