

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

2 WHEREAS, The General Assembly has long viewed one-stop  
3 service in the human services as a vital goal in order to serve  
4 clients in the most effective and most cost-efficient fashion;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, The vision of one-stop service was a fundamental  
7 reason for creating the Department of Human Services; and

8 WHEREAS, One-stop service became possible in 1999 when a  
9 new data warehouse became operational at the Department of  
10 Public Aid; and

11 WHEREAS, The data warehouse has enabled the Department of  
12 Public Aid for the first time to optimally manage the \$10  
13 billion Medicaid budget program, enabled the Inspector General  
14 to identify hundreds of millions of dollars in fraudulent  
15 claims, and given members of the General Assembly and the  
16 Department ready access to information for policy  
17 decision-making not possible without the data warehouse; and

18 WHEREAS, Computer World Smithsonian designated the  
19 Illinois data warehouse as the best Medicaid Management System  
20 in the United States of America; and

21 WHEREAS, Illinois expanded its data warehouse in 2003 to  
22 accomplish additional cost and functional efficiencies; and

23 WHEREAS, The data warehouse is an indispensable  
24 administrative tool necessary to comply with increasingly  
25 complex Medicaid regulations, specifically new Medicaid  
26 prescription drug benefit rules, and necessary to position  
27 Illinois to continue benefiting from increasingly more  
28 difficult-to-attain federal funding opportunities available  
29 only to states that enjoy access to prompt, accurate  
30 information from a data warehouse; therefore,

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

33 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by

1 changing Section 12-4.201 and adding Section 12-4.202 as  
2 follows:

3 (305 ILCS 5/12-4.201)

4 Sec. 12-4.201.

5 (a) Data warehouse concerning medical and related  
6 services. The Illinois Department of Public Aid may purchase  
7 services and materials associated with the costs of developing  
8 and implementing a data warehouse comprised of management and  
9 decision making information in regard to the liability  
10 associated with, and utilization of, medical and related  
11 services, out of moneys available for that purpose.

12 (b) The Department of Public Aid shall perform all  
13 necessary administrative functions to expand its  
14 linearly-scalable data warehouse to encompass other healthcare  
15 data sources at both the Department of Human Services and the  
16 Department of Public Health. The Department of Public Aid shall  
17 leverage the inherent capabilities of the data warehouse to  
18 accomplish this expansion with marginal additional technical  
19 administration. The purpose of this expansion is to allow for  
20 programmatic review and analysis including the  
21 interrelatedness among the various healthcare programs in  
22 order to ascertain effectiveness toward, and ultimate impact  
23 on, clients and populations. Beginning July 1, 2005, the  
24 Department of Public Aid shall supply quarterly reports to the  
25 Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability  
26 detailing progress toward this mandate.

27 (Source: P.A. 90-9, eff. 7-1-97.)

28 (305 ILCS 5/12-4.202 new)

29 Sec. 12-4.202. Data Warehouse Inter-Agency Coordination of  
30 Client Care Task Force.

31 (a) The Data Warehouse Inter-Agency Coordination of Client  
32 Care Task Force is created. The task force shall consist of the  
33 following:

34 (1) Eight voting members, appointed 2 each by the

1 President of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate,  
2 the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the  
3 Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

4 (2) Five ex officio, nonvoting members as follows: the  
5 Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget,  
6 or his or her designee; the Director of Public Aid, or his  
7 or her designee; the Director of Public Health, or his or  
8 her designee; the Secretary of Human Services, or his or  
9 her designee; and the Director of Children and Family  
10 Services, or his or her designee.

11 The voting members of the task force shall elect from their  
12 number 2 co-chairs of the task force.

13 Members of the task force shall serve without compensation  
14 and are not entitled to reimbursement for their expenses  
15 incurred in performing their duties.

16 Five affirmative votes are required for the task force to  
17 take action.

18 (b) The task force shall gather information and make  
19 recommendations relating to the following:

20 (1) The most effective flow of information between  
21 agencies that serve the same clients through one-stop  
22 shopping across State government.

23 (2) The creation of an overarching system to respond to  
24 requests by the General Assembly, the Office of the  
25 Governor, and the general public.

26 (3) The most effective use of State moneys in procuring  
27 the appropriate technology to obtain a system that can be  
28 readily expanded to accommodate the ever-growing  
29 information base in State government.

30 (c) The task force shall submit a report to the Governor  
31 and the General Assembly no later than December 31, 2005.

32 (d) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2006.

33 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
34 becoming law.