

SB3395



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

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Introduced 2/4/2026, by Sen. Michael E. Hastings

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Statewide Guardian Ad Litem Training Act. Provides that, after July 1, 2027, a guardian ad litem may not continue to serve as a guardian ad litem or receive an appointment to serve in a family law case or juvenile case unless the guardian ad litem completes training as required under this Act. Provides that, beginning July 1, 2027, a guardian ad litem must complete training on medical literacy. Requires the training to include, at a minimum, the following: (1) information regarding chronic medical conditions; (2) a module covering distinguishing medical advocacy from parental conflict; (3) information regarding consulting treating medical professions; (4) a module covering treatment adherence and risk; and (4) a module covering the ethical limits of a guardian ad litem's medical opinion. Provides that the Act is subject to the supervisory authority of the Illinois Supreme Court.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning courts.

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

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 Statewide Guardian Ad Litem Training Act.

6 Section 5. Legislative Intent. This Act is intended to
7 ensure that guardians ad litem have the foundational knowledge
8 needed to accurately assess medical risk and interpret
9 guidance from medical professionals.

10 Section 10. Local circuit court requirements. Beginning
11 July 1, 2027, a guardian ad litem may not continue to serve as
12 a guardian ad litem or receive an appointment to serve in a
13 family law case or juvenile case unless the guardian ad litem
14 completes training as required under this Act.

15 Section 15. Minimum medical literacy training
16 requirements. Not later than July 1, 2027, a guardian ad litem
17 must complete training on medical literacy. At a minimum, the
18 training must include the following:

- 19 (1) information regarding chronic medical conditions;
20 (2) a module covering distinguishing medical advocacy
21 from parental conflict;

1 (3) information regarding consulting treating medical
2 professionals; and

3 (4) a module covering the ethical limits of a guardian
4 ad litem's medical opinion.

5 Section 20. Authority of the Illinois Supreme Court. This
6 Act is subject to the supervisory authority of the Illinois
7 Supreme Court.