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AN ACT concerning public health.

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

Section 5. The Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding Section 2310-371 as follows:

(20 ILCS 2310/2310-371 new)

Sec. 2310-371. Obesity Study and Prevention Fund.

(a) Findings and declarations. The General Assembly finds and declares the following:

- (1) that obesity is a serious medical problem affecting up to one-third of all Americans;
- (2) that obesity is known to cause or exacerbate a number of serious disorders including hypertension, dyslipidemia, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, respiratory dysfunction, gout, and osteoarthritis;
- (3) that nearly 80% of patients with diabetes mellitus are obese;
- (4) that nearly 70% of diagnosed cases of cardiovascular disease are related to obesity; and
- (5) that obesity ranks second only to smoking as a preventable cause of death, with some 300,000 deaths annually attributable to obesity.
- (b) Definition of "obesity". In this Section, "obesity" means the term as it is defined by the National Institutes of Health including, but not limited to, the condition in which

for treating or preventing obesity; (ii) the effectiveness of alternate methods for treating or preventing obesity; (iii) the fiscal impact of treating or preventing obesity; (iv) the compliance and cooperation of patients with various methods of treating or preventing obesity; and (v) any reduction in serious medical problems associated with diabetes that result from treating or preventing obesity.

(2) After completion of the data collection, the Department shall submit a report and supporting materials to the General Assembly by March 1, 2005.

(d) Obesity Study and Prevention Fund. The Obesity Study and Prevention Fund is established in the State treasury. Moneys in the Fund shall be earmarked for use by the Department to conduct or support research regarding obesity and shall be expended in accordance with the provisions of this Section. Any Fund balance remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall be carried forward into the next fiscal year. Income accruing on investments and deposits of the Fund shall be deposited into the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be invested by the Treasurer and administered by the Director of the Department of Public Health.

Section 10. The State Finance Act is amended by adding Section 5.595 as follows:

(30 ILCS 105/5.595 new)
Sec. 5.595. Obesity Study and Prevention Fund.

Section 99. This Act takes effect on July 1, 2003.

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