



96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB0616

Introduced 2/6/2009, by Rep. Elizabeth Coulson

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 540/8 new

Amends the State Prompt Payment Act. Defines "qualified provider" as (i) an organization that provides non-residential services for the elderly or for the prevention, intervention, or treatment of mental illness, developmental disabilities, or alcoholism or substance abuse or (ii) an entity licensed under the Community-Integrated Living Arrangements Licensure and Certification Act; but does not include a licensed hospital. Provides that a properly prepared voucher request to the Office of the Comptroller for payment to a qualified provider shall be given priority by the Comptroller for processing and warrant issuance after debt service obligations and payroll obligations of the State have been met unless the Comptroller deems that other obligations of the State must be satisfied prior to these categories of payment. Provides that, if at any time the Comptroller determines that there are insufficient funds available to process priority payments, then vouchers shall be processed and paid out in a first-in, first-out manner as corresponding funds become available. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

4 Section 5. The State Prompt Payment Act is amended by
5 adding Section 8 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 540/8 new)

7 Sec. 8. Priority of payment.

8 (a) Definition. As used in this Section, "qualified
9 provider" means an organization that provides non-residential
10 services for the elderly or for the prevention, intervention,
11 or treatment of mental illness, developmental disabilities,
12 alcoholism or substance abuse. A "qualified provider" also
13 includes an entity licensed under the Community-Integrated
14 Living Arrangements Licensure and Certification Act. A
15 "qualified provider" does not include a hospital licensed under
16 the Hospital Licensing Act or a local governmental unit or
17 university.

18 (b) Processing by official or agency. Except as provided in
19 subsection (c), a bill or invoice for goods or services
20 furnished to the State submitted by a qualified provider and a
21 grant award payment to a qualified provider must be given
22 priority in processing. Any bill or invoice and any grant award
23 payment meeting these criteria that is submitted to an official

1 or agency must be processed and forwarded for payment before
2 any other bill, invoice, or grant award payment is processed or
3 forwarded for payment.

4 (c) A properly prepared voucher request to the Office of
5 the Comptroller for payment to a qualified provider, as defined
6 in this Section, shall be given priority by the Comptroller for
7 processing and warrant issuance after debt service obligations
8 and payroll obligations of the State have been met unless the
9 Comptroller deems that other obligations of the State must be
10 satisfied prior to these categories of payment. If at any time
11 the Comptroller determines that there are insufficient funds
12 available to process priority payments as required under this
13 Section, then vouchers shall be processed and paid out in a
14 first-in, first-out manner as corresponding funds become
15 available.

16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
17 becoming law.