

HB2539



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

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Introduced 2/4/2025, by Rep. Maurice A. West, II

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 1305/1-100 new

Amends the Department of Human Services Act. Requires the Department of Human Services to revise all Department forms and billing codes to remove the term "mental retardation" and replace it with "intellectual disability".

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Department of Human Services Act is amended
5 by adding Section 1-100 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 1305/1-100 new)

7 Sec. 1-100. Update terminology; forms and billing codes.
8 No later than one year after the effective date of this
9 amendatory Act of the 104th General Assembly, the Department
10 shall revise all Department forms and billings codes to remove
11 all references to "mental retardation", "mentally retarded
12 person", or any other similar term and replace it with
13 "intellectual disability", "person with an intellectual
14 disability", or a similar phrase that includes reference to
15 intellectual disability as defined in Section 1-116 of the
16 Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code. This change
17 in terminology shall not be construed to invalidate any
18 Department form or billing code that contains a reference to
19 "mental retardation", "mentally retarded person", or any other
20 similar term prior to the date upon which the Department
21 implements the new terminology requirement under this Section.