

1 AN ACT concerning nursing homes.

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

4 Section 5. The Nursing Home Care Act is amended by  
5 adding Section 3-206.04 as follows:

6 (210 ILCS 45/3-206.04 new)

7 Sec. 3-206.04. Certified Nurse Assistant Career Ladders  
8 Program. The Department shall develop a Certified Nurse  
9 Assistant Career Ladders Program. As a part of this program,  
10 the Department shall prescribe a curriculum for 3 levels of  
11 advanced nurse assistant training. The Department shall  
12 create a task force to develop a curriculum necessary to  
13 reach each level of advanced Certified Nurse Assistant.  
14 Members of the task force shall include members of the  
15 Illinois community college community, members of the Illinois  
16 nursing home community, and representatives of the  
17 Department. The curriculum for the Certified Nurse Assistant  
18 Career Ladders Program developed by the task force must be  
19 structured such that completed courses will be recognized as  
20 course equivalents by licensed practical nurse and registered  
21 nurse programs in Illinois. The task force shall report its  
22 findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or  
23 before January 1, 2002.

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