

## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB5893

Introduced 2/10/2010, by Rep. Bill Mitchell

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-4.1

from Ch. 23, par. 5-4.1

Amends the Medical Assistance Article of the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that to the extent permitted under federal law, co-payments for every prescription drug for which the Department of Healthcare and Family Services provides a reimbursement shall be subject to a minimum amount of no less than \$1.

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1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by changing Section 5-4.1 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-4.1) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-4.1)

Sec. 5-4.1. Co-payments. The Department may by rule provide that recipients under any Article of this Code shall pay a fee as a co-payment for services. Co-payments may not exceed \$3 for brand name drugs, \$1 for other pharmacy services other than for generic drugs, and \$2 for physicians services, dental services, optical services and supplies, chiropractic services, podiatry services, and encounter rate clinic services. To the extent permitted under federal law, co-payments for every prescription drug for which the Department provides a reimbursement shall be subject to a minimum amount of no less than \$1. There shall be no co payment for generic drugs. Co-payments may not exceed \$3 for hospital outpatient and clinic services. Provided, however, that any such rule must provide that no co-payment requirement can exist for renal dialysis, radiation therapy, cancer chemotherapy, or insulin, and other products necessary on a recurring basis, the absence of which would be life threatening, or where co-payment

- 1 expenditures for required services and/or medications for
- 2 chronic diseases that the Illinois Department shall by rule
- 3 designate shall cause an extensive financial burden on the
- 4 recipient, and provided no co-payment shall exist for emergency
- 5 room encounters which are for medical emergencies.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 92-597, eff. 6-28-02; 93-593, eff. 8-25-03.)