AN ACT concerning health.

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

Section 5. The Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by changing Section 2310-650 as follows:

(20 ILCS 2310/2310-650)

Sec. 2310-650. Influenza vaccination program.

- (a) As used in this Section, "medically contraindicated" means that administration of an influenza vaccine to an employee would likely be detrimental to the employee's health.
- (b) The Department of Public Health may require any facility licensed by the Department to implement an influenza vaccination program that ensures that the employees of the facility are offered the opportunity to be vaccinated against seasonal influenza and any other novel or pandemic influenza viruses as vaccines become available. The Department may adopt rules setting forth the requirements of the influenza vaccination program. A health care employee may decline the offer of vaccination if the vaccine is medically contraindicated, if the vaccination is against the employee's religious beliefs, or if the employee has already been vaccinated. General philosophical or moral reluctance to

influenza vaccinations does not provide a sufficient basis for an exemption.

(Source: P.A. 96-823, eff. 11-25-09.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2018.