

1 AN ACT concerning 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 adding Section 5-5e as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-5e new)

7 Sec. 5-5e. Autism. The Department of Healthcare and Family
8 Services shall extend traditional services under the medical
9 assistance program under this Article to individuals with
10 autism. These services shall include, but need not be limited
11 to, applied behavioral therapy, speech services, and other
12 necessary healthcare services.

13 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
14 becoming law.