

1 AN ACT concerning the Health Care Cost Containment  
2 Council.

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

5 Section 5. The Illinois Health Finance Reform Act is  
6 amended by changing Sections 1-2, 2-1, and 2-5 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2215/1-2) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 6501-2)

8 Sec. 1-2. Purpose. The General Assembly finds and  
9 declares that stabilizing the cost of hospitalization is a  
10 vital concern to the people of this State. It is the  
11 legislative intent, pursuant to this declared public concern,  
12 to develop measures which will increase hospital productivity  
13 and better control utilization, while continuing to provide  
14 quality health care services to all sectors of the citizenry,  
15 education and training of health care professionals, and  
16 research and development of improved and cost effective  
17 methods of treatment of ailments and management of facilities  
18 and operations. These ends shall be accomplished through the  
19 establishment of the Illinois Health Care Cost Containment  
20 Council within the Department of Public Health to study,  
21 recommend and implement measures to contain health costs.  
22 Furthermore, it is the intent of the General Assembly to  
23 encourage new and innovative methods of financing health  
24 care.

25 The overall goal of this legislation is to limit the  
26 increase in the cost of hospital care to no more than the  
27 rate of increase in prices in the general economy. The  
28 General Assembly finds and declares that this result may be  
29 achieved through the introduction of competitive forces into  
30 the organization, delivery and financing of health care  
31 services.

1 (Source: P.A. 83-1243.)

2 (20 ILCS 2215/2-1) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 6502-1)

3 Sec. 2-1. Council Authorized. There is hereby created  
4 within the Department of Public Health the Illinois Health  
5 Care Cost Containment Council. It shall consist of 13  
6 members appointed by the Director of Public Health Governor  
7 ~~with the advice and consent of the Senate~~ as follows: 5  
8 members to represent providers as follows: 2 members to  
9 represent Illinois hospitals at least one of which must  
10 represent a small rural hospital, 2 members to represent  
11 physicians licensed to practice medicine in all its branches,  
12 and 1 member to represent ambulatory surgical treatment  
13 centers; 3 members to represent consumers; 2 members to  
14 represent insurance companies; and 3 members to represent  
15 businesses.

16 The members of the Council shall be appointed for 3-year  
17 terms, except that the terms of members serving on the  
18 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 92nd General  
19 Assembly shall conclude upon the appointment of their  
20 successors by the Director of Public Health.

21 No more than 7 members may be from the same political  
22 party.

23 ~~Members shall be appointed within 30 days after the~~  
24 ~~effective date of this Act. The additional members appointed~~  
25 ~~under the amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly must be~~  
26 ~~appointed within 30 days after the effective date of this~~  
27 ~~amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly.~~ The members of  
28 the Council shall receive reimbursement of their actual  
29 expenses incurred in connection with their service; in  
30 addition, each member shall receive compensation of \$150 a  
31 day for each day served at regular or special meetings of the  
32 Council, except that such compensation shall not exceed  
33 \$20,000 in any one year for any member. The Council shall

1 elect a Chairman from among its members, and shall have the  
2 power to organize and appoint such other officers as it may  
3 deem necessary.

4 All appointments shall be made in writing and filed with  
5 the Secretary of State as a public record.

6 (Source: P.A. 91-756, eff. 6-2-00.)

7 (20 ILCS 2215/2-5) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 6502-5)

8 Sec. 2-5. Employees, Professional Consultants, and  
9 Funding. The Director of Public Health Council may employ  
10 and fix the compensation of such employees, and may enter  
11 into contractual agreements with technical and professional  
12 consultants as the Director ~~it~~ deems necessary to expedite  
13 the purpose of this Act.

14 (Source: P.A. 83-1243.)

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