



**93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**State of Illinois**  
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**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

305 ILCS 22/15  
305 ILCS 22/25

Amends the Good Samaritan Energy Plan Act. Provides for the deposit into the Good Samaritan Energy Trust Fund of other moneys from any source that are designated for the Fund. Provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity may contract with a tax-exempt not-for-profit charitable organization to administer the Fund, in order to make donations to the fund tax-deductible. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning energy assistance.

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

4 Section 5. The Good Samaritan Energy Plan Act is amended by  
5 changing Sections 15 and 25 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 22/15)

7 Sec. 15. Good Samaritan Energy Trust Fund. The Good  
8 Samaritan Energy Trust Fund is created as a special fund in the  
9 State treasury. The Department shall administer the Fund. The  
10 Department shall deposit moneys received from the following  
11 sources into the Fund:

12 (1) Voluntary donations from individuals, foundations,  
13 corporations, and other sources.

14 (2) Proceeds from fundraising events held for the  
15 purpose of generating moneys for the Fund.

16 (3) Other moneys from any source that are designated  
17 for the Fund.

18 (Source: P.A. 93-285, eff. 7-22-03.)

19 (305 ILCS 22/25)

20 Sec. 25. Administration of Fund.

21 (a) The Department shall administer the Good Samaritan  
22 Energy Trust Fund with the advice and consent of the Low Income  
23 Energy Assistance Policy Advisory Council established under  
24 the Energy Assistance Act of 1989. Donations received for the  
25 Fund shall be made available for the purpose of alleviating  
26 utility bill arrearages for households determined eligible for  
27 LIHEAP, except that the Department may use up to 10% of the  
28 moneys donated for the Fund for the expenses of the Department  
29 and the local area agency incurred in administering the Fund.  
30 Resources from the Fund shall be awarded to local area agencies  
31 that have existing contracts with the Department to administer

1 LIHEAP in Illinois.

2 (b) In order to make donations to the Fund eligible as  
3 charitable contribution deductions from adjusted gross income  
4 for purposes of federal income tax, the Department may contract  
5 with a not-for-profit charitable organization that is exempt  
6 from federal income tax by reason of Section 501(c)(3) of the  
7 Internal Revenue Code for the administration of the Fund.

8 (Source: P.A. 93-285, eff. 7-22-03.)

9 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
10 becoming law.