AN ACT concerning health.

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

Section 5. The Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act is amended by changing Section 5.2 as follows:

(410 ILCS 70/5.2)

Sec. 5.2. Sexual assault services voucher.

- (a) A sexual assault services voucher shall be issued by a treatment hospital, treatment hospital with approved pediatric transfer, or approved pediatric health care facility at the time a sexual assault survivor receives medical forensic services.
- (b) Each treatment hospital, treatment hospital with approved pediatric transfer, and approved pediatric health care facility must include in its sexual assault treatment plan submitted to the Department in accordance with Section 2 of this Act a protocol for issuing sexual assault services vouchers. The protocol shall, at a minimum, include the following:
 - (1) Identification of employee positions responsible for issuing sexual assault services vouchers.
 - (2) Identification of employee positions with access to the Medical Electronic Data Interchange or successor

system.

- (3) A statement to be signed by each employee of an approved pediatric health care facility with access to the Medical Electronic Data Interchange or successor system affirming that the Medical Electronic Data Interchange or successor system will only be used for the purpose of issuing sexual assault services vouchers.
- (c) A sexual assault services voucher may be used to seek payment for any ambulance services, medical forensic services, laboratory services, pharmacy services, and follow-up healthcare provided as a result of the sexual assault.
- c-5) Beginning January 1, 2026, after services are provided to a survivor as a result of a sexual assault, a sexual assault services voucher may be used to seek payment for transportation to the hospital the survivor initially presented at, the survivor's residence, or a survivor services shelter by taxi or rideshare services, if available. A hospital may obtain written consent of the survivor to use taxi or rideshare services arranged by the hospital.
- (d) Any treatment hospital, treatment hospital with approved pediatric transfer, approved pediatric health care facility, health care professional, ambulance provider, laboratory, or pharmacy may submit a bill for services provided to a sexual assault survivor as a result of a sexual assault to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services Sexual Assault Emergency Treatment Program. The bill shall

include:

- (1) the name and date of birth of the sexual assault survivor;
 - (2) the service provided;
 - (3) the charge of service;
 - (4) the date the service was provided; and
 - (5) the recipient identification number, if known.

A health care professional, ambulance provider, laboratory, or pharmacy is not required to submit a copy of the sexual assault services voucher.

The Department of Healthcare and Family Services Sexual Assault Emergency Treatment Program shall electronically verify, using the Medical Electronic Data Interchange or a successor system, that a sexual assault services voucher was issued to a sexual assault survivor prior to issuing payment for the services.

If a sexual assault services voucher was not issued to a sexual assault survivor by the treatment hospital, treatment hospital with approved pediatric transfer, or approved pediatric health care facility, then a health care professional, ambulance provider, laboratory, or pharmacy may submit a request to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services Sexual Assault Emergency Treatment Program to issue a sexual assault services voucher.

(e) This Section is effective on and after January 1, 2024.

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