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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 105/8.08 new

Amends the Illinois Act on the Aging. Creates the Extended Community Care Options pilot program to be provided by Catholic Charities within Lake County. Provides that the program will enter into contracts with local vendors to provide services to prevent unnecessary institutionalization of the elderly. Provides that the Department on Aging shall evaluate the program and prepare a report for the General Assembly. Contains other provisions. Effective immediately.

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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 Illinois Act on the Aging is amended by 5 adding Section 8.08 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 105/8.08 new)

7 Sec. 8.08. Extended Community Care Options Program; creation. The Extended Community Care Options pilot program is 8 hereby created. This program is to be provided by Catholic 9 Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago within Lake County. The 10 Extended Community Care Options pilot program will contract 11 with local vendors to provide an array of services designed to 12 prevent unnecessary institutionalization of elderly persons. 13 The program will provide a wider variety of services than those 14 15 provided by the Department.

The Department shall evaluate the program for the following 16 initiatives including, but not limited to, function, 17 cost-efficiency, quality, and service variation. The 18 19 Department shall report to the General Assembly on its findings by January 1, 2007. If the report demonstrates that the 20 21 Extended Community Care Options Program is cost-effective and is a model for other areas of Illinois, the Department shall 22 develop a plan to expand the program to other areas of the 23 State. Expansion to other areas shall begin by July 1, 2007. 24

25 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 26 becoming law.