

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

4 Section 5. The Nursing Home Care Act is amended by changing
5 Section 3-310 as follows:

6 (210 ILCS 45/3-310) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 4153-310)

7 Sec. 3-310. Collection of penalties.

8 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), all ~~All~~ penalties
9 shall be paid to the Department within 10 days of receipt of
10 notice of assessment or, if the penalty is contested under
11 Section 3-309, within 10 days of receipt of the final decision,
12 unless the decision is appealed and the order is stayed by
13 court order under Section 3-713. A penalty assessed under this
14 Act shall be collected by the Department and shall be deposited
15 with the State Treasurer into the Long Term Care
16 Monitor/Receiver Fund. If the person or facility against whom a
17 penalty has been assessed does not comply with a written demand
18 for payment within 30 days, the Director shall issue an order
19 to do any of the following:

20 (1) Direct the State Treasurer to deduct the amount of
21 the fine from amounts otherwise due from the State for the
22 penalty and remit that amount to the Department;

23 (2) Add the amount of the penalty to the facility's

1 licensing fee; if the licensee refuses to make the payment
2 at the time of application for renewal of its license, the
3 license shall not be renewed; or

4 (3) Bring an action in circuit court to recover the
5 amount of the penalty.

6 (b) If the Director determines that it would be in the best
7 interests of the residents of a facility to do so, the Director
8 may require that the facility use the amount of any penalty
9 assessed under this Act for the purpose of implementing a
10 directed plan of correction rather than pay the amount of the
11 penalty to the Department as provided in subsection (a). If the
12 Director requires a facility to use the amount of a penalty for
13 the purpose of implementing a directed plan of correction as
14 provided in this subsection, it is the Department's
15 responsibility to ensure that the facility in fact uses the
16 amount of the penalty for that purpose.

17 (c) With the approval of the federal centers for Medicaid
18 and Medicare services, the Director of Public Health shall set
19 aside 50% of the federal civil monetary penalties collected
20 each year to be used to award grants under the Innovations in
21 Long-term Care Quality Grants Act.

22 (Source: P.A. 92-784, eff. 8-6-02.)

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
24 becoming law.