

1 AN ACT concerning disease prevention.

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

4 Section 5. The Communicable Disease Prevention Act is
5 amended by changing Section 2 as follows:

6 (410 ILCS 315/2) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 22.12)

7 Sec. 2. Immunization of children.

8 (a) The Department of Public Health must promulgate
9 rules and regulations (i) requiring immunization of children
10 against diphtheria, tetanus, measles, mumps, rubella,
11 poliomyelitis, hepatitis B, and chickenpox and (ii) requiring
12 individuals administering or confirming the administration of
13 the required immunizations to report to the Department of
14 Public Health that the immunizations were administered.

15 (b) The Department of Public Health shall also
16 promulgate rules and regulations requiring immunization of
17 children against other preventable communicable diseases
18 designated by the Director. Before any regulation or
19 amendment thereto is prescribed under this subsection, the
20 Department shall conduct a public hearing regarding such
21 regulation. In addition, before any regulation or any
22 amendment to a regulation is adopted under this subsection,
23 and after the Immunization Advisory Committee has made its
24 recommendations, the State Board of Health shall conduct 3
25 public hearings, geographically distributed throughout the
26 State, regarding the regulation or amendment to the
27 regulation. At the conclusion of the hearings, the State
28 Board of Health shall issue a report, including its
29 recommendations, to the Director. The Director shall take
30 into consideration any comments or recommendations made by
31 the Board based on these hearings. The Department may

1 prescribe additional rules and regulations under this
2 subsection for immunization of other diseases as vaccines are
3 developed.

4 (c) The provisions of this Act shall not apply if:

5 (1) ~~1-~~ The parent or guardian of the child objects
6 thereto on the grounds that the administration of
7 immunizing agents conflicts with his religious tenets or
8 practices or,

9 (2) ~~2-~~ A physician employed by the parent or
10 guardian to provide care and treatment to the child
11 states that the physical condition of the child is such
12 that the administration of one or more of the required
13 immunizing agents would be detrimental to the health of
14 the child.

15 (d) The Department of Public Health shall compile an
16 annual statistical report on the immunization status of
17 Illinois children, including percentages and numbers
18 immunized against each disease or group of diseases for which
19 immunization is available. The report shall be submitted to
20 the General Assembly annually and shall not exceed 3 pages in
21 length.

22 (Source: P.A. 90-607, eff. 6-30-98.)