

## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 HB5978

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

735 ILCS 5/2-607

from Ch. 110, par. 2-607

Amends the Code of Civil Procedure. Provides that if the pleader does not file and serve a bill of particulars within 28 days of the demand, or if the bill of particulars delivered is insufficient, the court may, among other things, award attorney's fees and costs. Provides a 28-day deadline for moving that a demand for a bill of particulars be denied or modified.

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AN ACT concerning civil law. 1

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

- 4 Section 5. The Code of Civil Procedure is amended by 5 changing Section 2-607 as follows:
- (735 ILCS 5/2-607) (from Ch. 110, par. 2-607) 6
- 7 Sec. 2-607. Bills of particulars.
- 8 (a) Within the time a party is to respond to a pleading, 9 that party may, if allegations are so wanting in details that the responding party should be entitled to a bill of 10 11 particulars, file and serve a notice demanding it. The notice shall point out specifically the defects complained of or the 12 details desired. The pleader shall have 28 days to file and 13 14 serve the bill of particulars, and the party who requested the bill shall have 28 days to plead after being served with the 15 16 bill.
- If the pleader does not file and serve a bill of 17 particulars within 28 days of the demand, or if the bill of 18 19 particulars delivered is insufficient, the court may, on motion and in its discretion, strike the pleading, award attorney's 20 fees and costs, allow further time to furnish the bill of 21 22 particulars, or require a more particular bill to be filed and served.
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- (c) If a bill of particulars, in an action based on a contract, contains the statement of items of indebtedness and is verified by oath, the items thereof are admitted except in so far as the opposite party files an affidavit specifically denying them, and as to each item denied states the facts upon which the denial is based, unless the affidavit is excused by the court.
- 8 (d) If the party on whom a demand for a bill of particulars
  9 has been made believes that the party demanding it is not
  10 entitled to the particulars asked for, he or she may, within 28
  11 days of the demand, move the court that the demand be denied or
  12 modified.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 86-646.)