

1 AN ACT concerning pharmaceutical assistance.

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

4 Section 5. The Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons  
5 Property Tax Relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act is  
6 amended by changing Section 3.15 as follows:

7 (320 ILCS 25/3.15) (from Ch. 67 1/2, par. 403.15)

8 Sec. 3.15. "Covered prescription drug" means (1) any  
9 cardiovascular agent or drug; (2) any insulin or other  
10 prescription drug used in the treatment of diabetes,  
11 including syringe and needles used to administer the insulin;  
12 (3) any prescription drug used in the treatment of arthritis,  
13 (4) beginning on January 1, 2001, any prescription drug used  
14 in the treatment of cancer and related chronic and acute  
15 effects or conditions, (5) beginning on January 1, 2001, any  
16 prescription drug used in the treatment of Alzheimer's  
17 disease, (6) beginning on January 1, 2001, any prescription  
18 drug used in the treatment of Parkinson's disease, (7)  
19 beginning on January 1, 2001, any prescription drug used in  
20 the treatment of glaucoma, and (8) beginning on January 1,  
21 2001, any prescription drug used in the treatment of lung  
22 disease, and smoking related illnesses, and related chronic  
23 and acute effects or conditions. The specific agents or  
24 products to be included under such categories shall be listed  
25 in a handbook to be prepared and distributed by the  
26 Department. The general types of covered prescription drugs  
27 shall be indicated by rule. The Department of Public Health  
28 shall promulgate a list of covered prescription drugs under  
29 this program that meet the definition of a narrow therapeutic  
30 index drug as described in subsection (f) of Section 4.  
31 (Source: P.A. 91-699, eff. 1-1-01.)

1           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
2 becoming law.