

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 HB3075

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

410 ILCS 205/5.5 new

Amends the Child Vision and Hearing Test Act. Provides that the Department of Public Health, in consultation with the State Board of Education, shall establish an auditory-visual integration assessment pilot program in selected school districts in the northern region of the State, to be determined by the State Board of Education. Sets forth provisions concerning the pilot program. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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1 AN ACT concerning health.

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

- Section 5. The Child Vision and Hearing Test Act is amended by adding Section 5.5 as follows:
- 6 (410 ILCS 205/5.5 new)
- 7 Sec. 5.5. Auditory-visual integration assessment pilot program. In addition to the program of hearing screening 8 9 services and the program of vision screening services established by the Department under this Act, the Department, 10 in consultation with the State Board of Education, shall 11 establish an auditory-visual integration assessment pilot 12 program in selected school districts in the northern region of 13 14 the State, to be determined by the State Board of Education. The pilot program shall do the following: 15
 - (1) Require each pupil in the selected school districts in those grade levels where visual screening is required to undergo a base-level auditory-visual integration screening, which shall be a pass-or-fail spatial localization test.
- 21 (2) Require a more detailed evaluation of students who
 22 fail the base-level auditory-visual integration screening.
 23 This level of assessment shall include quantitative and

1	qualitative measurements of both auditory-visual
2	integration function and spatial navigation ability and
3	shall result in specific recommendations for interventions
4	that may be needed.
5	(3) Provide a training program for qualified
6	individuals on how to conduct in-school base-level
7	auditory-visual integration screenings.
8	(4) Provide a training program for occupational
9	therapists, physical therapists, speech therapists,
10	optometrists, and community health clinic professionals
11	throughout the State to perform detailed evaluations.
12	(5) Provide training for optometrists throughout the
13	State to prescribe appropriate interventions.
14	The Department and the State Board of Education shall adopt
15	rules to implement this Section.
16	Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
17	becoming law.