# 95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 <br> HB0549 

Introduced 2/1/2007, by Rep. Jil Tracy

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 540/3-2 from Ch. 127, par. 132.403-2

Amends the Prompt Payment Act. Provides that any bill submitted under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code approved for payment must be paid or the payment issued to the payee within 30 days (now, 60 days) of receipt of a proper bill or invoice, and, if payment is not issued to the payee within this 30 -day period, an interest penalty of $2.0 \%$ (now, $1.0 \%$ ) of any amount approved and unpaid shall be added for each month or fraction thereof after the end of this 30 -day period, until final payment is made.

## A BILL FOR

AN ACT concerning finance.

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

Section 5. The State Prompt Payment Act is amended by changing Section 3-2 as follows:
(30 ILCS 540/3-2) (from Ch. 127, par. 132.403-2)
(Text of Section before amendment by P.A. 94-972)
Sec. 3-2. Beginning July 1, 1993, in any instance where a State official or agency is late in payment of a vendor's bill or invoice for goods or services furnished to the State, as defined in Section 1, properly approved in accordance with rules promulgated under Section 3-3, the State official or agency shall pay interest to the vendor in accordance with the following:
(1) Any bill, except a bill submitted under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code, approved for payment under this Section must be paid or the payment issued to the payee within 60 days of receipt of a proper bill or invoice. If payment is not issued to the payee within this 60 day period, an interest penalty of $1.0 \%$ of any amount approved and unpaid shall be added for each month or fraction thereof after the end of this 60 day period, until final payment is made. Any bill submitted under Article V
of the Illinois Public Aid Code approved for payment under this Section must be paid or the payment issued to the payee within 30 days of receipt of a proper bill or invoice, and, if payment is not issued to the payee within this 30 -day period, an interest penalty of $2.0 \%$ of any amount approved and unpaid shall be added for each month or fraction thereof after the end of this 30-day period, until final payment is made.
(1.1) A State agency shall review in a timely manner each bill or invoice after its receipt. If the State agency determines that the bill or invoice contains a defect making it unable to process the payment request, the agency shall notify the vendor requesting payment as soon as possible after discovering the defect pursuant to rules promulgated under Section 3-3. The notice shall identify the defect and any additional information necessary to correct the defect.
(2) Where a State official or agency is late in payment of a vendor's bill or invoice properly approved in accordance with this Act, and different late payment terms are not reduced to writing as a contractual agreement, the State official or agency shall automatically pay interest penalties required by this Section amounting to $\$ 50$ or more to the appropriate vendor. Each agency shall be responsible for determining whether an interest penalty is owed and for paying the interest to the vendor. For interest of at least
$\$ 5$ but less than $\$ 50$, the vendor must initiate a written request for the interest penalty when such interest is due and payable. The Department of Central Management Services and the State Comptroller shall jointly promulgate rules establishing the conditions under which interest of less than $\$ 5$ may be claimed and paid. In the event an individual has paid a vendor for services in advance, the provisions of this Section shall apply until payment is made to that individual.
(Source: P.A. 92-384, eff. 7-1-02.)
(Text of Section after amendment by P.A. 94-972)
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fraction thereof after the end of this 60 day period, until final payment is made. Any bill submitted under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code approved for payment under this Section must be paid or the payment issued to the payee within 30 days of receipt of a proper bill or invoice, and, if payment is not issued to the payee within this 30 -day period, an interest penalty of $2.0 \%$ of any amount approved and unpaid shall be added for each month or fraction thereof after the end of this 30 -day period, until final payment is made.
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(2) Where a State official or agency is late in payment
of a vendor's bill or invoice properly approved in accordance with this Act, and different late payment terms are not reduced to writing as a contractual agreement, the State official or agency shall automatically pay interest penalties required by this Section amounting to $\$ 50$ or more to the appropriate vendor. Each agency shall be responsible for determining whether an interest penalty is owed and for paying the interest to the vendor. For interest of at least $\$ 5$ but less than $\$ 50$, the vendor must initiate a written request for the interest penalty when such interest is due and payable. The Department of Central Management Services and the State Comptroller shall jointly promulgate rules establishing the conditions under which interest of less than $\$ 5$ may be claimed and paid. In the event an individual has paid a vendor for services in advance, the provisions of this Section shall apply until payment is made to that individual.
(Source: P.A. 94-972, eff. 7-1-07.)

Section 95. No acceleration or delay. Where this Act makes changes in a statute that is represented in this Act by text that is not yet or no longer in effect (for example, a Section represented by multiple versions), the use of that text does not accelerate or delay the taking effect of (i) the changes made by this Act or (ii) provisions derived from any other Public Act.

