

AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Health Benefits Exchange Law is amended by adding Section 5-11 as follows:

(215 ILCS 122/5-11 new)

Sec. 5-11. Easy enrollment special enrollment period.

(a) The Illinois Health Benefits Exchange shall allow a special enrollment period for an uninsured taxpayer and the uninsured taxpayer's qualified dependents, if applicable, if (1) the uninsured taxpayer requested health insurance benefit information through the easy enrollment program under Section 513 of the Illinois Income Tax Act and (2) the uninsured taxpayer and the uninsured taxpayer's qualified dependents, if applicable, are eligible to enroll in a qualified health plan through the Illinois Health Benefits Exchange.

(b) The Illinois Health Benefits Exchange shall notify an interested, uninsured taxpayer by letter of the estimated eligibility for insurance affordability programs, including Medicaid, federal health insurance premium tax credits, and cost-sharing reductions.

(c) The uninsured taxpayer and the uninsured taxpayer's dependents shall have 60 days from the date of the letter to

select and enroll in a qualified health plan.

(d) After an eligible individual and the eligible individual's dependents have selected and enrolled in a qualified health plan, coverage shall be effective the first day of the month that follows the plan selection.

(e) The Department of Insurance and the Department of Healthcare and Family Services may adopt any rules necessary to implement an easy enrollment special enrollment period.

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