

1 AN ACT in relation to public aid.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by  
5 changing Section 8A-1 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/8A-1) (from Ch. 23, par. 8A-1)

7 Sec. 8A-1. Legislative intent Intent. Because of the  
8 pervasive nature of public assistance fraud and its negative  
9 effect on the people of the State of Illinois and those  
10 individuals who need public assistance, the General Assembly  
11 declares it to be public policy that public assistance fraud  
12 be identified and dealt with swiftly and appropriately  
13 considering the onerous nature of the crime.

14 (Source: P.A. 82-440.)